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# D E S P A T C H E S

FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES TO THE  
GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF NEW ZEALAND.

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### No. 1.

New Zealand, No. 244.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 19th November, 1920.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's telegram of the 13th November, conveying a resolution passed by the New Zealand Parliament containing an expression of loyalty to the King and the Empire.

2. This resolution has been laid before His Majesty, and I am commanded to desire you to convey to the Parliament of the Dominion of New Zealand an expression of His Majesty's thanks and of his appreciation of their steadfast loyalty and patriotism.

I have, &c.,  
MILNER.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

## No. 2.

New Zealand, No. 245.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 22nd November, 1920.

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No. 1.

With reference to Mr. Bonar Law's despatch, No. 247, of the 31st December, 1915, I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that Dr. Victor G. Heiser, Director for the East of the International Health Board, proposes shortly to visit New Zealand and Samoa to investigate the public-health activities that are being carried on by representatives of the International Health Board, and to ascertain in what further ways the Board can co-operate with the Government of the Dominion of New Zealand in promoting public health.

2. I have no doubt that your Ministers will welcome Dr. Heiser's visit, and will extend to him all possible facilities for the purpose of his investigation.

I have, &amp;c.,

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

MILNER.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &amp;c.

## No. 3.

New Zealand, No. 258.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 2nd December, 1920.

With reference to Lord Liverpool's despatch, No. 71, of the 15th May, on the subject of the institution of a British Empire Patent, I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that as regards their criticisms of the proposed scheme the Board of Trade desire to make the following observations :—

(1.) There would appear to be no reason why the work of recording, indexing, and classifying applications and specifications lodged throughout the Empire should not be done by the Central Office. In fact, it would seem highly desirable that the printing of specifications and indexes should be centralized as far as Empire patents are concerned. Each Dominion could, of course, prepare such indexes of its own patents as it thought desirable.

(2.) As regards the possible loss of revenue to the New Zealand Government which might be entailed by the adoption of the scheme, while the revenue might suffer to some extent from the fact that a certain number of inventors would not file separate applications for patents in New Zealand, this loss would to some extent be met by the curtailment of the expenses of the office in so far as the work at present done by the New Zealand Office would be done by the Central Office.

(3.) The objection raised with regard to the necessity for printing specifications might be met by the Central Office undertaking the duty as suggested above.

(4.) As regards the possible delay in the publication of specifications, this would no doubt occur to some extent, but, since specifications are not at present printed in New Zealand, any delay which might occur would not appear to affect the public seriously in New Zealand. Moreover, it may be noted that delay does at present arise as regards applications filed under the International Convention, such applications not being open to inspection until twelve months after the date of filing in the country of origin. The disadvantages which might arise in this respect under the proposed scheme would not, it is thought, be much greater than at present exist. The normal time for acceptance in England is fifteen months from the date of application ; if this were retained for Empire patents and were taken advantage of by inventors, which would not happen in every case, it would merely be an extension of three months beyond the time fixed for the publication of specifications filed under the International Convention.

(5.) The Board of Trade are of opinion that all these questions are such as might well be discussed at a conference of technical delegates, and they hope that the New Zealand Government will see their way to take part in the proposed conference. The Governments of Canada, Newfoundland, and India have agreed to participate in such a conference, while the Board of Trade are still in communication with the Governments of the Commonwealth of Australia and the Union of South Africa on the subject.

I have, &amp;c.,

MILNER.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &amp;c.

## No. 4.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 489.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 6th December, 1920.

With reference to my despatch, Dominions No. 438, of the 15th October, 1920, regarding the School of Military Administration established at Chisledon in Wiltshire, I have the honour to state, for the information of Your Excellency's Ministers, that the Army Council, in order to avoid misunderstanding on the question of expenses incidental to these courses of instruction, consider it advisable to indicate the nature and extent of such expenses.

2. For the present the Army Council do not intend that a fee should be charged per course in respect of the cost of instruction and establishment charges, but any out-of-pocket expenses incurred in the first instance by Army funds as a consequence of the attendance of officers and other ranks at the school from the Forces of the self-governing Dominions must be refunded. These would either be recovered direct from the individual concerned or from his Government. In the case of officers who receive appropriate allowances, direct local recovery is usually simple; in the case of other ranks, it is desirable that they should receive appropriate allowances when attending courses, from which they can defray the cost of their rations, &c., direct.

