

The following are the rates applicable to newspapers and periodicals under the Canadian domestic postal regulations:—

On duly recognised newspapers and periodicals printed and published in Canada and posted from the office of publication to regular subscribers,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cent per pound; on sample copies of such newspapers and periodicals, also posted from the office of publication, 1 cent per pound; on all other newspapers and periodicals posted for delivery within Canada, 1 cent for each 4 oz. or fraction thereof.

I have, &c.,

R. M. COULTER,

The Postmaster-General, Wellington, New Zealand.

Deputy Postmaster-General.

### No. 3.

The Hon. the PRIME MINISTER to the AGENT-GENERAL.

(Telegram.)

Wellington, 8th May, 1903.

CANADA has advised that its newspaper-postage to Great Britain now considerably below Postal Union rates, and will reduce to New Zealand. Request you take opportunity of urging Imperial Post Office now agree reduction newspaper-postage to and from New Zealand one penny each newspaper, irrespective of weight.

### No. 4.

The Hon. the POSTMASTER-GENERAL, Wellington, to the Hon. the POSTMASTER-GENERAL, Ottawa.

(Telegram.)

Wellington, 9th May, 1903.

YOUR letter 12th March, newspaper-postage. Accept proposal Canada inland rates; New Zealand penny each newspaper, irrespective of weight. When commence?

### No. 5.

The Hon. the POSTMASTER-GENERAL, Ottawa, to the Hon. the POSTMASTER-GENERAL, Wellington.

(Telegram.)

Ottawa, 9th May, 1903.

THANKS for telegram. Change newspaper-rate begins sixteenth instant.

### No. 6.

The ACTING DEPUTY POSTMASTER-GENERAL, Ottawa, to the Hon. the POSTMASTER-GENERAL, Wellington.

SIR,—

Post Office Department, Canada, Ottawa, 11th May, 1903.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your cablegram of the 9th instant, stating that you are prepared to agree to the proposal contained in my letter of the 12th March last—viz., that the Canadian Post Office be permitted to send newspapers and periodicals to New Zealand at the Canadian domestic rate applicable to such matter.

In reply, I beg to thank you for your kindness in accepting the proposition of this Department, and to inform you that the new arrangement will take effect on and from the 16th instant.

I also note with pleasure that you have decided to fix the postage on newspapers from New Zealand for Canada at 1d. for each newspaper, irrespective of weight.

I have, &c.,

WM. SMITH,

The Postmaster-General, Wellington.

Acting Deputy Postmaster-General.

### No. 7.

The Hon. the POSTMASTER-GENERAL, Wellington, to the Hon. the POSTMASTER-GENERAL, Ottawa.

(Telegram.)

Wellington, 12th May, 1903.

THANKS for telegram. Reduction this end begins sixteenth.

### No. 8.

The SECRETARY, General Post Office, Wellington, to the Hon. the POSTMASTER-GENERAL, Ottawa.

SIR,—

General Post Office, Wellington, 27th May, 1903.

I have the honour, by direction of the Postmaster-General, to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th March last, proposing that the postage on newspapers be reduced from the Postal Union rate to the Canadian inland rate on newspapers from Canada to New Zealand, and to 1d. each irrespective of weight, on newspapers passing in the opposite direction,