No. 14.

[NEWS EXTRACT, 19th March, 1908.]

The Penny Post between Britain and the United States.

London, 17th March, 1908.

THE Daily Express states that the Budget will provide for penny postage between Great Britain and the United States.

[P.O. 08/1070.]

No. 15.

The Right Hon. the Secretary of State for the Colonies to His Excellency the Governor.

My Lord,—

Downing Street, 10th April, 1908.

With reference to my circular despatch of the 23rd November, 1906 [No. 14, F.-7, 1906], I have the honour to request you to inform your Ministers that all parts of the Empire have now decided to adopt the increased unit of weight under the recent Convention of Rome for letter-postage, with the exception of the Commonwealth of Australia and the several South African Governments. These Governments will, however, accept as fully prepaid at 1d. the ounce all letters received from other parts of the Empire.

2. I take this opportunity of informing you that the Bechuanaland Protectorate has decided

to adopt the Imperial penny-postage system from the 1st instant.

I have, &c.,

Governor the Right Hon. Lord Plunket, K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., &c. [P.O. 08/1621(2).]

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No. 16.

[NEWS EXTRACT, 5th June, 1908.]

Penny Postage.

(Telegram.)

In the House of Commons the Postmaster-General (Mr. Buxton) was cheered on announcing that America had agreed to his proposal for Anglo-American penny postage, to operate from the 1st October.

[H. I. Bk.]

No. 17.

The Hon. the Postmaster-General, Wellington, to the Hon. the Postmaster-General, London. (Telegram.) Wellington, 5th June, 1908.

Hearty congratulations agreement with America. Would like to shake hands with you. It is certain indication of the world coming into penny-postage line.

[P.O. 08/1621 (3).]

No. 18.

The Hon. the Postmaster-General, Wellington, to the Hon. the Postmaster-General, Washington.

(Telegram.) Wellington, 5th June, 1908.

Heartily congratulate you upon establishment of penny postage between your country and the United Kingdom.

[P.O. 08/1621(3).]

No. 19.

The Hon. the Postmaster-General, London, to the Hon. the Postmaster-General, Wellington.

(Telegram.)

London, 6th June, 1908.

Much gratified by your telegram, for which many thanks. The announcement given great satisfaction.

[P.O. 08/1621(3).]

No. 20.

The Hon. the Postmaster-General, Washington, to the Hon. the Postmaster-General, Wellington.

(Telegram.) Washington, D.C., 7th June, 1908. THANKS for congratulations.
[P.O. 08/1621(3).]