

and New Zealand *via* San Francisco, and I am to state that a copy has been sent to the Postmaster-General with the intimation that Mr. Chamberlain will be obliged if the consideration of the matter can be expedited.

The Agent-General for New Zealand.

I am, &c.,

M. F. OMMANEY.

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[For Enclosure 7 in No. 95, see No. 13.]

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Enclosure 8 in No. 95.

The AGENT-GENERAL to the SECRETARY, General Post Office, London.

SIR,—

13, Victoria Street, 11th October, 1900.

Referring to my letter of the 2nd instant, and to your reply of the 5th instant, relating to the New Zealand mail-service *via* San Francisco, I have now to inform you that I have this day received a cablegram from the New Zealand Government containing the following information required by Her Majesty's Postmaster-General:—

[See No. 13.]

The Secretary, General Post Office.

I am, &c.,

W. P. REEVES.

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[For Enclosure 9 in No. 95, see No. 15.]

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Enclosure 10 in No. 95.

The AGENT-GENERAL to the SECRETARY, General Post Office, London.

SIR,—

13, Victoria Street, S.W., 12th October, 1900.

In continuation of my letter of yesterday, relating to the New Zealand mail-service *via* San Francisco, I beg now to inform you that the New Zealand Government have to-day advised me by cablegram that resolutions embodying the proposed arrangements with Messrs. Spreckels, contained in my letter of yesterday, were passed for one year by the New Zealand House of Representatives last night.

I trust this information will enable the definite reply promised in your letter of the 5th instant to be furnished at an early date.

The Secretary, General Post Office.

I am, &c.,

W. P. REEVES.

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[For Enclosure 11 in No. 95, see No. 94.]

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No. 96.

The RESIDENT AGENT for NEW ZEALAND, San Francisco, to the SECRETARY, General Post Office, Wellington.

(Telegram.)

San Francisco, 25th October, 1900.

SPRECKELS advises ["Sierra"] will leave for New Zealand 21st November, except in event of accident.

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No. 97.

The SECRETARY, General Post Office, Wellington, to the RESIDENT AGENT for NEW ZEALAND, San Francisco.

(Telegram.)

Wellington, 25th October, 1900.

MUST have something more definite without further delay, "Sierra" leaving twenty-first, as wish advise London despatch week earlier.

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No. 98.

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

(Telegram.)

Wellington, 26th October, 1900.

ARRANGED with Spreckels continuance Frisco service for exchange mails Great Britain. Kindly consent to New Zealand receiving sea-rates, Pacific, payable by Britain on its mails for colony.