

## No. 51.

(No. 96.)

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 6th October, 1886.

With reference to your Despatch No. 49, dated the 20th July last, transmitting a copy of a letter from the Board of Trade upon the subject of expenses incurred by Her Majesty's Government in respect of W. D. Massey, of the "Mazeppa," and three seamen of the "Ransom," the said expenses amounting to £32 7s. 9d., I have the honour to inform you that my Government have authorized the payment of that amount to the Board of Trade through the Agent-General of New Zealand in London.

I have, &amp;c.,

W. F. DRUMMOND JERVOIS.

The Right Hon. Edward Stanhope.

## No. 52.

(No. 97.)

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 6th October, 1886.

With reference to my despatches, No. 72, of the 28th July, and No. 76, of Nos. 35, 37, the 14th August last, I have the honour to inform you that Te Whiti and the other Maoris who were arrested with him for the breaches of the law therein referred to were tried this day before the Supreme Court. They pleaded guilty, and were sentenced, Te Whiti to three months' imprisonment and a fine of £100, and the rest of the prisoners to one month's imprisonment and a fine of £20. The sentences appear lenient, but my Ministers are of opinion that they are sufficient for the vindication of the law.

I enclose a newspaper report of the proceedings in the Supreme Court.

I have, &amp;c.,

W. F. DRUMMOND JERVOIS.

The Right Hon. Edward Stanhope.

ENCLOSURE.—Extract from *Evening Post*, 6th October, 1886.

## No. 53.

(No. 98.)

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 6th October, 1886.

I have the honour to forward herewith a memorandum which I received from my Ministers since writing my Despatch No. 95, of this date, concerning the contribution of this colony towards the formation of a permanent Imperial Institute.

I have, &amp;c.,

W. F. DRUMMOND JERVOIS.

The Right Hon. Edward Stanhope.

## Enclosure.

## MEMORANDUM for His EXCELLENCY.

THE following telegram was received to-day from the Premier of Victoria: "The proposed Colonial Institute in honour of Queen's Jubilee. Western Australia has already voted £5,000 for celebration of Queen's Jubilee, if the other six colonies are willing to grant £20,000 collectively for the proposed institution. I will recommend to Parliament that this colony contribute its proportion on basis of estimated population; will you kindly say if this proposal meets your view. —D. GILLIES, Premier."

To which I have replied: "Proposed Colonial Institute. Your proposal agreed to by this Government. Will recommend Parliament accordingly.—R. STOUT, Premier."

6th October, 1886.

ROBERT STOUT.

## No. 54.

(No. 103.)

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 20th October, 1886.

With reference to your predecessor's circular despatch, dated the 2nd July last, transmitting a copy of a letter from the Foreign Office, enclosing a copy of a Treaty of Friendship, Commerce, and Navigation between Her Majesty and

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