

(Telegram.)

The Hon. the Premier, Wellington.

22nd April, 1912.

"The Cook County Council expresses, on behalf of the country residents of Poverty Bay, its grief at the terrible disaster to the 'Titanic,' its heartfelt sympathy with those who have lost relatives, and its deep admiration of the behaviour of those who, to save the women and children, went down with the ship."

HOWARD KENWAY,
Chairman, Gisborne.

(Telegram.)

Prime Minister, Wellington.

20th April, 1912.

KINDLY transmit to proper quarters that the Stratford Borough Council expresses its profound and deep sympathy with the relations of the passengers and crew in the appalling disaster caused by the wreck of the "Titanic"; also its admiration of the manner in which the officers and men upheld the best traditions of the sea.

J. MASTERS, Mayor.

(Telegram.)

The Hon. T. Mackenzie, Wellington.

20th April, 1912.

WESTPORT Chamber of Commerce deeply sympathize with relatives and friends of those lost in the sad wreck of the "Titanic."

A. A. WILSON.

SIR,—

Mayor's Office, Palmerston North, 19th April, 1912.

At a meeting of citizens of this town held last evening the following resolution was proposed, and carried in silence, viz.: "That this meeting expresses its profound and deepest sympathy with the relatives of the passengers and crew of the 'Titanic' in the sad and deplorable disaster resulting in the loss of so many lives, and also its admiration of the gallantry of the officers and men in sacrificing their lives to save women and children."

I was further directed by the meeting to forward same on to you.

I have, &c.,

The Hon. the Prime Minister, Wellington.

J. A. NASH, Mayor.

No. 5.

New Zealand, No. 63.

SIR,—

Government House, Auckland, 16th May, 1912.

I have the honour to transmit to you the accompanying copy of a memorandum which I have received from my Prime Minister, together with five letters from the Executive of the New Zealand Association for the Severance of the Connection of the British Empire with the Opium Traffic, addressed to the persons mentioned, forwarding copies of a resolution urging the suppression of the opium traffic in China.

I have, &c.,

ISLINGTON,

The Right Hon. Lewis V. Harcourt, P.C., &c.,

Governor.

Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Enclosure.

Prime Minister's Office, Wellington, 7th May, 1912.

Memorandum for His Excellency the Governor.

THE Prime Minister presents his compliments to His Excellency the Governor, and begs to enclose, for transmission to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, five letters from the Executive of the New Zealand Association for the Severance of the Connection of the British Empire with the Opium Traffic, addressed as under, forwarding copies of a resolution urging the suppression of the opium traffic in China:—

His Grace the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury.
The Prime Minister of Great Britain and Ireland.
The Secretary of State for India.
The Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.
The Leader of the Opposition.

G. W. RUSSELL,

For Prime Minister.

No. 6.

New Zealand, No. 65.

SIR,—

Government House, Auckland, 22nd May, 1912.

With reference to your despatch, No. 44, of the 7th February, on the question of the co-operation of my Government with the labour exchanges in the