

Table No. 21.

RETURN of the COST of MAINTENANCE of TELEGRAPH LINES for the Year ended 31st March, 1897.

District.	No. of Miles.	Travelling-expenses of Linemen and Inspectors.	Extra Labour.	Cost of Material used for Repairs.	Salaries of Linemen and Inspectors.	Total Cost of Maintenance.
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland	1,604½	884 7 7	780 16 6	842 11 4	2,263 6 8	4,771 2 1
Wellington	1,522½	1,011 17 1	1,469 2 3	2,184 11 10	2,660 0 0	7,325 11 2
Nelson	857½	591 0 5	845 15 7	690 17 2	1,555 0 0	3,682 13 2
Canterbury	847½	769 12 2	1,439 7 8	4,470 15 3	1,480 16 8	8,160 11 9
Otago	1,452½	716 9 5	547 12 11	879 18 11	1,343 0 0	3,487 1 3
P. and T. stores	..	27 6 4	245 1 5	221 18 11	..	494 6 8
Cables	..	25 2 6	361 1 9	288 16 9	..	675 1 0
Totals	6,284½	4,025 15 6	5,688 18 1	9,579 10 2	9,302 3 4	28,596 7 1

Table No. 22.

STATEMENT showing the EXPENDITURE on, and the COST of, TELEGRAPH CONSTRUCTION during the Financial Year ended 31st March, 1897.

Line.	Expenditure.	Material from Stores.	Total Expenditure during the Year.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Telephone exchanges	2,799 12 10	6,391 14 5	9,191 7 3
New copper wires,—			
Auckland-Taupo	370 7 3	18 3 11	388 11 2
Auckland-Paeroa	250 3 3	61 7 5	311 10 8
Wanganui-New Plymouth	312 3 8	1,021 7 4	1,333 11 0
Wanganui-Napier	77 6 6	269 16 1	347 2 7
Napier-Taupo	378 6 3	11 11 4	389 17 7
Napier-Wairoa	360 18 6	14 2 3	375 0 9
Hutt-Hastings	2 2 3	..	2 2 3
Blenheim-Kaikoura	18 10 0	909 10 1	928 0 1
Kaikoura-Christchurch	..	395 8 6	395 8 6
Greymouth-Reefton	132 12 11	343 6 4	475 19 3
Dunedin-Waitaki	35 1 8	4 11 0	39 12 8
Wheatstone instruments,—			
Wellington	..	174 11 10	174 11 10
Dunedin	..	165 19 9	165 19 9
Cape Maria Van Diemen	3 15 7	..	3 15 7
Te Aroha-Katikati	5 0 0	..	5 0 0
Taupiri-Huntly	1 2 6	..	1 2 6
Upper Kuaotunu	23 18 3	29 5 1	53 3 4
Puriri	0 1 6	6 19 6	7 1 0
Waikino loop	8 12 0	7 2 7	15 14 7
Lichfield „	0 10 6	..	0 10 6
Maungataupere	..	0 19 0	0 19 0
Whangarei-Poroti	299 15 9	230 15 5	530 11 2
Hikurangi-Whakapara	3 13 8	..	3 13 8
Maungakaramea	150 19 10	132 18 7	283 18 5
Totara North	29 12 4	86 10 5	116 2 9
Hukerenui extension	116 9 3	140 10 2	256 19 5
Waipapakauri extension	1 5 6	5 2 1	6 7 7
Ormond-Waimata	183 5 7	91 3 4	274 8 11
Ellerslie Racecourse	..	38 13 8	38 13 8
Herbertville-Wimbledon	50 4 9	27 11 6	77 16 3
Wallingford	2 17 5	7 2 3	9 19 8
Dannevirke-Weber and Wimbledon	4 16 4	..	4 16 4
Waikanae extension	1 4 3	..	1 4 3
Whenuakura extension	27 19 9	36 11 3	64 11 0
Hutt-Taita	8 6 5	36 3 1	44 9 6
Bell Block	13 8 8	24 4 7	37 13 3
Marton-Rata	16 11 7	34 4 2	50 15 9
Koputarua	33 8 7	35 8 10	68 17 5
Maharahara extension	104 10 9	122 10 2	227 0 11
Pahiatua, Mangahao, and Ballance	181 5 11	144 1 5	325 7 4