

Ministers greatly appreciate the favourable recognition given by the Council to the holders of certificates of registration under the Nurses Registration Act of this Dominion, and it is agreed to admit nurses registered by the Council to the New Zealand Nurses Register in the terms of the resolution.

I have, &c.,

JELLICOE,

Governor-General.

His Grace the Duke of Devonshire, K.G., P.C., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., &c.,
Secretary of State for the Colonies.

No. 5.

New Zealand, No. 29.

MY LORD DUKE,— Government House, Wellington, 5th February, 1923.

I have the honour to inform Your Grace that my Ministers advise me that the New Zealand Medical Board, established pursuant to the Medical Practitioners Act, 1914, copy of which is attached, understands that reciprocity in the matter of the registration of medical practitioners exists between Great Britain and Italy.

2. The New Zealand Medical Board has before it at the present time an application for the registration of a degree conferred by the University of Naples, but before agreeing to grant such application they have approached my Ministers with a view to a statement being obtained, in writing, from the Italian authorities which will fulfil the conditions specified in the latter part of section 8 (1) (d) of the Medical Practitioners Act—that is to say, that graduates in medicine and surgery of the University of New Zealand will by virtue of such graduation and without further examination be entitled to be registered as medical practitioners and to practice medicine and surgery in Italy.

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His Grace the Duke of Devonshire, K.G., P.C., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., &c.,
Secretary of State for the Colonies.

No. 6.

New Zealand, No. 35.

MY LORD DUKE,— Government House, Wellington, 9th February, 1923.

With reference to your despatch, No. 231, of the 2nd November, regarding the issue of passports to Indians who desire to proceed to New Zealand, I have the honour to inform Your Grace that my Ministers inform me that the Government of New Zealand is prepared to give sympathetic consideration to every application to return to New Zealand made by Indians who find it necessary to overstay the period of four years provided for in the usual certificate of registration, and that in any case where there is reason to suppose that hardship might be inflicted through a strict limitation of the period of absence to four years, reasonable extension of time, dependent on the circumstances of the case, will be granted, and that in connection with this matter a certificate from the Department of Commerce of India, or from any passport-issuing officer, would be regarded as sufficient evidence of the *bona fides* of any application.

I have, &c.,

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