3. Accordingly the Army Council request that, in all cases when application is made for an officer or other ranks to attend a course, they may be informed whether or not expenses of this kind are recoverable direct from the individual.

4. Other expenses which cannot be borne by Army funds are travelling-expenses to and from the school, and the cost of any journeys made for instructional purposes during the course.

I have, &c.,

MILNER.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

## No. 5.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 490.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 6th December, 1920.

With reference to my despatch, Dominions No. 69, of the 31st January, 1919, I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that the postage rates on letters posted in Gibraltar for other parts of the British Empire have been raised, with effect from the 15th November, to 2d. for the first ounce and 1d. for each additional ounce.

I have, &c.,

MILNER.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

## No. 6.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 491.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 6th December, 1920.

With reference to my despatch, Dominions No. 217, of the 25th May, I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that Joint Standing Industrial Councils have been set up for the soap and candles industry and the process-engraving industry, and that a Joint Council has been formed also for Insurance Committees, Administrative, Technical, and Clerical Services.

I have, &c.,

MILNER.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

## No. 7.

New Zealand, No. 268.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 10th December, 1920.

With reference to Mr. (now Viscount) Harcourt's despatch, No. 157, of the 24th May, 1912, and subsequent correspondence, I have the honour to request

Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that the Army Council have had under consideration, in connection with the reintroduction of the clothing-allowance system in the Regular Army, the question of the clothing of warrant-officers, non-commissioned officers, and men lent for service in the self-governing Dominions.

2. The Army Council state that with the discontinuance of the clothing-allowance system during the war, and the reversion to free issues in kind, the arrangements mentioned in the despatch under reference were suspended.

3. The clothing-allowance system has now been reverted to for the Regular Army, but full dress has not yet been generally introduced, and, except in the case of the Household troops, service dress is the only uniform in the Army. Men returning from employment with a Dominion Government will be already in possession of one suit of service dress uniform, and will in consequence not need to make such large purchases as in pre-war days, when full-dress clothing had to be bought.

4. In these circumstances the Army Council do not propose for the present to reintroduce the procedure outlined in the despatch of the 24th May, 1912.

I have, &c.,

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

MILNER.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

#### No. 8.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 508.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 20th December, 1920.

With reference to Mr. (now Viscount) Harcourt's despatch, No. 153, of the 9th April, 1914, I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that, in consequence of the increased rates of retired pay and pension granted, with effect from the 1st April, 1919, to officers and men of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines, the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty have found it necessary to revise the annual charges in respect of liability for retired pay and pension hitherto made in respect of the services of officers and men of those Forces who are lent to Dominion Governments.

2. The revised rates, which have been settled in conjunction with the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, have effect from the 1st April, 1919, and are as follow:—

	Classes.	Rate per Annum.
(1.)	Officers of the Executive, Engineer, and Accountant Branches of the Royal Navy entered in the ordinary manner, and officers of the Royal Marines similarly entered .. .. .	£ 150
(2.)	Officers of the Medical, Instructor, and Chaplain Branches .. .. .	180
(3.)	Warrant Officers, Royal Navy and Royal Marines, commissioned officers promoted therefrom, mates, and quartermasters .. .. .	100
(4.)	Petty officers, non-commissioned officers, and men who are serving under their first engagements .. .. .	24
(5.)	Petty officers, non-commissioned officers, and men who have re-engaged to complete time for pension .. .. .	36

3. A copy of this despatch is being sent to the High Commissioner.

I have, &c.,

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

MILNER.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

#### No. 9.

New Zealand, No. 275.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 20th December, 1920.

With reference to my predecessor's despatch, No. 209, of the 14th November, 1918, I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that the services of Mr. E. J. Butler, M.B., F.L.S., Imperial Mycologist to the Government of India,

have now been lent to the Imperial Bureau of Mycology, and that Dr. Butler has taken up the duties of Director of the Bureau, with effect from the 22nd September, 1920. Dr. Butler is anxious that no time may be wasted in organizing the work of the Bureau, and he has asked that mycological officers may communicate with him on matters of interest at 17–19 Kew Green, London, where the laboratory of the Bureau is attached. I shall be glad if the officer in charge of mycological matters under your Government may be informed accordingly.

