

the Australian Government. The tag should read: "This meat has been examined by me, and by *ante- and post-mortem* veterinary inspection is found to be free from disease, and suitable in every way for human consumption, and the meat has not been treated with chemical preservatives or other foreign substance injurious to health."

I have, &c.,

ALVEY A. ADEE.

(For Mr. BRYAN).

His Excellency the Right Hon. James Bryce, O.M., Ambassador for Great Britain.

No. 31.

New Zealand, No. 208.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 6th June, 1913.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's telegram of the 2nd instant, reporting the date fixed for the meeting of the Parliament of New Zealand.

I have, &c.,

L. HARCOURT.

Governor His Excellency the Right Hon. the Earl of Liverpool,
K.C.M.G., M.V.O., &c.

No. 32.

New Zealand, No. 213.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 13th June, 1913.

I have the honour to transmit to Your Excellency, for the consideration of your Ministers, the accompanying copy of a letter from the War Office, conveying an invitation of two officers selected by your Government to attend this year's Army manœuvres from the 23rd to 26th September next.

2. Should the invitation be accepted I should be glad to receive by telegraph an intimation of the names and ranks (with date of seniority) of the officers selected by your Government to attend the manœuvres.

I have, &c.,

L. HARCOURT.

Governor His Excellency the Right Hon. the Earl of Liverpool,
K.C.M.G., M.V.O., &c.

Enclosure.

SIR,—

War Office, London S.W., 9th June, 1913.

I am commanded to state, for the information of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, that the Army Council desire to invite a limited number of officers of the Forces of the self-governing dominions to attend this year's Army manœuvres from the 23rd to 26th September next (inclusive).

Officers attending would be given the requisite facilities to see everything of interest. Arrangements would be made for their accommodation during the manœuvres, and an officer of the Regular Army would be detailed to accompany them to explain what is taking place, and to ensure their gaining useful instruction.

During the actual period of the manœuvres the officers would be the guests of the Army Council, but the Council cannot undertake to pay their expenses to and from this country, or their expenses while in England, except when present at the manœuvres.

Should this proposal meet with the approval of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the Army Council would be glad if an invitation to the above effect can be conveyed to the dominion Governments, the numbers invited being limited to two officers from each of the self-governing dominions of Canada, Australia, New Zealand, and South Africa, these numbers being in addition to the three dominion representatives who are now serving in the dominion section at the War Office.

I am also to request that, should the invitation be accepted, I may be furnished, as soon as possible, with the names and ranks (with date of seniority) of the officers whom the Governments of the self-governing dominions may select to attend the manœuvres. It is suggested that the officers should not be below the rank of captain.

I am, &c.,

The Under-Secretary of State, Colonial Office, London S.W.

R. H. BRADE.