

Enclosure.

INTERNATIONAL OPIUM CONVENTION OF 23RD JANUARY, 1912.

THE following Powers and States are the original signatories of the Convention : Great Britain, China, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Persia, Portugal, Russia, Siam, and United States of America.

The above also signed the Protocol de Clôture of the same date.

The Convention has since been signed by the following States, on the dates mentioned : Costa Rica (25th April, 1912), Mexico (15th May, 1912), Guatemala (17th June, 1912), Belgium (18th June, 1912), Luxemburg (18th June, 1912), Panama (19th June, 1912), Ecuador (2nd July, 1912), Honduras (5th July, 1912), Salvador (30th July, 1912), Hayti (21st August, 1912), Venezuela (10th September, 1912).

A despatch from His Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires at The Hague, dated the 2nd October, 1912, states that, according to information recently laid before the States-General, Spain, Cuba, and the Dominican Republic have announced their willingness to sign the Convention.

Foreign Office, 15th October, 1912.

No. 88.

New Zealand, No. 312.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 25th October, 1912.

I have the honour to transmit to you, to be laid before your Ministers, copy of a Note from the German Chargé d'Affaires forwarding a request from the Subcommission for Dentistry in the Army of the International Committee for Hygiene of the Fédération Dentaire Internationale for information as to the arrangements made for dental attendance on members of the naval and military Forces of the British Empire.

2. I shall be glad to receive, for transmission to the subcommission, any particulars of the practice of your Government which they may be prepared to furnish in response to this request.

I have, &c.,

L. HARCOURT.

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

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YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

German Embassy, 9th October, 1912.

By instructions from my Government, I have the honour to transmit herewith three copies (each in German, English, and French) of a request from the Subcommission for Dentistry in the Army of the International Committee for Hygiene of the Fédération Dentaire Internationale, and to beg that a copy may be forwarded to the War Office, Admiralty, and Colonial Office respectively.

I have, &c.,

KUHLMANN.

SIR,—

The Subcommission for Dentistry in the Army of the International Committee of Hygiene of the Fédération Dentaire Internationale (H.C.F.D.I.) begs leave to ask the Colonial Office for information, for the purpose of coming to an international understanding, if and which arrangements have been made in the Army and Navy of Great Britain and her dominions and colonies to give dental attendance to the soldiers in times of peace and war.

In case military dentists have already been commissioned, information on rank, salary, and pensions would be appreciated.

In consideration of the importance of this matter, the subcommission should be much indebted for an early reply, to be addressed to Mr. Steffen, Dentist, Cuxhaven, Schillerstrasse 32.

No. 89.

New Zealand, No. 314.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 30th October, 1912.

With reference to my despatch, No. 134, of the 8th May, I have the honour to transmit to you, for the information of your Ministers, copies of an order which has been made by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries postponing from the 1st January until the 1st April next the operation of Chapter I of the Horses (Importation and Transit) Order of 1912.

I have, &c.,

L. HARCOURT.

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