Trade Commissioner for New Zealand, I have the honour to inform you that notification of the appointment was published in the New Zealand Gazette of I have, &c., the 26th October, 1911, page 3162.

ISLINGTON.

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

Governor.

No. 48.

New Zealand, No. 139.

SIR,-

Government House, Wellington, 9th November, 1911. With reference to my despatch, No. 80, of the 8th June, and to your despatch, No. 272, of the 9th August, relative to the case of Anders Andersen, I have the honour to transmit to you a copy of a memorandum, dated the 3rd November, 1911, which I have received from my Prime Minister, in which it is stated that the New Zealand Parliament has now voted the sum of £400 as compensation to the Norwegian Government, and that the High Commissioner for New Zealand has accordingly been instructed to pay that amount to the Government of Norway, after consultation with you.

I have, &c.,

ISLINGTON.

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

Governor.

No. 49.

New Zealand, No. 140.

Sir,— Government House, Wellington, 9th November, 1911.

With reference to your despatch, No. 220, of the 6th July last, on the A.-2, 1912, subject of the International Agreement for the Suppression of Obscene Publica-No. 52. tions, I have the honour to inform you, at the request of my Ministers, that my Government desires that notice should be given of the accession of New Zealand I have, &c., to this Convention.

ISLINGTON,

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

Governor.

No. 50.

New Zealand, No. 142.

Government House, Wellington, 9th November, 1911. SIR.

Adverting to your despatch, No. 316, of the 8th September last, asking A.-2, 1912, to be furnished with the text of the decision of my Government to recognize in No. 95. New Zealand official passenger-steamer certificates issued in France, I have the honour to inform you that the decision to recognize these certificates was an executive one by the Minister of Marine, and that all Collectors of Customs in New Zealand were notified of this decision.

My Government is of opinion that no further action is necessary in the matter, as the decision and the instructions issued are sufficient to ensure the recognition of the certificates.

2. I beg to transmit to you the accompanying copy of the instructions issued

to the Collectors of Customs on the subject.

I have, &c.,

ISLINGTON,

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

Governor.

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