Enclosure.

SIR,-American Embassy, London, 8th November, 1915.

I have the honour to transmit herewith the Commission of Mr. John Henry Stringer, a British subject, as Consular Agent of the United States at Christchurch, New Zealand, and to request you to be good enough to take the steps necessary for his recognition in that capacity in case the appointment be found agreeable to His Majesty's Government.

Mr. Stringer was born in Christchurch fifty-seven years ago, and has been the agent for

Reuter's Telegraph Company and a public accountant in that place for fourteen years.

I have, &c., The Right Hon. Sir Edward Grey, Bt., K.G., &c.

WALTER HINES PAGE.

No. 6.

New Zealand, No. 650.

My Lord,-Downing Street, 24th November, 1915.

With reference to Your Excellency's despatch, No. 148, of the 6th August last, I have the honour to request you to inform your Ministers that it has been arranged that six copies of all future publications regarding the Panama Canal shall be sent direct to the Government of New Zealand.

I have, &c.,

A. BONAR LAW.

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

No. 7.

New Zealand, No. 660.

My Lord,-Downing Street, 26th November, 1915.

With reference to my despatch, No. 334, of the 23rd June last, I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that it has been decided to postpone further the coming into operation of the Merchant Shipping (Convention) Act, 1914, until the 1st July, 1916.

I have, &c.,

A. BONAR LAW.

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

No. 8.

New Zealand, No. 676.

Downing Street, 4th December, 1915. My Lord,-

With reference to my despatch, No. 660, of the 26th November, I have the honour to transmit to Your Excellency, for the information of your Ministers, copies of the London Gazette of the 30th November, 1915, containing (pp. 11923-4) an Order in Council of the 30th November postponing until the 1st July, 1916, the coming into operation of the Merchant Shipping (Conven-I have, &c., tion) Act, 1914.

A. BONAR LAW.

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

No. 9.

New Zealand, No. 681.

My Lord,-

Downing Street, 7th December, 1915.

I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that I have duly laid your telegram of the 2nd December before Her Majesty Queen Alexandra, who desires to express her thanks for the good wishes of yourself and the Government and people of New Zealand on the occasion of her birthday.

I have, &c.,

A. BONAR LAW.

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