

reason of war, or any suchlike cause, no such deduction shall be made; but the Extension Company will restore or procure the restoration of such communication with all possible despatch, the costs of so doing being in such case borne by Her Majesty.

6. While the reduced rates continue in force by virtue of these presents the provisions contained in the Fourth Article of a certain agreement, dated the 6th day of May, 1879, and made between Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen, "on behalf of the Colonies of New South Wales and Victoria," of the one part, and the Extension Company of the other part, as to the rates to be charged by the Extension Company shall be suspended, and, notwithstanding such article, the Extension Company shall not be bound to make any rebate or allowance in respect of Government messages or Press messages, except as herein expressly provided.

7. The words "Government messages" and "Press messages" in these presents shall have the same meaning as they have under Articles 5 and 6 of the said agreement of the 6th May, 1879, and all existing rules with regard to such messages, and any modification which may be made therein, shall apply to such messages respectively under the reduced rates.

8. The reduced rates shall continue in force until the expiration of a notice given in manner next hereinafter mentioned. The said notice shall be not less than two calendar months' notice in writing, expiring either on the 31st day of March, 1892, or on the 31st day of March of any subsequent year, and may be given either by the Extension Company to the Agent-General of South Australia, on behalf of the colonies parties hereto, by leaving the notice at the office in London of such Agent-General, or by such Agent-General to the company, by leaving such notice at the office of the Extension Company in London.

9. Immediately upon the expiration of any notice given in accordance with clause 8 hereof the existing rates for the Australasian traffic shall again come into operation, provided that the rate to and from Europe shall not exceed 8s., unless a higher rate shall be required to make up the receipts from the Australasian traffic to the sum of £237,736.

10. The Extension Company will not, during the continuance of the agreement, directly or indirectly, in any manner howsoever, alter the rates specified in the Third Schedule hereto without the consent in writing of the contracting colonies.

Schedules referred to in Draft Agreement with the Eastern Extension, Australasia, and China Telegraph Company (Limited).

No. 1.—SCHEDULE of the PRESENT RATES for Telegrams exchanged with South Australia.

	Credit to Guarantee Account.			Out-payments.					Total Rate.
	Cis-Ind'n Joint Purse.	Extens'n Comp'ny.	Total.	Europe.	India.	Java.	Australia.	Total.	
Europe—Ordinary, <i>via</i> Suez or <i>via</i> Teheran ..	3-25 2s. 9d.	5-60 4s. 6d.	8-85 7s. 3d.	0-25 2d.	0-75 7½d.	0-15 1½d.	1-40 1s. 2d.	2-55 2s. 1d.	11-40 9s. 4d.
Government ..	3-5 2s. 9d.	2-80 2s. 3d.	6-05 5s. 0d.	0-25 2d.	0-75 7½d.	0-15 1½d.	1-40 1s. 2d.	2-55 2s. 1d.	8-60 7s. 1d.
Press ..	1-07½ 10½d.	1-40 1s. 1½d.	2-47½ 2s. 0d.	0-05 0½d.	0-24 3d.	0-04 0½d.	0-42 4d.	0-75 8d.	3-22½ 2s. 8d.
Aden ..	2-85 2s. 5d.	7-00 5s. 10d.	9-85 8s. 3d.	..	0-75 7½d.	0-15 1½d.	1-40 1s. 2d.	2-30 1s. 11d.	12-15 10s. 2d.
Suakim ..	3-00 2s. 6d.	5-60 4s. 8d.	8-60 7s. 2d.	..	0-75 7½d.	0-15 1½d.	1-40 1s. 2d.	2-30 1s. 11d.	10-90 9s. 1d.
Egypt ..	3-75 3s. 2d.	5-60 4s. 8d.	9-35 7s. 10d.	..	0-75 7½d.	0-15 1½d.	1-40 1s. 2d.	2-30 1s. 11d.	11-65 9s. 9d.
Persian Gulf ..	1-45½ 1s. 2d.	7-00 5s. 11d.	8-45½ 7s. 1d.	..	0-75 7½d.	0-15 1½d.	1-40 1s. 2d.	2-30 1s. 11d.	10-75½ 9s. 0d.
Persia ..	1-09 10d.	7-00 5s. 11d.	8-09 6s. 9d.	Persia. 1s. 3d.	0-75 7½d.	0-15 1½d.	1-40 1s. 2d.	3-85 3s. 2d.	11-94 9s. 11d.
India ..	..	7-00 5s. 10½d.	7-00 5s. 10½d.	..	0-80 8d.	0-15 1½d.	1-40 1s. 2d.	2-35 1s. 11½d.	9-35 7s. 10d.
Penang ..	..	5-00 4s. 2½d.	5-00 4s. 2½d.	..	..	0-15 1½d.	1-40 1s. 2d.	1-55 1s. 3½d.	6-55 5s. 6d.
Malacca ..	..	5-00 4s. 2½d.	5-00 4s. 2½d.	..	..	0-15 1½d.	1-40 1s. 2d.	1-55 1s. 3½d.	6-55 5s. 6d.
Singapore ..	..	5-00 4s. 2½d.	5-00 4s. 2½d.	..	..	0-15 1½d.	1-40 1s. 2d.	1-55 1s. 3½d.	6-55 5s. 6d.
Hongkong and beyond ..	..	8-00 6s. 8½d.	8-00 6s. 8½d.	..	..	0-15 1½d.	1-40 1s. 2d.	1-55 1s. 3½d.	9-55 8s. 0d.
Macao ..	..	8-50 7s. 1½d.	8-50 7s. 1½d.	..	..	0-15 1½d.	1-40 1s. 2d.	1-55 1s. 3½d.	10-05 8s. 5d.
Manila ..	..	10-00 8s. 4d.	10-00 8s. 4d.	..	Spain. 0-25 2½d.	0-15 1½d.	1-40 1s. 2d.	1-80 1s. 6d.	11-80 9s. 10d.
Cochin China ..	..	6f. 35c. 5s. 2d.	6-35 5s. 2d.	..	..	0-15 1½d.	1-40 1s. 2d.	1-70 1s. 5d.	8-05 6s. 7d.
Tonquin ..	..	6-35 5s. 2d.	6-35 5s. 2d.	..	1-55 1s. 3½d.	0-15 1½d.	1-40 1s. 2d.	3-10 2s. 7d.	9-45 7s. 9d.
Java ..	..	3-50 2s. 10½d.	3-50 2s. 10½d.	..	..	0-15 1½d.	1-40 1s. 2d.	1-55 1s. 3½d.	5-05 4s. 2d.
Europe, <i>via</i> Turkey ..	1-39 1s. 2d.	5-60 4s. 6d.	6-99 5s. 8d.	Europe. 1s. 7d.	0-75 7½d.	0-15 1½d.	1-40 1s. 2d.	4-16 3s. 6d.	11-15 9s. 2d.
„ Moulmein ..	4-17½ 3s. 6d.	5-60 4s. 8d.	9-77½ 8s. 2d.	..	0-25 2½d.	0-15 1½d.	1-40 1s. 2d.	3-62½ 3s. 0d.	13-40 11s. 2d.
„ Hongkong ..	..	5-60 4s. 8d.	5-60 4s. 8d.	Northern Company. 7s. 1½d.	..	0-15 1½d.	1-40 1s. 2d.	10-05 8s. 5d.	15-65 13s. 1d.