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SIR,— Government House, Wellington, 15th January, 1917.

With reference to my despatch, No. 283, of the 22nd November, 1916, I have the honour to transmit to you the accompanying copy of a memorandum addressed to me by the Acting Minister of Finance, to which is appended a statement showing contributions by the people of New Zealand to various war funds for the month of November. The amounts have been remitted to the High Commissioner for New Zealand in London for distribution.

I have, &c.,

LIVERPOOL,

Governor.

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

Enclosure.

Minister's Office, Finance Department, Wellington, 5th January, 1917.

Memorandum for His Excellency the Governor.

I HAVE to advise Your Excellency that the sum of £14,609 1s., being New Zealand's contribution for the relief of poor in Belgium under the Government scheme, for the month of November, has been transmitted by cable to the High Commissioner. This is £390 19s. less than the amount usually remitted monthly, one of the districts having contributed less than its quota to the scheme.

In addition the following contributions have been remitted to the High Commissioner for distribution as under:—

New Zealand Red Cross Fund:—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Invercargill St. John Ambulance Association ...	250	0	0			
Napier Christmas Gifts to Troops Fund ...	1,000	0	0			
Eltham district residents ...	600	0	0			
Southland War Funds Association ...	5	0	0			
Marton Red Cross workers ...	97	10	0			
Hastings Red Cross workers ...	40	0	0			
Presbyterian Church of New Zealand ...	100	0	0			
Waipukurau Christmas Gifts Committee ...	270	0	0			
From quota contributions of patriotic societies ...	1,500	0	0			
Pahiatua Ladies' Patriotic Committee ...	650	0	0			
Wanganui Girls' College ...	11	0	0			
Napier Christmas Gifts to Troops Fund ...	200	0	0			
Moutoa (Shannon Sick and Wounded) Soldiers' Fund ...	20	0	0			
Huntermville Countess of Liverpool Fund and Red Cross Guild ...	60	0	0			
Karori Women's National Reserve ...	20	0	0			
				4,823	10	0

Red Cross Fund (headquarters, Order of St. John, London):—

Taihape Red Cross Society ...	100	0	0			
Nelson Red Cross Fund ...	556	9	9			
St. John Ambulance Brigade Overseas, Wellington ...	100	0	0			
				756	9	9

Allies Relief Fund:—

Southland War Funds Association ...				122	9	7
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Belgians in England Relief Fund:—

Dunedin <i>Evening Star</i> fund ...				155	0	0
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Overseas Club Tobacco Fund:—

J. Herbert Hankins, Overseas Club, Palmerston North ...				345	0	0
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British Navy Relief Fund:—

Manawatu Patriotic Society ...	82	3	4			
Waimangaroa Defence Rifle Club ...	0	5	0			
Otago Patriotic and General Welfare Association and Navy League ...	1,731	10	1			
Dunedin <i>Evening Star</i> fund ...	95	0	0			
Karamea Patriotic Committee ...	13	11	0			
Eltham Patriotic Committee ...	15	3	4			
Hawke's Bay War Relief Association ...	1	17	2			
Eltham County Patriotic Committee ...	168	0	0			
				2,107	9	11

Queen Alexandra Fund:—

Wairarapa Patriotic Association ...				100	0	0
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Polish Relief Fund:—

Lawrence Patriotic Fund ...	3	7	6			
Southland War Funds Association ...	9	5	0			
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