(No. 97.)

No. 115.

Downing Street, 6th February, 1902.

I have the honour to inform you that His Majesty will not be advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to the Act, No. 53 of 1901, of the Legislature of New Zealand, entitled "An Act to amend The Military Pensions Act, 1866," and to extend the Provisions of The Military Pensions Extension to Contingents Act, 1900," so as to include the Sixth and Seventh Contingents," a transcript of which accompanied your despatch (No. 126) of the 18th December last.

I have, &c.,

A.-1, 1902. No. 69.

J. CHAMBERLAIN.

The Officer Administering the Government of New Zealand.

(No. 18.)

No. 116.

My Lord,— Downing Street, 7th February, 1902.

I have the honour to inform you that His Majesty will not be advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to the Act, No. 44 of 1901, of the Legislature of New Zealand, entitled "An Act to provide temporarily for the Government of the Cook and other Islands in the Pacific within the Boundaries of the Colony of New Zealand," a transcript of which accompanied your despatch (No. 126) of the 18th December last.

A.-1, 1902, No. 69.

I have, &c.,

J. CHAMBERLAIN.

The Officer Administering the Government of New Zealand.

(Circular.)

No. 117.

Sir,— Downing Street, 10th February, 1902.

I have the honour to transmit to you, for your information and with a view to its publication in the colony under your government, the accompanying copy of a Proclamation by the King in Council determining new designs for silver coins.

I have, &c.,

J. CHAMBERLAIN.

The Officer Administering the Government of New Zealand.

## By the King.—A Proclamation. EDWARD R. and I.

Whereas under section eleven of "The Coinage Act, 1870," We have have power, with the advice of our Privy Council, from time to time by Proclamation to determine the design for any coin.

And whereas it appears to Us desirable to determine new designs for the silver coins specified in this Proclamation, being silver coins mentioned in the First Schedule to "The Coinage Act, 1870."

We therefore, in pursuance of the said enactment and of all other powers enabling Us in that behalf, do hereby, by and with the advice of our Privy Council, proclaim, direct, and ordain as follows:—

1. The designs for the said silver coins shall be as follows:—

Crown.—Every crown shall have for the obverse impression our effigy, with the inscription "Edwardus vii dei gra: brit: omn: rex fid: def: ind: imp:" and for the reverse the image of Saint George armed, sitting on horseback, attacking the dragon with a sword, and a broken spear upon the ground, and the date of the year, and on the edge of the piece in raised letters "Decus et tutamen anno regni," the year of the reign being in Roman numeral letters.
 Half-Crown.—Every half-crown shall have for the obverse impression the aforesaid

(2.) Half-Crown.—Every half-crown shall have for the obverse impression the aforesaid effigy, with the inscription "Edwardus vii dei gra: brit: omn: rex"; and for the reverse the Ensigns Armorial of the United Kingdom, contained in a shield surmounted by the Royal Crown, and surrounded by the Garter bearing the motto "Honi soit qui mal y pense," with the inscription "Fid: def: Ind: imp:" together with the words "Half crown," and the date of the year, with a graining upon the edge.

(3.) Florin.—Every florin shall have the same obverse impression as the half-crown, with the inscription "EDWARDUS VII D. G. BRITT: OMN: REX F. D. IND: IMP:" and for the reverse the figure of Britannia standing upon the prow of a vessel, her