

special train from Sydney to Melbourne, and, if required, Melbourne to Adelaide when such a step is rendered necessary by the late arrival in Sydney of the mails despatched from Wellington on Fridays. I have the honour to inform you that the Deputy Postmasters-General, Sydney and Melbourne, have been instructed to arrange accordingly.

I have, &c.,

ROBT. T. SCOTT, Secretary.

The Secretary, General Post Office, Wellington.

[Suez Conn. 10/19.]

[Read here Nos. 87 and 94, Vancouver Service.]

No. 66.

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

SIR,—

General Post Office, Wellington, 9th June, 1910.

I have the honour to refer to my letter of the 16th ultimo [not printed], asking whether your company was prepared to continue the Wellington-Sydney mail-service at the present subsidy from month to month from the expiry of the contract on the 25th July next, and to inquire whether you are yet able to reply.

I have, &c.,

D. ROBERTSON, Secretary.

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

[Suez Conn. 10/66.]

No. 67.

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

SIR,— Union Steam Ship Company of New Zealand (Limited), Dunedin, 13th June, 1910.

I have the honour to acknowledge yours of the 9th instant, and, in reply, have to state that we shall be pleased to continue the Wellington-Sydney mail-service at the present subsidy from month to month on expiry of the contract on the 25th July.

I have, &c.,

C. HOLDSWORTH, General Manager.

The Secretary, General Post Office, Wellington.

[Suez Conn. 10/70.]

No. 68.

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

SIR,—

General Post Office, Wellington, 22nd June, 1910.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th instant, intimating that your company is prepared to continue the Wellington-Sydney mail-service at the present subsidy from month to month from the expiry of the contract on the 25th proximo; and to inform you that the renewal of the contract on the terms stated has been approved of by the Postmaster-General.

I have, &c.,

D. ROBERTSON, Secretary.

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

[Suez Conn. 10/72.]

No. 69.

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

(Telegram.)

Wellington, 22nd June, 1910.

WELLINGTON-Sydney mail-service renewed from twenty-fifth July, present intervals, till further notice. Inform Post Office.

[Suez Conn. 10/71.]

No. 70.

The SECRETARY, General Post Office, Wellington, to the SECRETARY, Postmaster-General's Department, Melbourne.

SIR,—

General Post Office, Wellington, 23rd June, 1910.

I have the honour to refer to the weekly-mail service between Wellington and Sydney making a close connection with the outward mail *via* Suez; and to inform you that the contract for the service has been renewed on the present terms from month to month from the 25th proximo.

I have, &c.,

D. ROBERTSON, Secretary.

The Secretary, Postmaster-General's Department, Melbourne.

[Suez Conn. 10/73.]