

No. 44.

New Zealand, No. 218.

SIR,— Government House, Wellington, 31st August, 1916.

I have the honour to inform you that my Government have no objection to the adoption of the procedure outlined in your despatch, No. 455, of the 21st June, relative to the imposition of a war-tax in respect of letters sent from St. Helena to New Zealand. A.-2, 1917,
No. 39.

I have, &c.,

LIVERPOOL,

Governor.

The Right Hon. A. Bonar Law, P.C., &c.,
Secretary of State for the Colonies.

No. 45.

New Zealand, No. 225.

SIR,— Government House, Wellington, 11th September, 1916.

With reference to your despatch, No. 519, of the 10th July, I have the honour to inform you that the suggestion of the Army Council contained therein regarding inland travelling within the dominions of officers of the British and Indian services on "loan," "attachment," and "interchange," is acceptable to the Government of New Zealand.

I have, &c.,

LIVERPOOL,

Governor

The Right Hon. A. Bonar Law, P.C., &c.,
Secretary of State for the Colonies.

No. 46.

New Zealand, No. 228.

SIR,— Government House, Wellington, 13th September, 1916.

I have the honour to inform you that I regret to report the death, at Auckland on the 25th August last, of the Honourable Sir George Maurice O'Rorke, Knight Bachelor. A.-2, 1917,
No. 64.

I have, &c.,

LIVERPOOL,

Governor.

The Right Hon. A. Bonar Law, P.C., &c.,
Secretary of State for the Colonies.

No. 47.

New Zealand, No. 232.

SIR,— Government House, Wellington, 14th September, 1916.

With reference to your despatch, No. 471, of the 26th June, intimating that the King's exequatur empowering Monsieur Arne Scheel to act as Norwegian Consul-General at Melbourne, received His Majesty's signature on the 29th April, I have the honour to inform you that notification of this appointment was published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the 31st August, 1916. A.-2, 1917,
No. 42.

I have, &c.,

LIVERPOOL,

Governor.

The Right Hon. A. Bonar Law, P.C., &c.,
Secretary of State for the Colonies.

No. 48.

New Zealand, No. 252.

SIR,— Government House, Wellington, 5th October, 1916.

I have the honour to inform you that I am advised by the Native Minister that Te Heuheu Tukino, Kingi Topia, and the Tuwharetoa Tribe of the Maori race have set aside a block of 25,301 acres of Native lands, situated