

The Board make the further suggestion that the colonial authorities should impress upon the persons concerned with the collection, packing, &c., of wool, hair, and hides the desirability in their own interests, as well as those of the British buyer, of excluding any pieces of skin and any materials with blood-stains.

I am, &c.,

W. P. BYRNE.

The Under-Secretary of State, Colonial Office.

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New Zealand, No. 188.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 31st August, 1910.

I have the honour to request you to inform your Ministers that the Secretary of State for Home Affairs has expressed a desire to be furnished with a statement of the procedure in His Majesty's dominions beyond the seas in regard to the use of the Royal Arms by tradesmen.

2. I shall be glad if your Ministers will be good enough to furnish me with information on the subject, as far as New Zealand is concerned. I enclose for your information a copy of a despatch from the Governor-General of the Union of South Africa on the subject.

I have, &c.,

CREWE.

Governor the Right Hon. Lord Islington, D.S.O., &c.

Enclosure.

MY LORD,—

Governor-General's Office, Pretoria, 23rd June, 1910.

I have the honour to inform your Lordship that I have been unable to obtain from the records of the late Governors of the Cape Colony, the Transvaal, Natal, and the Orange River Colony, any clear guidance as to the rules which should guide me in the grant of appointments to firms and persons as purveyors, &c., to my household, and as to the authorization of the exhibition of the armorial achievement of Great Britain and Ireland by such firms or persons, and I should be grateful if I could be informed upon what terms and conditions such appointments and authorization may be given.

2. I enclose a sample of the card of appointment which has been used of recent years in the Transvaal, which is similar, *mutatis mutandis*, to that in use in Cape Colony. These cards have usually only been issued to one firm or person in any town doing business in any particular line, and the issue of such a card has been regarded as sufficient authority for such person to exhibit the Royal Arms at his place of business and upon his business documents. In the Orange River Colony and Natal the practice has been very similar.

3. In your reply, I trust that your Lordship will indicate whether this privilege can be extended to professional men, such as veterinary surgeons, &c., what effect the departure of the officer who granted the appointment should have upon the authorization of the use of the Royal Arms, and what steps should, in your opinion, be taken to insure that none but persons or firms duly authorized use it for business purposes. There does not appear to be any local colonial enactment under which action could be taken should the Royal Arms be improperly used unless such improper use is calculated to defraud, when doubtless a criminal action could be instituted.

4. I should also be glad to know whether similar appointments, entailing a similar privilege, may suitably be granted by Her Excellency Lady Gladstone.

I have, &c.,

GLADSTONE,

Governor-General.

The Right Hon. the Earl of Crewe, K.G., Colonial Office, London.

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MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 31st August, 1910.

I have the honour to transmit to you, for the information of your Ministers, the paper noted below on the subject of the exchange of money-orders between France and New Zealand.

I have, &c.,

CREWE.

The Officer administering the Government of New Zealand.

Date.	Description.
15th August, 1910	To H.M. Ambassador at Paris, from Foreign Office.