2. In paragraph 5 of my predecessor's despatch it was stated that at the end of three years the whole matter of contributions could be further considered. The managing committee of the Bureau have now had under consideration the question of the funds which will be necessary to maintain the Bureau in efficient working-order on as economical a basis as possible, and to provide for the issue of an abstracting journal. The committee has represented that it will be necessary to provide for an income from all sources of not less than £5,000 a year; and after examining the position, and taking into account the greatly increased cost of running such an institution in this country and the fact that the original estimate was made on a purely provisional and war-time basis, I entirely agree in this view.

3. I should therefore be grateful if your Ministers could see their way to allocating a sum of £250 annually for three years from the 1st January next for the Imperial Bureau of Mycology. At the end of that period it will be possible to consider the matter further in the light of the experience gained and the results attained by the Bureau during that time.

4. As it has been decided that the issue of an abstracting journal cannot be undertaken until sufficient funds have been guaranteed, I should be obliged if you would furnish me with a reply to this despatch by telegraph.

I have, &c.,

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

MILNER.

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#### No. 10.

New Zealand, No. 1.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 4th January, 1921.

With reference to Sir Robert Stout's despatches, Nos. 138 and 150, of the 28th August and 15th September, 1920, respectively, regarding the issue of war medals to members of the mercantile marine, I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that the Board of Trade note that the regulations and notices issued by the New Zealand Government are being amended in accordance with the enclosure in my despatch, Dominions No. 278, of the 6th July, 1920. The Board assume that the last paragraph of clause 1 of the notice of May, 1920, is not intended to exclude members of the mercantile marine ordinarily resident in New Zealand who may have served in trades in voyages (*e.g.*, to the United Kingdom) other than those which are detailed.

2. It is desirable, for the reasons explained in my despatch, Dominions No. 44, of 28th January, 1920, that copies of the New Zealand notices and regulations should be in the possession of the Governments of the other Dominions; and as there are no duplicates available here I should be obliged if your Ministers could make arrangements, if this has not already been done, for copies of the prints forwarded in Sir R. Stout's despatch of the 28th August, and of those referred to in the despatch of the 15th September, to be sent direct to Canada, Australia, the Union of South Africa, and Newfoundland.

I have, &c.,

MILNER.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

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#### No. 11.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 9.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 6th January, 1921.

I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, being desirous of collecting

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information as to the treatment in various countries of branches of foreign banks, have expressed a desire to be supplied at as early a date as possible with such information as may be obtainable showing what special legislative provisions, if any, have been made for the establishment and licensing in the self-governing Dominions of branches of foreign banks.

2. I should be glad if your Ministers could see their way to meet the desires of their Lordships in this matter, and, if so, if they would arrange to supply me with duplicate copies of the relevant statutes in force in New Zealand.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.  
Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

I have, &c.,  
MILNER.

#### No. 12.

New Zealand, No. 18.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 20th January, 1921.

With reference to Your Excellency's despatch, No. 180, of the 4th November, 1920, I have the honour to request you to inform your Ministers that the Board of Trade will be glad to avail themselves of the services of Mr. A. G. Smyth, as Honorary Trade Correspondent to the Department of Overseas Trade, in Samoa.

2. The Board of Trade have accordingly addressed to Mr. Smyth a communication offering him the appointment in question, and enclosing a copy of the instructions which are issued to Honorary Trade Correspondents in various parts of the British Empire, for his information and guidance in the discharge of his duties.

3. The Board desire that an expression of their thanks may be conveyed to your Ministers for the action which has been taken in the matter.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.  
Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

I have, &c.,  
MILNER.

#### No. 13.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 50.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 31st January, 1921.

I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that His Majesty's Government has had under consideration the question of the conditions on which, having regard to the provisions of the Dangerous Drugs Act, 1920, of which a copy is enclosed, licenses should be granted for the exportation of opium and similar narcotic drugs from the United Kingdom to other parts of the British Empire.

2. An arrangement has for some time been in force under which the exportation of these drugs from the United Kingdom to Canada is licensed subject to the production of a certificate issued under the authority of the Canadian Government to the effect that the drugs to be imported into Canada are to be used exclusively for scientific and medicinal purposes, and will not be re-exported.

3. It is proposed to extend the principle of this arrangement to all other parts of the Empire, but it is desired that the form of certificate should not be so worded as to affect adversely those parts of the Empire which normally depend for their supply of morphine and similar drugs for scientific and medicinal purposes on imports from neighbouring Dominions and colonies rather than on direct imports from the United Kingdom.

