

a copy of a letter which I have received from Messrs. Mackrell and Co., enclosing one received by *Vide* No. 19. them from their New York agents, concerning the Pacific Mail contract.

I have, &c.,
JULIUS VOGEL,
Agent-General.

The Hon. the Postmaster-General, Wellington.

Enclosure in No. 21.

Messrs. J. MACKRELL and Co. to the AGENT-GENERAL for New Zealand, London.

21, Cannon Street, London, 13th July, 1877.

DEAR SIR JULIUS,—

Pacific Mail Contract.

Enclosed we beg to send you copy of a letter we have received from our agents in New York, Messrs. Foster and Thomson, under date of June 28th.

We have, &c.,
JOHN MACKRELL AND CO.

The Agent-General for New Zealand.

Sub-Enclosure to Enclosure in No. 21.

Messrs. FOSTER and THOMSON to Messrs J. MACKRELL and Co., London.

GENTLEMEN,—

69, Wall Street, New York, 28th June, 1877:

The agreements have not yet gone forward. Immediately upon their receipt by us we sent them to the office of the Pacific Mail Company, and gave them to the President for execution. He said he would exhibit them to the counsel of the Company. Since then our messenger has gone several times (including to-day), but has not been yet able to obtain the execution.

We are, &c.,
FOSTER AND THOMSON.

Messrs. John Mackrell and Co., London.

No. 22.

The Hon. GEORGE McLEAN to the AGENT-GENERAL.

SIR,—

General Post Office, Wellington, 20th September, 1877.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 19th July last, forwarding copy of a letter which you had received from Messrs. Mackrell and Co., together with a copy of an enclosure thereto, relative to the Pacific Mail Contract.

I have, &c.,
GEORGE McLEAN.

Sir Julius Vogel, K.C.M.G.,
Agent-General for New Zealand, London.

No. 23.

The AGENT-GENERAL to the Hon. the POSTMASTER-GENERAL, Wellington.

7, Westminster Chambers, Victoria Street, Westminster, S.W.,

SIR,—

24th July, 1877.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 2nd June, enclosing further *Vide* No. 150. correspondence relating to the San Francisco Mail Service. F. 4.

I am glad you have sent it to me; and, considering the questions that constantly arise here in relation to the service, I venture to suggest that you continue, till the service is finally arranged, to send me copies of all the correspondence on the subject.

I have already written you so fully on the matter that it is unnecessary to add more at present. I notice that some of the difficulties I pointed out have presented themselves to your mind. Your proposal to share the bonuses and penalties with the New South Wales Government, if accepted, will make that Government ready to aid you in the important point to which I before have called your attention concerning the relative times to Auckland and Sydney.

I have, &c.,
JULIUS VOGEL,
Agent-General.

The Hon. the Postmaster-General, Wellington.

No. 24.

The Hon. GEORGE McLEAN to the AGENT-GENERAL.

SIR,—

General Post Office, Wellington, 20th September, 1877.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 24th July, and am pleased to learn that the printed correspondence relating to the San Francisco Mail Service, forwarded to you in June last, proved so acceptable.

I have, &c.,
GEORGE McLEAN.

Sir Julius Vogel, K.C.M.G.,
Agent-General for New Zealand, London.