

State for the Colonies their request that he would submit to Her Majesty the humble desire of the colony that Her Majesty may be graciously pleased to order that a new Public Seal for the Colony of New Zealand may be prepared, of a kind suitable for the purpose above described, and that Her Majesty will at the same time be pleased to direct in what manner the Public Seal now in use shall be disposed of.

A *fac-simile* in copper of the Public Seal of New Zealand accompanies this memorandum. It will be observed that the surface is roughened, but this is the result of an accident, and in the event of a new Seal being granted to the colony the roughness should not be reproduced upon it.

Wellington, 22nd April, 1880.

JOHN HALL.

No. 5.

COPY of a DESPATCH from Governor Sir HERCULES ROBINSON to the Right Hon. Sir MICHAEL HICKS BEACH.

(No. 26.)

Government House, Wellington,

SIR,—

New Zealand, 23rd April, 1880.

With reference to your Despatch No. 1, of the 6th January last, transmitting a bronze medal from the Royal Humane Society, and requesting that it might be presented in as public a manner as possible to Mr. Jenkin, I have the honor to forward to you a memorandum which I have received from the Premier on the subject, enclosing a receipt for the medal from Mr. Jenkin, and also a newspaper account of the presentation of the medal by Sir William Fox.

I have, &c.,

HERCULES ROBINSON.

The Right Hon. Sir M. Hicks Beach, Bart., &c.

No. 6.

COPY of a DESPATCH from Governor Sir HERCULES ROBINSON to the Right Hon. Sir MICHAEL HICKS BEACH.

(No. 27.)

Government House, Wellington,

SIR,—

New Zealand, 23rd April, 1880.

I have the honor to forward a memorandum which I have received from the Premier, enclosing a copy of a letter from the Auckland Harbour Board, requesting me to address you with a view of obtaining from the Admiralty the information desired by the Board.

I have, &c.,

HERCULES ROBINSON.

The Right Hon. Sir M. Hicks Beach, Bart., &c.

Enclosure in No. 6.

MEMORANDUM for His EXCELLENCY.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Auckland.

THE Premier has the honor to forward to the Governor copy of a letter from the Auckland Harbour Board, and respectfully asks that His Excellency will address the Colonial Office, with a view of obtaining from the Admiralty the information desired by the Board.

Wellington, 23rd April, 1880.

JOHN HALL.

Sub-Enclosure to Enclosure in No. 6.

SIR,—

Auckland Harbour Board, Auckland, 13th March, 1880.

I have the honor, by direction of the Board, to respectfully request that you will, at your earliest convenience, ascertain, for the information and guidance of this Board—

1. What would be the dock accommodation required by the Imperial Government for the use of Her Majesty's ships visiting this port for refitting purposes, &c.;

2. To what extent would the Imperial Government be willing to assist this Board in providing all the required dock accommodation.

I have, &c.,

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Auckland.

D. H. MCKENZIE, Chairman.

No. 7.

COPY of a DESPATCH from Governor Sir HERCULES ROBINSON to the Right Hon. Sir MICHAEL HICKS BEACH.

(No. 34.)

Government House, Wellington,

SIR,—

New Zealand, 4th June, 1880.

I have the honor to forward to you a copy of the Speech with which, on