

2. Ministers desire me to advise you in reply that in the event of His Majesty's Trade Commissioners being located as indicated in your despatch the Government of New Zealand will probably be very pleased to take advantage of the services of those officers in Canada and South Africa, and possibly at a later date of those in Egypt and the Straits Settlements. On learning that the officers have taken up their duties steps will be taken by my Ministers to furnish them with all necessary information.

3. The Department with which the officers should communicate is the Department of Agriculture, Industries, and Commerce, Wellington, New Zealand.

I have, &c.,

LIVERPOOL,

Governor-General.

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

No. 37.

New Zealand, No. 284.

SIR,— Government House, Wellington, 25th October, 1917.

In answer to your despatch, Dominions No. 434, of the 5th July, I have the honour to inform you that the Government of New Zealand agree with much pleasure to the suggestion made in your despatch that the British National War Museum be allowed to make the first selection from all trophies, whether captured by British or oversea troops. A.-2, 1918,
No. 46.

2. My Ministers, however, have asked me to state at the same time that, with the object of making this Dominion's War Museum as representative as possible, they would be very much obliged if a representative set of trophies captured by the British Forces, both military and naval, in all spheres of the war, could be sent to New Zealand.

I have, &c.,

LIVERPOOL,

Governor-General.

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

No. 38.

New Zealand, No. 289.

SIR,— Government House, Wellington, 3rd November, 1917.

With reference to my telegram of the 2nd instant, I have the honour to inform you that the third session of the Nineteenth Parliament of New Zealand, which opened on the 28th June, was prorogued by Proclamation dated the 2nd November, 1917.

I have, &c.,

LIVERPOOL,

Governor-General.

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

No. 39.

New Zealand, No. 293.

SIR,— Government House, Wellington, 19th November, 1917.

I have the honour to inform you that I duly communicated to my Ministers the contents of your despatch, No. 125, dated the 17th August, on the subject of passenger-steamer certificates.

2. I am advised that the regulations and instructions to Surveyors which have been adopted and which are now in force in this Dominion are those made by the Imperial Board of Trade in connection with the survey of passenger steamships, the survey of passenger accommodation, and the construction of passenger steamships, to which must be added the New Zealand rules regarding