Ministers, a copy of an Order of His Majesty in Council entitled the Seal Fisheries (Norfolk Island) Order in Councit, 1915.

I have, &c.,

L. HARCOURT.

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

## Enclosure.

At the Court at Windsor Castle, the 13th day of April, 1915. Present: The King's Most Excellent Majesty, Lord President, Lord Stamfordham, Sir Frederick Ponsonby.

Whereas by section 3 of the Seal Fisheries (North Pacific) Act, 1912, all persons were prohibited from using any port within the United Kingdom for purposes of pelagic scaling contrary to any Order in Council made under the Scal Fisheries (North Pacific) Acts, 1895 and 1912:

And whereas by section 4 of the Seal Fisheries (North Pacific) Act, 1912, the importation of the skins of seals captured in contravention of any such Order as last aforesaid was prohibited:

And whereas by section 5 (1) of the said Act it was enacted that His Majesty might, by Order in Council, extend the provisions of the two hereinbefore-recited sections to any part of His Majesty's Dominions outside the United Kingdom, subject to such modifications and adaptations as might appear to him to be necessary:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in this behalf by the Seal Fisheries (North Pacific) Act, 1912, in His Majesty vested, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order and it is hereby ordered as follows:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Seal Fisheries (Norfolk Island) Order in Council, 1915.

2. From and after the commencement of this Order sections 3 and 4 of the seal Fisheries (North Pacific) Act, 1912, shall apply to Norfolk Island, subject to the following modifications

and adaptations, that is to say,—

(i.) For the words "The United Kingdom," in section 3 (1) of the said Act, there shall be deemed to be substituted the words "Norfolk Island."

(ii.) In section 3 (2) of the said Act, for the words "The Secretary of State," wherever those words occur, there shall be deemed to be substituted the words "The Administrator," and for the words "The Board of Trade or any officer of the Board "the words "any officer of Customs."

(iii.) At the end of section 3 (2) there shall be deemed to be added the words "or any law or Ordinance in force in Norfolk Island relating to navigation or shipping.

- (iv.) In section 4 of the said Act there shall be deemed to be substituted for the words "be deemed to be included in the table of prohibitions and restrictions contained in section 42 of the Customs Consolidation Act, 1876, and that section shall apply accordingly," the words "be prohibited to be imported into Norfolk Island, and, if so imported, shall be forfeited to His Majesty, and any person directly or indirectly concerned in such importation shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds.
- 3. This Order shall come into operation on such date as may be fixed by the Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia. ALMERIC FITZROY.

No. 13.

New Zealand, No. 216.

Downing Street, 23rd April, 1915. My Lord,—

I have the honour to transmit to Your Excellency, for the information of your Ministers, copies of the following Acts of the Imperial Parliament:—

5 George V, Chapter 25: Army (Annual) Act, 1915.
5 George V, Chapter 26: Army (Amendment) Act, 1915.

5 George V, Chapter 23: Army (Suspension of Sentences) Act, 1915.

I have, &c., L. HARCOURT.

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

No. 14.

New Zealand, No. 219.

My Lord, Downing Street, 23rd April, 1915.

With reference to my despatch, No. 577, of the 18th December last, I have the honour to transmit to Your Excellency, for the information of your Ministers, copies of the following Acts of the Imperial Parliament: