2. Mr. Reid will have received a direct reply from Lord Salisbury to this telegram, but I should be unwilling to lose this opportunity of expressing to him my own appreciation of the feeling that has prompted the Australian Colonies to express in such an unmistakeable manner their sympathy with, and confidence in, the course pursued by Her Majesty's Government during an exceptionally momentous crisis.

The remembrance of the action of New South Wales and the other Colonies in 1884 has not been forgotten, and the present message will enhance the affectionate pride

with which the Mother Country regards her Colonial fellow subjects

I have, &c.

J. CHAMBERLAIN.

No. 4

The EARL OF GLASGOW (New Zealand) to Mr. CHAMBERLAIN. (Received January 21, 1896.)

TELEGRAM.

Following telegram received from Prime Minister:—

Resolution passed by New Zealand Colonists at Auckland.

"Recent statesmanlike and patriotic conduct of Imperial Government with reference to Venezuela and Transvaal Republic has been such as to intensify loyal sentiments to the Queen of England, making us prouder than ever to belong to Empire of Great Britain"

No. 5.

MR CHAMBERLAIN to the EARL OF GLASGOW.

(Sent 1 30 pm February 1, 1896)

TELEGRAM

I have received your telegram of 21th January Convey cordial thanks of Her Majesty's Government to your Prime Minister and people of New Zealand for their message.

Despatch follows by mail.

No. 6

MR. CHAMBERLAIN to the EARL OF GLASGOW.

My Lord, Downing Street, February 1, 1896
I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram of the 24th
ultimo, informing me that your Prime Minister had transmitted to you by telegraph
the terms of a resolution passed by a meeting of New Zealand Colonists at Auckland,
expressing their appreciation of the conduct of Her Majesty's Government with regard
to Venezuela and the Transvaal, and declaring their loyalty to the Queen, and the
pride which they feel in belonging to the British Empire.

On behalf of Her Majesty's Government, I desire you to convey to Mr. Seddon and to the people of New Zealand our most cordial thanks for their message, which will further strengthen the deep conviction of Her Majesty and the people of the United Kingdom that, in the defence of the integrity of the Empire and in the maintenance of British and Colonial interests, they can confidently rely on the loyal co-operation of

Her Majesty's subjects throughout the world.

I have, &c. J. CHAMBERLAIN.