PLUNKET, Governor.

In exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section twenty-two of "The Licensing Acts Amendment Act, 1904," and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand doth hereby appoint

WILLIAM JAMES STEVENSON, Rarotonga, John Thompson Large, Mangaia, John Choenneth Cameron, Aitutaki, and Martin John Nagle, Penrhyn,

being officers of H.M. Customs, to be the officers who may sell or supply liquor under the provisions of the said section twenty-two in the Cook and other Islands referred to therein.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this twenty-fourth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and six.

C. H. MILLS.

No. 160.

Sir,— Cook and other Islands Administration, Wellington, 8th March, 1906.

I am in receipt of your letter of the 22nd January, forwarding particulars of the import No. 124.

and export trade of the Cook and Northern Islands during the year ending the 31st December, 1905.

In view of the fact that some of the islands suffered serious loss as the result of the hurricane of January, 1905, the returns you have furnished must be considered satisfactory.

I am writing you in a separate letter with reference to the trade in limejuice and coffee.

I have, &c.,

The Resident Commissioner, Rarotonga.

C. H. MILLS.

No. 161.

Cook and other Islands Administration, Wellington, 10th March, 1906.

I am in receipt of your letter of the 9th January, and approve of your suggestion that Mr. Hugh McCrone Connal be appointed Chief Surveyor and Civil Engineer for the Cook Islands under the provisions of section 5 of "The Cook and other Islands Government Act, 1901." The Warrant of appointment is being forwarded to the Governor for signature, and will be sent to you when completed.

I have, &c.,

The Resident Commissioner, Rarotonga.

C. H. MILLS.

No. 162.

Sir,—

Niue Island Administration, Niue, 10th March, 1906.

I have the honour to forward to you herewith Ordinance No. 17, "The Niue Island Public Roads and Landing Reserves Dedication Ordinance, 1906," for the consideration of His Excellency the Governor.

This Ordinance was brought before three meetings of the Council and fully debated, and finally

passed unanimously on the 8th instant.

I deemed it better to have the roads, &c., vested in His Majesty by Ordinance, instead of taking them by Proclamation under the means provided, as less likely to rouse suspicion in the minds of this very sensitive people. Any further steps that may be essential can now be taken at any time.

I have, &c.,

C. F. Maxwell,

C. F. MAXWELL,
Resident Commissioner.

The Hon. C. H. Mills, Minister in Charge Cook and other Islands, Wellington.

Enclosure.

NIUE ISLAND ORDINANCE No. 17.—NIUE ISLAND PUBLIC ROADS AND LANDING RESERVES DEDICA-TION ORDINANCE, 1906.

Niue Island Council.

Whereas it is expedient that the roads and landing-places in Niue should be dedicated to His Majesty King Edward VII, and thereby withdrawn from the control of private individuals:

Be it therefore enacted by the Niue Island Council, as follows:—
1. The Short Title of this Ordinance is "The Niue Island Public Roads and Landing Reserves Dedication Ordinance, 1906,"