

No. 112.

The PRESIDENT, Farmers' Union, Te Kuiti, to the Right Hon. the PRIME MINISTER.

SIR,—

Te Kuiti, 26th July, 1910.

I have the honour, on behalf of and as representing the Farmers' Union of Auckland Province, to address you on the matter of direct communication between Auckland and Vancouver. In doing so I desire briefly and emphatically to state that the farmers of the Auckland Provincial District are deeply impressed with the immense immediate advantage which would be derived by direct frequent communication between New Zealand and Canada, as providing a very profitable market for frozen meat and dairy-produce for this country, and providing an outlet here for many manufactures established in Canada; and we deem this trade-opening of such importance that we earnestly pray you will not allow any difficulty or reasonable expense by way of subsidy to deter you from establishing direct communication between Auckland and Vancouver at an early date; and we trust you will give this matter your earliest attention and favourable consideration.

I have, &c.,

D. H. Lusk,

President of Farmers' Union, Auckland Province.

The Right Hon. Sir Joseph Ward, Prime Minister, Wellington.

[Vanc. Misc. 10/148.]

No. 113.

The Right Hon. the PRIME MINISTER to the PRESIDENT, Farmers' Union, Te Kuiti.

SIR,—

Prime Minister's Office, Wellington, 6th August, 1910.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 26th July, in which, on behalf of your union, you urge that every effort be made to establish direct ocean mail-service communication between Auckland and Vancouver at an early date. In reply, I have to say that the representations contained in the communication have been noted by me. As you may have gathered from a statement recently delivered by me in the House of Representatives, the subject in question has been receiving the earnest consideration of Government.

I have, &c.,

J. G. WARD.

D. H. Lusk, Esq., President of Farmers' Union, Auckland Province, Te Kuiti.

[Vanc. Misc. 10/149.]

No. 114.

The Right Hon. the PRIME MINISTER to the SECRETARY, Auckland Agricultural and Pastoral Association, Auckland.

SIR,—

Prime Minister's Office, Wellington, 6th August, 1910.

I am in receipt of your letter of the 22nd July, in which, on the request of the executive of your association, you express the hope that direct mail-service communication between New Zealand and Vancouver should be established at an early date. In reply, I have to inform you that the representations you have made on the subject are noted; and, as you will have gathered from a statement recently made by me in the House of Representatives, the subject in question has been receiving the consideration of Government.

I have, &c.,

J. G. WARD.

Edwin Hall, Esq., Secretary, Auckland Agricultural and Pastoral Association, Auckland.

[Vanc. Misc. 10/176.]

No. 115.

The Hon. the PRIME MINISTER, Melbourne, to the Right Hon. the PRIME MINISTER, Wellington.
(Telegram.) Melbourne, 15th August, 1910.

REFERRING Vancouver mail-service, Commonwealth unable support extension whilst New Zealand products specially favoured Canadian tariff.

[Vanc. Misc. 10/180.]

No. 116.

The SECRETARY, Canterbury Chamber of Commerce, Christchurch, to the Right Hon. the PRIME MINISTER.

SIR,—

Canterbury Chamber of Commerce, Christchurch, 2nd September, 1910.

At the annual meeting of members of this Chamber, held on Monday last, the following resolution was carried, which I have the honour to convey to you, and to ask that the latter part of it receive the earnest consideration of the Government: "That this Chamber congratulates the Government on having arranged a reorganization of the service to San Francisco through the Islands, and would also urge the desirability of arranging, where possible, a service *via* Vancouver."

I have, &c.,

H. ANTILL ADLEY, Secretary.

The Right Hon. the Prime Minister, Wellington.

[Vanc. Misc. 10/181.]