

Table No. 13.

REGISTERED ARTICLES.

The number of registered articles dealt with in 1911, compared with the numbers in 1890, 1900, and 1910, is as follows:—

		1890.	1900.	1910.	1911.
From places beyond the Dominion	...	26,374	52,343	132,493	152,349
Registered in the Dominion	...	169,321	464,036	993,675	1,194,570
Totals	...	195,695	516,379	1,126,168	1,346,919

DEAD LETTERS.

		1910.	1911.
Opened and returned to writers	...	179,850	212,821
Returned unopened to other countries	...	45,551	54,591
Reissued	...	559	526
Destroyed	...	24,200	21,983
Returned unopened by Chief Postmasters	...	174,179	206,147
Totals	...	424,339	496,068

The increase in the letters registered in the Dominion during 1911 must be attributed largely to the general election.

Table No. 14.

PARCEL-POST.

The following shows the number and weight of parcels posted during the years 1890, 1900, 1910, and 1911:—

	1890.	1900.	1910.	1911.
Number	121,292	199,413	1,190,711	1,613,010
Weight	336,643 lb. 12 oz.	682,140 lb. 7 oz.	3,953,284 lb. 15 oz.	5,392,360 lb. 3 oz.

The following table shows the number and weight of parcels exchanged with the United Kingdom and the undermentioned places during the years 1910 and 1911:—

Country.	Received.				Despatched.			
	1910.		1911.		1910.		1911.	
	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.
		lb. oz.		lb. oz.		lb. oz.		lb. oz.
United Kingdom and foreign countries (<i>via</i> London)	83,312	478,632 0	93,998	530,896 0	12,252	37,745 6	13,112	42,041 10
United States of America	6,164	19,568 15	7,591	26,683 6	1,022	2,677 12½	1,095	2,931 6
Canada	601	1,330 12	568	1,094 8	351	780 5	377	866 8
Victoria	8,241	26,747 8	8,358	27,140 14	3,153	7,259 0	3,140	7,720 3
New South Wales	13,365	39,352 0	13,262	42,214 0	4,963	11,273 2	5,357	12,552 8
South Australia	518	1,233 2½	519	1,403 13	409	936 15	415	968 14
Queensland	765	1,766 10	878	1,933 9	752	1,709 4	897	2,092 10
Tasmania	469	1,128 8	473	1,173 0	720	1,716 7	694	1,535 6
Western Australia	377	781 4	371	834 14	412	980 14	476	1,101 3
Samoa	18	80 9	16	88 6	148	638 11	157	612 11
Fiji	145	400 3	137	350 10	511	1,475 6	511	1,420 1
Ceylon	535	2,600 5	549	2,732 3	86	245 4½	70	216 13
Uruguay	118	377 12	97	318 12
Cape Colony	452	763 6	463	775 10	157	293 6	115	364 12
Natal	96	163 12	32	42 5	197	478 11	243	667 1
India	1,049	5,577 11	1,138	5,765 6	222	839 8½	235	842 9
Tonga	7	33 5	16	68 3	167	475 6	280	914 13
Hong Kong*	107	325 0	357	1,492 11	39	99 10	96	248 15
Totals	116,221	580,484 14½	128,726	644,689 6	25,679	70,002 12½	27,367	77,416 11

* With Hong Kong the system was only in operation for five months in 1910.

Table No. 15.

SAN FRANCISCO, VANCOUVER, AND SUEZ SERVICES.

STATEMENT showing the Number of Days occupied in the Delivery of Mails between London and the undermentioned Places by the San Francisco Mail-service.

FROM LONDON VIA SAN FRANCISCO.

—	Auckland.	Wellington.	Christchurch	Dunedin.	Sydney.	Melbourne.
Maximum (in days)	43	44	45	45	48	*
Minimum	34	33	34	34	38	...
Average	36	35	36	36	40	...

The high maxima were occasioned by an accident to the machinery of the "Aorangi," causing a delay of seven days.