

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 Miles of Wire.	Number of Offices		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.	Total.	£				s.	d.				
31st Dec., 1882	3,974	9,848	264	1,361,817	208,372	1,570,189	90,633	11	2	20,608	11	111,242	3	1	From 1st November, 1873, address and signature given in free. From 1st Jan., 1886, delayed telegrams posted to addressees immediately after their receipt at offices of destination.
" 1883	4,074	10,037	302	1,379,483	219,917	1,599,400	93,822	3	3	21,555	19	115,378	2	5	
" 1884	4,264	10,474	330	1,433,458	220,847	1,654,305	95,634	5	5	20,855	19	116,490	5	0	
" 1885	4,463	10,931	375	1,533,406	240,867	1,774,273	101,652	8	0	24,860	9	126,512	17	0	
" 1886	4,546	11,178	412	1,583,717	252,549	1,836,266	106,638	12	2	27,281	4	133,919	16	11	
" 1887	4,646	11,375	437	1,589,771	245,623	1,835,394	106,548	4	0	30,205	11	136,753	15	10	
" 1888	4,790	11,617	473	1,548,233	217,630	1,765,863	106,311	11	6	23,164	13	129,476	5	5	
" 1889	4,874	11,827	489	1,586,157	213,830	1,802,987	106,462	18	4	24,218	9	130,681	7	7	
" 1890	5,148	12,812	520	1,734,381	226,780	1,961,161	110,696	17	8	26,070	12	136,767	10	3	
" 1891	5,349	13,235	573	1,746,115	222,149	1,968,264	117,633	15	9	24,840	5	142,474	1	4	
" 1892	5,479	13,459	615	1,686,064	218,079	1,904,143	103,813	8	6	24,342	7	128,155	15	6	
" 1893	5,513	13,515	640	1,825,646	244,045	2,069,691	112,465	15	9	28,317	10	140,783	3	7	
													£	s.	
													96,005	15	4
													92,264	11	0
													90,078	2	0
													97,982	6	4
													98,875	8	0
													97,901	12	9
													95,463	14	5
													101,433	11	0
													104,391	3	10
													114,644	15	9
													117,053	4	2
													121,251	3	0
													5	5	9

From 1st November, 1873, address and signature given in free.

From 1st Jan., 1886, delayed telegrams posted to addressees immediately after their receipt at offices of destination.

For the Financial Years ended 31st March, 1895, to 31st March, 1909.

Year ended	Number of Miles of Line.	Number of Miles of Wire.	Number of Offices Open.	Number of Telegrams forwarded during the Year.			Revenue (including Miscellaneous Receipts).			Value of Government Messages.	Total Value of Business done during the Year.	Total Expenditure (excluding Cable Subsidy).	Remarks.
				Private and Press.	Government.	Total.	Telegraph.	Telephone.	£				
31st March, 1895	5,961½	14,881½	705	1,802,182	231,618	2,033,800	88,459	10	21,552	12	135,791	0	Cable subsidy, 6,492 11 8
" 1896	6,245½	15,764½	743	1,899,632	224,579	2,124,211	97,178	14	25,933	12	143,665	14	" 4,774 5 5
" 1897	6,284½	16,470½	780	2,285,001	235,168	2,520,169	100,385	16	29,248	19	153,484	6	" 3,972 8 1
" 1898	6,484	18,024	824	2,469,415	226,818	2,696,233	99,798	8	30,422	6	165,198	13	" 1,849 2 9
" 1899	6,736	18,746	878	2,717,548	243,190	2,960,738	105,576	6	39,718	7	170,794	19	" 1,427 19 1
" 1900	6,910	19,228	915	3,159,093	310,538	3,469,631	119,641	11	43,303	2	181,634	11	" 1,608 7 1
" 1901	7,249½	20,682½	991	3,534,444	363,684	3,898,128	137,861	1	49,117	0	194,014	12	" 1,000 8 6
" 1902	7,469	21,705	1,038	3,850,391	317,590	4,167,981	151,933	19	55,542	4	212,180	16	" 234 15 0
" 1903	7,748½	22,672½	1,103	4,271,218	288,086	4,559,304	160,343	7	62,151	8	228,185	10	" 181 10 0
" 1904	7,779½	22,920½	1,153	4,671,904	293,293	4,965,197	166,535	18	71,028	6	245,805	9	" 10,057 11 7
" 1905	7,943½	23,704	1,200	4,900,495	259,250	5,159,745	171,001	13	79,061	7	258,977	10	"
" 1906	8,355	25,116	1,312	5,351,084	289,135	5,640,219	184,369	6	89,542	1	270,660	13	"
" 1907	8,953	27,031	1,446	6,166,080	236,252	6,402,332	206,706	15	100,814	0	298,079	17	"
" 1908	9,656	29,343	1,611	6,958,279	84,644	7,042,923	227,398	6	116,852	13	325,007	15	"
" 1909	10,404	32,654	1,704	7,338,917	87,676	7,426,593	238,103	16	131,249	0	348,749	17	"
											374,174	7	"
											394,649	19	"

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NOTE.—Tariff, 1890: 1s. for ten words, and free address and signature up to ten words; delayed telegrams, 6d. 1892: For twelve words, and free address and signature, ordinary telegrams, 1s.; delayed, 6d. Later in 1892 the number of words in text and signature made eighteen. 1896: First twelve words, 6d.; each additional word, 1d.; address and signature paid for. 1906: For each additional word after first twelve ½d.