

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of COST of OCEAN-MAIL SERVICES for 1896 and ESTIMATED PAYMENTS under the New Proposals.

Cost, 1896.				Estimated Payments under New Proposals.			
<i>San Francisco Service.</i>				<i>San Francisco Service.</i>			
			£				£
Payments to contractors	..	..	7,623	Guaranteed minimum payment to contractors	..	..	7,500
Interprovincial service, mail agents, &c.	..	..	3,798	Interprovincial service, mail agents, &c.	..	..	3,600
Transit charges, San Francisco-New York	..	..	4,770	Transit charges, San Francisco-New York	..	..	2,798
Transit charges, New York-Queenstown	..	..	1,967	Transit charges, New York-Queenstown	..	..	1,156
Total	..	..	18,158	Total	..	..	15,054
<i>P. and O. and Orient Services.</i>				<i>Vancouver Service.</i>			
Payments to contracting Colonies	..	..	3,685	Guaranteed minimum payment to contractors	..	..	7,500
Transit charges across Australia	..	..	238	Interprovincial service, mail agents, &c.	..	..	3,600
Transit charges across Europe	..	..	587	Transit charges across Canada	..	..	578
Transit from New Zealand to Australia	..	..	785	Transit charges across United States	..	..	513
Total	..	..	5,295	Transit charges across Atlantic	..	..	1,156
<i>Direct Service.</i>				Total	..	..	13,347
Gratuity payments	..	..	300	<i>P. and O. and Orient Services.</i>			
Grand total, all services	..	..	23,753	Payments to contracting Colonies	..	..	1,500
				Transit charges across Australia	..	..	97
				Transit charges across Europe	..	..	239
				Transit from New Zealand to Australia	..	..	319
				Total	..	..	2,155
				<i>Direct Service.</i>			
				Gratuity payments	150
				Grand total, all services	30,706
				Increase under new proposals	6,953

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