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SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 2nd April, 1898.

In reference to your circular of the 20th December, 1897, I have the honour to inform you that I have called the attention of my Ministers to the same.

They desire to point out that section 34, subsection (7), of "The Shipping and Seamen's Act Amendment Act, 1894," makes undermanning a ground for the detention of a vessel.

I have, &c.,

The Right Hon. J. Chamberlain,
Secretary of State for the Colonies.

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