4. It is accordingly proposed that the certificate to be issued by the Government concerned, upon production of which licenses for exportation from the United Kingdom to other parts of the Empire would be granted, should guarantee that "the consignment in question is required exclusively for legitimate scientific and medicinal purposes, and re-export will not be permitted except to another Dominion, colony, or protectorate upon the production of a certificate, issued under the

authority of the Government of the territory to which re-export is desired, that the drugs to be imported are to be used exclusively for legitimate scientific and medicinal purposes, and will not again be re-exported."

5. I should be glad to be informed whether your Ministers would be prepared to make arrangements for the issue of such certificates.

6. It will be noted that under the arrangements outlined above the re-exportation to countries outside the British Empire of narcotic drugs imported from the United Kingdom is, in effect, rendered impossible. In negotiations which have been proceeding for the conclusion of an arrangement on similar lines with the United States of America it has, however, been represented that certain manufacturing firms in that country have for some time past been accustomed to export to foreign countries medicinal preparations containing, among other ingredients, opium, morphine, and similar drugs originally imported from the United Kingdom, and that should the re-export of narcotic drugs in these circumstances be prohibited an appreciable injury might thereby be inflicted on legitimate manufacturing interests.

7. It is therefore proposed to waive the insistence on the guarantee against re-exportation in the case of consignments of these drugs consigned direct to manufacturers in countries engaged in manufacturing them into medicinal preparations, where such countries are in fact exercising a strict control over the exportation of the drugs. The guarantee against re-exportation would in such cases be replaced by the guarantee that the goods were required for *bona fide* manufacturing purposes, and would be exclusively so used.

8. His Majesty's Government would be glad to be informed of any manufacturing interests in the Dominions in whose favour it is desired by the Dominion Government concerned that arrangements should be made for such waiving of the guarantee against re-exportation. They assume that any Dominion Government that would desire to avail itself of this offer will exercise an efficient control over the export of all such narcotic drugs, and allow them to leave the country only where it has been shown that they are required exclusively for legitimate medicinal and scientific purposes, and will not be re-exported.

9. Arrangements are being negotiated with various foreign countries as to the conditions on which they are to be allowed to import narcotic drugs from the United Kingdom which, if extended to any Dominion from which narcotic drugs are exported to those countries, would facilitate the control of such exports by the Dominion Government concerned. A further communication on this subject will be addressed to you in due course.

I have, &c.,  
MILNER.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.  
Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

[Enclosure not printed.]

#### No. 14.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 53.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 2nd February, 1921.

With reference to Mr. Walter Long's despatch, No. 41, of the 12th February, 1918, I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that the limitation of the amount which may be remitted by money-order from the United Kingdom to India in any one week has been abolished, on the understanding that it may be reimposed if circumstances render it necessary.

2. I take the opportunity of stating, for the information of your Ministers, that the rate of conversion for payment in India of postal orders and money-orders advised from the United Kingdom in sterling has been altered, with effect from the 31st December last, to 14 rupees to the £1.

I have, &c.,  
MILNER.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.  
Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

## No. 15.

New Zealand, No. 28.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 5th February, 1921.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's telegram of the 12th November, and despatch (No. 182) of the 11th November, advising me of the decision of your Ministers to increase the annual contribution towards the upkeep of the Imperial Bureau of Entomology to £400.

2. I am glad to be able to inform you that the other Dominion Governments and the colonial Governments which I approached have agreed to double their contributions, and in certain cases to give more than double the contribution hitherto made; and that His Majesty's Government have raised the contribution paid out of Imperial funds from £500 to £1,000.

3. The annual income of the Bureau will now approximate to the sum of £13,000, which was the figure proposed at the Imperial entomological conference last June. I shall have much pleasure in notifying the managing committee of the Bureau accordingly; and I am sure that they will welcome, no less than I do myself, this proof that the usefulness of the work of the Bureau is so much appreciated.

4. I learn with satisfaction that the proposal to hold further conferences at intervals of five years is generally acceptable to the Governments of the Dominions, and I have no doubt that the opportunity provided by the next conference (provisionally fixed for June, 1925) will be taken by your Ministers to bring forward suggestions which they may have to make in regard to the working of the Bureau, contributions for its upkeep, or any other cognate matter.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &amp;c.

