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Registrar.

I have finally to request that if at any centre no candidate should appear, the fact may be duly notified to me. In the absence of such notification, we sometimes remain in doubt for many weeks, and, where a scholarship is assigned to a group of centres, are unable to report upon such of the answers as actually arrive until lapse of time renders it improbable that any other answers are to be expected. I have, &c.

ARTHUR MILMAN,

Sir R. G. W. Herbert, &c.

No. 13.

(New Zealand, No. 36.)

Downing Street, 11th June, 1884.

SIR,-I received and laid before the Queen your Despatch No. 26, of the 28th April last, enclosing a letter from the Consul of the United States, and an address to Her Majesty signed by the Consul for Denmark, expressing sympathy with Her Majesty on the occasion of the death of His Royal Highness the Duke of Albany, on behalf of the citizens of the United States and of the Danish settlers in New Zealand respectively.

I am commanded by the Queen to state that Her Majesty has received very gratefully these expressions of sympathy, and also an address of condolence which has been forwarded to Her Majesty by the Valley True Blue Lodge, No. 11, Protestant Alliance Friendly Society of Australia, signed on behalf of the said Lodge at North-East Valley, near Dunedin, on the 15th day of April; and to request that you will communicate Her Majesty's thanks to those who sent the address. I have, &c.

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

DERBY.

No. 14.

(New Zealand, No. 37.)

SIR,-

Downing Street, 13th June, 1884.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 15, of the 1st March last, with its enclosures, respecting the proceedings of the master of an Auckland schooner, the "Kate McGregor."

I shall await with interest the receipt of further information relating to the proceedings in question. I have, &c.

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

DERBY.

No. 15.

(New Zealand, No. 38.)

Downing Street, 19th June, 1884.

SIR,-I am commanded by the Queen to state that Her Majesty has received a resolution from the brethren of the Masonic Order in the District of Canterbury, expressing sympathy with Her Majesty and Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Albany on the occasion of the death of the Duke of Albany.

You will be good enough to inform the Secretary to the District Grand Lodge at Canterbury that the Queen and the Duchess of Albany are very grateful for this expression of sympathy. I have, &c.

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

DERBY.

No. 16.

(Circular—2.)

SIR,-

Downing Street, 20th June, 1884.

I have the honour to transmit to you, for the information of your Government, a copy of a Circular Despatch which I have addressed to the Governors of Crown Colonies, with reference to the form of clause to be inserted in legislative enactments, which it is desired to reserve for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon. I have, &c.

The Officer Administering the Government of New Zealand.

DERBY.