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IAIL-SERVICES OCEAN

(FURTHER PAPERS RELATIVE TO).

[In continuation of papers presented on the 8th August, 1890.]

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

SAN FRANCISCO MAIL-SERVICE.

No. 1.

Mr. R. J. CREIGHTON to the Hon. the POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

(Telegram.) Subsidy passed Senate. San Francisco, 18th July, 1890.

No. 2.

The Hon. E. MITCHELSON to Mr. R. J. CREIGHTON, San Francisco.

Wellington, 4th August, 1890.

Reply whether subsidy passed Congress. Urgent.

No. 3.

Mr. R. J. CREIGHTON to the Hon. the Postmaster-General.

(Telegram.) No. Daily expected pass House. San Francisco, 5th August, 1890.

No. 4.

The AGENT-GENERAL to the Hon. the Postmaster-General, Wellington.

Sir,— Westminster Chambers, 13, Victoria Street, London, S.W., 27th June, 1890.

I duly received your telegram of the 21st [vide page 4, F.-1, 1890], directing me to bring various questions before the Imperial Government in relation to the New Zealand mail-services, and I replied that I would see Mr. Raikes on the subject. He has appointed a meeting with me this evening at the House of Commons but I shall not be able to report by the state of the subject. this evening at the House of Commons, but I shall not be able to report by this mail what will have passed between us. Of course, however, the substance will be telegraphed to you to-I have, &c., F. D. Bell. morrow morning.

The Hon. the Postmaster-General, Wellington.

No. 5. The Hon. the Premier to the Agent-General.

(Telegram.)

Wellington, 19th August, 1890.

Ocean Services.—Intend ask House agree Goschen's proposal. Washington cable says Tonnage Bill delayed: offers twelve thousand. Will Imperial Government defray transit Fr'isco mails America Atlantic, and what postages allow another year pending decision, and what agree pay four-weekly direct, or, failing Fr'isco, fortnightly direct, forty-two, forty-five days? Delivery colony federal packets uncertain without subsidised intercolonial service. Should be restricted specially addressed correspondence. Parliament prorogues three weeks. Important reply immediate.

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