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I have the honor to suggest that the Postmaster-General of Victoria be invited to furnish to this Government a copy of the contract entered into with the P. and O. Company, unless there are reasons for not communicating it to other Governments than the one which entered into the contract.

General Post Office, Wellington, 11th July, 1874.

I am, &c.,
Julius Vogel.

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