

No. 1.

(Circular.)

SIR,—

Downing Street, 13th November, 1900.

I have the honour to transmit to you, for publication in the colony under your government, a copy of a Convention between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Costa Rica for the reciprocal protection of trade-marks and designs, signed at Guatemala on the 5th March, 1898, the ratifications of which were exchanged in London on the 29th September, 1900.

2. I have to call your attention to Article II. of the Convention, from which you will observe that, if it is desired that the stipulations of the Convention should be made applicable to the colony under your government, notice to that effect must be given to the President of the Republic of Costa Rica within one year from the date of the exchange of the ratifications.

3. I have therefore to request that you will be good enough to inform me at your early convenience of the wishes of your Government in the matter.

I have, &c.,

J. CHAMBERLAIN.

The Officer Administering the Government of New Zealand.

[For enclosure, see *New Zealand Gazette*, 25th January, 1901, page 232.]

No. 2.

(No. 101.)

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 23rd November, 1900.

In continuation of my despatch (No. 92) of the 31st ultimo, I have the honour to forward to you one sealed and six plain copies of an Order in Council, dated the 12th instant, declaring Her Majesty's assent to the reserved Bill of the Legislature of New Zealand entitled "An Act to amend the Law relating to the Establishment and Travelling-allowances of the Governor," copies of which were forwarded in your despatch (No. 63) of the 29th August last.

A.—1, 1901,
No. 28.

I have, &c.,

H. BERTRAM COX,

For the Secretary of State.

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

Enclosure.

At the Court at Windsor, the 12th day of November, 1900. Present: The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, Lord President, Marquess of Salisbury, Marquess of Lansdowne, Lord Chamberlain, Earl of Selbourne, Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Brodrick, Sir Fleetwood Edwards, Mr. Gerald Balfour.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the session held in the fifteenth and sixteenth years of Her Majesty's Reign, entitled "An Act to grant a Representative Constitution to the Colony of New Zealand," it is, amongst other things, declared that no Bill which shall be reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon shall have any force or authority within the Colony of New Zealand until the Governor of the said colony shall signify either by speech or message to the Legislative Council and House of Representatives of the said colony, or by Proclamation, that such Bill has been laid before Her Majesty in Council, and that Her Majesty has been pleased to assent to the same:

And whereas a certain Bill passed by the Legislative Council and House of Representatives of the said colony, entitled "An Act to amend the Law relating to the Establishment and Travelling-allowances of the Governor," was presented to the Officer Administering the Government of the said colony for Her Majesty's assent:

And whereas the said Bill was reserved by the said Officer for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon:

And whereas the said Bill so reserved as aforesaid has been laid before Her Majesty in Council and it is expedient that the said Bill should be assented to by Her Majesty.

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, in pursuance of the said Act, and in exercise of the power, thereby reserved to Her Majesty as aforesaid, doth by this present Order, by and with the advice of Her Majesty's Privy Council, declare her assent to the said Bill.

A. W. FITZROY.