

A return of the number and description of stamps printed during the past year is appended, showing the total issues to be 39,813,469, representing in value £580,225 18s. 8d. Of special probate duty-stamps, eight were issued, amounting to £22,973, the average value being £2,871 per stamp.

The number of plates cast in the stereotype branch last year was 1,832; of electrotypes, 1,693. The number of rubber-stamps manufactured for Government departments was 497.

The railway-ticket printing executed by this branch during the year was as follows: Railway tickets, 2,141,198; season tickets, 15,796; flag-station tickets, 355,600; luggage tickets, 76,000; parcels tickets, 60,025; weighbridge tickets, 26,200; Volunteer tickets, 29,000. Of railway newspaper stamps, the number printed during the year was 515,580.

The number of requisitions received in the stationery office and complied with during the year ending the 31st December last was 12,744, or at the rate of 42 per day. The number of separate items in the requisitions was 53,850. The quantity of waste paper shipped was 53 tons 16cwt. 2qrs., representing in value £161 9s. 6d. The local paper-mills purchase all waste material of this description.

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The Hon. Mr. Cadman.

GEO. DIDSBURY,  
Government Printer and Stores Manager.

### No. 1.

## PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT OF THE GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1891.

### 1.—THE COLONY OF NEW ZEALAND ON ACCOUNT OF THE GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE.

Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
To Value of work done as per work-ledger	34,966	3	1	By Value of buildings and plant	..	32,162	7 7
Cash received—				Amount paid for wages and overtime	..	21,569	8 6
Advertisements .. ..	543	14	8	Working-expenses .. ..	..	538	0 2
Gazette-subscriptions .. ..	60	8	2	Interest on plant and buildings	..	1,608	2 4
Official publications .. ..	1,383	7	0	Value of material used	..	8,829	3 8
Miscellaneous .. ..	3,997	11	3	Profit and loss	..	7,851	8 0
Land Transfer and gold-mining advertisements .. ..	100	10	9				
Value of office engineer's repairs, &c. ..	97	4	0				
Value of rubber-stamps, electros, &c., for other departments .. ..	118	7	9				
	41,267	6	8				
Balance .. ..	31,291	3	7				
	£72,558	10	3			£72,558	10 3

### 2.—STOCK AND BUILDINGS ACCOUNT.

Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
To Value of buildings forward .. ..	18,422	19	11	By Depreciation of new office, 1 per cent. .. ..	£184	4	7
Value of plant forward .. ..	13,323	16	4	Ditto plant, 5 per cent. .. ..	686	19	5
Additions during year—				Carried to Profit and Loss Account		871	4 0
Printing .. ..	£313	9	2	Value of buildings forward	..	18,238	15 4
Binding .. ..	102	2	2	Value of plant forward	..	13,052	8 3
	415	11	4				
	£32,162	7	7			£32,162	7 7

### 3.—SALARIES ACCOUNT.

Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
To Wages paid during the year, viz.:—				By Transfer to Profit and Loss Account	..	21,569	8 6
Permanents .. ..	9,692	8	1				
Extras—Printers .. ..	£7,515	5	2				
Binders .. ..	2,793	1	7				
	10,308	6	9				
Overtime paid during the year, viz.:—							
Permanents .. ..	£853	6	10				
Extras—Printers .. ..	523	19	4				
Binders .. ..	54	8	6				
	1,431	14	8				
Night-watchman's salary .. ..	137	0	0				
	£21,569	8	6			£21,569	8 6

### 4.—WORKING-EXPENSES ACCOUNT.

Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
To Fuel Account for year .. ..	119	11	11	By Transfer to Profit and Loss Account	..	538	0 2
Gas Account for year .. ..	35	14	0				
Miscellaneous—							
Printing Branch .. ..	£316	12	6				
Binding Branch .. ..	21	4	10				
Stereotype Branch .. ..	44	16	11				
	382	14	3				
	£538	0	2			£538	0 2