

also by the Board. On the 3rd December, 1910, the Harbour Board Empowering Act, 1910 (1910, No. 35, Local), became law, providing for —

- (1.) The postponement of dock-construction for the present.
- (2.) Making the work optional instead of mandatory.
- (3.) Vesting certain lands in the Board, without restriction or conditions, for the purposes for which it is constituted.
- (4.) Setting free for other works the balance of the unexpended dock-moneys then held in the fund.
- (5.) Making provision for reserving and setting-aside at the option of the Board £250,000 out of the million loan sanctioned by the Wellington Harbour Board Reclamation and Empowering Act, 1908, for construction of a dock when deemed necessary.

The Board has since let a contract for the removal of piles, &c., from the old dock-site, and will, at its next meeting, consider the question of calling tenders for construction of a sea wall across the dock-entrance as a preliminary to reclaiming the site.

Trusting this is the information you require,

The Secretary, Marine Department, Wellington.

I have, &c.,

H. E. NICHOLLS, Secretary.

No. 23.

New Zealand, No. 95.

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 6th July, 1911.

A.—2, 1912,
No. 18.

With reference to your despatch, No. 165, of the 5th May last, relative to letters of request from foreign tribunals, I have the honour to transmit to you copies of rules made by my Government under the Judicature Act, 1908, of New Zealand, respecting such letters of request.

I have, &c.,

ISLINGTON,

Governor.

The Right Hon. Lewis V. Harcourt, P.C., &c.,
Secretary of State for the Colonies.

No. 24.

New Zealand, No. 96.

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 7th July, 1911.

In continuation of my despatch, No. 89, of the 29th June, forwarding messages of congratulation and loyalty from New Zealand to His Majesty the King on the occasion of his Coronation, I have the honour to transmit to you copy of a congratulatory resolution passed by the Wellington Savage Club.

I have, &c.,

ISLINGTON,

Governor.

The Right Hon. Lewis V. Harcourt, P.C., &c.,
Secretary of State for the Colonies.

No. 25.

New Zealand, No. 98.

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 13th July, 1911.

A.—2, 1911,
No. 139.

With reference to your despatch, No. 90, of the 10th March, regarding the sterilization in India of animal manures intended for shipment to New Zealand, I have the honour to transmit to you the enclosed copy of a memorandum, dated the 10th July, received from my Acting Prime Minister, asking for the further information promised on the subject.

I have, &c.,

ISLINGTON,

Governor.

The Right Hon. Lewis V. Harcourt, P.C., &c.,
Secretary of State for the Colonies.