No. 8.

(New Zealand, No. 55.)

SIR,

Downing Street, 18th August, 1885.

A.-1A, 1885, No. 57. With reference to your Despatch No. 81, of the 20th of June last, I have the honour to transmit to you a copy of a letter from the War Office relating to the application for a gratuity from James Farrell, late gunner in the Royal Artillery. In acquainting Farrell with the result of his application I have to request that you will return to him the parchment certificate which accompanied it, and which is enclosed.

I have, &c.,

FRED. STANLEY.

Governor Sir W. F. D. Jervois, G.C.M.G., C.B., &c.

Enclosure.

Financial Secretary's Department, War Office, 11th August, 1885.

I am directed by the Secretary of State for War to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 31st ultimo, transmitting a copy of a despatch from the Governor of New Zealand, together with the parchment certificate of discharge of Gunner James Farrell, Royal Artillery, in support of a claim made by that man for settling in the colony. In reply I am to acquaint you, for the information of Sir W. Jervois, that, as the man re-engaged to complete twenty-one years' service after the 27th December, 1870, he is not entitled to any gratuity. Enclosures returned.

I have, &c.,

The Under-Secretary of State, Colonial Office, S.W.

H. T. DE LA BERE.

No. 9.

(New Zealand, General.)

Downing Street, 26th August, 1885.

A.-1, 1884, No. 16.

A.-1a, 1885, No. 62. A.-1, 1885,

No. 33.

SIR,-

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 54, of the 8th August, 1884, suggesting the issue of an Order in Council, under section 104 of "The Patents, Designs, and Trade-marks Act, 1883," applying section 103 of that Act to the colony under your government.

In reply I have to state that Her Majesty's Government are not prepared to advise Her Majesty to issue an Order in Council applying section 103 of the Act to any colony unless the colonial law secures to a person who has applied for a patent or for registration of a design or trade-mark in the United Kingdom the same benefit in the colony—namely, the right to a patent or registration in priority to other applicants, if applied for within the prescribed period—as is secured in the United Kingdom by the 103rd section of the Act to a person who has applied for a patent or registration of a design or trade-mark in a colony to which the provisions of that section are applied by Order in Council; and that they are not satisfied that the laws of New Zealand fulfil that requirement. It will, no doubt, be necessary to call your attention, as well as that of the Governors of other colonies, to other alterations of the colonial laws which will be required if the colonies desire to join the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, the nature and extent of which alterations are still under consideration; and I propose to address you on a future occasion in a despatch dealing comprehensively with the whole question.

I have, &c.,

FRED. STANLEY.

Governor Sir W. F. D. Jervois, G.C.M.G., C.B., &c.

No. 10.

(New Zealand, No. 56.)

Sir,— Downing Street, 1st September, 1885.

In reply to your Despatch No. 89, of the 18th of July, respecting a clerical error in Mr. Stout's memorandum of the 12th March last, I have the honour to acquaint you, for the information of your Government, that that memorandum