shall be restricted to public or parliamentary business entirely. Any disregard of these conditions will render the telegram presented liable to be treated and charged for as an ordinary telegram, or refused acceptance.

"Collect" telegrams addressed to a Minister by any member of Parliament shall not be accepted for transmission at any telegraph office unless the Minister has by telegram requested such member to send him a reply "free," an approof thereof be given to the transmitting officer.

(P.G. 98/785.)

J. F. Andrews, Acting-Clerk of the Executive Council.

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Charges and Regulations for Use of Telephones.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twenty-eighth day of January, 1898.

Present: The Honourable W. C. Walker presiding in Council.

Whereas by Order in Council dated the twenty-second day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and published in the New Zealand Guzette of the twenty-fifth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, certain charges and regulations for the use of telephones were made under the authority of "The Electric Lines Act, 1884": And whereas it is expedient to alter and amend such regulations in relation to the use of telephones connected with telephone exchanges:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred by the said Act, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby make the regulation set forth in the Schedule hereto, and doth order that the same shall be read as part of the regulations set forth in the Schedule to the before-mentioned Order in Council, and doth further order and declare that such regulation shall come into force on and after the twenty-eighth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

SCHEDULE.

9. No extra telephone, special instrument, or appliances other than those provided and maintained by the department will be allowed to be used by any subscriber in connection with an exchange wire.

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J. F. Andrews, Acting-Clerk of the Executive Council.

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