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DOWNING-STREET, February 15, 1850.

THE Queen has been pleased to issue the following Additional Instructions, under the Royal Sign Manual and Signet, to the Governor-in-Chief of New Zealand, for the purpose of Modifying the Royal Instructions to that Officer so far as they relate to the disposal of lands in that colony:—

Whereas by Our instructions, under Our signet and sign manual accompanying Our letters patent, under the Great Seal of Our United Kingdom, bearing date the 23d day of December 1846, We did, among other things, direct that no land of or belonging to Us in New Zealand should by Us, Our Heirs or Successors, or by any Governor-in-Chief, or other person on Our behalf, and on Our authority, be alienated, either in perpetuity or for any definite time, either by way of grant, lease, licence of occupation, or otherwise, gratuitously, nor except the same should have been first put up to sale at a public auction at a minimum price of not less than 20s. an acre:

And whereas it is desirable so far to modify the said instructions as to allow of a remission, to a specified extent, of the purchase-money of land acquired by officers of Our army and navy, intending to settle in New Zealand, with Our permission, and under regulations issued or to be issued by Us, or on Our behalf by one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, and of the gratuitous alienation of land for the settlement of military pensioners sent out under directions issued on Our behalf by one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, or for the settlement of the aboriginal inhabitants of the colony:

Now, therefore, We do hereby revoke that part of Our said instructions which prohibits the alienation of land gratuitously, so far as regards such naval and military officers, military pensioners, or aboriginal inhabitants as aforesaid:

And we do hereby authorise and direct you to allow to such officers all such remission of purchasemoney, or other privileges, in the acquisition of land, as they may from time to time be respectively entitled to, under any regulations issued or to be issued by Us, or on Our behalf, by one of Our Principal Secretaries of State.

And We do hereby further authorise and direct you, from time to time, to make such arrangements as you may be directed to make by Us, or on Our behalf, by one of Our Principal Secre-

taries of State, for the settlement en crown lands within the colony of military pensioners sent out as aforesaid, and of any of the aboriginal inhabitants of the colony: Provided that nothing herein contained shall be taken to apply to the province of New Munster, within the said colony, so long as certain provisions relating to the settlement of the waste lands of the Crown, contained in the 13th chapter of Our instructions hereinbefore recited, shall remain suspended by the operation of the Act passed in the 10th and 11th year of Our reign, intituled "An Act to promote colonization in New Zealand and to authorize a loan to the New Zealand Company."

WHITEHALL, February 12, 1850.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint Robert Stephenson, Esq. to be one of Her Majesty's Commissioners for the promotion of the Exhibition of the Works of Industry of all Nations to be holden in the year 1851.

The Queen has also been pleased to appoint Lieutenant-Colonel William Reid, of the Royal Engineers, C.B. to be one of the Executive Committee of the said Commission, in the room of Robert Stephenson, Esq., and to be Chairman of the said Executive Committee.

ST. JAMES'S-PALACE, February 12, 1850.

The Queen has been pleased, on the nomination of Lord Foley, to appoint the undermentioned Gentlemen to Her Majesty's Honourable Corps of Gentlemen-at-Arms:—

Charles Tyler, Esq. vice Tyler, retired; Sir James Lawrence Cotter, Bart. late 27th Regiment, vice Ford, retired.

WHITEHALL, February 9, 1850.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed John Barley Holroyde, of Halifax, in the county of York, gent. to be a Master Extraordinary in the High Court of Chancery.

WHITEHALL, February 12, 1850.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed Francis Brown, of Market Deeping, in the county of Lincoln, gent. to be a Master Extraordinary in the High Court of Chancery.