

in Reply which I have received from the Legislative Council and from the House of Representatives.

I have, &c.,

LIVERPOOL,

Governor.

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

No. 28.

New Zealand, No. 127.

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 15th July, 1914.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch, No. 177, A.-2, 1915, dated the 30th April, relative to the case of the wives of soldiers serving under the Governments of the self-governing dominions whose contributions are paid into the Navy and Army Fund. No. 27.

2. My Ministers inform me that, in compliance with the wish expressed by the Army Council, the New Zealand Government will pay the maternity benefit in such cases, and will recover any amounts so paid, through the High Commissioner, from the National Health Insurance Commissioners.

I have, &c.,

LIVERPOOL,

Governor.

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

No. 29.

New Zealand, No. 128.

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 15th July, 1914.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch, No. 166, A.-2, 1915, of the 20th April, on the subject of copyright. No. 25.

2. My Prime Minister desires me to express the pleasure of the Government of New Zealand at the issue and publication of the signed certificate which you have given, in accordance with section 25 (2) of the Imperial Copyright Act, 1911, regarding the legislation of the Dominion on the subject of copyright.

3. Ministers have duly noted the extension of the Act to the Island of Cyprus and to Weihaiwei, and to the British protectorates mentioned in paragraph 3 of your despatch.

4. The amendment of the New Zealand Act to make the necessary provision for copyright in New Zealand with regard to works of or residents in those places will receive the earnest consideration of the Government, though it is doubtful whether an opportunity will occur of introducing legislation on the subject during the current session.

5. The Prime Minister also acknowledges with thanks the copy of the note, enclosed in your despatch, informing the Swiss Government of the accession of this country to the Berne Copyright Convention of 1908.

I have, &c.,

LIVERPOOL,

Governor.

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

No. 30.

New Zealand, No. 129.

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 16th July, 1914.

I have the honour to inform you, in reply to the inquiry made in your despatch, No. 207, of the 15th May, that the Government of New Zealand agree to recognize the certificates of proficiency in radio-telegraphy granted by the Government of India. A.-2, 1915, No. 34.

I have, &c.,

LIVERPOOL,

Governor.

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