

2. After consultation with my Ministers, I have decided to make the investiture on Dominion Day, the 27th instant, as, in my opinion, this would be a fitting occasion for the ceremony.

3. I will forward to you in due course a report of the investiture.

I have, &c.,

ISLINGTON,

Governor.

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

No. 38.

New Zealand, No. 124.

SIR,— Government House, Wellington, 15th September, 1911.

With reference to your despatch, No. 44, of the 8th February, I have the honour to inform you, at the request of my Ministers, that the adherence of the New Zealand Government may now be notified to the Berne Convention of the 26th September, 1906, regarding the prohibition of the use of white phosphorus in matches.

I have, &c.,

ISLINGTON,

Governor.

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

No. 39.

New Zealand, No. 127.

SIR,— Government House, Wellington, 21st September, 1911.

With reference to your despatch, No. 144, of the 21st April, forwarding copies of the report on the Dominions Department for the year 1910–11, and inviting suggestions and criticisms as to the contents of same, I have the honour to inform you that my Ministers have no remarks to offer respecting the report.

I have, &c.,

ISLINGTON,

Governor.

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

No. 40.

New Zealand, No. 128.

SIR,— Government House, Wellington, 21st September, 1911.

Referring to your despatch, No. 239, of the 18th July, relative to the application of the Peruvian Chargé d'Affaires for the issue of an exequatur to Senor Don Ambrosio Millar as Peruvian Consul at Auckland, I have the honour to inform you that my Government has no objection to the appointment of this gentleman.

Notification of provisional recognition of the appointment was published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the 14th September, 1911.

I have, &c.,

ISLINGTON,

Governor.

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

No. 41.

New Zealand, No. 131.

SIR,— Government House, Wellington, 12th October, 1911.

I have the honour to transmit to you a copy of the report of the General Officer Commanding the Defence Forces of New Zealand for the period from the 7th December, 1910, to the 27th July, 1911.

I have, &c.,

ISLINGTON,

Governor.

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