



GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

(PROVINCE OF WELLINGTON.)

Published by Authority.

All Public Notifications which appear in this Gazette, with any Official Signature thereunto annexed, are to be considered as Official Communications made to those persons to whom they relate, and are to be obeyed accordingly.

WILLIAM FITZHERBERT, *Provincial Secretary.*

VOL. V.]

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1858.

[No. 34.]

Provincial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, Nov 15, 1858.

THE following series of Resolutions having been specially forwarded from London to his Honor the Superintendent of Wellington, by the Committee referred to in the 16th Resolution, are published for general information.

STEAM POSTAL COMMUNICATION
BETWEEN
GREAT BRITAIN AND AUSTRALIA.

SERIES OF RESOLUTIONS

Adopted by the Passengers on board the April Steamer from Australia.

The Honorable DONALD KENNEDY,
M.L.C., in the Chair.

WE, the passengers by the Australian steamship *Victoria*, mostly old residents of the Australian Colonies, and others interested in an effective mail service between Great Britain and those distant possessions, having paid considerable attention to the subject, and having had opportunity of personal observation of the working of the system, and of some

of the causes which have led to the present irregularity of the mail service, wish to give expression to our opinions in the following resolutions:—

1. That the continuous failures by which the various schemes for effecting mail communication between Great Britain and Australia have been characterised have been productive of very serious loss and inconvenience to all exposed to their influence, and have led to the deepest mortification and dissatisfaction throughout the Colonies.
2. That the present aspect of affairs connected with the service affords no reasonable hope of any improvement; but, on the contrary, the flagrant inadequacy of all the arrangements is daily becoming more thoroughly apparent.
3. That even with a mail line of the most inefficient and irregular character, the mails are increasing in number and importance, and an amount of traffic is growing up, of an extent, and with a rapidity, calculated to show the very large and profitable results naturally contingent upon a service conducted with spirit, speed, and regularity.

4. That the great dissatisfaction with the present service is shown by resolutions and discussions in the Australian Parliament and Chambers of Commerce, and by petitions presented to the House of Commons urging the termination of the existing contract; a proceeding which appears imperatively called for, and essential to getting the service put upon a proper footing.
5. That the unsatisfactory working of the former experiments by the route *via* Suez is so clearly traceable to mismanagement and want of experience, that its effective operation is undoubted, if undertaken by competent parties, possessed of the necessary means; and that nothing should be allowed to supersede the service by that line.
6. That the dissatisfaction universally prevailing in Australia is attributable solely to the delays and irregularities of the service; the amount of subsidy having always been considered of secondary importance to a service upon which the colonists could implicitly depend.
7. That the importance to which the Australian Colonies have now attained seems to entitle them to a postal communication of no longer date than fortnightly, and that a line established between Sydney and Panama *via* New Zealand has for many reasons become extremely desirable, if not a matter of actual necessity, would meet the requirements of the Colonists of New South Wales, and by the action of a legitimate rivalry, would tend to lead to great efficiency in the entire service.
8. That the very great importance of a mail service *via* Panama is clearly shewn by reference to the serious disadvantages under which the important Colonies of New South Wales and New Zealand labour from their local position; no sufficient relief being attainable under the present system. Very great advantage will, moreover, be derived from this route in the event of any interruption to the mail service *via* Suez by political disturbances in Europe; while a direct communication will be opened up with the United States and South America, the importance of which can scarcely be too highly appreciated.
9. That inasmuch as the steamers generally employed have been found incapable of performing the voyage within the specified time, the vessels to be employed in such service should be of a size and power to secure a speed of 10 knots with all reasonable certainty.
10. That past experience having shown the impracticability of performing so long a voyage as that between Suez and Sydney and back in the same vessel, a change of steamers at Point de Galle appears to be essential to an effective service.
11. That the rapidity with which the bottoms of iron ships become foul in tropical seas necessitates the provision of slips or wet docks at Suez, or other suitable port, for the removal of such growth at each trip, should iron vessels be employed.
12. That to secure the proper performance of any contract it is necessary that the Contractors should keep reserve ships to meet unforeseen accidents.
13. That the lamentable and irritating failures to which the Australian service has been continuously subjected, appear to have been in no slight degree attributable to the preference given to new Associations, not possessed of the requisite experience or organization for an important service; and that in all future arrangements due weight should be attached to the claims of existing Companies of acknowledged character, experience, and resources.
14. That an entire suspension of steam communication such as has been usually consequent upon any change in the contracts, appears but too probable in the present case; but that such suspension is deeply to be deprecated, as provocative of the greatest dismay and indignation throughout an important group of Colonies, already greatly irritated by perpetual failures.
15. That in these Resolutions the conviction is ever kept in view that postal communication is beyond all comparison the chief consideration; but the last few months have shown that the passenger traffic almost necessarily inseparable from a mail service is certain to be very large, rapidly increasing, and highly remunerative to a properly managed Company; and while acknowledging the pre-eminent claims of mail communication, it is conceived that such pas-

- senger traffic is well deserving of consideration; and that care should be taken to guard it from any chance of subjection to a monopoly, perhaps tyrannical and obstructive.
16. That a Committee consisting of seven gentlemen (to be elected by ballot) three to form a quorum, be appointed to further the views expressed in these Resolutions, to advertise them in the *Times*, if it be thought advisable, and to communicate with the leading men of the several Australian Colonies, to secure their co-operation in the establishment of an effective service.

