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The Under Secretary of State,

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Sir,

We beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 19th instant, reference 64618/1919, putting forward a request for a concession of 10% on the passage money of Government Officials booked by the Crown Agents for the Colonies or Local Governments. We would, however, remind you that when we instituted our East Coast service it was agreed that as no Government subsidy was being paid to assist it the Crown Agents for the Colonies should confine their freight and passengers, wherever possible, to this Company's steamers, and that the passages should be paid for at the full tariff rates.

We regret therefore that under existing circumstances we do not see our way to grant a rebate.

We are, Sir,

Your obedient Servants,

THE UNION-GASTLE MAIL STEAMSRIP COMBANY LIMITED.

Joint Manager.

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