

No. 57.—QUEENSLAND.

Mr. CHAMBERLAIN to Lieutenant-Governor Sir S. W. GRIFFITH.

(Telegram sent 4.50 p.m., 19th October, 1899.)

HER MAJESTY'S Government have learnt with much satisfaction vote of Legislative Assembly.

No. 58.—NEW SOUTH WALES.

Governor Earl BEAUCHAMP to Mr. CHAMBERLAIN.

(Telegram received 12.38 p.m., 20th October, 1899.) [Answered by No. 59.]

It is proposed to send out one unit infantry, one unit mounted infantry, half unit Medical Staff Corps, in addition to Lancers on the way to Cape; will leave about the end of this month. Please reply.

No. 59.—NEW SOUTH WALES.

Mr. CHAMBERLAIN to Governor Earl BEAUCHAMP.

(Telegram sent 4.40 p.m., 20th October, 1899.)

REFERRING to your telegram of 20th October (No. 58), Her Majesty's Government highly appreciate and gladly accept arrangements contemplated.

No. 60.—NEW ZEALAND.

Governor the Earl of RANFURLY to Mr. CHAMBERLAIN.

(Telegram received 11.50 a.m., 21st October, 1899.)

REFERRING to my telegram of 14th October (No. 41), New Zealand Contingent sailed to-day; they may require small supplement to their horse equipment.

No. 61.—CANADA.

Mr. CHAMBERLAIN to Governor-General the Earl of MINTO.

(Telegram sent 2.40 p.m., 23rd October, 1899.)

REFERRING to your telegram of 19th October (No. 54), Secretary of State for War would gladly accept medical and surgical equipment, medical *personnel*, officers and men, and trained female nurses, sufficient for hospital for Canadian Contingent. British troops can be legally only attended by surgeons registered United Kingdom and nurses belonging to Army Reserve.

No. 62.—NEW SOUTH WALES.

Governor Earl BEAUCHAMP to Mr. CHAMBERLAIN.

(Telegram received 9.53 a.m., 24th October, 1899.) [Answered by No. 71.]

GOVERNMENT of New South Wales arranging to send about ten officers and 130 men, being Medical Staff Corps and balance of Lancers, also 200 horses, per steamship "Kent," sailing on 28th October. Steamer proceeds from here (to) Albany, then Port Elizabeth, arriving on or about 25th November. It is presumed that arrangements for lightering in landing will be made by Imperial Government. Arrangements for despatch of regiments of infantry and mounted infantry well forward; will advise you further.

No. 63.—NEW SOUTH WALES.

Governor Earl BEAUCHAMP to Mr. CHAMBERLAIN.

(Telegram received 9.53 a.m., 24th October, 1899.)

It has been decided that Sydney Lancers will remain for service with Imperial troops at the Cape on terms of your telegram of 3rd October (No. 17).

No. 64.—CANADA.

Governor-General the Earl of MINTO to Mr. CHAMBERLAIN.

(Telegram received 1.10 a.m., 24th October, 1899.) [Answered by No. 68.]

My Government ask me ascertain whether War Office sending Army Post Office Corps to South Africa. If so, Canada would send five trained officials for post-office duties with Canadian Contingent. If approved, please inform me what class of clerks will be required. My Government will pay all expenses or whatever proportion suggested.

No. 65.

Mr. CHAMBERLAIN to Governor Lord TENNYSON (South Australia), and to the GOVERNORS of all other Australian Colonies and New Zealand.

(Telegram sent 24th October, 1899.)

HER MAJESTY the Queen desires to thank the people of her colonies in Australasia for their striking manifestation of loyalty and patriotism in their voluntary offer to send troops to co-operate with Her Majesty's Imperial forces in maintaining her position and the rights of British subjects in South Africa. She wishes the troops God-speed and a safe return.