No. 6.

New Zealand, No. 74.

My Lord,—

Downing Street, 2nd April, 1909.

A.-1, 1910, No. 15. I have the honour to request that you will inform your Ministers that an application has been received from the Danish Minister at this Court on the subject of the appointment of Mr. Odin Möller to take charge, temporarily, of the Consulate of Denmark at Christchurch. A copy of the Danish Minister's note is enclosed.

As this gentleman is in New Zealand, I have to request that you will report whether there is any objection to this appointment; and, if not, that you will recognise him in that capacity, and report when you have done so.

I have, &c.,

CREWE.

The Officer administering the Government of New Zealand.

No. 7.

New Zealand, No. 77.

My Lord,—

Downing Street, 7th April, 1909.

A.-1, 1910, No. 18. I have the honour to request that you will inform your Ministers that an application has been received from the Japanese Ambassador at this Court for the issue of an exequatur to Mr. Thomas Young, who has been appointed Consul of Japan at Wellington.

As this gentleman is presumably in New Zealand, I have to request that you will report whether there is any objection to his appointment; and, if not, that you will recognise him provisionally in that capacity until the arrival of the exequatur, and report when you have done so.

I have, &c., CREWE.

The Officer administering the Government of New Zealand.

No. 8.

Circular.—N.Z., 85.

Sir,— Downing Street, 10th April, 1909.

I have the honour to address you with reference to my predecessor's circular of the 31st July, 1906, outlining a scheme for the support and development of the scientific and commercial work of the Imperial Institute, and proposing its experimental adoption for a term of three or five years from the 1st October, 1906.

- 2. The Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, after consideration of the replies from all parts of the Empire, agreed to make the contribution promised in the terms of paragraph 4 of that circular for three years—a period which will terminate on the 30th September next. The receipts from the colonies and protectorates, including certain grants from dominions possessing responsible Government, which can properly be set against the Imperial contribution, have amounted to £2,911 8s. 6d. in the year from 1st October, 1906, to 30th September, 1907, and to £3,398 18s. 6d. in the year from 1st October, 1907, to 30th September, 1908.
- 3. Since the 1st October, 1907, the management of the Imperial Institute has been intrusted to the Colonial Office by the Board of Trade, and in the same month arrangements were made to take over the Indian Section of the Institute.
- 4. The work done by the Imperial Institute during the years 1906 and 1907 is described in the enclosed report, a copy of which has already been sent to you. It is regretted that the publication of this report was unduly delayed, and it is hoped to publish the report for 1908, which is now in course of preparation, in about two months. A report on the cottons grown in British possessions (Cd. 3997) has already been communicated to you, and a similar report on fibres is now being printed.