

- (iii) Replacement of these female staff by male assistants as available, male assistants showing an increase from 67 as at 31st March, 1946, to 79 as at 31st March, 1947.

16. Staff turnover during the year was again high, the actual numbers being as follows :—

					Male.	Female.	Total.
Resignations	..	..	..	..	43	42	85
Transferred	..	..	..	..	8	2	10
Special leave	..	..	..	..	2	1	3
Services terminated	..	..	..	..	3	..	3
Mobilized	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
					56	46	102
Entered during year*	..	..	..	..	62	24	86

\* 20 clerical, including 2 Cadets ; 42 general.

17. The number of permanent staff employed as at 31st March, 1947, was 21, including 7 cadets. During the year five returned servicemen engaged in a clerical capacity attended, and passed, the Temporary Officers' Qualifying Examination.

#### *Casual Employees*

18. An analysis of civilian workmen employed in the Dockyard throughout the year and showing a comparison with previous years is as under :—

#### AVERAGE NUMBER OF MEN EMPLOYED

—		1946-47.	1945-46.	1944-45.	1943-44.	1942-43.	1941-42.
April	.. ..	453	587	488	503	416	368
May	.. ..	451	564	468	509	424	375
June	.. ..	447	563	459	501	455	385
July	.. ..	449	553	445	498	450	426
August	.. ..	473	554	461	495	479	484
September	.. ..	474	526	454	509	523	483
October	.. ..	464	484	457	506	578	521
November	.. ..	466	504	485	492	557	500
December	.. ..	463	508	503	489	602	485
January	.. ..	463	446	480	467	551	460
February	.. ..	465	468	539	511	553	431
March	.. ..	472	454	584	502	543	418
Yearly average	..	462	517	486	498	511	445

19. The average number of men employed shows a fall for the first four months, but increased in August when extra staff was obtained for conversion of "Tawhai" to a trawler for UNRRA. From that date the average has been maintained with difficulty.

20. Comparative statement of annual wages paid is as under :—

Wages paid each year ending—						£
1941	..	..	..	..	..	178,189
1942	..	..	..	..	..	231,446
1943	..	..	..	..	..	233,991
1944	..	..	..	..	..	243,625
1945	..	..	..	..	..	214,500
1946	..	..	..	..	..	211,696
1947	..	..	..	..	..	157,838