

1905.
NEW ZEALAND.

POST OFFICE ACCOUNT

(BALANCE-SHEET OF) TO 31st DECEMBER, 1904.

PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 74TH SECTION OF "THE PUBLIC REVENUES ACT, 1891."

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

BALANCE-SHEET of the New Zealand Post Office Account for the Year ended 31st December, 1904.

	Balances on 1st January, 1904.		Transactions.		Balances on 31st December, 1904.	
	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.	Dr.
MONEY-ORDER ACCOUNTS:—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Money-orders (general)	31,942 17 9	..	1,595,936 15 2	1,596,889 6 7	30,990 6 4	..
United Kingdom, &c.	..	180 9 7	147,438 9 2½	150,357 4 11	..	3,099 5 3½
United States of America	386 11 7	..	21,930 6 0	22,863 2 0	..	546 4 5
Canada	..	574 5 1	2,468 9 6	2,298 2 4	..	403 17 11
Cape of Good Hope	..	238 12 4	2,026 17 9	1,970 19 1	..	182 13 8
Ceylon	37 7 5	..	385 2 1	413 9 2	9 0 4	..
Fiji	..	203 13 7	1,632 14 8	1,681 17 2	..	252 16 1
Germany	1,979 14 9	..	2,401 15 10	2,773 10 3	1,608 0 4	..
Hongkong	3 1 7	..	1,288 5 9	1,282 16 7	8 10 9	..
India	38 18 9	..	1,999 3 7	1,853 11 9	184 10 7	..
Natal	..	872 8 10	1,858 0 3	1,587 4 5	..	601 13 0
New South Wales	982 17 5	..	71,108 13 5	71,313 4 1	778 6 9	..
Queensland	13 9 9	..	9,557 0 5	9,154 18 2	415 12 0	..
South Australia	390 4 9	..	4,661 4 3	5,094 18 6	..	43 9 6
Samoa	..	5,283 12 4	8,111 19 1	4,452 18 4	..	1,624 11 7
Straits Settlements	..	153 19 1	381 13 0	176 1 9	51 12 2	..
Tasmania	..	1,757 1 5	12,794 10 6	11,779 16 2	..	742 7 1
Transvaal	..	1,063 18 11	5,127 13 3	4,444 14 7	..	381 0 3
Victoria	1,315 19 8	..	64,020 0 11	63,986 18 10	1,349 1 9	..
Western Australia	..	822 16 6	6,762 16 5	5,868 7 3	71 12 8	..
Commission	..	785 5 2	2,332 10 2	2,332 18 4	..	785 13 4
SAVINGS-BANK ACCOUNTS:—						
Deposits and withdrawals	7,388,681 18 7	..	6,037,470 6 1	5,664,770 3 9	7,761,382 0 11	..
Transfers	2,256 13 7	..	474,449 18 11	472,548 16 4	4,157 16 2	..
POSTAL ACCOUNTS:—						
Stamps	144,375 3 4	..	504,705 19 6	500,431 7 7½	148,649 15 2½	..
Postal Guides	4 16 10	..	527 1 2	522 17 2	9 0 10	..
Postal notes	79,962 4 9	..	247,092 10 2	245,922 0 6	81,732 14 5	..
Private box and bag rents	..	..	7,369 2 0	7,369 2 0	..	..
Money-order commission	..	..	16,649 10 0	16,649 10 0	..	..
British postal orders—H.O. a/c	..	..	157,491 13 4	56,046 13 4	101,445 0 0	..
“ C.P.M.'s a/c	..	..	56,046 13 4	6,284 10 8	49,762 2 8	..
“ London a/c	..	..	6,385 13 7½	6,385 12 5½	0 1 2	..
B.P.O. commission	..	..	72 6 2½	72 6 2½	..	..
Postal revenue	4,327 15 9½	..	338,867 7 5	338,812 16 4	4,382 6 10½	..
TELEGRAPH ACCOUNTS:—						
New South Wales Telegraphs	74 0 11	..	5,517 3 4	5,373 4 1	218 0 2	..
New Zealand & Australian Cable	149 14 9	..	3,350 8 10	3,380 19 5	119 4 2	..
Pacific Cable Board	1,657 17 10	..	41,581 7 1	41,669 8 1	1,569 16 10	..
Telephone-exchange receipts	..	..	79,171 7 0	79,171 7 0	..	..
Special messenger receipts	..	..	206 14 4	206 14 4	..	..
Maintenance of private wires	..	..	2,073 13 10	2,073 13 10	..	..
Registration of code addresses	..	..	519 2 6	519 2 6	..	..
Cable deposits	..	..	2,549 6 8½	2,436 7 3½	112 19 5	..
Telegraph revenue	2,408 15 4½	..	301,600 6 5	302,925 14 7½	1,083 7 2	..
GENERAL ACCOUNTS:—						
Post Office Account	..	210,608 5 2	4,171,898 19 9½	4,271,912 16 10½	..	310,622 2 3
Postmasters and Telegraphists	..	320,138 0 5	10,497,445 18 11½	10,557,941 6 7	..	380,633 8 0½
Investments	..	7,385,929 7 8	914,700 0 0	1,293,768 18 0	..	7,764,998 5 8
Accrued interest on investments	..	64,892 17 8	64,892 17 8	73,379 10 2	..	73,379 10 2
Miscellaneous receipts (general)	1,294 9 9	..	9,194 10 5½	9,105 18 6	1,383 1 8½	..
