

No. 21.

(New Zealand, No. 25.)

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 8th August, 1889.

In reply to your Despatch No. 30, of the 29th May, I am directed by A.-1, 1890, No. 6. the Secretary of State to transmit to you for communication to your Government the document specified in the annexed schedule, on the subject of a proposed Exhibition at Dunedin in 1889-90.

I have, &c.,

ROBERT G. W. HERBERT.

The Officer Administering the Government of New Zealand.

Date.	Description of Document.
6th August	Copy of the enclosure to a letter from the Foreign Office.

Enclosure.

Lord LYTTON to Lord SALISBURY.

MY LORD,—

Paris, 3rd August, 1889.

With reference to your Lordship's Despatch No. 89, Commercial, of the 24th ultimo, forwarding an invitation from the Government of New Zealand to the Government of the French Republic, asking them to contribute exhibits to the Education and Science Department of the New Zealand and South Seas Exhibition, to be held at Dunedin, I have the honour to transmit herewith to your Lordship copy of a note from the French Minister for Foreign Affairs, expressing the desire of the French Government to take part in this Exhibition, but regretting that the shortness of the notice may possibly prevent them from being able to take the necessary steps in time.

Monsieur Spuller has forwarded the communication to the Minister of Commerce, and will inform me of his reply as soon as possible.

I have, &c.,

The Marquis of Salisbury, K.G.

LYTTON.

Sub-Enclosure.

MONS. L'AMBAassadeUR,—

En me transmettant, à la date du 26 de ce mois, quelques exemplaires du programme de la Section Scientifique et d'Éducation de l'Exposition qui doit être ouverte à Dunedin (Nouvelle-Zélande) au mois de Novembre prochain, Votre Excellence a bien voulu me faire parvenir, de la part de Lord Salisbury, l'invitation adressée par le Gouvernement de la Nouvelle-Zélande au Gouvernement français de prendre part à ce concours dans la section précitée.

Je m'empresse de remercier Votre Excellence pour cette communication, et je la prie de vouloir bien transmettre à Lord Salisbury l'expression du désir du Gouvernement de la République de répondre à la gracieuse invitation de celui de la Nouvelle-Zélande. Malheureusement la date de cet avis est déjà un peu tardive, et il est à craindre que les dispositions nécessaires ne puissent être prises en temps utile.

J'ai porté à la connaissance de M. le Président du Conseil, Ministre du Commerce, de l'Industrie, et des Colonies, ainsi qu'à celle de M. le Ministre de l'Instruction Publique, l'information que me transmet Votre Excellence, en leur adressant les programmes de la Section Scientifique et d'Éducation, et j'aurai l'honneur de faire part à Votre Excellence, aussitôt qu'il me sera possible, de la suite que la communication aura paru comporter.

Agréez, &c.,

S.E. le Comte de Lytton.

E. SPULLER.

No. 22.

(Circular.)

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 14th August, 1889.

I have the honour to request that you will draw the attention of your Government to the enclosed report, taken from the *Times* of the 13th July, of a discussion which took place in the House of Lords on the previous day on a notice given by the Earl of Wemyss "to ask the Government whether they would take steps to obtain and lay before Parliament reliable information regarding "the present working of the "liquor laws" in Canada and in the United States."

It will be observed that the House of Lords are desirous that the returns or particulars asked for should extend to the Australian Colonies and New Zealand, as well as to Canada and the United States; and I have to request that you will move your Ministers to furnish me with the information desired in so far