

Enclosure in No. 86.

(See *New Zealand Gazette*, 29th April, 1879.)

No. 87.

COPY of a DESPATCH from the Right Hon. Sir MICHAEL HICKS BEACH to Governor Sir HERCULES ROBINSON.

(No. 56.)

SIR,—

Downing Street, 1st December, 1879.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 58, of the 8th of October last, enclosing for my information copies of the Speech with which, on the 24th of September, you opened the session of the Parliament of New Zealand, together with copies of the Addresses presented to you by both Houses of Parliament, and of your replies thereto.

I have, &c.,

M. E. HICKS BEACH.

Governor Sir Hercules Robinson, G.C.M.G., &c.

No. 88.

COPY of a DESPATCH from the Right Hon. Sir MICHAEL HICKS BEACH to the OFFICER ADMINISTERING the GOVERNMENT of NEW ZEALAND.

(Circular.)

SIR,—

Downing Street, 24th December, 1879.

With reference to my circular despatch of the 18th of March last, I have the honor to transmit to you, for publication in the colony under your government, a copy of a letter from the Foreign Office, enclosing an Order of Her Majesty in Council dated the 15th of December, for giving effect to the convention between this country and the Swiss Confederation, signed at Berne on the 8th of December, prolonging the duration of the Treaty of the 31st of March, 1874, for the mutual extradition of fugitive criminals.

It will be seen that the Order in Council likewise applies to the treaty of the 31st of March, 1874, the protocol of the 28th of November, 1874, the convention of the 19th of June, 1878, and the convention of the 13th of December, 1878.

I have, &c.,

M. E. HICKS BEACH.

The Officer Administering the Government
of New Zealand.

Enclosure in No. 88.

The FOREIGN OFFICE to the COLONIAL OFFICE.

SIR,—

Foreign Office, 17th December, 1879.

I am directed by the Marquis of Salisbury to acquaint you, for the information of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, that an Order in Council for giving effect to the convention between this country and Switzerland, signed at Berne on the 8th of December, 1879, prolonging the duration of the treaty of the 31st of March, 1874, for the mutual extradition of fugitive criminals, was passed on the 15th instant.

This order, of which I enclose three copies, likewise applies to the treaty of the 31st of March, 1874, the protocol of the 28th of November, 1874, the convention of the 19th of June, 1878, and the convention of the 13th of December, 1878.

I have, &c.,

The Under-Secretary of State, Colonial Office.

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Sub-Enclosure to Enclosure in No. 88.

(Extract from the *London Gazette* of Tuesday, 16th December, 1879.)

At the Court at Windsor, the 15th day of December, 1879.

Present: The QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY, PRINCE LEOPOLD, LORD PRESIDENT, EARL OF BEACONSFIELD, MR. SECRETARY CROSS, MR. W. H. SMITH.

WHEREAS by the Extradition Acts of 1870 and 1873, it was amongst other things enacted that, where an arrangement has been made with any foreign State with respect to the surrender to such