

Newport and Newport Station.

This contract was let without tender at \$250 per annum, while there was in the Department a tender for \$227.50, the transaction showing a loss of \$90 for the term.

The service was let by tender from the 1st October, 1890, the contract having been awarded to the lowest tenderer, Mr. Joseph F. Rathbun, at the rate of his tender, \$250 per annum.

Prior to the termination of this contract on the 30th September, 1894, tenders for a new contract were invited, due to be opened on the 3rd August. On the 5th July instructions were issued to withdraw the notices inviting tenders, and to renew Mr. Rathbun's contract for a further period of four years at the same rate of \$250 per annum.

The following tender was received but not considered :—

R. Greenough..... \$227 50

CORRESPONDENCE.

NEWPORT STATION, June 9th, 1894.

DEAR SIR,—Will you renew my contract for carrying the mail between Newport and Newport Station on same terms.

Yours respectfully,

J. F. RATHBUN.

The Postmaster General,
Ottawa.

OTTAWA, 26th June, 1894.

MY DEAR MR. PUTNAM,—The Postmaster General wishes me to ask you whether you have any objection to the renewal for a further period of four years of the contract for the mail service between Newport and Newport Station.

The present contractor is Mr. J. F. Rathbun, whose application the Inspector recommends.

An early reply will greatly oblige

Yours faithfully,

WM. WHITE.

A. PUTNAM, Esq., M.P.,
House of Commons,
Ottawa.

DEAR MR. WHITE,—Kindly have this contract renewed. I believe the service has been satisfactory.

Yours very truly,

ALF. PUTNAM.

OTTAWA, 6th July, 1894.

MY DEAR MR. PUTNAM,—I have much pleasure in informing you that in accordance with your recommendation, I have authorized the renewal of Mr. J. F. Rathbun's contract for the mail service between Newport and Newport Station for a further period of four years.

Yours faithfully,

ADOLPHE P. CARON.

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