

DESIGNS FOR NEW ZEALAND COAT OF ARMS.

Enclosures (four) with memorandum for Garter King of Arms.

- (1.) Sketch of coat of arms furnished by Garter King of Arms and returned as requested.
- (2.) Sketch of coat of arms modified and approved provisionally.
- (3.) Woodcut of sheep (extract) from *Pastoralists Review* of the 15th November, 1910.
- (4.) Photograph of heads of *taiaha*.

No. 74.

New Zealand, No. 48.

SIR,—

Government House, Auckland, 12th April, 1911.

I have the honour to transmit to you copy of a memorandum received from my Acting Prime Minister, relating to the reported prevalence of contagious diseases amongst horses in the United States of America, together with printed copies of the quarantine regulations, which my Government have now decided to strictly enforce, regarding the introduction of foreign live-stock into the Dominion of New Zealand.

2. It is desired by my Ministers that the United States Government be notified of the enforcement of the regulations.

I have, &c.,

ISLINGTON,

Governor.

The Right Hon. Lewis V. Harcourt, P.C., &c.,
Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Enclosure.

Prime Minister's Office, Wellington, 3rd April, 1911.

Memorandum for His Excellency the Governor.

THE Acting Prime Minister presents his compliments to His Excellency the Governor, and begs to inform him that the New Zealand Government has been advised that several contagious diseases affecting horses, such as *maladie du coit*, epizootic lymphangitis, and infectious anæmia, are prevalent in the United States, and that it has therefore been decided to strictly enforce the quarantine regulations relating to the introduction of foreign live-stock into the Dominion. These regulations provide, *inter alia*, that horses will be subjected on arrival to a quarantine of fourteen days' duration. During the past few years a concession has been made, in that horses from the United States have been admitted without quarantine provided that they passed the mallein test, but in view of the presence of the above-mentioned diseases this concession will in future be withdrawn and the regulations strictly enforced. Two copies of the regulations are attached. It is respectfully requested that a notification of the above be made to the United States Government through the usual channel.

J. CARROLL,

Acting Prime Minister.

No. 75.

New Zealand, No. 49.

SIR,—

Government House, Auckland, 12th April, 1911.

At the request of my Acting Prime Minister, I have the honour to transmit herewith letters, dated the 20th March, 1911, signed by the Honorary Secretary of the New Zealand Association for the Severance of the Connection of the British Empire with the Opium Traffic.

The letters are addressed to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, the Secretary of State for India, the Prime Minister of Great Britain and Ireland, the Right Hon. A. J. Balfour, Leader of the Opposition; and a copy of the resolution passed by the association is appended to each.

It is desired that the letters referred to may be forwarded to the persons to whom they are addressed.

I have, &c.,

ISLINGTON,

Governor.

The Right Hon. Lewis V. Harcourt, P.C., &c.,
Secretary of State for the Colonies.