

of being shown in the War Office Army List as allied to King Edward's Horse (the King's Oversea Dominions Regiment):—

- 4th (Waikato) Mounted Rifles.
- 6th (Manawatu) Mounted Rifles.
- 7th (Southland) Mounted Rifles.
- 8th (South Canterbury) Mounted Rifles.
- 9th (Wellington East Coast) Mounted Rifles.
- 10th (Nelson) Mounted Rifles.
- 11th (North Auckland) Mounted Rifles.
- 12th (Otago) Mounted Rifles.

If His Majesty graciously approves of these alliances, all the Mounted Regiments in the Dominion will then be allied to King Edward's Horse.

J. ALLEN,
For the Prime Minister.

No. 4.

New Zealand, No. 61.

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 15th April, 1914.

With reference to my telegram of the 28th March and to previous correspondence on the subject of copyright, I have the honour to forward to you, at the request of my Prime Minister, the accompanying copies of the recent Orders in Council and regulations under the Copyright Act, 1913, of the Parliament of New Zealand.

I have, &c.,

LIVERPOOL,

Governor.

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

No. 5.

New Zealand, No. 66.

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 21st April, 1914.

With reference to your despatch, No. 200, of the 28th May, 1913, and to my despatch, No. 198, of the 24th December last, on the subject of the interchange of officers between the Imperial Army and the New Zealand Military Forces, I have the honour to enclose a copy of a memorandum which I have received from the Prime Minister, expressing the views of my Government on the question, and containing a suggestion for the consideration of the War Office authorities.

I have, &c.,

LIVERPOOL,

Governor.

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

Enclosure.

Prime Minister's Office, Wellington, 14th April, 1914.

Memorandum for His Excellency the Governor.

THE Right Hon. the Prime Minister presents his compliments to His Excellency the Governor, and respectfully begs that he will communicate with the Secretary of State for the Colonies with a view of his placing before the Army Council the following suggestion in regard to interchange of officers, having reference to the concluding paragraph of despatch of the 28th May and ensuing correspondence :—

It is held that in the case of direct interchanges there would not be any financial difficulties, as the period of service of officers concerned synchronized with the financial agreements, but in the case of indirect interchanges there would always be difficulties, as the officers sent to the Dominion go there for a period of three or four years, while the New Zealand officers generally remain only eighteen months in the United Kingdom. It is suggested that a simple way out of the difficulty would be for the War Office and the Dominion of New Zealand to agree to a permanent arrangement by which the Imperial Government would pay a definite number of New Zealand officers—say, four—on indirect exchange, so long as a corresponding number of Imperial officers were maintained in New Zealand. It is submitted that such an arrangement would simplify the financial question, and that it would be an inducement for the Dominion to send officers to the United Kingdom and to maintain Imperial officers in New Zealand, a necessary factor in promoting an Imperial spirit and keeping the New Zealand Forces up to date.

J. ALLEN,
For the Prime Minister.