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DESPATCH FROM HER MAJESTY'S SECRETARY OF STATE.—CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH TENDER OF PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY HAS BEEN ACCEPTED FOR AUSTRA-LIAN MAIL SERVICE AFTER JANUARY, 1866.

> Downing Street, 26th May, 1865.

SIR,-

With reference to your Despatch, No. 30, of the 2nd March, I have the honor to transmit for the information and for the consideration of your responsible advisers, copies of two letters from the Board of Treasury, from which you will learn the conditions under which the tender made by the Penin-ular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, for the performance, after January, 1866, of the Australian mail service, has been accepted.

I have, &c., Edward Cardwell.

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

MR. PEEL TO SIR F. ROGERS.

Treasury Chambers, 25th May, 1865.

SIR,-

I AM directed by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to transmit herewith, for the information of Mr. Secretary Cardwell, with reference to the letter of this Board of the 15th instant, copy of a letter from the Post-master General, dated the 22nd instant, further relative to the new packet service with the Australian Colonies, and I am to request that you will move Mr. Cardwell to cause the communications suggested by the Post-master General to be made to the Governments of the respective Australian Colonies and of New Zealand.

I am at the same time to state that my Lords entirely concur in the views expressed by Lord

Stanley of Alderley.

I have, &c.,

F. PEEL.

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

MR. PEEL TO SIR F. ROGERS.

Treasury Chambers,

15th May, 1865.

With reference to the correspondence that has taken place on the subject of calling for fresh tenders for the performance, after January, 1866, of the Australian Mail Service, I am commanded by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to transmit, for the information of Mr. Secretary Cardwell, copy of a Letter from the Post-master General, dated 3rd instant, and of their Lordships' Minute thereon, and I am at the same time to add that my Lords regret that, for the reasons given by