## No. 8.

The Right Hon. the Secretary of State for the Colonies to His Excellency the Governor.

My Lord,—

Downing Street, 8th August, 1907.

I have the honour to request that your Ministers may be informed that the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury have appointed Sir Henry W. Primrose, K.C.B., C.S.I., I.S.O., Chairman of the Board of Inland Revenue, to be one of the representatives of His Majesty's Government on the Pacific Cable Board, in the room of the late Sir Spencer Walpole, K.C.B.

2. Their Lordships have also appointed Sir Henry Primrose to be Chairman of the Pacific

Cable Board in succession to the late Sir Spencer Walpole.

3. Sir Henry Primrose, who entered the Treasury in 1869, has had a long and distinguished public career, during which he was Private Secretary to the Viceroy of India (the Marquess of Ripon) from 1880 to 1884, and to Mr. Gladstone in 1886. He was appointed Secretary to the Office of Works in 1886; Chairman of the Board of Customs in 1895; and Chairman of the Board of Inland Revenue in 1899.

4. Sir Henry Primrose will not for the present draw the salary attached to the office of Chairman. I understand, however, that he proposes to retire from the Civil Service at an early date.

I have, &c.,

Governor the Right Honourable Lord Plunket, K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., &c. F.C. Misc. 07/53.

## No. 9.

The Hon. the Postmaster-General, Wellington, to the Chairman, Pacific Cable Board, London.

Dear Sir Henry Primrose,—

General Post Office, Wellington, 14th August, 1907.

I offer you my hearty congratulations on your appointment to the Chairmanship of the Pacific Cable Board.

Your reputation in these seas assures us of the continued expansion of the business of the Board so far as energetic and prudent management can secure it.

I have, &c., J. G. WARD.

Sir Henry Primrose, K.C.B., Chairman, Pacific Cable Board, London. [P.C. Misc. 07/42.]

## No. 10.

The Superintendent, Pacific Cable Station, Doubtless Bay, to the Secretary, General Post Office, Wellington.

Sir,— Pacific Cable Station, Doubtless Bay, 20th August, 1907.

I have been instructed by the General Manager, the Pacific Cable Board, London, to forward you the attached account, amounting to £738 18s. 8d., which represents the New Zealand Government's share of the cost of working the Doubtless Bay Station for the year ended 31st March, 1907.

The General Manager writes, "The total amount of capital expenditure has been increased by the addition to the staff quarters and the cost of the gymnasium. The salaries are higher than last year owing to increments and also to the fact that a fourth officer is being paid for by the New Zealand Government."

Would you kindly cause the amount claimed to be paid to the Board's London account with the Bank of New Zealand, Auckland.

I have, &c.,

C. L. HERTSLET, Superintendent.

The Secretary, General Post Office, Wellington. [P.C. Stas. 07/17.4

## Enclosure in No. 10.

5th July, 1907.

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C. H. REYNOLDS,

General Manager.

Fred. J. Adye, Secretary.