

Such crosses should be painted with three coats of white-lead in oil, and should be neatly lettered with the name of the deceased, his rank or rating, his official number, and the date of death.

In the case of officers and men of the Jewish faith the emblem of the "Sign of David" should be substituted for the cross, and in the case of other non-Christians a plain board should be erected.

As the crosses are intended as temporary markings only, it is desired that the cost of manufacture, inscription, and erection should be as near 5s. as local conditions allow, and the amount expended should be recovered from the Admiralty.

I take this opportunity of saying, with reference to your despatch, No. 186, of the 5th September, 1918, that the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty would be glad to learn in what way, if at all, the Naval graves in New Zealand are marked.

I have, &c.,

MILNER.

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

No. 28.

New Zealand, No. 106.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 11th June, 1919.

I have the honour to request Your Excellency to bring to the notice of your Ministers, in case it has not been received direct, a request which I have received from the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia for specimens of postage-stamps which have been brought into issue by the abnormal conditions due to the war, for inclusion in the Library Section of the Australian War Museum.

A.—1, 1919,
No. 19.

2. The stamps required may be classified as (a) occupation stamps, (b) war-tax stamps, and (c) Red Cross stamps; and it is desired that specimens may be forwarded direct to the Secretary, Department of Defence (War Museum), Melbourne.

I have, &c.,

MILNER.

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

No. 29.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 480.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 18th June, 1919.

With reference to my despatch, Dominions No. 302, of the 24th April, I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that Joint Standing Industrial Councils have now been set up for the following additional industries: Waterworks undertakings, local authorities' non-trading services (manual workers), electricity-supply, gas, flour-milling, and boot and shoe.

I have, &c.,

MILNER.

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

No. 30.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 515.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 28th June, 1919.

I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that His Majesty's Government have for disposal a limited quantity of decayed oak which has been removed from the trusses in the roof of Westminster Hall.

A.—1, 1919,
No. 26.

2. This oak is part of the original timbers of the time of Richard II, and it is thought that the principal museum in New Zealand might be interested in having as a gift pieces of this wood.

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