No. 32.

(New Zealand, No. 48.)

Downing Street, 10th August, 1887. Sir.-

I am directed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies to acquaint you that an application has been received from the German Ambassador at this Court for the issue of an Exequatur to Mr. August Friedrich Castendyke, to enable him to act as Vice-Consul for Germany at Wellington, in the circumstance set forth in the accompanying letter.

As this gentleman appears to be resident in the colony under your Government, I am to request you to report whether you are aware, or not, of any objection to his appointment; and, if not, you will recognise him provisionally in

that capacity until the arrival of the Exequatur.

ROBERT G. W. HERBERT.

The Officer Administering the Government of New Zealand.

No. 33.

(Circular.)

A.-1, 1888, No. 1.

SIR,— Downing Street, 13th August, 1887.

I have the honour to transmit to you, for the information of the colony under your Government, the accompanying copy of a Proclamation, issued by Her Majesty the Queen, by and with the advice of the Privy Council, respecting certain changes in the designs, &c., of the gold and silver coins, and the issue of a new silver coin called the double florin.

I have to request that you will take steps to publish this Proclamation in the usual manner in the colony under your Government.

I have, &c.,

H. T. HOLLAND.

The Officer Administering the Government of New Zealand.

[For enclosure, see New Zealand Gazette, 20th October, 1887, p. 1326.]

No. 34.

(New Zealand, No. 52.)

Downing Street, 15th August, 1887. Sir,-

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 60, of the 28th June, transmitting a letter addressed to my predecessor by Mr. John Bryce, member of the House of Representatives of New Zealand, in connection with the case of Bryce v. Rusden.

I request that you will inform Mr. Bryce that, having given my best attention to the subject of his letter, I must refer him to the terms of the reply which I made to a question on the subject put to me in the House of Commons on the 8th instant, and that I am not of opinion that the circumstances of the case are such as to require any interference on my part.

I have, &c.,

H. T. HOLLAND.

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

No. 34a.

COPY of TELEGRAM from Sir Henry Holland to the Governors of the Australasian Colonies.—(Sent 19th August, 1887.)

IMPORTANT to know decision of your Ministers as to draft agreement increase of naval force. Telegraph acceptance or not as soon as possible.

No. 35.

(New Zealand, No. 53.)

Downing Street, 22nd August, 1887. SIR,-I have the honour to inform you that Her Majesty will not be advised to exercise her power of disallowance with respect to the following Acts of the