Foreign postage	7,697 18 4	..	4,564 4 5	2,100 16 1	10,161 6 8	..
Miscellaneous expenses	26,488 8 7	..	669,235 2 0	683,147 14 7	12,575 16 0	..
Discount-stamps	1,621 2 0	..	3,355 0 0	3,150 18 0	1,825 4 0	..
FOR OTHER DEPARTMENTS:—						
Advances to Settlers	8,122 1 4	..	447,396 12 11	451,799 0 4	3,719 13 11	..
Arms Act licenses	37 0 0	..	420 0 0	425 0 0	32 0 0	..
Auctioneers' license fees	..	..	15 0 0	15 0 0	..	..
Clerks of Court	..	..	6 12 11	6 12 11	..	..
County Clerks	56 5 0	..	351 9 5	407 14 5	..	..
Customs dues (H.M.C.)	306 18 11	..	2,212 13 7	2,376 18 3	142 14 3	..
Customs duty (parcels)	3,185 13 4	..	37,209 10 8	36,501 6 4	3,893 17 8	..
Education Department	3 0 0	..	10 7 0	13 7 0	..	..
Factories Act	..	..	51 7 0	50 16 0	0 11 0	..
Fishing licenses	69 19 0	..	1,566 15 6	1,478 11 0	158 3 6	..
Game licenses	..	..	2,263 0 0	2,263 0 0	..	..
Geraldine County Council	..	..	545 9 6	545 9 6	..	..
Goldfields revenue	0 3 0	..	171 5 7	166 15 1	4 13 6	..
Government Audit fees	..	..	29 16 8	29 16 8	..	..
Government Insurance	1,956 16 4	..	27,246 5 5	26,731 6 3	2,471 15 6	..
Government Printer	27 1 9	..	831 4 3	679 12 8	178 13 4	..
Homing-pigeons Protection Act	..	..	1 7 0	1 7 0	..	..
Income-tax	48 0 7	..	143,656 5 1	142,671 0 0	1,033 5 8	..
Industrial schools	..	..	4 0 0	..	4 0 0	..
Land-tax	639 11 9	..	259,839 8 9	258,736 0 0	1,743 0 6	..
Licensing Act	..	..	20 0 0	20 0 0	..	..
Lunacy	6 10 0	..	1 0 0	7 10 0	..	..
Machinery	386 7 6	..	6,387 19 0	6,293 11 6	480 15 0	..
Mining Act	529 10 0	..	213 6 0	299 16 0	443 0 0	..
Miners' Guides	1 5 6	..	..	..	1 5 6	..
New Zealand Consols	..	..	1,030 0 0	1,030 0 0	..	..
Official Assignee	23 19 1	..	7,836 0 3	7,845 19 3	14 0 1	..
Old-age Pensions	17,258 6 7	..	195,400 0 0	196,322 5 4	16,336 1 3	..
Old-age Pensions (miscellaneous)	..	..	63 11 8	63 11 8	..	..
Public Trust	18,237 7 0	..	433,386 2 6	438,856 1 10	12,767 7 8	..
Railways	639 17 11	..	10,885 13 0	10,671 10 1	854 0 10	..
Registration of births, &c.	216 2 6	..	2,249 19 0	2,223 1 0	243 0 6	..
Rents	24 15 0	..	298 2 9	290 3 3	32 14 6	..
Sanatorium, Hanmer Springs	191 6 4	..	2,217 19 1	2,148 17 8	260 7 9	..
Sheep rates	52 2 1	..	19,247 0 0	19,221 16 1	77 6 0	..
Stock Department	1 0 0	..	24 7 0	25 7 0	..	..
Tourist Department	111 18 11	..	1,502 6 1	1,471 4 5	143 0 7	..
Valuation revenue	1 1 7	..	2,986 4 1	2,967 0 0	20 5 8	..
Government debentures	..	..	104,800 0 0	104,800 0 0	..	..
Miscellaneous revenue	..	..	22 7 5	22 7 5	..	..
Tender for loan	..	4,885 0 0	4,885 0 0	..	..	..
Suspense Account	..	..	250 1 6½	250 0 0	0 1 6½	..
Profit and loss	248,163 8 11	..	333,967 0 3	304,925 14 8	277,204 14 6	..
Totals	7,998,389 13 9	7,998,389 13 9	28,635,310 17 2	28,635,310 17 2	8,538,296 18 3	8,538,296 18 3

Examined and found correct, except that old-age pension instalments to the amount of £3,601 11s. 3d. were paid by the Postmaster-General before the moneys necessary in order to enable such instalments to be paid had, by the Colonial Treasurer, been paid out of the Consolidated Fund into the Post Office Account by way of imprest, in accordance with the provisions of section 58 of "The Old-age Pensions Act, 1898."

J. K. WARBURTON,
Controller and Auditor-General.
21st June, 1905.

The cheque for old-age pensions was issued by the Treasury on the 31st March last year, but could not be paid into Post Office Account until the 5th April, the Bank being closed for Easter Holidays from the 1st to 4th idem. The old-age pensions were paid on the 2nd April.

J. G. WARD,
Postmaster-General.
26th June, 1905.

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