No. 9.

(No. 40.) My Lord,—

Downing Street, 29th May, 1903.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram of the 23rd May, reporting that you have called to the Executive and Legislative Councils Mahuta, generally known as "King of the Maoris."

2. His Majesty's Government have received your telegram with much satisfaction. I have, &c.,

J. CHAMBERLAIN.

Governor the Right Hon. the Earl of Ranfurly, G.C.M.G., &c.

No. 10.

(No. 41.) My Lord,—

A.-1, 1903. No. 43. Downing Street, 12th June, 1903.

I have the honour to transmit to you, for the information of your Ministers, with reference to your despatch (No. 30) of the 11th April last, the paper noted in the subjoined schedule.

I have, &c.,

J. CHAMBERLAIN.

The Officer Administering the Government of New Zealand.

Date.	From	То	Subject.
5th June, 1903	War Office	Colonial Office	Issue of the King's South Africa Medal.
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Enclosure.

War Office, London, S.W., 5th June, 1903.

With reference to your memorandum of the 20th ultimo, No. 18242, forwarding a copy of a despatch received from the Governor of New Zealand regarding the issue of the King's South African Medal, I am directed by the Secretary of State for War to inform you, for the information of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, that the terms governing the issue of that decoration were the subject of anxious consideration before Army Order 232 of 1902 was framed for His Majesty's approval, and it is regretted that no alteration can now be made in the existing terms under which the medal is issued. I am, &c., GUY FLEETWOOD WILSON.

The Under-Secretary of State, Colonial Office, Whitehall, S.W.

No. 11.

(No. 48.) My Lord,—

SIR.

Downing Street, 3rd July, 1903.

I have the honour to acquaint you, for the information of your Ministers, that the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are pleased to approve of the sons of officers in the permanent naval and military forces in New Zealand, if exclusively employed as such, being eligible for the privilege of admission to the Osborne or Britannia Colleges on the reduced charges of £40 a year, under the same conditions as naval and military officers of the Imperial forces.

2. The number of such cadets to whom this privilege can be granted is strictly limited, and in the selection of candidates regard is paid solely to the pecuniary circumstances of the cadet. It will of course be understood that no preference can be given on account of the fact that the candidate for the reduced scale of pay has received a colonial nomination.

3. Copies are forwarded of the form upon which the application for the reduced scale of payment should be made.

I have, &c., J. CHAMBERLAIN.

Governor the Right Hon. the Earl of Ranfurly, G.C.M.G., &c.