

The parties tendering are prepared to enter into contract for the sums placed opposite the name of the firms, in each case as follows:—

Route No. 1.

Commencing at Vancouver Island with mid-stations at Fanning Island, Fiji, and Norfolk Island, and with branches from Norfolk Island to New Zealand and New South Wales—complete, including maintenance for three years in each case.

	£
No. 4. The India-rubber, Gutta-percha, and Telegraph Works Co. -	1,517,000
No. 3. W. T. Henley's Telegraph Works Co. -	1,826,000
No. 1. Siemens Bros. & Co. -	2,170,000
No. 2. Fowler-Waring Cable Co. -	2,360,000

Route No. 2.

Commencing at Vancouver Island with mid-stations at Necker Island, Fiji and Norfolk Island, and with branches to New Zealand and New South Wales—complete, including maintenance for three years in each case.

	£
No. 4. The India-rubber, Gutta-percha, and Telegraph Works Co. -	1,316,000
No. 3. W. T. Henley's Telegraph Works Co. -	1,743,000
No. 1. Siemens Bros. & Co. -	2,140,000
No. 2. Fowler-Waring Cable Co. -	2,210,000

Route No. 3.

From Vancouver to Bowen (Queensland), with mid-stations at Necker Island and Oncoatoa (Gilbert Group), branching at Oncoatoa, *via* Fiji to New Zealand and *via* San Christoval (Solomon Group) to Bowen—complete in each case, including maintenance for three years.

	£
No. 4. The India-rubber, Gutta-percha, and Telegraph Works Co. -	1,403,000
No. 3. W. T. Henley's Telegraph Works Co. -	1,723,000
No. 1. Siemens Bros. & Co. -	2,240,000
No. 2. The Fowler-Waring Cable Co. -	2,341,000

Route No. 4.

From Vancouver Island to Bowen (Queensland) direct, with mid-stations at Necker Island, Apamama (Gilbert Group), and San Christoval (Solomon Group)—complete, including maintenance for three years, in each case.

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No. 4. The India-rubber, Gutta-percha, and Telegraph Works Co. -	1,068,000
No. 3. The W. T. Henley's Telegraph Works Co. -	1,554,000
No. 1. Siemens Bros. & Co. -	1,710,000
No. 2. The Fowler-Waring Cable Co. -	2,125,000

Route No. 5.

Vancouver Island direct to New Zealand *via* Necker Island and the Fiji Group—complete, including maintenance for three years, in each case.

	£
No. 4. The India-rubber, Gutta-percha, and Telegraph Works Co. -	1,291,000
No. 3. W. T. Henley's Telegraph Works Co. -	1,658,000
No. 2. The Fowler-Waring Cable Co. -	2,010,000
No. 1. Siemens Bros. & Co. -	2,050,000

Route No. 6.

Vancouver Island to Norfolk Island with mid-stations at Honolulu and Fiji. At Norfolk Island, branches to extend to New Zealand and Australia proper—complete and including maintenance for three years in each case.

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No. 4. The India-rubber, Gutta-percha, and Telegraph Works Co. -	1,391,000
No. 3. The W. T. Henley's Telegraph Works Co. -	1,740,000
No. 1. Siemens Bros. & Co. -	2,120,000
No. 2. The Fowler-Waring Cable Co. -	2,130,000

Route No. 7.

From Vancouver Island to Bowen (Queensland), with mid-stations at Honolulu, Oncoatoa (Gilbert Group), and San Christoval (Solomon Group)—complete, including maintenance for three years, in each case.