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NEW ZEALAND.

JEWISH SUBJECTS OF RUSSIA.

(LETTER FROM MR. SPEAKER TO LIEUT.-GENERAL DE RICHTER, AIDE-DE-CAMP TO H.M. THE EMPEROR OF RUSSIA, FORWARDING ADDRESS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON BEHALF OF THE RUSSIAN JEWS.)

Laid on the Table by the Hon. Mr. Speaker, by Leave.

The SPEAKER, House of Representatives, New Zealand, to His Excellency Lieut.-General DE RICHTER, Aide-de-Camp to H.M. the Emperor for the Reception of Petitions.

Speaker's Rooms, Parliament Buildings,

YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

Wellington, New Zealand, 20th August, 1891.

As Speaker of the House of Representatives of New Zealand, I have the honour to enclose herewith to your Excellency the respectful memorial of that House addressed to His Imperial Majesty the Emperor on behalf of His Majesty's Jewish subjects.

I beg that your Excellency will do me the honour of laying this memorial at the feet of His Imperial Majesty.

Your Excellency will see that the House entertains towards His Imperial Majesty sentiments of the most profound respect, and that, in soliciting for the Jews in Russia His Majesty's generous consideration, it is influenced by no political or religious considerations.

I further enclose for your Excellency's information a copy of the *Hansard* report of the proceedings in the House in connection with the passing of the resolution under which the memorial is now transmitted to your Excellency.

Begging that your Excellency will receive the sincere assurance of my high esteem and consideration.

I have the honour to be,

Your Excellency's most obedient servant,

WILLIAM JUKES STEWARD,

Speaker, House of Representatives, New Zealand.

His Excellency Lieut.-General De Richter,
Aide-de-Camp to His Excellency the Emperor for the Reception of Petitions.

Memorial of the House of Representatives of New Zealand on behalf of the Russian Jews.

To His Imperial Majesty ALEXANDER III., Emperor of all the Russias.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR IMPERIAL MAJESTY,—

We, the Members of the House of Representatives, in the Parliament of New Zealand assembled, in our own name, and on behalf of the inhabitants of this colony, whom we represent, approach your Majesty with the assurance of our most profound respect, and humbly crave your Majesty's gracious permission to intercede on behalf of that portion of your Majesty's subjects who belong to the Hebrew race.