No. 5.

New Zealand, No. 70.

Government House, Wellington, 14th May, 1913.

Sir,-I have the honour to transmit to you the enclosed copy of a memorandum received from my Prime Minister asking me to communicate with you in order to ascertain whether the Army Council would give favourable consideration to certain suggestions made in the memorandum relative to Army I have, &c., cadetships.

LIVERPOOL,

The Right Hon. Lewis V. Harcourt, P.C., &c., Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Governor.

Enclosure.

Prime Minister's Office, Wellington, 12th May, 1913.

Memorandum for His Excellency the Governor. THE Prime Minister presents his compliments to His Excellency the Governor, and very respectfully begs that the Secretary of State for the Colonies would ascertain whether the Army Council would be agreeable to give favourable consideration to the following suggestions:

A. There are boys who are desirous of entering the Imperial Army through Woolwich and Sandhurst. If the necessary papers could be sent out here, say, for the examination in December, the successful candidates to be allowed to join in the following September. This would not interfere with the system of terms, but the successful candidates could join the term of those who took the examinations six months later.

B. Will the Imperial Government give four cadetships a year, or less, to New Zealand for boys who are going into civil life in this country, but who are going to take commissions in the

Territorial Force? The parents of these boys would pay the full cost of Woolwich or Sandhurst, and the cadets on passing out would join not the Imperial Army, but the New Zealand Forces. This would not cost the Imperial Government anything, and would be a great benefit to the Territorial Force of this Dominion.

W. F. MASSEY, Prime Minister.

No. 6.

New Zealand, No. 78.

Government House, Wellington, 15th May, 1913.

Sir,-Adverting to your despatch of the 31st October, 1912, No. 315, intimating that it would be of great assistance to the Veterinary Pathologist of the East Africa Protectorate to receive regularly reports and publications relating to stock diseases and methods of investigation in New Zealand, I have the honour to inform you that arrangements will, with pleasure, be made by my Government for the direct exchange of publications of the nature I have, &c., indicated.

LIVERPOOL.

The Right Hon. Lewis V. Harcourt, P.C., &c., Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Governor.

No. 7.

New Zealand, No. 86.

SIR,-

Government House, Wellington, 5th June, 1913.

I have the honour to transmit to you the accompanying copy of a memorandum which I have received from my Prime Minister submitting, for the gracious signification of His Majesty's pleasure, the request of the 16th (Waikato) Regiment for the distinction of the designation of "The Prince of Wales's Own "16 (Waikato) Regiment.

I have, &c.,

LIVERPOOL,

The Right Hon. Lewis V. Harcourt, P.C., &c., Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Governor.