No. 8.

(No. 43.)

My Lord,— Government House, Wellington, 27th June, 1884.

I have the honour to report that on the 24th instant I prorogued by Commission the Third Session of the Eighth Parliament of New Zealand, and this day I dissolved Parliament.

I have, &c.

WM. F. DRUMMOND JERVOIS.

The Right Hon. the Earl of Derby.

No. 9.

(No. 44.)

My Lord,-

Government House, Wellington, 27th June, 1884.

With reference to your Lordship's Despatch No. 26, dated the 9th May last, I have the honour to state that, the Parliament of New Zealand having just been dissolved, it will be impossible for the Government of this colony to take any steps in the matters therein referred to until the new Parliament has assembled next month.

I have, &c.

WM. F. DRUMMOND JERVOIS.

The Right Hon. the Earl of Derby.

No. 10.

(No. 45.)

My Lord,— Government House, Wellington, 2nd July, 1884.

I have the honour to transmit herewith copies of "The Public Revenues Act, 1884," passed by the General Assembly of New Zealand, to which I have assented in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty.

I have, &c.

WM. F. DRUMMOND JERVOIS.

The Right Hon. the Earl of Derby.

No. 11.

(No. 46.)

My Lord,— Government House, Wellington, 2nd July, 1884.

I have the honour to inform your Lordship that I purpose leaving Wellington on the 4th instant for Sydney, and proceeding thence to Melbourne, in order to advise the Government of Victoria on matters relating to the defence of that colony. I shall be absent from New Zealand about three weeks.

2. In accordance with paragraph 16 of the Royal Instructions of the 21st February, 1879, I have informed the Executive Council in writing of my intended absence, and have duly appointed the Hon. G. M. Waterhouse, a member of the Legislative Council, Deputy, in accordance with Her Majesty's Letters Patent of the same date.

I enclose herewith a copy of the instrument whereby the Deputy has been appointed.

I have, &c.

WM. F. DRUMMOND JERVOIS.

The Right Hon. the Earl of Derby.

Enclosure.

Appointment of Deputy-Governor.

To all to whom these Presents shall come, I, William Francis Drummond Jervois, Lieutenant-General in Her Majesty's Army, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, the Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same—Send Greeting:

Whereas by a Commission passed under the Royal Sign Manual and Signet, bearing date the twenty-eighth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, Her Majesty the Queen was pleased to appoint me to be Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the said Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, with all and singular the powers granted to the Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the said colony in Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing date the twenty-first day of February, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine, as in the said Commission is particularly set forth: