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(v) and (vi) are granted only to warrant officers, non-commissioned officers, and men on account of gallant conduct in the performance of military duty otherwise than in action, or in saving lives of officers or soldiers.

(B.) Non-official Medals:-

(i.) Royal Humane Society awards (silver and bronze medals, also testimonials on vellum and parchment) granted for rescues and attempted rescues-

(a.) From drowning in rivers, lakes, &c.:

(b.) From dangerous cliffs:

(c.) At sea, in British, Indian, and in colonial waters where a Humane Society does not exist:

(d.) On the coast of the United Kingdom, in cases which do not come within the charter of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution:

(c.) From asphyxia in mines, wells, sewers, &c. (ii.) The Stanhope gold medal granted by the Royal Humane Society, in addition to the above awards, for the bravest act of the year.

(iii.) The medals of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution (gold and silver)

-Any of the above non-official medals may be accepted and worn in addition to one of the official medals awarded in respect of a particular act of bravery.

8. The recommendation for a reward should not particularize the award unless there are outstanding features which render such a course desirable. In all cases, however, where the grant of the Meritorious-service Medal is applicable it should be stated whether, in the event of that medal being awarded, the grant of the additional pension is recommended.

9. I am to request that you will issue such instructions as may be considered necessary to

ensure that due attention may be given to the points now brought to notice.

I am, &c., R. L. MEADE.

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New Zealand, Dominions No. 709.

My Lord,-

Downing Street, 2nd November, 1917.
I have the honour to acquaint Your Excellency, for the information of your Ministers, that the Board of Trade state that it has always been their desire that genuine British manufacturers (i.e., not branch establishments of foreign firms) domiciled in the British oversea Dominions should exhibit at the British Industries Fairs organized by the Board in this country, but that, owing to the difficulties encountered each year in finding suitable accommodation for the fairs, it has hitherto been impossible to transmit particulars regarding them to the Dominions Governments at a sufficiently early date to enable Dominions manufacturers to make the necessary arrangements. In view of the difficulties connected with sea transport and of the increased number of restrictions affecting the importation of various classes of the goods covered by the fairs, it appears to the Board that it would be useless to invite manufacturers in the Dominions to exhibit at the British Industries Fairs to be held in London and Glasgow from the 25th February to the 8th March next year, and they do not propose, therefore, to issue notifications to those countries.

2. The Board of Trade add that after the termination of hostilities fairs will continue to be organized on a far larger scale than is practicable under existing conditions, and they propose that every possible facility shall be given to manufacturers in the Dominions to avail themselves of the advantages afforded by such fairs in bringing their goods to the notice of buyers for both

I have, &c., British and foreign markets.

WALTER H. LONG.

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

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