

Telegram from The Postmaster-General, London, to The President of Postal
Conference, Sydney.

27 March, 1896.

No tender excluding coloured labour could be accepted. Specification of class therefore useless. If Colonies cannot join in Federal Service on terms agreed, please telegraph whether they will arrange branch service to and from Colombo and Aden alternately, or complete homeward service, as advertisements cannot be delayed longer.

Telegram from The President of Postal Conference, Sydney, to The Postmaster-
General, London.

1 April, 1896.

Much regret you decline to do anything *re* coloured labour. We are not in position to call for tenders on our own account, and are therefore compelled accede to your proposal.

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COLONIES' consent received with satisfaction. Tenders will be immediately invited, returnable 7th July.
