

additional crimes; the further declaration of the 21st April, 1887, amending Article I. of the treaty of the 20th May, 1876; and the convention of the 27th August, 1896, further amending the treaty of the 20th May, 1876, shall all cease to have effect; but the present treaty shall apply to all crimes within the treaty whether committed before or after the day when it comes into force.

Either party may at any time terminate the treaty on giving to the other six months' notice of its intention.

Article XVI.

The present treaty shall be ratified, and the ratifications shall be exchanged at Brussels as soon as may be within six weeks from the date of signature.

In witness whereof the respective Plenipotentiaries have signed the same, and have affixed thereto the seals of their arms.

Done at Brussels, the 29th day of October, in the year of our Lord 1901.

(L.S.)

CONSTANTINE PHIPPS.

(L.S.)

FAVEREAUX.

And whereas the ratifications of the said treaty were exchanged at Brussels on the 6th day of December, 1901.

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, and in virtue of the authority committed to Him by the said recited Acts, doth order, and it is hereby ordered, that from and after the 17th day of March, 1902, the said Acts shall apply in the case of Belgium, and of the said treaty with Belgium:

Provided always that the operation of the said Acts shall be and remain suspended within the Dominion of Canada so long as an Act of the Parliament of Canada passed in 1886, and entitled "An Act respecting the Extradition of Fugitive Criminals," shall continue in force there, and no longer.

A. W. FITZROY.

No. 6.

(Miscellaneous.)

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 29th March, 1902.

A.-1, 1902,
No. 68.

With reference to your Lordship's despatch (No. 125) of the 16th December last, enclosing draft amended regulations to govern the issue of the distinguished conduct, meritorious service, and long-service and good-conduct medals to the New Zealand Permanent Forces, I have the honour to transmit to you, for the information of your Government, a copy of a letter from the War Office on the subject, from which it will be observed that Mr. Brodrick concurs generally in the draft regulations, but suggests certain minor amendments.

I have, &c.,

J. CHAMBERLAIN.

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

Enclosure.

SIR,—

War Office, London, S.W., 20th March, 1902.

I am directed by the Secretary of State for War to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th ultimo (No. 2709/1901/2), and in reply to acquaint you that he concurs in the draft regulations to govern the issue of the long-service and good-conduct medals to the New Zealand Permanent Forces.

I am, however, to point out that the Royal Warrant of the 31st May, 1895, should be quoted in the heading as the authority for the issue of the regulations.

As regards the regulations of the medal for distinguished conduct, Mr. Brodrick would suggest that, as the medal does not bear the Royal effigy, the words "having on one side the Royal effigy," should be struck out.

With respect to the medal for meritorious service, Mr. Brodrick would point out that an insertion should be made in the regulations to the effect that certified extracts from the court-martial book should also accompany recommendations for the medal.

I am, &c.,

The Under-Secretary of State, Colonial Office.

G. FLEETWOOD WILSON.

No. 7.

(No. 33.)

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 1st April, 1902.

A.-1, 1902,
No. 69.

With reference to your despatch (No. 126) of the 18th December last, I have the honour to forward to you one sealed and six plain copies of an Order in Council declaring His Majesty's assent to the reserved Bill of the Parliament of New Zealand, entitled "An Act to establish and define an Ensign for New Zealand."