

No. 5.

The PREMIER, Victoria, to the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Hon. Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

Propose sending telegram to our Agent-General, as follows. If you concur, please communicate similarly with yours. Copy: "Pacific Islands annexation or protectorate necessary for Australian future. Colonies willing contribute expense. In interest of Natives, British philanthropists should support. England should do for Australia what Australia cannot do for herself. Great dissatisfaction if England fails to secure our future."

JAMES SERVICE, Premier.  
Melbourne, 13th.

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No. 6.

The PREMIER to the PREMIER, Victoria.

Premier, Melbourne.

Parliament in session. Will submit resolutions at once, *re* expense of annexation or protectorate.

FRED. WHITAKER, Premier.  
Wellington, 15th.