

No. 21.

(No. 54.)

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 2nd August, 1900.

I have the honour to inform you that the French colonists, through their Consul, M. le Comte de Courte, have telegraphed to me expressing their sincere condolence on the occasion of the death of His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh, and have asked me to transmit the same to Her Majesty.

I have, &c.,

The Right Hon. J. Chamberlain.

RANFURLY.

Secretary of State for the Colonies.

No. 22.

(No. 55.)

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 2nd August, 1900.

With further reference to my telegram of to-day, relative to an Address of condolence from both Houses of Parliament to Her Majesty the Queen, I have the honour to forward you herewith the Address for presentation to Her Majesty.

I have, &c.,

The Right Hon. J. Chamberlain,

RANFURLY.

Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Enclosures.

[ADDRESSES of condolence on the occasion of the death of His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh.]

No. 23.

(No. 56.)

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 3rd August, 1900.

I have the honour to inform you that I have received from the Mayors of Auckland and other towns telegrams requesting me to forward to Her Majesty the Queen their very sincere expressions of condolence and respectful sympathy in the sad loss which has befallen Her Majesty, by the death of His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh, and praying that Her Majesty may receive strength and comfort from on High to support her in this the time of her very sad bereavement.

I have, &c.,

The Right Hon. J. Chamberlain,

RANFURLY.

Secretary of State for the Colonies.

No. 24.

(No. 57.)

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 3rd August, 1900.

I have the honour, at the request of the Legislative Council and the House of Representatives of New Zealand, to enclose you herewith, for presentation to the Italian Government, Addresses expressing indignation, sympathy, and sorrow at the dastardly assassination of His Majesty the King of Italy.

I have, &c.,

The Right Hon. J. Chamberlain,

RANFURLY.

Secretary of State for the Colonies.

No. 25.

(No. 58.)

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 9th August, 1900.

I have the honour to acknowledge your circular despatch of 30th May, 1900, asking to be furnished with information regarding the terms of engagement of the Contingents from this colony in South Africa.

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