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NEW ZEALAND.

DESPATCHES

FROM THE GOVERNOR OF NEW ZEALAND TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

No. 1.

(No. 58.)

MY LORD,— Government House, Wellington, 8th August, 1884.

I have the honour to report that a capital sentence was, on the 15th ultimo, executed in the case of Rowland Herbert Edwards, who had been convicted at the Criminal Sittings of the Supreme Court held at Napier before Mr. Justice Gillies, in June last, of the wilful murder of his wife and four children. Answer, A.-2, No. 11.

2. I took the advice of my Executive Council, and decided that there was no reason to interfere with the course of justice in the case.

I have, &c.,

WM. F. DRUMMOND JERVOIS.

The Right Hon. the Earl of Derby.

No. 2.

(No. 79.)

MY LORD,— Government House, Wellington, 11th October, 1884.

I have the honour to transmit herewith copies of a little work entitled "Health for the Maori," by Mr. J. H. Pope, the Government Inspector of Schools for this colony. Answer, A.-2, No. 29.

I have, &c.,

WM. F. DRUMMOND JERVOIS.

The Right Hon. the Earl of Derby.

No. 3.

(No. 81.)

MY LORD,— Government House, Wellington, 8th November, 1884.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Lordship's Despatch No. 32, of the 6th June last, transmitting a letter from the Board of Trade enclosing a communication addressed by the United States Minister in London to the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, with two gold watches, awarded by the United States Government to Captain W. J. Grey, of the New Zealand Government steamship "Stella," and Captain J. B. Greig, of the New Zealand Government schooner "Kokeno." A.-2, No. 1.

I presented the watch awarded to Captain Grey, in person, at a meeting of the Executive Council of New Zealand at Government House. Captain Grey requested me to present to the United States Government, through your Lordship, his most respectful and sincere thanks for the honour they had conferred upon him.

As Captain Greig was not expected at Wellington for some time, I decided that the most suitable way for having the presentation made to him would be to