I have, &amp;c.,

MILNER.

## No. 16.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 61.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 7th February, 1921.

With reference to my telegram of the 4th December, 1920, I have the honour to transmit to Your Excellency, for the information of your Ministers, copy of a circular, dated 10th January, to His Majesty's Consuls abroad, regarding the validity of British passports for travel to any of the Dominions and colonies and to India.

I have, &amp;c.,

MILNER.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &amp;c.

## Enclosure.

Circular.—Treaty.

SIR,—

Foreign Office, 10th January, 1921.

I am directed by Earl Curzon of Kedleston to inform you that it has been arranged, in consultation with the Colonial Office and India Office, that British passports issued on or after the 1st January, 1921, shall, unless otherwise endorsed, be valid for travelling to any of the British Dominions and colonies and to India without the name of the part of the Empire concerned being specifically endorsed on the passport.

An addition to the regulations printed in the margin of British passports will therefore be made in the following terms: "British passports issued on or after the 1st January, 1921, unless otherwise endorsed, are valid for travelling anywhere within the British Empire, but do not exempt the holder from compliance with the Immigration Regulations in force in the various countries of the Empire."

This addition should be made in manuscript to the stock of passports already in your possession.

With regard to passports which have been issued prior to the 1st January, 1921, and are still valid, it is desired that these also shall be made similarly valid anywhere within the Empire. Whenever, therefore, such passports are presented to you for endorsement or renewal you should place an endorsement upon them in the following terms: "British passports, unless otherwise endorsed, are valid for travelling anywhere within the British Empire, but do not exempt the holder from compliance with the Immigration Regulations in force in the various countries of the Empire."

Although it is thus proposed that British passports shall be automatically valid for travel anywhere within the Empire, a certain number of cases will doubtless arise in which it may be desirable to limit the validity of the passport and not to issue an Empire-wide passport. This is a matter which must be left to your discretion, and where such a course appears desirable the passport should in such cases be marked—"Valid for travelling to \_\_\_\_\_ only."

It should be understood that Egypt is not included in this arrangement, a specific endorsement being still required for that country.

His Majesty's Consul,

I am, &c.,

EYRE A. CROWE.

#### No. 17.

New Zealand, No. 45.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 4th March, 1921.

With reference to Mr. Walter Long's despatch, No. 75, of the 17th May, 1917, and to my predecessor's despatch, No. 189, of the 10th September, 1920, I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that the High Commissioner for South Africa has issued a Proclamation which repeals the Northern Rhodesia War Postage Proclamation, 1917, and increase the rates of postage on letters posted in the territory for all other parts of the Empire to 2d. for each half-ounce.

I have, &c.,

J. S. AMERY,

For the Secretary of State.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

#### No. 18.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 98.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 9th March, 1921.

With reference to paragraph 10 of the Secretary of State's despatch, Dominions No. 44, of the 28th January, 1920, and subsequent correspondence, I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that the issue of the war medals which have been granted to members of the mercantile marine will commence in the United Kingdom early this month.

I have, &c.,

J. S. AMERY,

For the Secretary of State.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

#### No. 19.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 115.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 24th March, 1921.

With reference to my predecessor's Dominions despatch No. 363, of the 25th August, 1920, I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that it is the intention of the Executive Council of the British Empire Exhibition that the guarantee fund should be raised entirely in the United Kingdom. The letter of appeal enclosed in the despatch under reference was sent to the Governments of the oversea Dominions for information, it being the only printed document then available describing in succinct form the nature and objects of the exhibition.

I have, &c.,

J. S. AMERY,

For the Secretary of State.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

No. 20.

New Zealand, No. 65.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 5th April, 1921.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's telegram of the 12th March, and to express my satisfaction at learning that your Ministers are prepared to contribute £250 per annum for three years from the 1st January last to the Imperial Bureau of Mycology.

I have, &amp;c.,

J. S. AMERY,

For the Secretary of State.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &amp;c.

No. 21.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 220.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 28th May, 1921.

I have the honour to transmit to Your Excellency, for the information of your Ministers, a copy of a circular letter from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs to His Majesty's Representatives abroad, on the subject of the granting of visas to British passports for countries for which such passports have not been issued or endorsed by a British authority.

I have, &amp;c.,

WINSTON S. CHURCHILL.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &amp;c.

## Enclosure.

(Circular.)

