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MEANS OF COMMUNICATION.

I. UNITED KINGDOM—Letter mail (1) to and from the United Kingdom is conveyed by every available opportunity via the United States, and by the Elders and Fyffes, and Leyland and Harrison Lines of steamers via Liverpool or Bristol. The Department endeavours to forward mail for the United Kingdom by the most expeditious route in each case. Parcel-post mail is conveyed only by the direct steamers.

II. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA—Mails (both letter and parcel) to and from the U.S.A. are conveyed by the steamers of the United Fruit Co., Atlantic Fruit Co., and Jamaica Fruit and Steamship Co., the most expeditious opportunity being utilized as far as possible.

III. CANADA—Letter mail to and from the Dominion of Canada is sent and received by each U.S. mail. Parcel-post mail is, however, conveyed only by the steamers of the Pickford and Black Line trading between Halifax, N.S. and Jamaica, and the Canadian Government Merchant Marine trading between Montreal and Halifax and Jamaica about once every three weeks.

IV. CENTRAL AMERICA—Mail communication with these countries (except Nicaragua) is maintained by the steamers of the United Fruit Co., Elders and Fyffes Ltd., and Canadian Government Merchant Marine. For special information regarding parcel-post mail for these places see page 34.

V. WEST INDIA ISLANDS—Letter and parcel-post mails to and from the West India Islands are exchanged regularly by way of New York. Mails are also exchanged with Trinidad and Barbados by way of Cristobal. The Horn Line and the Royal Dutch West India Mail Company maintain a direct service to Haiti.

The Canadian Government Merchant Marine maintains a direct service between Jamaica, Bermuda, and the Bahamas.

(1) The term "letter mail" refers to letters and post cards, and packages of printed and commercial papers and samples.

VI. CAYMAN AND TURKS ISLANDS—An irregular mail service to and from these Islands is maintained by means of schooners and sloops. Letter mail to and from Turks Island is also exchanged via New York.

VII. CUBA—Mails are conveyed regularly by the Webster Shipping Co.'s steamers. There is no direct parcel-post exchange with Cuba.

By courtesy of the United Fruit Co., the following schedule of routes, etc., of their regular mail-carrying steamers is furnished.

NEW YORK-JAMAICA-PANAMA-COLOMBIA SERVICE—A steamer leaves New York every Wednesday A.M. and calls at the following ports:—

Kingston (arrives and leaves Monday), Cristobal, Cartagena, Puerto Colombia, Santa Marta, Cristobal, Kingston (arrives and leaves Saturday), New York (arrives Thursday)—a round voyage of 22 days.

During the winter months a weekly service is maintained between New York, Cuba, Jamaica, Panama, Costa Rica, Cuba, New York—a round voyage of 23 days. (2)

NEW YORK-CUBA-JAMAICA SERVICE: A cargo steamer leaves New York every Saturday, arriving following Friday or Saturday.

NEW YORK-CUBA-JAMAICA-HONDURAS GUATEMALA SERVICE: A steamer leaves New York every other Saturday calling at the following ports:—

Havana, Kingston (arrives and leaves Sunday), Belize (or Puerto Cortez (1)), Puerto Barrios, Tela, Puerto Castilla, Puerto Barrios, Havana, New York (arrives Tuesday). (2)

NEW ORLEANS-CUBA-JAMAICA SERVICE: A steamer leaves New Orleans every Friday calling at Santiago, Kingston (arriving following Friday), returning to Gulf port via Central American port.

BRISTOL-JAMAICA-COSTA RICA-PANAMA SERVICE: An Elders and Fyffes' steamer leaves Bristol every alternate Monday calling at the following ports:—

Kingston (arrives and leaves Monday), Limon, Cristobal, Kingston (arrives and leaves Monday), Bristol (arrives Monday)—a round voyage of five weeks.

Elders and Fyffes, Ltd. maintain a further service with the United Kingdom, but as the sailing days and routes of these boats vary somewhat according to the season of the year their movements cannot be reduced to the precision of a schedule.

The following is the schedule of the Canadian Government Merchant Marine mail-carrying steamers:—

CANADA-BERMUDA-NASSAU-JAMAICA-BRITISH HONDURAS SERVICE: A steamer leaves Montreal every three weeks on Wednesday, and calls at the following ports:—

Hamilton, Nassau, Kingston (arrives Thursday, leaves Friday), Belize, returning to Kingston on the following Friday and sailing same day via Nassau and Bermuda for Montreal (arriving Friday), a round voyage of 37 days.

During the winter months the same schedule is maintained every three weeks except that the steamers leave from Halifax on Saturday and return thither on Tuesday, 31 days after, arriving and sailing from Kingston on the same day of the week as on the summer service.

A Jamaica Fruit and Shipping Company's steamer leaves Kingston for New York every Tuesday; and an Atlantic Fruit Company's steamer leaves Port Antonio for New York or Philadelphia every Tuesday.

AVERAGE FREQUENCY OF SERVICES.

Country.	Receivals from.	Dispatches to.
U.S. of America	Three every week (3)	Two every week.
Canada	Two every week.	do.
United Kingdom	Two every week (direct and via N.Y.)	Five every fortnight (direct and via N.Y.)
Central America	Three every fortnight.	One every week.
Cuba	One every week.	One every week.