

No. 19.

New Zealand, No. 60.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 31st March, 1919.

With reference to my despatch, Dominions No. 55, of the 24th January, I have the honour to transmit to Your Excellency, for the information of your Ministers, a copy of a letter from the Admiralty to the High Commissioner for New Zealand regarding the administration of the Order notifying the terms of the award of the 1914–15 Star to His Majesty's Naval Forces.

2. Copies of the Order referred to accompanied my despatch under reference.

I have, &c.,

MILNER.

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

Enclosure.

SIR,—

Admiralty, 21st March, 1919.

I am commanded by my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to enclose a copy of an Order notifying the terms of the award of the 1914–15 Star to H.M. Naval Forces, including those of the dominions, and to ask whether the Government of New Zealand will undertake the determination of claims and administration of the decoration for the Forces under its control. The claims of officers and men lent from the Imperial Naval Forces will be dealt with here. It is requested that the star may not be awarded to any persons not clearly covered by the terms of the Order without prior reference to this Department.

Copies of any further Orders which may be issued will be furnished, as also will any additional information desired in respect of the award.

Particulars of the Forces for which stars are required, with the number for each, should be notified to this Department, which will supply them with the necessary riband, in bulk, when available.

I am to request that a copy of the Medal Roll may be eventually supplied for record purposes.

I am, &c.,

J. W. S. ANDERSON.

The Secretary, Office of the High Commissioner for New Zealand.

No. 20.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 261.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 8th April, 1919.

With reference to my despatch, Dominions No. 198, of the 17th March, I have the honour to state, for the information of Your Excellency's Ministers, that the Regulations for Salutes for British Anniversaries, and those for Royal and Personal Salutes, which have been in abeyance since the year 1915, will be resumed as from the 31st March, 1919, and instructions have been issued accordingly by the Army Council to all commands abroad having saluting-stations, as laid down in paragraph 1807 of the King's Regulations.

2. A further despatch will be sent to you later with regard to the firing of international salutes.

3. I have to request that the intimation of His Majesty's wishes contained in my despatch under reference with regard to the ceremonial observance of his birthday on the 3rd June next may be modified accordingly.

I have, &c.,

MILNER.

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

No. 21.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 271.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 10th April, 1919.

With reference to my predecessor's despatch, No. 226, of the 29th May, 1914, I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that the Director of the Imperial Bureau of Entomology has suggested that