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Synopsis: Todd criticised for comments not supporting "better passenger conveyances" in the

Riverland **Summary:**

RIVER DISTRICT NEWS.

Our correspondent at Wilcannia, writing on November 11, says:—

Mr. Newland's letter re F. Crews & Co.'s Barrier mail service, which appeared in the last issue of the Observer, has been carefully read and commented on by many in this town ship, and all agree that Mr. Newland is entitled to the warmest thanks of all residents in the district for his persistent and successful efforts to establish this line, and were a little more attention paid to his remarks by the "Powers that be," your Postmaster-General would not make such an assertion," That he did not feel warranted in recommending the expenditure of a few additional hundreds to secure better passenger conveyances," on what must eventually become the highway of communication between Adelaide and the Riverina District. Mr. Todd can form but a poor idea of the importance of this and other rising townships on the Darling. Let him visit us, or consult such authorities as Messrs. Goyder, Newland, Hogarth, or Peter Waite, and he will not, I venture to say, make such an assertion again. I often hear comparison drawn between the coaches on the Deniliquin and Bourke roads and the buggy used between Wilcannia and the Barrier, certainly not complimentary to the latter, some times with, the remark, What can you expect "from a one-horse colony?"