

CORRESPONDENCE RELATIVE TO MAIL SERVICE OF NEW ZEALAND.

CORRESPONDENCE RESPECTING OUTSTANDING CLAIMS OF THE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT ON POSTAL ACCOUNT.

No. 1.

Downing Street,
24th June, 1863.

SIR,—

I have the honour to transmit to you the copy of a letter, with its enclosures, from the Secretary to the Board of Treasury relative to the amounts which will be payable by the Australian Colonies and New Zealand on account of the Mail Packet Service, for the year from the 1st of January to the 31st December, 1863.

I request that you will lay this despatch before your Responsible Advisers, with a view of obtaining at the proper period a settlement of the claim against the Colony under your Government.

I have, &c., &c.,
NEWCASTLE.

Governor Sir George Grey, K.C.B.
&c., &c., &c.

Enclosure 1 to No. 1.

MR. PEEL TO SIR F. ROGERS.

SIR,—

Treasury Chambers, 23rd May, 1863.

I am directed by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to transmit herewith, copy of a letter from the Postmaster-General, dated 11th instant, together with copy of its enclosures relative to the amounts which will be payable by the Australian Colonies and New Zealand, for the year from the 1st of January to the 31st of December, 1863, in aid of the cost of the Packet Service: and I am to request that you will move the Duke of Newcastle to cause the necessary communications to be made to the Governments of the several Australian Colonies, and of New Zealand, with a view of obtaining a prompt settlement of these claims.

I am, &c.,
F. PEEL.

Sir F. Rogers, Bart.,
&c., &c.

Enclosure 2 to No. 1.

My Lords,

General Post Office, 14th May, 1863.

I have the honour to enclose a copy of a report from the Receiver and Accountant-General of the Post Office, accompanied by an account of the sums which will be payable, under the terms of your Lordships' Minute of the 25th April, 1861, by each of the Colonies in Australia and New Zealand, for the year from the 1st of January to the 31st December, 1863, in aid of the Packet Service.