No. 1.

New Zealand, No. 61.

Sir,— Government House, Wellington, 30th April, 1913.

With reference to your despatch, No. 82, of the 27th February last, on A.-2, 1914, the subject of the Conference on Infant Mortality, I have the honour to inform you that, in accordance with your request, my Government will cause to be made known throughout this Dominion that the Association for the Prevention of Infant Mortality would welcome offers from experts of suitable papers bearing on the subject, and that places will be reserved on the programme for any papers that may be offered.

I have, &c.,

LIVERPOOL,

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

Governor.

No. 2.

New Zealand, No. 63.

SIR,— Government House, Wellington, 1st May, 1913.

With reference to your despatch, No. 37, of the 13th December, 1912, on the subject of the Convention respecting international exhibitions signed at Berlin on the 26th October, 1912, I have the honour to inform you, in reply to paragraph 2 of your despatch, that in the event of the Convention being ratified by His Majesty, my Government desire that notification of adherence be made in respect of New Zealand.

1 have, &c.,

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

LIVERPOOL,
Governor.

No. 3.

New Zealand, No. 66.

Sir,— Government House, Wellington, 7th May, 1913.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch, No. 83, A.-2, 1914, of the 27th February last, forwarding copies of an Order of His Majesty in Council of the 11th February, assenting to the reserved Bill of the Parliament of New Zealand entitled the Shipping and Seamen Amendment Act, 1912

2. As I informed you in my telegram of the 2nd May, this Act came into operation on the 1st instant, and my Government would be glad if His Majesty's Government would take the necessary steps to arrange for the adherence of New Zealand to the International Conventions with regard to collisions and salvage.

I have, &c.,

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

LIVERPOOL, Governor.

No. 4.

New Zealand, No. 68.

Government House, Wellington, 13th May, 1913.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch, Mis-A.-2, 1914, cellaneous, of the 20th March last, enclosing, for the information of my Ministers, copies of a circular despatch relative to the present position of the work of the Visual Instruction Committee of the Colonial Office.

2. In compliance with the wish expressed in the concluding paragraph of your despatch, my Ministers are taking steps to bring to the notice of the various local education authorities in the Dominion the work done under the direction of the Committee.

I have, &c.,

LIVERPOOL, Governor.

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