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New Zealand, No. 168.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 2nd May, 1913.

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With reference to paragraph 3 of my despatch, No. 110, of the 14th March, I have the honour to transmit to Your Excellency, to be laid before your Ministers, copy of a letter from the Foreign Office, in which the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs expresses his appreciation of the assistance which Mr. J. W. Salmond, K.C., Solicitor-General of New Zealand, has rendered in connection with the Webster land claims during his visit to England, and the hope of His Majesty's Government that it may be possible for your Ministers to allow Mr. Salmond to be present at Washington when the claims are eventually heard by the Pecuniary Claims Tribunal.

I have, &c.,

L. HARCOURT.

Governor His Excellency the Right Hon. the Earl of Liverpool,
K.C.M.G., M.V.O., &c.

Enclosure.

SIR,—

Foreign Office, 28th April, 1913.

With reference to previous correspondence on the subject of the visit to England of Mr. J. W. Salmond, Solicitor-General for New Zealand, in connection with the Webster claim, I am directed by Secretary Sir E. Grey to inform you that Mr. Salmond's visit has proved to be very useful, and his assistance in working at the claim has been of great service.

I am to suggest that the New Zealand Government should be thanked for having sent Mr. Salmond, and that it should be intimated to them that his presence at Washington when the claim comes forward for argument before the Pecuniary Claims Tribunal would be of the greatest value, and that His Majesty's Government hope that it may be possible for him then to visit Washington.

I am, &c.,

The Under-Secretary of State, Colonial Office.

LOUIS MALLET.

No. 24.

New Zealand, No. 173.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 9th May, 1913.

I have the honour to transmit to Your Excellency, for the information of your Ministers, copies as laid before Parliament in the treaty series of a declaration signed at Berlin, 25th March, 1913, additional to the agreement of 27th March, 1874, between the United Kingdom and Germany, respecting the recognition of joint-stock companies, &c.

I have, &c.,

L. HARCOURT.

Governor His Excellency the Right Hon. the Earl of Liverpool,
K.C.M.G., M.V.O., &c.

Enclosure.

DECLARATION ADDITIONAL TO THE AGREEMENT OF THE 27TH MARCH, 1874, BETWEEN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND GERMANY RESPECTING THE RECOGNITION OF JOINT-STOCK COMPANIES, ETC.

(Signed at Berlin, 25th March, 1913.)

Declaration Additional to the Agreement of 27th, March, 1874, between Great Britain and the German Empire respecting the Reciprocal Recognition of Joint-stock Companies and other Commercial, Industrial, and Financial Associations.

IN order to give a wider scope to the agreement of the 27th March, 1874, between Great Britain and the German Empire respecting the reciprocal recognition of joint-stock companies and other commercial, industrial, and financial associations, the Government of His Majesty the King of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperor of India, and the Government of His Majesty the German Emperor, King of Prussia, have agreed:

That the agreement of 1874 shall extend to the protectorates and Consular Court districts of both parties to that agreement, so that the companies of either party established in its dominions, protectorates, and Consular Court districts shall be entitled in the dominions, protectorates, and Consular Court districts of the other party to all the rights and privileges accorded by that agreement.

It is further understood that the term "joint-stock companies and other commercial, industrial, and financial associations" includes those German colonial companies which are engaged in commercial undertakings.

In witness whereof the respective Plenipotentiaries have signed this declaration and have affixed thereto the seal of their arms.

Done at Berlin the 25th March, 1913, in duplicate.

W. E. GOSCHEN.
JAGOW.