SIR,—

Foreign Office, 12th May, 1921.

It has come to my notice that cases have occurred in which foreign consular officers have granted visas to British passports for countries for which such passports have not been issued or endorsed by a British authority.

2. In the view of His Majesty's Government a British passport enables the holder to travel only to those countries for which it has been issued or endorsed. I shall be glad if you will bring this matter to the notice of the Government to which you are accredited, with a view to their issuing instructions to their consular officers to this effect.

3. British subjects applying to a foreign consular officer for a visa for a country for which the passport has not already been made valid should be referred to the nearest British authority, in order that the passport may first be made valid for the country concerned.

His Majesty's Representative at

I am, &amp;c.,

CURZON OF KEDLESTON.

No. 22.

New Zealand, No. 110.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 31st May, 1921.

I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that the trustees of the British Museum, in acknowledging the receipt of various papers relating to the protection of animals in New Zealand, have expressed their gratification in receiving evidence of efforts which are being made to prevent extermination.

2. The trustees found the Acts, regulations, &c., relating to New Zealand of special interest.

I have, &c.,

WINSTON S. CHURCHILL.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

No. 23.

New Zealand, No. 112.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 4th June, 1921.

In reply to Your Excellency's despatch, No. 26, of the 9th February, I have the honour to request you to inform your Ministers that the International Institute of Agriculture is unable to confirm the statement that the Government of Italy is in possession of new and valuable information with regard to the control of disease in fruit-trees and other plants. I A.-1, 1921,  
No. 2.

2. If, however, more detailed information as to the statement could be obtained the Minister of Agriculture would be glad to make further inquiries.

I have, &c.,

WINSTON S. CHURCHILL.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

No. 24.

New Zealand, No. 118.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 11th June, 1921.

With reference to my predecessor's despatch, No. 45, of the 9th March, 1920, I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that, in view of the abnormal conditions at present existing, His Majesty's Government has reluctantly decided to abandon for the time the projected despatch to the self-governing Dominions of a touring exhibition of British goods,

I have, &c.,

WINSTON S. CHURCHILL.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

No. 25.

New Zealand, No. 116.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 11th June, 1921.

With reference to my despatch, No. 18, of the 20th January, I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that Mr. A. G. Smyth, of Apia, has now expressed his willingness to act as Honorary Trade Correspondent in Samoa, and that a notice regarding the appointment will be published in the *Board of Trade Journal* at an early date.

I have, &c.,

WINSTON S. CHURCHILL.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

No. 26.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 232.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 11th June, 1921.

With reference to my predecessor's despatch, No. 275, of the 20th December, 1920, I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that the Imperial Bureau of Mycology is anxious to receive, as issued, official publications

of all descriptions containing scientific or popular articles dealing with the diseases of plants, issued by the Agricultural, Forestry, and allied Departments of the British oversea Governments, and would be grateful if these could be sent direct to the Bureau at 17 Kew Green, Kew, Surrey.

2. I should be glad if your Government could see their way to make arrangements to meet the wishes of the Bureau.

I have, &c.,

WINSTON S. CHURCHILL.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

No. 27.

New Zealand, No. 120.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 17th June, 1921.

A.—1, 1921,  
No. 15.

I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that a Senior Officers' School, similar to the one in this country at Woking, the purpose and scope of which are described in the enclosed Army Order 97 of 1920, has been opened in India, and that the second course will begin on the 1st September, 1921, and will last for approximately three months.

2. The Government of India have intimated that they are prepared to allot four vacancies at this course to Australian and New Zealand officers, and I should be glad if you would telegraph direct to the Government of India whether the number of vacancies will meet your Ministers' requirements.

3. If the proposals are found satisfactory I have to suggest that the further correspondence should be carried on direct between your Government and the Government of India.

I have, &c.,

WINSTON S. CHURCHILL.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

[Enclosure not printed.]

No. 28.

New Zealand, No. 121.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 20th June, 1921.

A.—1, 1921,  
No. 12.

With reference to my predecessor's despatch, Dominions No. 98, of the 9th March, 1921, relative to the issue of medals to members of the mercantile marine, I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that the Board of Trade have had under consideration the question of making more definite arrangements for the issue of medals in New Zealand to such applicants as, having previously applied in the United Kingdom, have been granted permission to wear ribands and have been supplied with a form of authority in this country, but now reside in the Dominion.

