

No. 5.—FEDERATED MALAY STATES.

Mr. CHAMBERLAIN to High Commissioner Sir C. B. H. MITCHELL.

(Telegram sent 5.45 p.m., 18th July, 1899.)

In reply to your telegram of the 16th July (No. 4), please convey thanks of Her Majesty's Government and high appreciation of spirit which prompted offer, but say that they do not expect to be in a position to avail themselves of assistance offered.

No. 5A.—LAGOS.

Governor Sir WILLIAM MACGREGOR to Mr. CHAMBERLAIN.

(Telegram received 8 p.m., 18th July, 1899.) [Answered by No. 6A.]

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, Lagos, unanimously offer services 300 Haúsas for campaign, South Africa.

No. 6.—NEW SOUTH WALES.

Governor Earl BEAUCHAMP to Mr. CHAMBERLAIN.

(Extract from telegram received 10.8 a.m., 21st July, 1899.) [Answered by No. 7.]

I UNDERSTAND from my Premier that offers to volunteer for service in South Africa, if required, have been received from about 1,860 officers, non-commissioned officers, and men of the New South Wales forces.

No. 6A.—LAGOS.

Mr. CHAMBERLAIN to Governor Sir WILLIAM MACGREGOR.

(Telegram sent 12 noon, 21st July, 1899.)

In reply to your telegram of 18th July (No. 5A), Her Majesty's Government highly appreciate loyal and patriotic offer. While grateful for it, they do not anticipate that they will be able on the present occasion to avail themselves of assistance offered.

No. 7.—NEW SOUTH WALES.

Mr. CHAMBERLAIN to Governor Earl BEAUCHAMP.

(Telegram sent 7 p.m., 26th July, 1899.)

Your telegram, 21st July (No. 6): Her Majesty's Government highly appreciate loyal and patriotic spirit shown by those who have offered services. Proposal placed on record at War Office. Full consideration will be given to offer should necessity arise for reinforcement of troops now in South Africa.

No. 8.—VICTORIA.

Mr. CHAMBERLAIN to Governor Lord BRASSEY.

(Extract from telegram sent 7.15 p.m., 27th July, 1899.)

I SHALL be glad if you will inform those who have offered to serve in South Africa that their loyalty and patriotism is fully appreciated by Her Majesty's Government. Should necessity arise to reinforce the troops now in South Africa, their offers, which have been placed on record at the War Office, will receive full consideration.

No. 9.—VICTORIA.

Governor Lord BRASSEY to Mr. CHAMBERLAIN.

(Telegram received 9.59 a.m., 1st August, 1899.) [Answered by No. 17.]

THE justice of the claims of the Uitlanders, on which Her Majesty's Government insist, is fully recognised by popular opinion in Victoria, and several public meetings have been held in support of the policy of the Government. Numerous offers of service have been received from the colonial forces.

No. 10.—HONGKONG.

Governor Sir H. A. BLAKE to Mr. CHAMBERLAIN.

(Telegram received 8 a.m., 21st September, 1899.) [Answered by No. 20.]

Two officers, about fifty men, Hongkong Volunteers, four Maxims, offer services Transvaal in the event of operations. General Officer Commanding satisfied they are in position start at once.

No. 11.—QUEENSLAND.

Governor Lord LAMINGTON to Mr. CHAMBERLAIN.

(Telegram received 8 a.m., 22nd September, 1899.) [Answered by No. 15.]

In the event of contingent being required for South Africa, my Government anxious to know whether Imperial Government or Government of Queensland are to arrange for transport; in the latter case, at what port in South Africa. Earliest possible information is desired by my Government whether their offer to send a contingent is likely to be accepted, in order to obtain the necessary parliamentary supply.