

No. 60.

COPY of a DESPATCH from His Grace the Duke of BUCKINGHAM to Governor
Sir G. F. BOWEN, G.C.M.G.

(No. 77.)

SIR,—

Downing Street, 29th July, 1868.

I have received, through the Governor of New South Wales, Addresses to His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh, from the Inhabitants of Westport and Nelson, in New Zealand, on the occasion of the attempted assassination of His Royal Highness at Sydney.

I have also received from Mr. Vincent Pyke a letter, dated 18th of April, from Dunedin, enclosing a congratulatory Address to His Royal Highness from the Office-bearers and Members of "The Thistle" Lodge of Freemasons, at Westport.

These Addresses, together with the copy of the Address from the Inhabitants of Auckland, enclosed in your Despatch No. 28, of April 4th, have been laid before His Royal Highness, who has desired me to convey to those who signed them his thanks for these expressions of their sympathy.

I have, &c.,

BUCKINGHAM AND CHANDOS.

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No. 61.

COPY of a DESPATCH from His Grace the Duke of BUCKINGHAM to Governor
Sir G. F. BOWEN, G.C.M.G.

(No. 81.)

SIR,—

Downing Street, 1st August, 1868.

I have received and laid before Her Majesty the various Despatches in which you describe the anxiety felt by the European and Native inhabitants of New Zealand to give a suitable welcome to His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh, and transmit the expressions of their regret at the misfortune which has deprived them of the opportunity of doing so.

I have much pleasure in informing you that the Duke of Edinburgh returned to this country in perfect health, and that it is the intention of Her Majesty that he shall hereafter resume the tour which was so unhappily interrupted. It is probable in this case that His Royal Highness will proceed in the first instance however to India; and you may be assured that he will, in the absence of some insuperable obstacle, not fail to accomplish his contemplated visit to New Zealand. I shall have the honor at a later period of communicating to you the arrangements of His Royal Highness.

I have, &c.,

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No. 62.

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(No. 85.)

SIR,—

Downing Street, 5th August, 1868.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 39, of 15th May, forwarding accounts contained in the local journals of your reception at Otahuhu, a town in the neighbourhood of Auckland.

I have, &c.,

BUCKINGHAM AND CHANDOS.

Governor Sir G. F. Bowen, G.C.M.G.