2. The Board of Trade believe that in a number of instances the ribands and forms of authority were issued in this country to men who stated, when making their application, that they resided in the United Kingdom, whereas their permanent residence was in New Zealand; while in other cases the applicants were residing in this country when the ribands and forms of authority were issued to them, but have since become permanently resident in the Dominion. In any case where it has been ascertained that the applicant's permanent address is in New Zealand he had been informed that any medals to which he may be entitled in respect of his services in the mercantile marine during hostilities will be issued to him by the proper authorities in the Dominion. There is reason to believe, however, that medals have been prepared by the Board of Trade for men who, since their application, have gone to New Zealand or some other part of the Empire.

3. In these circumstances the Board suggest, for your Ministers' consideration, that it would be convenient if any applications received in the Dominion from persons who hold forms of authority issued in the United Kingdom were forwarded to them, so that it may be ascertained whether or not the medals have been pre-

pared in this country. In cases where the medals have been prepared they could then be forwarded to the New Zealand Government for issue to the applicants, but in cases where the medals have not been prepared the Dominion Government would be so informed immediately, and could then arrange for the supply and issue of the medals. In the latter case the forms of authority issued by the Board of Trade would be cancelled.

4. I should be glad to learn whether the proposed arrangements meet with your Ministers' approval.

I have, &c.,

WINSTON S. CHURCHILL.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

#### No. 29.

New Zealand, No. 122.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 20th June, 1921.

With reference to my predecessor's despatch, No. 191, of the 13th September, 1920, I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that His Majesty's Government and the Government of India have agreed to pay a special subscription to the International Customs Tariff Bureau of three times the normal contribution in respect of the year 1921–22.

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No. 11.

I have, &c.,

WINSTON S. CHURCHILL.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

#### No. 30.

New Zealand, No. 136.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 13th July, 1921.

With reference to my predecessor's despatch, No. 29, of the 4th February, 1920, I have the honour to transmit to Your Excellency, for the consideration of your Ministers, a copy of a memorandum prepared in the War Office on the question of the revision of charges for Dominion officers attending the Staff College, Camberley.

2. A copy of the memorandum has been communicated to your Prime Minister.

I have, &c.,

WINSTON S. CHURCHILL.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

#### Enclosure.

THE STAFF COLLEGE, CAMBERLEY.

*Revision of Charge for Dominion Officers attending the Staff College.*

At the Imperial Conference of 1911 it was agreed that room should be found at the Staff College for the attendance of a quota of Dominion officers each year, the necessary additions being made forthwith to the college buildings, and that the Dominion Governments should contribute to the cost of the institution (staff, accommodation, and general running-expenses) in the form of an annual payment per student at a rate to be agreed upon. The rate fixed was £200. The real estimate at the time—that is to say, the figure obtained by dividing the total annual cost of the college (after deducting certain personal expenses borne by the Dominions direct) by the full number of students contemplated (120)—was about £240, but a round £200 was accepted by the Imperial Government in consideration of the fact that this figure had already been mentioned to the Imperial Conference before the cost had been estimated in detail. (The average total number of students up to the outbreak of the war was in fact only 102; this number would have given a cost per head of about £280.)

The cost of the Staff College is very much larger now than it was in 1911. This is partly due to the recent increase in rates of pay and in prices, partly to changes introduced before the war, such as the provision of a servant for each student at a considerably higher cost than the servant allowance previously given. Moreover, we now possess proper accounts showing the true

cost of this and other Army establishments. The accounts of the college for the financial year ended 31st March, 1921, which are now practically complete, show a cost of £91,406, being £862 per student per annum for 106 students.

	£
	91,406
To this we must add—	
For non-effective charges of staff .. .. .	2,310
For lodging, fuel, and light allowances* issued to students living out of college (added in order that the whole charge for accommodation may be included. Apart from this item the figures do not include the pay or allowances of students) .. .. .	7,756
Total .. .. .	£101,472

being £957 per student per annum.

From this must be deducted any charges included above which are met out of allowances granted to the students by their own Governments. In 1911 the deductions to be made on this account were considerable; but owing to various changes the only deduction now to be made is in respect of forage .. .. .

Total .. .. .	£94,719
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being £894 per student per annum.

