

2. Ministers regret that at the present juncture they are unable to give a definite reply to the invitation. As soon as a decision has been reached in the matter, however, a further communication will be sent to you.

I have, &c.,

CHARLES FERGUSSON,

Governor-General.

The Right Hon. the Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 32.

New Zealand, No. 337.

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 8th December, 1927.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch, No. 202, of the 8th October, enclosing copy of a despatch from His Majesty's representative at Monte Video regarding the increased rate of duty imposed by the Uruguayan Government on the importation of apples.

2. His Majesty's Government in New Zealand appreciate very much the action of His Majesty's representative at Monte Video in making representations on the question to the Minister of Finance, and regret to learn that they were unavailing.

3. Ministers add, however, that during the past six years New Zealand has imported from Uruguay goods to the value of £78 only, and that there appears to be no item which might be used as the basis in negotiations for the reduction of the prohibitive duty that the Uruguayan Government has now seen fit to impose.

I have, &c.,

CHARLES FERGUSSON,

Governor-General.

The Right Hon. the Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 33.

New Zealand, No. 339.

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 13th December, 1927.

With reference to your Despatch of the 27th August last, Dominions No. 478, enclosing copy of a circular despatch addressed to Officers Administering the Governments of colonies and protectorates, by the Secretary of State for the Colonies, on the subject of Colonial Agricultural Scientific and Research Service, I have the honour to inform you, at the instance of my Ministers, that the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research in New Zealand hopes to discuss the matters raised therein with the Right Hon. L. C. M. S. Amery during his visit to this Dominion.

I have, &c.,

CHARLES FERGUSSON,

Governor-General.

The Right Hon. the Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

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