No. 21.

The MANAGER IN AUSTRALASIA, Eastern Extension Company, Adelaide, to the SECRETARY, General Post Office. Wellington.

Adelaide, 31st December, 1912.

In continuation of my service tenth instant [not printed] Head Office wires : following are revised conditions agreed with Pacific Board and agreed by Post Office. Read our service [see No. 13] as follows :-- One: four and five stand. Two: these messages must be written in plain language and will be subject to the same rules as are applicable to deferred ordinary messages except that messages are to be posted. They cannot be sent to code-indicators, but must be fully addressed. Read three as follows: they must be received at a cable-office of the Eastern Telegraph Company or Western Union Telegraph Company or of one of the companies in alliance with the Western Union Company not later than midnight on a Saturday. Note.-Circulars issued by Pacific Cable Board will have Western Union before Eastern. In six, read "convenience of the cable companies and of the Pacific Cable Board." The above is wording issued here in Australasia, Western Union, &c.: in three, will be replaced by "Pacific Cable Board." Seven: no messages will be delivered before eight on Tuesday, but messages that are to be forwarded by post to distant destinations will be posted as soon after receipt at a cable-station as may be consistent with their not being delivered before that time. Eight : if the sender so desires, delivery will be made by telegraph, but in this case, in addition to other charges the sender must pay the inland telegraph rates in the country of destination-viz., for delivery of messages in United Kingdom, ¹/₂d. per word; for delivery of messages in Australia, 1d. per word; for delivery of messages in New Zealand, ¹/₂d. per word. Messages telegraphed to destination under this regulation will be forwarded from the terminal cable-station so as to arrive on Tuesday morning. Messages on which this additional charge is not paid will be delivered by the cable-office within its own area or forwarded by post if addressed to places outside that area. Nine : the rate of charge between cable-offices in Great Britain and Australasia when delivered by the cableoffice or posted will be 9d. per word, subject to a minimum charge of 18s. per message. Following are prefixes for week-end messages agreed with Pacific Board and Post Office : TW for messages collected and delivered by companies; PWP for messages handed in at Government offices, posted to companies' offices to be posted or delivered by company: PWT for messages handed in at Government offices, posted to companies' offices to be telegraphed by company to destination: TWP for messages handed in at Government offices, telegraphed to companies' offices to be posted or delivered by com-pany; TWT for messages handed in at Government offices. telegraphed to companies' offices to be telegraphed by company to destination.

[P.C. Rates 13/82.]

(Telegram.)

No. 22.

The SECRETARY, General Post Office, Wellington, to the MANAGER IN THE PACIFIC, Pacific Cable Board (at Auckland).

(Telegram).

Wellington, 31st December, 1912. EASTERN Extension have supplied following prefixes for week-end messages, state agreed with Pacifie Board and Post Office: TW for messages collected and delivered by company: PWP for messages handed in at Government offices, posted to companies' offices to be posted or delivered by company; PWT for messages handed in at Government offices, posted to companies' offices to be telegraphed by company to destination ; TWP for messages handed in at Government offices, telegraphed to companies offices to be posted or delivered by company: TWT for messages handed in at Government offices, telegraphed to companies' offices to be telegraphed by company to destination. Do you agree, and can service commence from to-morrow !

[P.C. Rates 13/85.]

No. 23.

The MANAGER IN THE PACIFIC, Pacific Cable Board (at Auckland), to the SECRETARY, General Post Office, Wellington.

(Telegram.)

Auckland, 31st December, 1912.

PREFIXES for week-end letters as supplied you by Eastern Extension Company are correct. Understand similar message [not printed] sent you vesterday by Superintendent, Doubtless Bay. Service can commence to-morrow.

[P.C. Rates 13/83.]

No. 24.

The MANAGER IN THE PACIFIC, Pacific Cable Board (at Auckland), to the SECRETARY, General Post Office, Wellington.

Auckland, 31st December, 1912.

[P.C. Rates 13/83.]

⁽Telegram.) WEEK-END telegrams will come into force on 1st January. Prefixes mentioned in my message yesterday have now been communicated to you. Glad report everything has worked satisfactory to-day. New cables have done excellent work, but full benefit of reduction delay between Australia and New Zealand will not be felt until your Telegraph Department shifted to new building.