

worn, and has been instructed either to wear it or to keep it within immediate reach ready to put on while the ship is in a danger-zone.

Musters should be held at short notice as soon as practicable after leaving each port in the danger-zone and at frequent intervals thereafter, at which all passengers should be required to attend with their life-jackets, putting them on under proper guidance.

Not more than two types of life-jacket should be carried on board any one ship.

WARM CLOTHING, ETC.

22. Passengers and seamen should be enjoined to keep themselves warmly clothed at all times, and to be ready for any emergency.

The seamen's discharge-books should be distributed to them on entry in the danger-zone.

Marine Department, Board of Trade, June, 1917.

C. HIPWOOD,
Assistant Secretary.

No. 46.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 434.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 5th July, 1917.

With reference to my despatch, No. 72, of the 14th May, I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that the question of the allocation of trophies captured during the war has been under consideration. A. 1, 1918.
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2. It is the desire of His Majesty's Government that the National War Museum, which is designed to commemorate the efforts made by the whole Empire in the war, and which comprise sections specifically devoted to the Dominions and colonies, should be thoroughly representative in its character; and with this object it is thought advisable that the museum should be allowed to make the first selection from all trophies, whether captured by British or oversea troops. It is hoped that your Government will welcome the opportunity thus offered of making ample provision for the representation of New Zealand.

3. The Organizing Committee of the museum are appointing a committee to deal with the interests of the Dominions in this matter. The First Commissioner of His Majesty's Office of Works has invited the High Commissioners to nominate representatives on this committee.

4. Subject to the proviso explained above, it is proposed that all trophies captured by the oversea troops should be handed to the Dominions or colonies from which they were recruited, for disposal by the respective Government.

5. I should be glad to learn whether your Ministers agree to the procedure indicated in this despatch.

6. The Army Council wish that it may be clearly understood that it is intended to place the allocation of trophies in the hands of the oversea Governments, and not of the military authorities of the oversea Forces.

I have, &c.,

WALTER H. LONG.

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

No. 47.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 446.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 12th July, 1917.

With reference to my telegram of the 7th July, I have the honour to transmit to Your Excellency, for the information of your Ministers, copies of an extract from the *London Gazette* of the 3rd July, containing a Proclamation by His Majesty the King, dated the 2nd July, consolidating, with additions and amendments, the lists of articles to be treated as contraband of war.

I have, &c.,

WALTER H. LONG.

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