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Crown Agents

1914

11th December

Last previous Paper

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SECTION CHARTER COY  
RATES OF FREIGHT

Transcript of letter from Coy re to revision to contract rates. Requests instructions as to period for making surcharge if 3% may be extended. Considers conditions have not materially altered since increase was sanctioned.

In S. Fields

In view of last para of cert  
 I<sup>o</sup> extend for another 3 months  
 - & copy of cert<sup>u</sup> to E.A.P. Uganda  
 - N'land 12/12/14?

H. J. R.

9/12/14

In S FieldsSee further

Ch. by rail in U 34174. Has there  
 been any change in the E.A. Trade? Consider  
 difficulties encountered w. a. foreigners and  
 been advised 6/12/14. Dr. 10/12/14

The M<sup>o</sup> say it's still 20% - to ton 1 S. Afr. trade

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Sir J. Anderson

Recd N.Y.  
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of papers circulated  
on all manner of subjects. I am  
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this after an 8 Chide, but S. & P.  
are full justified in claiming the  
merit. Dr. M. D. C.

Certainty  
October 14 1812. M.

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ALL COMMUNICATIONS  
TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE  
CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES,  
THE ABOVE REFERENCE AND THE  
DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED.

TELEGRAMS, "CROWN, LONDON",  
TELEPHONE 7720 VICTORIA (LONDON)



WHITEHALL GARDENS,  
LONDON, S.W.

8th December, 1914.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to your letter of ~~the~~  
12th September No. 34, 174/1914 authorising the payment to  
the Union Castle Mail Steamship Co., Ltd. of an additional  
20% on the rates of freight specified in the East Africa  
Freight Contract for a period of three months.

1. We have notified the Company that the period  
expired at the end of November, and that the freight on  
future shipments will revert to the contract rates, and  
enclose a copy of their reply.

2. We have to request the instructions of the  
Secretary of State whether the period for making the  
surcharge may be extended, or if the freight must revert  
to the contract rates.

3. We consider that the conditions have not  
materially altered since the increase was sanctioned.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*Robert...  
for Crown Agents*

The Under Secretary of State,  
&c., &c., &c.,  
Colonial Office.

MESSRS THE UNION-CASTLE MAIL STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

TO CROWN AGENTS.

3 and 4, Fenchurch Street,

London, E.C.

2nd December, 1911.

Gentlemen,

Last African Service - Rates of Freight.

In reply to your letter of the 27th ultimo with reference to the existing surcharge of 20% on outward freights to East Africa, we would point out that the circumstances set forth in our letter of 18th August last, which compelled steamship owners to make general advances in rates of freight upon the outbreak of War, unfortunately still exist.

In view of this fact, we trust that you will obtain the sanction of the Secretary of State to the extension of his concurrence in this surcharge intimated to us in your letter of the 15th September last.

We need scarcely assure you that we shall be pleased to revert as soon as may be practicable to the normal conditions of traffic, but for the present it is not in our power to do so.

We are, &c,

(Geo.) W. WALTER,

Secretary.

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CA 48857/1914 EafriaDRAFT.The Four AgentsMINUTE.Mr. Haston 16/12/1914Mr. Bottomley 06/12/1914Mr. Reed 2/12/1914Mr. Wright 18/12/1914

Sir G. Fiddes.

Sir H. Just.

Sir J. Anderson.

Lord Islington.

Mr. Harcourt.

J.C. 51542  
AnscombeF.A.P.  
I am sorry to inform you that  
the Union Castle Mail  
Steamship Co. will  
not be able to give up  
their service to Durban, he  
has not yet received any  
information from the  
Government of South Africa  
regarding their  
service to Durban.

by comes to S.A.P.  
 Durban, & N'land  
 Conf. and P.D.

18 December 1914.

Gentlemen,

I am etc. to

acknowledge the receipt  
 of your letter of the 8<sup>th</sup>  
 of Dec (S.75) and to  
 inform you that in  
 view of the action  
 of the Union Castle Mail  
 Steamship Co. with  
 regard to the steam  
 service to Durban, he  
 does not feel justified

mentioning the  
accrual of an  
increase in the  
rates of freight specified  
in the East African  
freight contract.