

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Queen Alexandra Fund :—						
Patea Ladies' Committee				200	0	0
Highland and Islands of Scotland Relief Fund				500	0	0
Belgian Children Christmas Appeal Fund :—						
Dominion Belgian Relief Fund				2,232	13	3
London Lord Mayor's Belgian Relief Fund :—						
Te Kaka Patriotic League... ..	8	14	6			
Pahiatua Belgian Relief Fund	49	10	6			
Oamaru Anglican Choir	17	4	6			
				75	9	6
Russian Jewish War Relief Fund :—						
Wellington Zionist Literary and Debating Society				77	1	6
Belgian Relief Fund :—						
Poor of Great Britain, Ireland, and Belgium Relief Fund, Stratford				400	0	0
St. Dunstan's Hospital Fund :—						
Lower Hutt St. Dunstan's Fund Committee				265	10	0
In addition the following further amounts have been remitted to the Paymaster of the New Zealand Expeditionary Forces, Egypt :—						
New Zealand Red Cross Fund :—						
Timaru Ladies' Patriotic Society	5	0	0			
Stratford Red Cross Guild... ..	5	0	0			
Hunterville Countess of Liverpool Fund and Red Cross Guild	35	0	0			
P. Holt, Te Puriri, Papakura	15	0	0			
				60	0	0
				£39,681	13	6
Poor in Belgium Relief :—						
Monthly contribution under Government scheme				15,000	0	0
				£54,681	13	6

ARTHUR M. MYERS,
Acting Minister of Finance.

No. 5.

New Zealand, No. 59.

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 10th February, 1917.

I have the honour to inform you that, in reply to your predecessor's despatch, No. 876, of the 3rd November last, relative to the question of the principles to be observed in connection with the remuneration of officers of oversea Prize Courts, my Ministers state that the matter has been fully considered, and that it is not proposed to pay any fees or remuneration to officers in New Zealand in connection with Prize Court proceedings.

I have, &c.,

LIVERPOOL,

The Right Hon. Walter H. Long, M.P.,
Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Governor

No. 6.

New Zealand, No. 65.

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 13th February, 1917.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Bonar Law's despatch, No. 945, of the 30th November last, forwarding the audited accounts of the Pacific Cable Board for the year 1915-16.

2. My Government are gratified to observe that the statement shows a surplus of revenue over expenditure, more especially as from its inception New Zealand used all her influence in support of the Pacific cable scheme.

I have, &c.,

LIVERPOOL,

The Right Hon. Walter H. Long, M.P.,
Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Governor.