

forthcoming International Health Exhibition, and intimating that it is hoped that immediate notification will be made of His Royal Highness's request that the various Colonial Governments will do their best to co-operate by taking a prominent part in the Exhibition.

In reply, I have to inform your Grace that I shall be happy to issue a Circular Despatch inviting the Colonies to co-operate in the proposed Exhibition; but I would first desire to point out that, having regard to the late date of the invitation, it would be impossible for the majority of the Colonies to comply with Regulations 6 and 7 within the limited time therein mentioned, or even earlier in many cases than the end of March, and that many Colonies could not even receive the particulars earlier than the date fixed for the arrival of applications.

Before, therefore, communicating with the Colonial Governments on the subject, I should be glad to be informed whether some extension cannot be given to enable the more distant Colonies to avail themselves of the invitation should they desire to do so.

His Grace the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos, G.C.S.I.,

I have, &c.

DERBY.

Chairman of the Executive Council of the International Health Exhibition.

Enclosure 3.

The COLONIAL OFFICE to the INTERNATIONAL HEALTH EXHIBITION.

SIR,—

Downing Street, 9th January, 1884.

I am directed by the Earl of Derby to request that you will state to the Executive Council of the International Health Exhibition that his Lordship will be glad to be favoured with a reply to the letter addressed to the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos on the 4th of December last, with reference to the suggested extension of time for receiving applications for space. Lord Derby will then be in a position to address the proposed Circular Despatch to the Governors of Colonies, inviting the Colonial Governments to take part in the Exhibition.

I am, &c.

The Secretary, International Health Exhibition.

R. H. MEADE.

Enclosure 4.

The INTERNATIONAL HEALTH EXHIBITION to Lord DERBY.

MY LORD,—

South Kensington, 10th January, 1884.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Lordship's letter of the 9th instant, and to inform you that it has just been decided by the Executive Council that, with regard to the Colonies, the time for sending in exhibits relating to food, dress, the workshop, and the dwelling, should be extended to the last days of April, on the understanding that all exhibits are in their places by the 1st of May. And that, for any exhibits relating to education, an even longer extension of time may be granted, as it is not intended to open the educational section of the Exhibition until the 1st June. At the same time I would request your Lordship to have the kindness to impress upon the Colonial Governments the necessity of informing the Executive Council, as soon as possible, the amount of space they will require.

I have, &c.

The Right Hon. the Earl of Derby, &c.,

E. CUNLIFFE OWEN, Secretary.

No. 26.

The SECRETARY of STATE for the COLONIES to His Excellency the GOVERNOR.
(New Zealand, No. 2.)

SIR,—

Downing Street, 21st January, 1884.

With reference to your Despatch, No. 65, of the 8th of September, A.-1, No. 2. forwarding a copy of a letter from the Chairman of the Joint Library Committee of the General Assembly of New Zealand to the Premier, on the subject of the supply of Journals of the House of Lords, I have the honour to transmit to you, for the information of your Government, a copy of a letter which I caused to be addressed to the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, in respect of this application, together with a copy of the reply, from which you will observe that a complete set of these Journals will be supplied for the use of the Library of the General Assembly.

In accordance with the intimation contained in the concluding words of your despatch, their Lordships have been requested to cause these volumes to be forwarded direct to the Agent-General for the Colony, for shipment.

I have, &c.

Governor Sir W. F. D. Jervois, G.C.M.G. C.B. &c.

DERBY.

Enclosure.

The COLONIAL OFFICE to the TREASURY.

SIR,—

Downing Street, 27th October, 1883.

I am directed by the Earl of Derby to transmit to you, to be laid before the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, a copy of a despatch from the Governor of New Zealand, with a letter