

Table No. 16—continued.

COMPARATIVE TABLE showing the Progress of the Telegraph Department during the Financial Years ended 30th June, 1866, to 30th June, 1879; 31st March, 1880, to 31st March, 1882; and Calendar Years ended 31st December, 1882, to 31st December, 1893—continued.

Year ended	Number of Miles of Line.	Number of Stations Open.	Number of Telegrams forwarded during the Year.		Telegraph Revenue from all Sources.	Value of Government Messages.	Total Value of Business done during the Year.		Cost of Maintenance of Stations.	Cost of Maintenance of Lines, excluding Australian Cable Subsidy.		Total Expenditure.	Cost of Maintenance of Lines per Mile.	Tariff in Operation.
			Private, and Press.	Government.										
31st Dec., 1882	3,974	264	1,361,817	208,372	1,570,189	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	From 1st November, 1873, address and signature given in free.
" 1883	4,074	302	1,379,483	219,917	1,599,400	20,608 11 11	111,242 3 1	73,554 9	122,451 6 3	96,005 15 4	5 17 5			
" 1884	4,074	330	1,433,458	220,847	1,654,305	21,555 19 2	115,378 2 5	73,034 4	619,210 6 6	92,264 11 0	4 16 8			From 1st Jan., 1886, delayed telegrams posted to addressees immediately after their receipt at offices of destination.
" 1885	4,463	375	1,533,406	240,867	1,774,273	20,855 19 7	116,490 5 0	70,036 6	220,041 15 10	90,078 2 0	4 18 4			
" 1886	4,546	412	1,583,717	252,549	1,836,266	24,860 9 0	126,512 17 0	77,082 4	420,900 6 2	97,982 10 6	4 15 9			From 1st Jan., 1886, delayed telegrams posted to addressees immediately after their receipt at offices of destination.
" 1887	4,646	437	1,589,771	245,623	1,835,394	27,281 4 9	133,919 16 11	77,473 10	721,402 18 2	98,875 8 9	4 15 11			
" 1888	4,790	473	1,548,233	217,630	1,765,863	30,205 11 10	136,753 15 10	70,586 10	621,321 2 9	97,901 12 9	4 13 9			From 1st Jan., 1886, delayed telegrams posted to addressees immediately after their receipt at offices of destination.
" 1889	4,874	489	1,589,157	213,830	1,802,987	23,164 13 11	129,476 5 5	72,201 13	523,262 1 0	95,463 14 5	5 0 1			
" 1890	5,148	520	1,734,381	226,786	1,961,167	24,218 9 3	130,681 7 7	73,426 9	726,007 1 5	101,433 11 0	5 8 7			From 1st Jan., 1886, delayed telegrams posted to addressees immediately after their receipt at offices of destination.
" 1891	5,349	573	1,746,115	222,149	1,968,264	26,070 12 7	136,767 10 3	70,845 1	1027,546 2 0	104,391 3 10	5 13 0			
" 1892	5,479	615	1,686,064	218,079	1,904,143	24,840 5 7	142,474 1 4	85,658 4	1128,986 10 10	114,644 15 9	5 12 7			From 1st Jan., 1886, delayed telegrams posted to addressees immediately after their receipt at offices of destination.
" 1893	5,513	640	1,825,646	244,045	2,069,691	24,342 7 0	128,155 15 6½	87,472 13	329,580 10 11	117,053 4 2	5 8 0			
						28,317 7 10	140,783 3 7	92,109 17	029,141 6 0	121,251 3 0	5 5 9			

For the Financial Years ended 31st March, 1895, to the 31st March, 1897.

Year ended	Number of Miles of Line.	Number of Miles of Wire.	Number of Stations Open.	Number of Telegrams forwarded during the Year.		Revenue.		Value of Government Messages.	Total Value of Business done during the Year.	Total Expenditure (excluding Cable Subsidy).	Remarks.
				Private, and Press.	Government.	Telegraph.	Telephone.				
31st March, 1895	5,961½	14,881½	705	1,802,182	231,618	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	Cable subsidy, £ 6,492 11 8 " 4,774 5 5 " 3,972 8 1
" 1896	6,245½	15,704½	743	1,899,632	224,579	88,459 10 11	21,552 12 10	26,050 7 5	136,062 11 2	135,791 0 7	
" 1897	6,284½	16,470½	780	2,285,001	235,168	97,178 14 0½	25,933 12 9	23,843 11 11	148,955 18 8½	143,665 14 0	
						100,385 16 1	29,248 19 5	23,118 2 6	152,752 18 0	153,484 6 8	