

from a communication received from Mr. H. G. Dering, M.V.O., on relinquishing his appointment as British Representative on the Permanent Committee of the International Agricultural Institute.

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L. HARCOURT.

Governor His Excellency the Right Hon. the Earl of Liverpool,
K.C.M.G., M.V.O., &c.

Enclosures.

No. A. 27622/1914.
SIR,—

Board of Agriculture and Fisheries,
4 Whitehall Place, London S.W., 28th March, 1914.

I am directed by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries to refer to their letter of the 18th ultimo, No. 27346/14, and to transmit to you, to be laid before the Secretary of State, an extract from a communication which they have received from Mr. H. G. Dering, M.V.O., Councillor of the British Embassy, Rome, on relinquishing his appointment as British Representative on the Permanent Committee of the International Agricultural Institute.

I am, &c.,

A. W. ANSTRUTHER,

Assistant Secretary.

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

SIR,—

British Embassy, Rome, 27th February, 1914.

Sir James Wilson having arrived in Rome to take up the duties of British representative at the Institute, I venture to take this opportunity, when finally severing my direct official connection with the Board, of expressing my grateful thanks for all the assistance and support which I have received from the Department since taking up the work at the Institute in 1911. The relations which I have been fortunate enough to maintain with yourself and Sir Thomas Elliott will always remain a most pleasant memory.

Feeling, as I have done, that the Governments of His Majesty and of the Dominions adhering to the Institute have up to the present been but inadequately represented by myself with a limited amount of time to devote to the Institute, it is with much gratification that I have noted the appointment of a distinguished delegate who will worthily safeguard His Majesty's Government's and all Dominion interests as a permanent representative at the Institute on a par with those sent here by other Great Powers. Any experience which I may have acquired will always be at Sir James Wilson's disposal as long as I remain at Rome.

I cannot close this letter without recording the great assistance which I have received in all Institute matters connected with Canada from Mr. T. K. Doherty, of the Publications Branch of the Department of Agriculture at Ottawa. His letters and advice to me have always proved instructive and of the utmost use.

I have, &c.,

HERBERT G. DERING.

Sir Sydney Olivier, K.C.M.G., Board of Agriculture and Fisheries.

No. 19.

New Zealand, No. 149.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 8th April, 1914.

I have the honour to transmit to Your Excellency, for communication to your Prime Minister, copy of a despatch from the Governor-General of Canada forwarding a letter from the Cartier Centenary Committee of Montreal inviting your Government to send representatives to the ceremony of inauguration of the memorial to commemorate the centenary of the birth of Sir Georges E. Cartier, which will take place in Montreal on the 7th September next.

I have, &c.,

L. HARCOURT.

Governor His Excellency the Right Hon. the Earl of Liverpool,
K.C.M.G., M.V.O., &c.

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SIR,—

Government House, Ottawa, Canada, 20th March, 1914.

I have the honour to forward herewith, with the request that the invitations may be transmitted to their various destinations, a copy of a letter from the Department of the Secretary of State for External Affairs covering invitations to the self-governing Dominions to send representatives to the Cartier Celebration in September.

I have, &c.,

ARTHUR.

The Right Hon. Lewis V. Harcourt, M.P., Secretary of State for the Colonies.