Donald Kennedy (Chairman),
Victoria
R. Towns, Sydney, New South
Wales
James McCulloch, Melbourne,
Victoria
William Forlonge, Eureka, Vic-
toria
J. W. Ploos Van Amstel, Mel-
bourne, Victoria
Henry F. Gurner, Melbourne,
Victoria
Edward Wilson, Melbourne, Vic-
toria
Edward Bisdee, Tasmania
James A. Douglas, Wimmera,
Victoria
~~William B. Wray, Brighton,~~
Victoria
C. E. Tolhurst, Sandhurst, Vic-
toria
T. J. Rusden, Sydney, New
South Wales
W. J. Turner, Port Adelaide,
South Australia
A. Russell, Melbourne, Victoria
John Hoyle, Melbourne, Vic-
toria
H. Poore, Victoria
Samuel Cannon, Victoria

Robert M. Hicks, Victoria
G. A. Carter, Victoria
K. J. King, Victoria
A. M. Ramsay, Victoria
P. M. Batchelder
Thomas Goudil, Sydney, New
South Wales
~~William Patey Peak, Sydney~~
John Butler, Walsall, England
J. W. Catley, Victoria
W. H. Butcher, Tasmania
Thomas Edens, Victoria
John Barton, Victoria
D. McFedries, Victoria
D. Wittenoom, Western Aus-
tralia
J. Thompson, Melbourne, Vic-
toria
George Ewen, Victoria
James Chalmers, Sydney
P. Belches, King George's
Sound
John Degraives, Tasmania.

WILLIAM FITZHERBERT,
Provincial Secretary.

Wellington,
October 27, 1858.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Partnership carried on by Thomas Dillon Smith and Henry William Browell, under the title of T. D. Smith and Co., of Lambton Quay, Wellington, Cabinetmakers and Undertakers, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All claims against the said Firm will be liquidated by the said T. D. Smith, by whom all outstanding accounts will be paid.

(Signed)

THOMAS DILLON SMITH,
HENRY WILLIAM BROWELL.

Witness—

JOHN PLIMMER,
J. M. TAYLOR.

SUPREME COURT.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Sitting of the Circuit Court of the Supreme Court, for the dispatch of Civil and Criminal Business, will be held at Wellington, on Wednesday, the 1st day of December next, at Ten o'clock in the forenoon, at the building heretofore used as a Court House, and will thence be forthwith adjourned to the Provincial Government Buildings. Criminal cases will be heard on the said 1st day of December. Civil cases will not be taken until the following Tuesday, the 7th day of December.

JOHN E. SMITH,
Registrar of Deeds.

Supreme Court Office,
Wellington, November 17, 1858.

STATEMENT of all Moneys received by S. CARKEEK, Esquire, Collector of Customs for the Province of Wellington, New Zealand, from the first to the thirty-first day of October, 1858, both days inclusive.

HEAD OF RECEIPT.		Total.
		£ s. d.
Spirits.....	1648 27-32 Gallons at 8s.	659 10 9
Tobacco	2337 lbs. at 1s. 3d.	146 1 3
Cigars and Snuff	800 8-16 lbs. at 3s.	120 1 6
Wine	401 Gallons at 3s.	60 3 0
Ale and Beer.....	4066 Gallons at 1s.	203 6 0
do.	9141 Gallons at 6d.	228 10 6
Coffee, Cocoa, Chicory, and Chocolate	11,746 lbs. at 2d.	97 17 8
Sugar, Raw, Refined, and Molasses	141,218 lbs. at ½d.	294 4 3
Tea	6080 lbs. at 3d.	76 0 0
Other articles specifically charged		1 5 6
Measurement Duties.....	2912 5-10 ft. at 3s. per cubic foot	436 17 6
Measurement Duties.....	3252 2-10 ft. at 1s. per "	162 12 3
Goods.....	22 tons 1418 9-112 cwt. at 2s. per cwt.	185 18 2
Total Amount of Duties for Wellington		2672 8 4
Remittances from Outports (Wanganui)		136 13 7
Total amount of Duties.....		£2809 1 11

SETTLEMENT OF THE FOREGOING COLLECTIONS:

1858	Expenses of Collections, Wellington	240 15 4
	Refund of Duties	7 0 0
Oct. 11	Payment to Sub-Treasurer General Government	750 5 11
18	Do. do. do.	849 6 3
25	Do. do. do.	794 12 1
30	Do. do. do.	167 2 4
	Total as above	£2809 1 11

I, STEPHEN CARKEEK, do solemnly and sincerely declare that the foregoing is a true and faithful statement of my account as Collector of Customs for the period herein mentioned, and that the sum of £2809 1s. 11d. sterling paid by me as above stated is the whole amount so received by me from the 1st to the 31st day of October, 1858, both days inclusive, and I do make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true.

