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Provision has been made for extending the said postal service for the benefit of the said Colony of New South Wales upon terms and conditions approved of by the Government of the said Colony And it has been arranged that the terms and conditions upon which as between the Colony of New Zealand and the Colony of New South Wales the said Postal Service is so extended should be set forth in and ratified Now these preaents witness that the said Sir George Grey Governor as aforesaid by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony of New Zealand for himself and his successors Governors of the said Colony last mentioned doth hereby agree with the said Sir John Young Governor as aforesaid and his successors Governors of the Colony of New South Wales And the said Sir John Young Governor as aforesaid by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Colony of New South Wales for himself and his successors Governors of the last mentioned Colony doth hereby agree with the said Sir George Grey Governor of the Colony of New Zealand and his successors Governors of the last mentioned Colony as follows:-

1. That the services provided for by the said Articles of even date herewith shall be continued until the expiration of the period by the said Articles provided unless in the meantime it shall be agreed between the Governments of New South Wales and the Government of New Zea-

land that notice should be given for an earlier termination thereof.

2. That so long as the Government of the Colony of New South Wales continue to be interested in and participate in the said contract no future or other contract shall be entered into with the said Company for such services as are in and by the said articles of even date with these presents mentioned and provided for without the consent of the Government of New South Wales testified by writing under the hand of

first had and obtained and no contract agreement or arrangement with the Imperial Government or with any Foreign or other Colonial Government in any wise affecting the services so provided for shall be made or entered into by either the Government of New Zealand or the Government of New South Wales without the consent of other of them.

That during the continuance of the service provided for by the said articles of even date herewith the Colony of New South Wales shall pay or contribute towards the expense of such service the sum of £ by equal monthly instalments of £ per month.

That the payment of the premiums by the said articles of even date herewith provided to be paid to the said Company in certain cases shall be borne by the Colony of New Zealand and the Colony of New Zealand shall be entitled to the penalties or forfeitures by the Company so provided if any shall arise.

No. 20.

Copy of a Letter from Mr. LAWSON to the Hon. E. W. STAFFORD.

Wellington, April 7th, 1866.

SIR,-I am instructed by the General Manager to submit the enclosed rough draft of Contract for Panama Service, and respectfully to beg your attention to it as early as possible as the Board of Directors are very anxious to receive the completed contract.

I am further instructed respectfully to request your acquiescence in the dates for Panama Service, as set forth in extract from advices from the Secretary to this Company, and embodied in letter from Sydney of February 28th, addressed to the Honorable the Colonial Secretary.

I have, &c.,

HENRY LAWSON,

Sub-Manager.

The Hon. the Postmaster-General, New Zealand.

No. 21.

Copy of a Letter from Mr. G. ELIOTT ELIOTT to Mr. LAWSON.

No. 120.

General Post Office,

Wellington, May 14, 1866.

Sir,—I am directed by the Postmaster-General to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 7th ult., enclosing a Draft Contract to be entered into with your Company for the Panama

This Draft, with a few alterations, as now printed (copy of which is enclosed), has been submitted for the consideration and acquiescence of the New South Wales Government. I have, &c.,

Henry Lawson, Esq., Sub-Manager P., N.Z. and A.R.M. Company, Wellington.

G. ELIOTT ELIOTT,

Secretary.

Separate.