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MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 11th November, 1924.

With reference to Your Excellency's despatch, No. 253, of the 11th September, 1923, I have the honour to request you to inform your Ministers that the Minister of Pensions has arranged for Mr. G. J. Gilbert, Principal Clerk in the Accounts Division of the Ministry, to visit certain Dominions and colonies for the purpose of conferring with the Audit authorities in regard to the local audit of payments made on behalf of the Ministry to pensioners resident in those Dominions and colonies. Opportunity will at the same time be taken to discuss with the appropriate authorities any matters of an executive nature arising out of the payments made by them on behalf of the Ministry.

2. Accordingly it is proposed that Mr. Gilbert should visit New Zealand about the end of March, 1925, and I should be glad to learn whether this visit would be acceptable to Ministers; and, if so, whether the approximate date proposed is convenient.

3. I shall be glad to receive a telegraphic reply to this despatch.

I have, &c.,

J. S. AMERY.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.

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

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