

1889.

NEW ZEALAND.

COST OF MAIL-MATTER BY SAN FRANCISCO
AND DIRECT MAIL SERVICES.

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives, dated the 20th August, 1889.

Ordered, "That a return be laid before this House showing the estimated cost per pound for carriage of mail-matter by the San Francisco service, based upon (1) present subsidy, including bonus; (2) subsidy of £15,000, without bonus; (3) subsidy of £10,000, without bonus. Also cost per pound of mail-matter by the direct steam mail service, including bonus."—(Mr. Ross.)

RETURN showing the ESTIMATED COST per Pound for the Carriage of Mail-matter by the San Francisco Service, based upon (1) present Subsidy, including Bonus; (2) Subsidy of £15,000, without Bonus; (3) Subsidy of £10,000, without Bonus. Also Cost per Pound of Mail-matter conveyed by the Direct Contract Service, including Bonus.

SAN FRANCISCO SERVICE.

—	Letters.	Books.	Newspapers.
	Lb. oz.	Lb. oz.	Lb. oz.
Total weights carried	19,313 6½	59,330 11	248,880 10
—	Cost per Pound.	Cost per Pound.	Cost per Pound.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1. Present subsidy, £25,990, including bonus ...	18 8·87	1 1·31	0 4·44
2. Subsidy of £15,000, without bonus ...	10 9·78	0 7·68	0 2·56
3. Subsidy of £10,000, without bonus ...	7 2·52	0 5·12	0 1·71

DIRECT CONTRACT SERVICE.

—	Letters.	Books.	Newspapers.
	Lb. oz.	Lb. oz.	Lb. oz.
Total weights carried	10,762 7	35,779 1½	141,201 9½
—	Cost per Pound.	Cost per Pound.	Cost per Pound.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Present subsidy, £19,661, including bonus ...	25 1·17	1 5·83	0 5·94

The above estimates are based on weights of mails carried by the respective routes in 1888.
21st August, 1889.

W. GRAY.

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