

Table No. 17.

RETURN of the Number of Letters registered at the Post Offices in the several Postal Districts during the Years 1874, 1875, 1876, and 1877.

Postal Districts.	1874.			1875.			1876.			1877.		
	To Places		Totals.	To Places		Totals.	To Places		Totals.	To Places		Totals.
	Without the Colony.	Within the Colony.		Without the Colony.	Within the Colony.		Without the Colony.	Within the Colony.		Without the Colony.	Within the Colony.	
Auckland ...	2,029	6,513	8,542	1,669	6,640	8,309	1,799	6,468	8,267	1,818	8,405	10,223
Thames ...	415	567	982	334	657	991	290	887	1,177	123	1,051	1,174
Taranaki ...	147	647	794	217	652	869	230	517	747	186	951	1,137
Hawke's Bay ...	320	1,934	2,254	345	1,338	1,683	483	2,286	2,769	483	2,862	3,345
Wellington ...	1,783	6,254	8,037	1,674	6,803	8,507	2,134	7,946	10,080	1,791	10,358	12,149
Nelson ...	249	814	1,063	256	981	1,237	320	685	1,005	381	1,273	1,654
Westport ...	187	381	568	164	629	793	146	409	555	52	485	537
Marlborough ...	132	907	1,039	175	848	1,023	175	665	840	88	767	855
Canterbury ...	2,260	4,508	6,768	2,648	4,988	7,636	3,139	5,846	8,985	1,542	8,242	9,784
Hokitika ...	514	1,046	1,560	460	959	1,419	394	1,195	1,589	257	1,495	1,752
Greymouth ...	798	1,346	2,144	778	1,415	2,193	602	1,451	2,053	181	1,685	1,866
Otago ...	3,679	4,824	8,503	4,656	5,617	10,273	5,270	6,024	11,294	2,591	11,086	13,677
Southland ...	338	1,174	1,512	605	2,532	3,137	681	2,824	3,505	234	2,200	2,434
Totals ...	12,851	30,915	43,766	13,981	34,149	48,130	15,663	37,203	52,866	9,727	50,860	60,587

Table No. 18.

STATEMENT of Correspondence received from the United Kingdom *via* San Francisco and *via* Suez during the Year ended 31st December, 1877.

Date of Receipt.				<i>Via</i> San Francisco.			<i>Via</i> Suez and Melbourne.		
				Letters.	Books.	Newspapers.	Letters.	Books.	Newspapers.
January ...	...	...	...	27,716	10,289	48,620	6,812	1,720	5,151
February ...	...	...	...	25,783	9,993	78,117	6,305	2,209	5,108
March ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,528	1,478	5,838
April ...	...	...	...	28,002	6,363	76,704	5,796	1,690	6,476
" ...	...	...	...	24,506	4,911	68,763	...	...	...
May ...	...	...	...	22,166	7,451	74,011	5,391	2,481	5,095
June ...	...	...	...	25,446	5,166	74,610	6,068	1,073	4,738
" ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,948	1,718	5,442
July ...	...	...	...	22,724	4,749	72,127	5,971	1,850	5,250
August ...	...	...	...	26,750	5,964	73,514	5,151	1,080	5,426
September ...	...	...	...	27,591	6,921	75,558	1,771	...	5,134
October ...	...	...	...	26,035	5,804	77,030	6,301	1,737	5,666
November ...	...	...	...	26,037	6,558	75,985	5,928	2,584	5,701
" ...	...	...	...	27,169	6,831	74,381	...	...	...
December ...	...	...	...	30,440	4,676	63,357	6,781	1,777	5,690
Totals ...	...	...	...	340,365	85,676	932,777	76,645	23,258	70,715

Table No. 19.

STATEMENT of Correspondence despatched to the United Kingdom *via* San Francisco and *via* Suez, during the Year ended 31st December, 1877.

Date of Despatch.				<i>Via</i> San Francisco.			<i>Via</i> Melbourne and Suez.		
				Letters.	Books.	Newspapers.	Letters.	Books.	Newspapers.
January ...	...	...	...	22,569	808	15,355	7,707	175	6,297
February ...	...	...	...	26,359	459	12,616	7,403	216	7,214
March ...	...	...	...	27,001	831	18,957	6,821	135	5,881
April ...	...	...	...	23,404	556	17,046	5,406	159	4,530
May ...	...	...	...	28,489	715	17,510	5,384	134	4,830
June ...	...	...	...	29,057	638	19,464	5,665	141	4,573
July ...	...	...	...	27,371	708	20,231	7,720	298	4,221
August ...	...	...	...	26,265	582	16,629	5,602	196	4,400
" ...	...	...	...	27,558	928	19,789	...	...	...
September ...	...	...	...	26,136	932	20,738	5,576	142	3,989
October ...	...	...	...	24,665	962	18,544	6,679	141	3,940
November ...	...	...	...	22,827	850	17,924	6,303	158	4,389
December ...	...	...	...	24,787	1,202	19,513	5,456	176	3,529
Totals ...	...	...	...	336,488	10,171	234,316	75,722	2,071	61,793