No. 5.

The Hon. the Premier to His Excellency the Governor.

Memorandum for His Excellency.

SIR GEORGE GREY presents his respectful compliments to the Marquis of Normanby, and acknowledges the receipt of two despatches from the Secretary of State's Department, London, dated 7th February and 18th March, 1878.

Sir George Grey transmits herewith a memorandum by the Attorney-General of New Zealand, which covers a copy of correspondence between the Attorney-General and the Solicitor-General, respecting the questions raised by the despatches; and Sir George Grey requests that the Marquis of Normanby will be good enough to forward those documents to the Secretary of State.

G. GREY.

Wellington, 14th June, 1878.

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