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No. 27.

New Zealand, No. 228.

Sir,— Government House, Wellington, 17th October, 1924.

With reference to your despatch, No. 131, of the 15th July, I have the honour to inform you that my Ministers advise me that the New Zealand Returned Soldiers' Association has expressed its willingness to co-operate with the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty and the Army and Air Councils in the distribution of the medals to ex-Imperial soldiers residing in New Zealand.

2. The association suggests that, as far as New Zealand is concerned, applications for war medals should be forwarded to "Headquarters, New Zealand Returned Soldiers' Association, Post-office Box 1010, Wellington," where recommendations for issue could be made by the Executive Standing Sub-committee after sighting the necessary official discharge. This would, it is contended, ensure uniformity, and is practically the same procedure as is followed by the association in dealing with applications for a reissue of the Returned Soldiers' Association badge.

I have, &c.,

JELLICOE,

The Right Hon. J. H. Thomas, M.P., Secretary of State for the Colonies. Governor-General.

No. 28.

New Zealand, No. 234.

Sir,— Government House, Wellington, 29th October, 1924.

With reference to your despatch, Dominions No. 427, of the 30th August, relative to an International Congress on Malaria to be held at Rome in 1925, I have the honour to inform you that, whilst appreciating the invitation extended, the New Zealand Government is not desirous of being represented at the Congress.

I have, &c.,

JELLICOE,

The Right Hon. J. H. Thomas, M.P., Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Governor-General.

No. 29.

New Zealand, No. 237.

Sir,— Government House, Wellington, 1st November, 1924.

With reference to your despatch, Dominions No. 279, of the 23rd June, relative to the medical examination of candidates for the Royal Air Force, I have the honour to inform you that my Government is most grateful for the valuable information which you forwarded for the use of its Medical Officers.

2. Ministers state that arrangements are being made with the High Commissioner for New Zealand to purchase one small item which is required to complete the special apparatus which is used for the examination of flying personnel.

I have, &c.,

JELLICOE,

The Right Hon. J. H. Thomas, M.P., Secretary of State for the Colonies. Governor-General.

No. 30.

New Zealand, No. 246.

Sir,— Government House, Wellington, 8th November, 1924.

With reference to your despatch, Dominions No. 153, of the 2nd April, asking to be supplied with the volumes containing the collected laws of New Zealand for the Law Library of the University of London, I have the honour to inform you that my Ministers advise me that considerable difficulty has been experienced in obtaining the set of consolidated statues for 1908 and the statutes for subsequent years.