

Enclosure.

SIR,—

Foreign Office, 31st July, 1911.

Monsieur Vogt's note of 6th February last, respecting the case of Anders Andersen, in which it was suggested that the Government of New Zealand should compensate the Norwegian Government for the expenses incurred by them in connection with the defence of Andersen at his trial, was duly referred to the Dominion Government.

I now have the honour to inform you that the matter has received the consideration of the Government of New Zealand, and that they have decided to submit to Parliament next session a vote for the sum of £400, which, if passed by Parliament, will be paid to the Norwegian Government.

The Government of New Zealand desire, however, that it should be clearly understood that in taking the course referred to above they must not be deemed to admit any liability in respect of the legal proceedings against Andersen, and his subsequent death.

I have, &c.

Monsieur Huitfeldt.

No. 71.

New Zealand, No. 273.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 9th August, 1911.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch, No. 87, of the 23rd June, and to inform you that I have duly laid before His Majesty the King the messages of congratulation and loyalty on the occasion of his Coronation forwarded in it from various public bodies, &c., in New Zealand.

2. I have already, in my despatch, No. 215, of the 30th June, requested you to convey His Majesty's thanks to the senders of these messages, except in the case of the message from the people of Gisborne, of which no telegraphic notification was received from you. I have to request that you will cause a suitable acknowledgment expressing His Majesty's cordial thanks to be returned to the people of Gisborne.

I have, &c.,

L. HARCOURT.

Governor the Right Hon. Lord Islington, K.C.M.G., D.S.O., &c.

No. 72.

New Zealand, No. 276.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 11th August, 1911.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch, No. 83, of the 13th June, forwarding a copy of a resolution passed at a meeting of the Ashburton County Council on the 3rd April last, regarding arbitration between Great Britain and the United States of America.

I have, &c.,

L. HARCOURT.

Governor the Right Hon. Lord Islington, K.C.M.G., D.S.O., &c.

No. 73.

New Zealand, No. 277.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 11th August, 1911.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch, No. 90, of the 29th June, and to inform you that the address from the Methodist Conference of New Zealand has been duly laid before His Majesty, who has commanded that his thanks may be returned to the Conference for the address.

I have, &c.,

L. HARCOURT.

Governor the Right Hon. Lord Islington, K.C.M.G., D.S.O., &c.