

to the credit of your Government in the books of the Crown Agents for the Colonies on the 31st December, 1914, and one return showing the variation during the quarter ended on that date in the cash balances and securities held in trust on behalf of your Government.

These statements have been prepared by the Crown Agents and verified by the Comptroller and Auditor-General, whose certificate is appended.

It will not be necessary for you to reply specially to this despatch unless the particulars shown in the Agents' statements should differ from the accounts which they have sent direct to the colony. In case of any discrepancy it is indispensable that an immediate advice showing the details of the differences should be sent to me.

I have, &c.,

L. HARCOURT.

The Officer Administering the Government of New Zealand.

No. 9.

New Zealand, No. 177.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 16th April, 1915.

I have the honour to transmit to Your Excellency, for the information of your Ministers, a copy of a telegram from His Majesty's Consul at Colon to the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, advising that all British ships should obtain a certificate showing the net tonnage under the United States measurement rules.

I have, &c.,

L. HARCOURT.

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

Enclosure.

PANAMA.—TRADE AND TREATY.

Decode of Telegram from Mr. Consul CHALKLEY, Colon, 30th March, 1915.

In consequence of decision of Attorney-General of the United States that Panama Canal tolls must not exceed 1 dollar 25 cents per ton net, United States measurements, British ships should obtain certificate showing net tonnage under United States measurements rules as well as Panama Canal certificates.

No. 10.

New Zealand, No. 199.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 20th April, 1915.

I have the honour to transmit to Your Excellency, for the consideration of your Ministers, a copy of a letter from the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries concerning the restrictions imposed by various Governments in the Empire in connection with the importation of animals from the United Kingdom.

2. Your Ministers will see that in this letter the Board put forward certain suggestions with a view to securing greater uniformity, and I should be glad to know the views of your Ministers regarding these suggestions.

I have, &c.,

L. HARCOURT.

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

Enclosures.

Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, Whitehall Place,

London S.W., 18th March, 1915.

SIR,—

I am directed by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries to say that they have had under consideration the restrictions imposed by the Governments of the various colonies and dependencies