

No. 100.

[News Extract, 23rd June, 1910.]

(Telegram.)

Melbourne, 22nd June, 1910.

THE Federal Government has informed Canada that it regrets that it is unable to agree to a New Zealand port of call during the existing Vancouver contracts, as recently proposed by Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

No. 101.

The Hon. the PRIME MINISTER, Commonwealth of Australia, Melbourne, to the Right Hon. the PRIME MINISTER, Wellington.

(Telegram.)

Melbourne, 25th June, 1910.

YOUR telegram 14th June and previous correspondence, Vancouver mail-service: Commonwealth of Australia regrets does not see way to agree to inclusion of New Zealand during currency of the existing contract. Question of including New Zealand in any new contract service in question after August, 1911, is still under consideration.

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THE PROPOSED ALL-RED ROUTE.

No. 102.

[News Extract, 13th November, 1909.]

(Telegram.)

London, 12th November, 1909.

REFERRING to Blacksod Bay (a natural harbour on the west coast of Ireland that has been proposed as the port of call for the projected All-Red Transatlantic service) the *Standard* states that the Government has decided to grant £135,000 towards linking-up Blacksod Bay with the Irish railway system, by means of a line to Collooney (on the Sligo, Leitrim, and Northern Counties Railway).

[H.I.B., p. 367.]