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*Assumption of the Government of New Zealand by the Earl of Ranfurly.*

RANFURLY, Governor.  
 A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS Her Majesty has been graciously pleased, by a Commission passed under the Royal Sign-manual and Signet, bearing date at Saint James's, the sixth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, to constitute and appoint me, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, to be Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies :

Now, I, the Governor and Commander-in-Chief aforesaid, do hereby proclaim and declare that I have this day taken the prescribed oaths before his Honour Sir James Prendergast, Knight, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the said colony, and that I have assumed the said office of Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies under and by virtue of Her Majesty's said Commission.

(L.S.) Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies; and issued under the Seal of the said Colony, at the Government House, at Wellington, this tenth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN MCKENZIE.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

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