No. 7.

New Zealand, No. 61.

My Lord, Government House, Wellington, 17th April, 1920.

With reference to your despatch of the 20th January, Dominions, No. 25, relative to the question of the institution of a patent which should be valid throughout the British Empire, I have the honour to inform Your Lordship that, while my Government is in sympathy with the proposal, it regrets that the difficulties in the way of instituting such a patent prevents it from taking any action without the fullest consideration.

2. Although unable to concur in the holding of a conference at present, my Ministers agree that an exchange of the views of the different countries concerned might be effected with advantage, and they will have a statement prepared on the matter for transmission to you. I have, &c.,

LIVÉRPOOL,

Governor-General.

The Right Hon. Viscount Milner, P.C., G.C.B., &c., Secretary of State for the Colonies.

No. 8.

New Zealand, No. 75.

My Lord, Government House, Wellington, 25th May, 1920.

With reference to your despatch, No. 27, of the 31st January, I have the honour to inform Your Lordship that my Government appreciates and will be pleased to accept the offer of ancient armour for exhibition in New Zealand.

2. The High Commissioner for New Zealand is being instructed to arrange

for the packing and despatch of the armour, as suggested.

I have, &c. LIVÉRPOOL,

Governor-General.

The Right Hon. Viscount Milner, P.C., G.C.B., &c., Secretary of State for the Colonies.

No. 9.

New Zealand, No. 76.

Government House, Wellington, 26th May, 1920. My Lord,

With reference to your despatch, Dominions, No. 96, of the 6th March, I have the honour to inform Your Lordship that my Government agrees to adopt the ordinary visa system as specified in section 11 of the Instructions to Consuls, dated the 1st October, 1919, whereby persons desirous of entering New Zealand may, subject to the immigration laws, do so at any time during the period stated I have, &c., in the visa.

LIVERPOOL,

Governor-General.

The Right Hon. Viscount Milner, P.C., G.C.B., &c., Secretary of State for the Colonies.

No. 10.

New Zealand, No. 80.

My Lord, Government House, Wellington, 27th May, 1920.

With reference to your despatch, Dominions, No. 9, of the 5th January, I have the honour to inform Your Lordship that the practice in New Zealand in connection with the inspection of wireless apparatus on board merchant ships has been to undertake the inspection of all ships registered in New Zealand at six-monthly periods. The procedure in regard to such inspections follows in a large measure