

the correspondence in the case of the convict Gasparini. I request that you will inform Mr. Fisher that his letter was duly received by me.

I have, &c.,

KNUTSFORD.

Governor the Right Hon. the Earl of Onslow, G.C.M.G., &c.

No. 40.

Downing Street, 20th December, 1889.

INTIMATING that Her Majesty will not be advised to exercise her power of disallowance of the Acts of the New Zealand Parliament, session of 1889.

[For list of Acts see *New Zealand Gazette* No. 9, 20th February, 1890.]

No. 41.

TELEGRAM from the SECRETARY of STATE.—28th December, 1889.

REFERRING to your telegram of 21st December, do not proceed with proposed A.-1, 1890, No. 35 annexation. Will wait for your despatch. Governor of Tasmania quite right.

No. 42.

(New Zealand, No. 3.)

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 10th January, 1890.

I have the honour to acquaint you, for the information of your Government, that I have received a letter from the War Office, stating that Major-General Edwards has requested that an acknowledgment of the kindness and hospitality he received from yourself and your Ministers during his inspection of the forces of the colony may be conveyed to you and them.

I have much pleasure in complying with Major-General Edwards's wishes, and desire to add, on behalf of Her Majesty's Government, an expression of their appreciation of the manner in which that officer was everywhere received, and their hope that permanent benefit to the Colonies of Australasia may result from his visit.

I have, &c.,

KNUTSFORD.

Governor the Right Hon. the Earl of Onslow, G.C.M.G., &c.

No. 43.

(New Zealand, No. 5.)

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 22nd January, 1890.

With reference to your Lordship's Despatch No. 60, of the 7th November last, I have the honour to transmit to you, for communication to your Government, a copy of a letter from the Record Office, forwarding copies of papers relating to the purchase of land in Otago from Natives.

I have, &c.,

KNUTSFORD.

Governor the Right Hon. the Earl of Onslow, G.C.M.G., &c.

[For Enclosure, see I.-10, 1889.]

No. 44.

TELEGRAM from the SECRETARY of STATE.—27th January, 1890.

I HAVE received Her Majesty's commands to offer congratulations to people of New Zealand on fiftieth year of prosperity and good government, and warm wishes for continued welfare.

No. 45.

TELEGRAM from the SECRETARY of STATE.—27th January, 1890.

It gives me much pleasure to convey congratulations on behalf of Her Majesty's Government on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of acquisition of New Zealand.