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that outlined in your despatch. Points of variance will be watched with a view to bringing New Zealand practice into line with that of the United Kingdom.

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2. According to page 2 of the memorandum on "ship-inspection" which accompanied your despatch, it is apparently the intention of the British Postmaster-General to inspect every ship, whether licensed in the United Kingdom or not, every time she sails on an ocean voyage. This procedure has not been the practice in New Zealand, and in fact it has been considered that the inspection of ships other than those registered in New Zealand was forbidden by Article 9, section 2, of the Service Regulations appended to the International Radio-Telegraph Convention.

3. My Ministers would be pleased to be informed under what authority the routine inspection of foreign ships is undertaken by the Postmaster-General of the United Kingdom, as the advisability of such inspection is recognized by the Govern-

ment of New Zealand.

I have, &c., LIVERPOOL,

Governor-General.

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

## No. 11.

New Zealand, No. 87.

My Lord,— Government House, Wellington, 10th June, 1920.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch, Dominions, No. 141, of the 7th April, notifying that the marks NP and KO have been registered in the United Kingdom as standardization marks of the National Physical Laboratory which is conducted under the direction of the Scientific and Industrial Research Department.

2. My Ministers will take the necessary steps to prevent the use of these marks

by unauthorized persons or bodies in New Zealand, as requested.

I have, &c.,

LIVERPOOL,

Governor-General.

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

## No. 12.

New Zealand, No. 103.

My Lord,— Government House, Wellington, 10th July, 1920.

With reference to your despatch, No. 77, of the 23rd April, relative to scientific data collected by Germans in their former colonies, I have the honour to inform Your Lordship that the Government of New Zealand is not aware that such data has come into the possession of the Samoan Administration. Inquiries are, however, being made, and the result will be communicated to you as soon as possible.

I have, &c.,

ROBERT STOUT, Administrator.

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

## No. 13.

New Zealand, No. 124.

My Lord,— Government House, Wellington, 30th July, 1920.
With reference to your despatch, Dominions, No. 185, of the 5th May, inviting the attention of Ministers to the provisions of sections 5 and 12 of the