the Pacific cable, and generally in giving full effect to the resolutions set out in the Fourth Schedule to the said Act (being the resolutions pursuant to which the said cable was established), in the place and stead of the Honourable William Pember Reeves, resigned.

J. HISLOP,

Acting-Clerk of the Executive Council.

[Tel. 08/46(96).]

No. 11.

The Right Hon. the PRIME MINISTER to the HIGH COMMISSIONER.

Prime Minister's Office, Wellington, 7th May, 1909. SIR,-With reference to your appointment as the representative of the New Zealand Government on the Pacific Cable Board, I have the honour to request you to be good enough to inform the Imperial I have, &c., J. G. WARD, Prime Minister. Treasury of your appointment.

The Hon. William Hall-Jones,

High Commissioner for New Zealand, Westminster Chambers, 13 Victoria Street, London, S.W.

DIVERSION OF TRAFFIC.

No. 12.

The Manager in Australasia, Eastern Extension Company, Melbourne, to the Secretary, General Post Office, Wellington.

The Eastern Extension Australasia and China Telegraph Company (Limited),

Melbourne, 18th September, 1908. SIR,-

With reference to my letter of 7th October last [No. 49, F.-8, 1908], and your reply dated 8th November [not printed], respecting the rates to be charged by my company and the Pacific Cable Board respectively for deviated cable messages from New Zealand, I have the honour to inform you that the Pacific Cable Board and my company are also in agreement respecting deviated messages to New Zealand, namely: Messages deviated by Norfolk Island to New Zealand, via Australia, the pro rata rates during the twenty-four hours limit to be the following:-

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| Norfolk Island – New Zealand | | | 2 | 1.27 |
| New Zealand transit | | | 1 | 0.64 |
| New Zealand – New South Wales | | | 3 | 1.91 |
| Commonwealth terminal | | | 5 | 3.18 |
| | | | _ | |
| | | | 11d. | 7d. |

I presume the Pacific Cable Board have already advised you of the apportionments made. I have, &c.,

W. WARREN,

The Secretary, General Post Office, Wellington. [P.C. Interr. 08/42.]

Manager in Australasia.

No. 13.

The Secretary, General Post Office, Wellington, to the Manager in Australasia, Eastern Extension Company, Melbourne.

General Post Office, Wellington, 2nd October, 1908. SIR,— I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th ultimo notifying that your company and the Pacific Cable Board were in agreement as to the pro rata rates to be charged

during the twenty-four hours limit on cable messages deviated by Norfolk Island to New Zealand, via Australia, and that the rates were as follows:-

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| Norfolk Island-New Zealand | | \dots 2 | 1.27 |
| New Zealand transit | | 1 | 0.64 |
| New Zealand-New South Wales | | 3 | 1.91 |
| Commonwealth terminal | | 5 | 3.18 |
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