## 1913. NEW ZEALAND.

## DESPATCHES

FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

## DEATH OF EMPEROR OF JAPAN.

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

No. 1.

New Zealand, No. 105.

My Lord,—
With reference to my despatch, No. 265, of the 13th September last, I have the honour to transmit to you, to be laid before your Ministers, a copy of a letter from the Foreign Office [7th March] communicating at the request of the Japanese Chargé d'Affaires, a resolution adopted by the Imperial Japanese Diet expressing their appreciation of the sympathy manifested in the addresses voted by the Legislative Council and House of Representatives of New Zealand on the occasion of the death of His Majesty the Emperor of Japan.

I have, &c.

L. HARCOURT.

Governor the Right Hon. the Earl of Liverpool, K.C.M.G., M.V.O., &c.

No. 2.

New Zealand, No. 105.

Sir,—

Foreign Office, 7th March, 1913.

With reference to your letter of the 18th September last (No. 28505), I am directed by Secretary Sir E. Grey to state, for the information of Mr. Secretary Harcourt, that he has received a note from the Japanese Chargé d'Affaires to the effect that, on the 5th ultimo, both Houses of the Imperial Japanese Diet adopted unanimously a resolution expressing their sincere appreciation of the kind sympathy manifested in the addresses voted by both Houses of Parliament of New Zealand on the occasion of the death of His Majesty the Emperor of Japan.

Monsieur Koike requests that this resolution may be communicated to the

Parliament of New Zealand. I am, &c.

EYRE A. CROWE.

The Under-Secretary of State, Colonial Office.

No. 3.

New Zealand, No. 265.

My Lord,— Downing Street, 13th September, 1912.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch, No. 119, of the 1st August, forwarding addresses from the Legislative Council and the House of Representatives expressing deep sympathy with the Empress and Royal Family of Japan and with the Japanese nation on the death of His

Imperial Majesty the late Emperor.

2. The substance of these addresses was conveyed to me in your telegram of the same date, and was duly communicated by the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs to the Japanese Ambassador. A copy of a note from His Excellency expressing the thanks of the Royal Family of Japan and of the Japanese nation was transmitted to you in my despatch, No. 248, of the 23rd August.

I have, &c., L. HARCOURT.

Governor the Right Hon. Lord Islington, K.C.M.G., D.S.O., &c.

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