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incapacity appoint another umpire in his place, and the decision of every such umpire, on the matters

so referred to him, shall be final.

35. If, in either of the cases aforesaid, the said arbitrators shall refuse, or shall for fourteen days after the request of either party to such arbitration neglect, to appoint an umpire, the Governor for the time being of the Colony of New South Wales shall, on the application of either party to such arbitration, appoint an umpire, and the decision of such umpire on the matters on which the arbitrators shall differ or which shall be referred to him shall be final.

36. If, when a single arbitrator shall have been appointed, or shall be proceeding ex parte under any of the provisions herein contained, such arbitrator shall die or become incapable to act before he shall have made his award, the matters referred to him shall be determined by arbitration in the same

manner as if no such arbitrator had been appointed.

37. If, where more than one arbitrator shall have been appointed, either of the arbitrators refuse or for fourteen days neglect to act, the other arbitrator may proceed ex parte, and the decision of such other arbitrator shall be as effectual as if he had been the single arbitrator appointed by both

parties.

38. If, where more than one arbitrator shall have been appointed, and where neither of them shall refuse or neglect to act as aforesaid, such arbitrators shall fail to make their award within three calendar months after the day on which the last of such arbitrators shall have been appointed, or within such extended time (if any) as shall have been appointed for that purpose by both such arbitrators under their hands, the matters referred to them shall be determined by the umpire to be appointed as aforesaid; and the umpire shall make his award within three calendar months after the time when his duties shall commence, or within such extended time (if any) as shall have been appointed for that purpose by the umpire under his hand.

39. The said arbitrator or arbitrators or their umpire may call for the production of any documents in the possession or power of either party which they or he may think necessary for determining the question in dispute, and may examine the parties or their witnesses on oath, and administer the oaths

necessary for that purpose.

40. The costs of every such arbitration and of the award shall be in the discretion of the arbitrator, arbitrators, or umpire, who may direct to and by whom and in what manner the same or any part thereof shall be paid.

41. The arbitration shall take place and be conducted at Sydney aforesaid, and the arbitrator or arbitrators, or the umpire, as the case may be, shall deliver his or their award in writing to the Postmasters-General, and the Postmasters-General shall retain the same, and shall forthwith, on demand, at their own expense, furnish a copy thereof to the Contractors, and shall at all times, on demand, produce the said award, and allow the same to be inspected or examined by the Contractors or any person appointed by them for that purpose.

42. This submission to arbitration may be made a rule of any of the superior Courts of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or of the said colonies, on the application of either the

Postmasters-General or the Contractors.

In witness whereof the said parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Schedule A above referred to.

Scale of payment to be made by the Postmaster-General of New South Wales for each mail conveyed from San Francisco to Sydney, and vice verså:-

If conveyed within seven hundred and eight hours, one thousand one hundred and fifty-three

pounds sixteen shillings and elevenpence.

If conveyed within six hundred and seventy-eight hours, one thousand two hundred and ninetyeight pounds one shilling and sixpence. If conveyed within six hundred and forty-eight hours, one thousand four hundred and forty-

two pounds six shillings and one penny.

If conveyed within six hundred and twenty-two hours, one thousand five hundred and eighty-six pounds ten shillings and eightpence.

If conveyed within six hundred hours, one thousand seven hundred and thirty pounds fifteen shillings and four pence.

Schedule B above referred to.

Scale of payment to be made by the Postmaster-General of New Zealand for each mail conveyed from San Francisco to New Zealand, and vice versá:

If conveyed from San Francisco to Auckland within six hundred and forty-five hours, and from San Francisco to Port Chalmers within seven hundred and eighty-five hours, or from Port Chalmers to San Francisco within seven hundred and eighty-five hours, as the case may be, one thousand one hundred and fifty-three pounds sixteen shillings and elevenpence.

If conveyed from San Francisco to Auckland within six hundred and seventeen hours, and from San Francisco to Port Chalmers within seven hundred and fifty-two hours, or from Port Chalmers to San Francisco within seven hundred and fifty-two hours, as the case may be, one thousand two hundred

and ninety-eight pounds one shilling and sixpence.

If conveyed from San Francisco to Auckland within five hundred and ninety-one hours, and from San Francisco to Port Chalmers within seven hundred and twenty-two hours, or from Port Chalmers to San Francisco within seven hundred and twenty-two hours, as the case may be, one thousand four hundred and forty-two pounds six shillings and one penny.

If conveyed from San Francisco to Auckland within five hundred and sixty-eight hours, and from San Francisco to Port Chalmers within six hundred and ninety-five hours, or from Port Chalmers to San