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(No. 53.)

MY LORD,—

Government House, Wellington, 5th July, 1907.

In continuance of my despatch (No. 62) of the 3rd September last, and with reference to Your Lordship's despatch (No. 64) of the 12th July, 1906, on the subject of Fires in Wool Cargoes, I have the honour to forward herewith copies of the Report of the Commission to which I referred, which has now been laid before Parliament.

I have, &c.,

The Earl of Elgin,

PLUNKET.

Secretary of State for the Colonies.

A.—2, 1907,
No. 6.

No. 9.

(No. 58.)

MY LORD,—

Government House, Wellington, 18th July, 1907.

With reference to my telegram of to-day, I have the honour to transmit to Your Lordship copies of Resolutions passed by both Houses of the Legislature upon the subject of New Zealand's designation being changed from the "Colony of New Zealand" to the "Dominion of New Zealand."

I have, &c.,

The Earl of Elgin,

PLUNKET.

Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Enclosures.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

We, His Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the House of Representatives of New Zealand, in Parliament assembled, desire respectfully to inform Your Excellency that we have this day passed the following resolution, which we respectfully request Your Excellency to forward to His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State:—

Resolved, "That this House respectfully requests that His Majesty the King may be graciously pleased to take such steps as he may consider necessary in order that the designation of New Zealand be changed from 'the Colony of New Zealand' to 'the Dominion of New Zealand.'"

A. R. GUINNESS, Speaker.

House of Representatives, Wellington, 12th July, 1907.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

We, the Legislative Council of New Zealand, have this day agreed to the enclosed address, and we request that Your Excellency may be pleased to transmit the same to His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, to be laid at the foot of the throne:—

"To the King's Most Excellent Majesty.

"MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,—

We, the members of the Legislative Council of New Zealand, in Parliament assembled, respectfully request that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased to take such steps as he may consider necessary in order that the designation of New Zealand may be changed from 'the Colony of New Zealand' to 'the Dominion of New Zealand.'"

CHAS. C. BOWEN,

Speaker, Legislative Council.

Tuesday, the 16th day of July, 1907.

No. 10.

(No. 60.)

MY LORD,—

Government House, Wellington, 22nd July, 1907.

I have the honour to inform Your Lordship that I opened the Third Session of the Sixteenth Parliament of this Colony on the 27th June last.

2. Enclosed I forward, for Your Lordship's information, copies of the Speech that I made on that occasion, together with copies of the Addresses in Reply, from the Legislative Council and the House of Representatives.

I have, &c.,

The Earl of Elgin,

PLUNKET.

Secretary of State for the Colonies.