

Inwards from 25th January to 12th May, 1910.

				December.	February.	March.	April.
San Francisco	Depart ..	Tues. 28	Wed. 2	Thurs. 10	Fri. 15		
Papeete	Arrive ..	January. Sun. 9	Mon. 14	Tues. 22	Wed. 27		
Transfer to Union steamer	Depart ..	Fri. 14	Fri. 18	Sat. 26	Sun. 1		
Rarotonga	Arrive ..	Mon. 17	Mon. 21	Tues. 29	Wed. 4		
Rarotonga	Depart ..	Mon. 17	Mon. 21	Tues. 29	Wed. 4		
Wellington	Arrive ..	Tues. 25	March. Tues. 1	April. Wed. 6	Thurs. 12		
Proceed to Sydney	..	Fri. 28†	Fri. 4†	Fri. 8†	Fri. 13†		
Arrive Sydney	..	February. Tues. 1	Tues. 8	Tues. 12	Tues. 17		

† By direct steamer from Wellington.

No. 27.

The Right Hon. the PRIME MINISTER to the HIGH COMMISSIONER.

SIR,—

Prime Minister's Office, Wellington, 30th December, 1909.

I have the honour to confirm my cable message of the 23rd instant, requesting you to inform the Imperial Post Office that the Wellington-Tahiti mail-service had been extended, and that a time-table would follow.

Arrangements have been made for the extension of the service for four voyages. The first mail under the new arrangement will be despatched from Wellington on the 4th proximo. I attach hereto a copy of the time-table up to May next.

I have, &c.,

J. G. WARD, Prime Minister.

The Hon. W. Hall-Jones, High Commissioner for New Zealand, London.

No. 28.

The SECRETARY, General Post Office, Wellington, to the Hon. the POSTMASTER-GENERAL, Washington.

SIR,—

General Post Office, Wellington, 30th December, 1909.

In reference to the Postmaster-General's telegram of the 17th of October, 1908 [No. 26, F.-6, 1909], notifying that a contract had been entered into with the Union Steam Ship Company of New Zealand for the performance of a mail-service between Wellington and Papeete connecting with the United States mail-service Papeete-San Francisco, I have now the honour to inform you that the service has been extended for four trips from the beginning of next year. The first mail under the new arrangement will be despatched from Wellington on the 4th proximo. I attach hereto a time-table of the service up to May next.

I have, &c.,

The Hon. the Postmaster-General, Washington.

D. ROBERTSON, Secretary.

[Similar letters on same date to the Director of Posts, Papeete. and the Postmaster, Rarotonga.]

No. 29.

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

(Telegram.)

Wellington, 31st December, 1909.

WELLINGTON-TAHITI service. Despatch mails to leave San Francisco December twenty-eight, February second, March tenth, April fifteenth.

No. 30.

The SECRETARY, General Post Office, Wellington, to the GENERAL MANAGER, Union Steam Ship Company, Dunedin.

SIR,—

General Post Office, Wellington, 31st December, 1909.

I have the honour to confirm my telegram of the 23rd instant to Sir James Mills, as quoted in your acknowledgement of the 29th idem.

The time-table you sent under cover of that letter for the temporary continuation of the Wellington-Tahiti service is formally approved.

I have, &c.,

D. ROBERTSON, Secretary.

The General Manager, Union Steam Ship Company of New Zealand (Limited), Dunedin.