

offices is more than I then said. You will observe, from the table contained in the (printed) confidential despatch on the subject, which goes to the Premier by this mail, that the difference is as follows:—

The New Zealand office, at present, costs less—

					£	s.	d.
Than South Australia	...	...	...	...	850	0	0
„ Queensland	...	...	...	...	898	0	0
„ New South Wales	...	...	...	...	904	0	0
„ Victoria	..	...	..	...	1,195	0	0
„ Canada	..	..	...	..	3,630	0	0

And will shortly show a further difference, as you will have seen from my letters of the 29th June and 22nd instant.

I have, &c.,

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

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