

ensuring its efficient working, it is not desirable to add unduly to the number of members. It is accordingly suggested that the most convenient plan might be for each of the Dominion Governments to invite one of the existing scientific members of the Committee to represent that Dominion, and in addition that the Government Mycologist of the Dominion (if one has been appointed), or some officer performing similar duties, should be nominated as an *ex officio* member of the Committee. It will be recollected that a somewhat similar plan was adopted in the case of the Imperial Bureau of Entomology.

3. I should be glad to learn whether this suggestion commends itself to your Government, and, if so, which of the members of the Committee they would wish to represent them.

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. 35.

New Zealand, No. 140.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 6th August, 1919.

A. 1, 1919,
No. 27.

With reference to my despatches, No. 114, of the 26th June, and No. 118, of the 9th July, relating to the examination of masters and mates in the mercantile marine, I have the honour to transmit to Your Excellency copies of a circular instruction issued by the Board of Trade to Examiners, and notice to candidates for certificates of competency, regarding the substitution in the signalling examination of the Allied Signal-manual for the British Signal-manual.

2. The Board desire that the substitution may be effected in His Majesty's oversea dominions at as early a date as the examining authorities consider to be reasonable to candidates.

I have, &c.,

MILNER.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon. the Earl of Liverpool,
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Enclosure.

EXAMINATION OF MASTERS AND MATES.—INSTRUCTIONS TO EXAMINERS AND NOTICE TO CANDIDATES.
(Circular 1610.) Board of Trade, Marine Department, June, 1919.

Signalling.

ON and after the 31st July the British Signal-manual, which has hitherto been used in the examination, in signalling, of candidates for certificates of competency as master or mate, will be abandoned, and the Allied Signal-manual will be substituted for use in the examination.

The Allied Signal-manual (together with an addendum) may be purchased at the price of 1s. 1d. exclusive of cost of postage, either directly or through any bookseller, from His Majesty's Stationery Office at any of the addresses named below.

C. HIPWOOD,

Assistant Secretary.

Imperial House, Kingsway, London W.C. 2, and 28 Abingdon Street, London S.W. 1;
37 Peter Street, Manchester; 1 St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff; 23 Forth Street, Edinburgh; or from E. Ponsonby, Ltd., 116 Grafton Street, Dublin.

No. 36.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 623.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 6th August, 1919.

With reference to my despatch, Dominions No. 480, of the 18th June, 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: The spelter trade, the iron and steel wire manufacturing industry, the music trades, the printing and allied trades, the needle, fishhook, fishing-tackle, and allied trades, and the carpet industry.

I have, &c.,

MILNER.

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