

guineas laid down in our by-laws is the fee prescribed for every person resident in Great Britain who desires to secure a qualification here by examinations. It is also laid down in section 5 of the Pharmacy Act, 1868, that persons registered in accordance with the Act, without examination, shall pay the same fees as persons admitted to the register after examination under the Act. My council is therefore advised that it would not be competent to fix any other fees than those mentioned in the proposals which have been forwarded through the Colonial Office to the Pharmacy Board of New Zealand.

Having regard to these facts, I am to express the hope that the Pharmacy Board of New Zealand will see their way to agree generally to the conditions proposed, so that my council may pass a resolution establishing reciprocity, in the same way as has been done in the case of Victoria and Queensland.

I am, &c.,

RICHARD BREMRIDGE,

The Under-Secretary of State, Colonial Office, S.W.

Secretary and Registrar.

No. 58.

New Zealand, No. 190.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 28th June, 1912.

I have the honour to inform you that I have laid your telegram of the 22nd instant before His Majesty the King, and that I am commanded to express to you and to your Government and the people of New Zealand the thanks of His Majesty and of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales for the congratulations on the occasion of the birthday of the Prince of Wales conveyed in your telegram.

I have, &c.,

L. HARCOURT.

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

No. 59.

New Zealand, No. 191.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 28th June, 1912.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch, No. 60, of the 9th May, and to transmit to you, for the information of your Ministers, the accompanying copy of a letter from Messrs. Ismay, Imrie, and Co., expressing their thanks for the resolutions of condolence passed by certain public bodies in the Dominion in connection with the disaster to the steamship "Titanic."

I have, &c.,

L. HARCOURT.

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

Enclosure.

SIR,—

Liverpool, 25th June, 1912.

We are in receipt of your communication of 24th instant, covering despatch from the Governor of New Zealand, with copies of resolutions passed by the Harbour Board (Auckland), the Miramar Borough Council, the New Plymouth Borough Council, the Cook County Council, the Stratford Borough Council, the Westport Chamber of Commerce, and the Mayor and citizens of Palmerston North, tendering their sympathy and condolences to those bereaved by the deplorable disaster to s.s. "Titanic," and desire to offer to you our sincere appreciation of your kindness in forwarding us these resolutions, and should be grateful if you could find means to express to all those concerned the deep gratitude of the sufferers for their expressions of such kindly sympathy, which, coming as they do from practically the other side of the world, are as unexpected as they are acceptable.

We are, &c.,

For Ismay, Imrie, and Co.,

A. E. D.

The Under-Secretary of State, Colonial Office, London S.W.

No. 60.

New Zealand, No. 192.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 3rd July, 1912.

With reference to my despatch, No. 94, of the 27th March last, I have the honour to transmit to you, for the information of your Ministers, the accompanying copies of despatches from the Governors of New South Wales and Tasmania on the subject of the resolution of the Imperial Conference in favour of continuing the policy of encouraging British emigrants to proceed to British dominions rather than foreign countries.

I have, &c.,

L. HARCOURT.

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