

## APPENDIX B.

Agricultural and Pastoral Industries, Stock, and Commerce Committee,

DEAR SIR,—

9th August, 1920.

I am directed to invite your attendance at a meeting of the above Committee, the date to be decided later, to give, *inter alia*, evidence on the following points :—

- (1.) To produce copy of contract with freezing and dairy companies that was current at the outbreak of war.
- (2.) Do the shipping companies contend the above contracts will still be current when shipping becomes normal after the determination of the Imperial commander of insulated shipping?
- (3.) Do the shipping companies intend to require the freezing and dairy companies to trade under a shipping contract when matters become normal?
- (4.) The Committee desire to receive data justifying the larger increase of current export and import freights as compared with war freights.

I am to request that, if it is necessary to cable overseas to enable you to answer the above questions, you will please do so.

Will you advise me as early as possible when you will be in a position to be present with the necessary particulars.

Yours faithfully

H HARRISON,

Chairman, Overseas Shipping Committee (N.Z.), Wellington.

Clerk to the Committee.

## APPENDIX C.

THE New Zealand Overseas Shipowners' Committee announces that it has received a cablegram from the London Tonnage Committee to the effect that the Imperial Government states it finds it necessary to retain its requisition of insulated space in all steamers trading with Australia and New Zealand until April, 1921.

The rates of freight which the Imperial Government proposes to charge for the carriage of private meat in requisitioned insulated space will be as follows :—

	Increase over War Rates.		Pre-war Rates.
Beef .. ..	1 $\frac{3}{4}$ d.	1d.	2d. (5 per cent.).
Mutton and tegs, pork, veal, and crates of sundries .. ..	1 $\frac{3}{4}$ d.	9 $\frac{3}{4}$ d. per 60 lb.	1 $\frac{1}{6}$ d. (5 per cent.).
Lamb and bags of sundries .. ..	2d.	6d. per carcass	3d. (5 per cent.).
Rabbits .. ..	£8 15s. per 40 cubic feet.		
Fruits .. ..	8s. per case.		
All plus 10 per cent.			

No indication has yet reached the New Zealand Overseas Shipowners' Committee regarding the amount of space which will be made available by the Imperial Government for the carriage of private meat.

## APPENDIX D.

AN AGREEMENT made the eleventh day of February, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, between the WELLINGTON MEAT-EXPORT COMPANY (LIMITED), a joint-stock company having its registered office in the City of Wellington, in the Dominion of New Zealand (hereinafter called "the Frozen Meat Company," which expression shall include its assigns) of the one part, and the SHAW, SAVILL, AND ALBION COMPANY (LIMITED), a joint-stock company having its registered office in London (hereinafter called "the Shipping Company," which expression shall include its assigns) of the other part, as follows :—

Clause 1. The Frozen Meat Company agrees during the term hereafter mentioned and subject to the conditions hereof to ship by the steamers provided by the Shipping Company, and the Shipping Company agrees during the said term and subject to the conditions hereof to forward by their steamers from the Dominion to London and (or) safe ports on the south and east coasts of the United Kingdom, and Continent (Havre-Hamburg range) in each and every month, to be carried by such steamers, half of all the meat frozen by the Frozen Meat Company at the works at present owned by them, or any new works which may during the currency of this contract be erected by them, which may be tendered for shipment during each month for such ports. The Shipping Company shall not be bound to serve south and east coasts of England ports (excluding London) and Continental ports (Havre-Hamburg range) by other than cargo-steamers, and they shall not be bound to provide a cargo-steamer to these ports for less than the following quantities: South of England, ten thousand freight carcasses for each port; east coast of England, five thousand freight carcasses for each port; Continental ports (Havre-Hamburg) range, ten thousand freight carcasses for each port.

Clause 2. This contract shall commence on the first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and fourteen, and shall remain in force until the thirtieth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, subject to extension, suspension, or determination as hereinafter provided.

Clause 3. An agreement of even date herewith has been entered into between the Frozen Meat Company and the New Zealand Shipping Company (Limited) for the carriage of the other half of the meat frozen by the Frozen Meat Company and tendered for shipment, the terms of which are the same as the terms of this agreement.

Clause 4. If in any one month (which term throughout this contract means calendar month) the Frozen Meat Company shall, owing to there not being steamers of the Shipping Company or sufficient space therein available, ship by the Shipping Company's steamers less than the quantity of meat which according to the terms hereof should have been shipped by the Shipping Company's steamers during that month, then the Shipping Company shall not have thereby any claim on the Frozen Meat