The War Office propose the following further deductions:—

(i.) The figure included in the accounts for 1920-21 for rental value of the buildings is higher by £8,850 than in 1911. It is proposed to make an increase of only £1,500 on this account (for increased cost of maintenance and repair) in the charge against the Dominions .. .. .	£7,350
(ii.) Certain reductions in the gradings of the staff are in contemplation which are estimated to lead to a saving per annum of about .. .. .	£6,700
	14,050
	£80,669

being £761 per student per annum.

Further, in view of the fact that the number of students in future is expected to be between 110 and 115, as against 106 in 1920-21, it is suggested that the charge against the Dominion Governments shall be put at a round figure of £700 per student per annum.

In comparing this figure of £700 with the £280 quoted at the end of the first paragraph of this memorandum, it should be borne in mind that in 1911 the Dominion Governments bore direct, in the shape of allowances to their students, certain charges (*e.g.*, for servants, bicycles, &c.) which are now provided by the War Office in kind and covered by the £700.

The Dominions were notified about a year ago that a revised charge was under consideration for 1920 and subsequent courses, and it is suggested that the new rate should take effect from January, 1920, and should remain in force as long as the accounts show no substantial change in the cost of the college per student.

The War Office, 9th July, 1921.

### No. 31.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 293.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 19th July, 1921.

I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty have intimated that His Majesty the King has been pleased to approve of the adoption in future of the following procedure in His Majesty's Navy in celebration of Empire Day, 24th May—viz., all His Majesty's ships, both at home and abroad, will dress over all, but fire no salutes.

I have, &c.,

WINSTON S. CHURCHILL.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

### No. 32.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 299.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 26th July, 1921.

With reference to Mr. Bonar Law's despatch, No. 391, of the 17th July, 1915, and subsequent correspondence, I have the honour to request Your Excellency

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No. 16.

\* In any case where these allowances are issued to a student by a Dominion Government instead of the War Office an adjustment will be necessary.

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.,

WINSTON S. CHURCHILL.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

### 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.

I have, &c.,

WINSTON S. CHURCHILL.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

### 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.,

WINSTON S. CHURCHILL.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

## Enclosure.

NOBEL COMMITTEE OF THE NORWEGIAN PARLIAMENT.  
NOBEL PEACE PRIZE.

All proposals of candidates for the Nobel Peace Prize, which is to be distributed 10th December, 1922, must, in order to be taken into consideration, be laid before the Nobel Committee of the Norwegian Parliament by a duly qualified person before the 1st February, 1922.

Any one of the following persons is held to be duly qualified: (a) Members and late members of the Nobel Committee of the Norwegian Parliament, as well as the advisers appointed at the Norwegian Nobel Institute; (b) members of Parliament and members of Government of the different States, as well as members of the Interparliamentary Union; (c) members of the International Arbitration Court at the Hague; (d) members of the Commission of the Permanent International Peace Bureau; (e) members and associates of the Institute of International Law; (f) university professors of political science and of law, of history, and of philosophy; and (g) persons who have received the Nobel Peace Prize.

The Nobel Peace Prize may also be accorded to institutions or associations.

According to the Code of Statutes, section 8, the grounds upon which any proposal is made must be stated and handed in along with such papers and other documents as may therein be referred to.

According to section 3 every written work, to qualify for a prize, must have appeared in print.

For particulars qualified persons are requested to apply to the office of the Nobel Committee of the Norwegian Parliament, Drammensvei 19, Kristiania.

## No. 35.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 451.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 7th November, 1921.

With reference to my predecessor's despatch of the 27th July, 1920, forwarding copies of a report on the Imperial Entomological Conference which was held in London in June, 1920, I have the honour to invite the attention of Your Excellency's Ministers to the abstract of legislation in force in the British Empire dealing with plant pests and diseases, copies of which have been sent to your Government from the Imperial Bureau of Entomology.

2. In the despatch under reference copies of the preliminary draft of the abstract were enclosed; the abstract as now published by the Bureau is in its final form, and includes legislation up to 1920. It is desirable that the abstract should be revised and brought up to date from time to time, and I should therefore be grateful to your Ministers if they could see their way to arranging for the Director of the Bureau to be notified of any changes in, or additions to, the legislation or regulations concerning plant pests and diseases which may be made by your Government. At the same time, the Director would be glad to receive suggestions or observations on the abstract generally, which can be taken into consideration when a revised edition is being prepared.

I have, &c.,

WINSTON S. CHURCHILL.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

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