

to invite the attention of your Ministers to circular letter No. 5089/214, of the 21st September, 1920, from the Director of the International Bureau of the Postal Union, regarding the resumption of the compilation of various statistical returns previously furnished annually to the Bureau.

2. The Postmaster-General has decided to resume the compilation of these returns, and it is suggested for the consideration of your Ministers that the New Zealand Government should adopt a similar course. I have, &c.,

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Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

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No. 33.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 375.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 7th September, 1921.

With reference to Your Excellency's telegram of the 13th December, 1920, I have the honour to request you to inform your Ministers that on the 29th March—the Dominion Governments, with the exception of that of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Government of India, and the Government of Egypt, having decided not to join the International Hydrographic Bureau at present—the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty formally notified Vice-Admiral Sir John F. Parry, K.C.B., Chairman of the International Hydrographic Conference Committee, of the adherence of the United Kingdom to the proposed International Bureau. At the same time they informed him that the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia had stated that the Commonwealth wished to be associated with the work of the Bureau, and would contribute to the expenditure of the Bureau in proportion to the shipping tonnage of the Commonwealth.

2. On the 4th May their Lordships approved the candidatures of Vice-Admiral Sir J. F. Parry, K.C.B., and Commander G. B. Spicer-Simson, D.S.O., R.N., for the position of Director and Secretary respectively of the Bureau. On the 21st June a meeting of the representatives in London of the associated States was called by the Chairman of the International Hydrographic Conference Committee at the London offices of the committee, for the purpose of electing the Directors and Secretary of the Bureau, and the voting-cards received from the delegates of the various States were then examined. The voting resulted in the election of Vice-Admiral Sir J. F. Parry, K.C.B., Captain I. M. Phaff, late Hydrographer of the Netherlands Navy, and Captain S. H. Muller, late Hydrographer of the Norwegian Navy, as Directors, and Commander G. B. Spicer-Simson, D.S.O., R.N., as Secretary.

3. The election of Directors and Secretary having been completed, the International Hydrographic Bureau was, in accordance with the provisional arrangements for its organization, regarded as established, and the committee dissolved. The Bureau is now established at Monaco.

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No. 34.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 423.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 13th October, 1921.

With reference to my predecessor's despatch, Dominions No. 763, of the 29th September, 1919, I have the honour to transmit to Your Excellency, for the information of your Ministers, copies of a notice issued by the Nobel Committee of the Norwegian Parliament regarding nominations for the Nobel Peace Prize for 1922.

2. I should be glad if your Ministers would cause the conditions of the prize to be made known to those bodies and persons who are qualified to nominate candidates.

I have, &c.,

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