STEPHEN CARKEEK,
Collector.

Declared before me this second day of
November, 1858.

N. LEVIN, J.P.

STATEMENT of all Moneys received by D. S. DURIE, Esq., Acting Sub-Collector of Customs for the Port of Wanganui, New Zealand, from the first to the 31st day of October, 1858, both days inclusive.

HEAD OF RECEIPTS		TOTAL.
Spirits	214 Gallons at 8s.	£85 12 0
Tobacco	1427 lbs. at 1s. 3d.	89 3 9
Cigars and Snuff	72 lbs. at 3s.	10 16 0
Coffee, Cocoa, Chieory, and Chocolate.....	504 lbs. at 2d.....	4 4 0
Sugar, Raw, Refined, and Molasses	11,200 lbs. at $\frac{1}{2}$ d.	23 6 8
Tea	800 lbs. at 3d.	10 0 0
Measurement Duties	27 feet at 1s. per cubic ft. ...	1 7 0
Total amount of Duties		£224 9 5

SETTLEMENT OF THE FOREGOING COLLECTIONS.

1858		
Oct. 5	By payment to Powell and Co. for freight of Stationery from Wellington, for H. M. Customs	0 4 0
31	" Salaries of Customs Department for October, 1858	12 10 0
	" Balance carried to next month.....	211 15 5
Total as above.....		£224 9 5

I, D. S. DURIE, do solemnly and sincerely declare that the foregoing is a true and faithful statement of my account as Sub-Collector of Customs for the period herein mentioned, and that the sum of £224 9s. 5d. sterling paid by me as above stated is the whole amount so received by me from the first to the thirty first day of October 1858, both days inclusive, and I do make this solemn declaration, conscientiously believing the same to be true.

D. S. DURIE,

Acting Sub-Collector.

Declared before me this third day }
of November, 1858.

J. NIXON, J.P.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 20th November, 1858.

THE following Statement of Accepted and Non-accepted Tenders, is published for general information :—

Description of Work tendered for.	Names of Parties tendering.	Amount of accepted tender.	Amount of non-accepted tenders.
Completing the Hutt Breastwork.	W. Corbett	£890 0 0	£1098 0 0 1350 0 0 889 0 0
	T. Wrigley	
	W. Taylor	
	J. G. Hesselwood	
Making two drawing Tables.	W. Wallis, each	£15 0 0	£17 10 0 17 0 0 17 15 6
	D. Le Comte, "		
	D. Williams, "		
	G. Wakelin, "		

WILLIAM FITZHERBERT.

Provincial Secretary.

N. B.—In explanation of the Schedule of tenders for the Hutt Breastwork, the following letter is published:—

Provincial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 19th November, 1858.

SIR,—Referring to our interview of to-day, in which you appeared to think that the rejection of your tender for the Hutt Breastwork, although lower than the accepted one by the sum of one pound Stg., might operate injuriously on you in your general business; I beg to state that the decision of the Government was not intended to imply any want of confidence in you as a Builder.

In this case, where the amount of the tenders might be regarded practically as equal, and therefore equally entitled to attention, other circumstances had to be specially weighed; and considering that only a short time was allowed for the completion of the Contract in question, (in order that the Bridge might be protected as soon as possible), it was thought by the Government that a person living on the site of the proposed works had a fairer chance of completing the Contract to time than a Contractor from a distance.

In order to obviate as far as possible any impression on the Public mind injurious to your general business, that might arise from the publication in the *Government Gazette* of the Schedule of Accepted and Non-accepted Tenders, I will take care that a special memorandum shall be appended to the Schedule.

I have, &c., &c.,

(Signed)

WILLIAM FITZHERBERT,

Provincial Secretary.

Mr. J. G. HESSELWOOD,
Wellington.

NOTICE.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 11th November, 1858.

THE following persons have been appointed for this Season to be Inspectors under the Thistle Acts for the several Districts attached to their respective names, viz :

Mr. WILLIAM GOLDER, Western Hutt District,
Mr. ROBINSON, Middle and Eastern Hutt District,
Mr. ROBERT WILSON, Upper Hutt District.

WILLIAM FITZHERBERT,
Provincial Secretary.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the undermentioned Application has been registered at the Land Office, Wellington, and that failing objections duly given to the Chief Land Commissioner within three months from the date hereof, a License for the Run will be issued to the Applicant.

District.	Name.	Description.	No. of Acres
Wairarapa ...	William Edinborough Chamberlain.	Northward, a line bearing due West from 20 chain peg of W. Bowler's Western boundary of 175 acre selection of the Waipawa River, 280 chains; Eastward, a continuation of W. Bowler's said Western boundary, commencing from said 20 chain peg, 120 chains; Southward, a line parallel to Northern boundary, 280 chains; Westward, a line parallel to Eastward boundary, 120 chains.	About 3200

Land Office, Wellington,
November 11, 1858.

WILLIAM FOX,
Chief Land Commissioner.

1910-1911
1882-1883

1910-1911
1882-1883

