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NEW ZEALAND.

BOARDS OF HEALTH IN THE VARIOUS PROVINCES, (REPORTS FROM THE).

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly in accordance with the provisions of "The Public Health Act, 1872."

No. 1.

The Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY to the CHAIRMEN of the BOARDS of HEALTH.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Wellington, 10th January, 1873. I have the honour to enclose for the use of the Central Board of Health for the Province , copies of "The Public Health Act, 1872." Board will perceive that the province SIR,of

The Board will perceive that the powers and duties of Boards of Health are enumerated principally in Part II. of the Act, and also that some of the more important provisions of this Part are inoperative until brought into force in a province, or in any part thereof, by an Order of the Governor in Council.

I shall be obliged by being furnished with the opinion of your Board as to the necessity for such Order being issued with regard to the Province of , and as to the parts of the Act which it may be desirable to bring into operation there.

I shall be glad to receive from your Board from time to time such reports and suggestions in regard to the sanitary condition of the part of the colony for which the Board is appointed, as it may appear to it necessary to furnish, and especially full information as to any cases in which, by the action of the Colonial Government, the spread of infectious or contagious diseases can be guarded against or checked, and the public health promoted.

It will be very desirable that the Board should, in the month of March in every year, furnish to the Colonial Secretary a report upon the general sanitary condition of the Province of , and upon the working of the Public Health Act in any part of the province in which it has been put into operation. Such report will be laid, with similar reports from other provinces, before both Houses of the Colonial Parliament.

I have, &c.,

JOHN HALL, Colonial Secretary.

No. 2.

The Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY to the CHAIRMEN OF CENTRAL BOARDS OF HEALTH. Colonial Secretary's Office, (Circular.)

(Circular No. 5.)

SIE,— Referring to the circular from this Department No. 5, of the 10th January, 1873, I desire to call your attention to the concluding paragraph, in which the Chairmen of the Boards of Health were requested to furnish to the Colonial Secretary, in the month of March in each year, a report upon the general sanitary condition of the province, and upon the working of the Public Health Act in any part of the province in which it has been put into operation: such report to be laid before Parliament.

I hope to receive a report of the nature indicated in the month of March, 1875, in accordance with the provisions of section 15 of "The Public Health Act, 1872."

The Chairman, Central Board of Health. **1—H.** 22.

The Chairman of the Board of Health.

I have, &c., D. POLLEN.