

## No. 15.

New Zealand, No. 88.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 22nd April, 1910.

I have the honour to transmit to you, for the information of your Ministers, the papers noted below on the subject of the Money-order Convention between France and New Zealand.

I have, &c.,  
CREWE.

The Officer administering the Government of New Zealand.

| Date.                  | Description.             |
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| 18th April, 1910 .. .. | From the Foreign Office. |

## Enclosure.

THE Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs presents his compliments to the Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, and, by direction of the Secretary of State, transmits herewith copy of the undermentioned paper.

Foreign Office, 18th April, 1910.

SIR,—

Paris, 14th April, 1910.

With reference to your despatch, No. 28 (Treaty, 9271), of the 11th instant, I have the honour to inform you that the Convention for the exchange of Money-orders between New Zealand and France, which was signed here on the 1st December last, has not yet been approved by the French Parliament.

I have, however, informed the French Government officially that I have been instructed to exchange His Majesty's ratification against that of the President in due course.

I have, &amp;c.,

The Right Hon. Sir Edward Grey, Bart., M.P., &amp;c.

FRANCIS BERTIE.

## No. 16.

New Zealand, No. 89.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 22nd April, 1910.

With reference to my despatch, No. 46, of the 11th March, I have the honour to transmit to you, for the information of your Ministers, the accompanying translation of a note from the Spanish Foreign Minister to the British representative at Madrid, giving the names and qualifications of the gentlemen nominated by the King of Spain to fill the posts of President of the Joint Court and Public Prosecutor in the New Hebrides.

2. I am in communication by telegraph with the High Commissioner for the Western Pacific, with a view to their early departure to take up their appointments in the group.

I have, &amp;c.,

CREWE.

Governor the Right Hon. Lord Plunket, G.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., &amp;c.

## Enclosure.

SIR,—

Madrid, 7th April, 1910.

With reference to Your Excellency's note of the 17th December last, I have the honour to inform you that His Majesty the King, my August Sovereign, in fulfilment of the charge which he undertook of nominating certain officials for the Joint Court of the New Hebrides, in accordance with the provisions of the agreement signed between Great Britain and France on the 20th October, 1906, has been pleased to appoint Senor Don Tomas Alonso y Zabala, Conde de Buena Esperanza, Doctor of Civil Law (Licenciado en Derecho), ex-Civil Governor of various Provinces, ex-Secretary to the Governor-General of Puerto Rico, and formerly Legal Adviser (Letrado) to the Administrative Council of the Island of Cuba, for the post of President of the Joint Court; and Senor Don Alfonso Aguirre y Cárier, Conde de Andino, Doctor of Civil Law, Doctor of Philosophy, Doctor of Letters, and First Class Clerk (Official Primero) in the Treasury, for the post of Public Prosecutor of the Joint Court.

In communicating the above to Your Excellency, for the information of His Britannic Majesty's Government, in the hope that these nominations will be agreeable to them.

I avail, &amp;c.,

MANUEL CARCIA PRIETO.

His Excellency Sir Maurice de Bunsen, G.C.M.G., &amp;c.