

No. 11.

COPY of a DESPATCH from the Right Hon. the Earl of KIMBERLEY to
Governor Sir G. F. BOWEN, G.C.M.G.

(No. 79.)

SIR,—

Downing Street, 14th November, 1871.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 77, of the 31st of August, forwarding a Ministerial Memorandum upon the Circular Despatches of the 20th and 29th of April last.

Those Circulars were properly sent to New Zealand, which is, from its situation, more concerned with the Fiji Islands than some of the other Australasian Colonies, though the former Circular was inadvertently so drafted as to appear applicable in strictness only to the Colonies of Australia.

I have, &c.,

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

KIMBERLEY.

No. 12.

COPY of a DESPATCH from the Right Hon. the Earl of KIMBERLEY to
Governor Sir G. F. BOWEN, G.C.M.G.

(No. 80.)

SIR,—

Downing Street, 15th November, 1871.

I have received and have laid before the Queen your Despatch No. 72, of the 23rd of August, reporting the death of Tamati Waka Nene, the principal chief of the great clan of the Ngapuhis.

Her Majesty desires me to convey to you the expression of the regret with which she has heard of the death of this distinguished chief, who was so loyally attached to Her Majesty, and who exerted himself on all occasions to promote that good understanding between the two races, so essential to the welfare and prosperity of both.

It is the Queen's desire that an expression of Her Majesty's sympathy in their loss should be conveyed to his widow and to the clan to which he belonged.

I have, &c.,

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

KIMBERLEY.

No. 13.

COPY of a DESPATCH from the Right Hon. the Earl of KIMBERLEY to
Governor Sir G. F. BOWEN, G.C.M.G.

(No. 83.)

SIR,—

Downing Street, 27th November, 1871.

I have the honor to acquaint you, with reference to your Despatch No. 79, of the 1st of September, that the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, to whom I communicated your Despatch, have informed me that instructions have been sent to the Senior Officer of Her Majesty's ships at New Zealand, to pay to the Colonial authorities the sum claimed for subsistence of naval prisoners in gaol at Wellington in the year ended 31st March, 1870, namely, sixty-eight pounds seven shillings and eight pence (£68 7s. 8d.)

I have, &c.,

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

KIMBERLEY.

No. 14.

COPY of a DESPATCH from the Right Hon. the Earl of KIMBERLEY to
Governor Sir G. F. BOWEN, G.C.M.G.

(Circular.)

SIR,—

Downing Street, 30th November, 1871.

I have the honor to transmit to you a copy of a letter from the General Post Office, from which you will learn that the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury have considered it necessary to authorize the Postmaster-General to give the requisite notice of twenty-four (24) months to the Peninsular and Oriental