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POST AND TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT

(REPORT OF THE) FOR THE YEAR 1911-12.

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

MY LORD,—

General Post Office, Wellington, 20th June, 1912.

I have the honour to submit to Your Excellency the Report of the Post and Telegraph Department for the year 1911-12, and in doing so to offer the following remarks:—

In each of its numerous departments, and in every branch of its manifold relations with the public, the Post and Telegraph service has continued to show the steady increase in the volume of its business, and enlargement in the scope of its usefulness, which has characterized it in former years.

Chief among the new spheres of activity are the establishment of the radio-telegraphic system; the issue of domestic money-orders payable by letter-carriers from house to house; and the new telephone party-wire arrangements enabling those at a distance from the centres to enjoy telephonic privileges at moderate charges.

The Chief Electrician of the Department has returned from an extended visit to America and Europe, during which he thoroughly investigated the most modern telephone systems. A digest of his report will be presented to Parliament in due course. Considerable expenditure for the purpose of modernizing the principal telephone exchanges must be looked for within the next few years.

Of the increased business, perhaps the most prominent feature is the rise in the number of parcels posted, amounting to over 35 per cent. in the one year. The postal business proper grows not only in bulk but also in proportion to the population, the number of letters having almost reached one hundred per annum per head of the population.

The returns disclose that the accumulated savings of depositors in the Savings-bank now exceed fifteen and a half million pounds sterling.

The entire administration of old-age pensions, including widows' pensions, has been successfully carried on by the Department's officers, and the cost thereof is included in the expenditure of the Post Office.

The correspondence classes established to enable officers to qualify for the general and technical examinations required by the Department in its efficiency and other tests have been a success, over nine hundred students having taken advantage of the assistance thus afforded.

All matters of detail with reference to the revenue, expenditure, and business are fully set forth in the report which follows.

I have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your most obedient servant,

H. G. ELL,

Postmaster-General.

His Excellency the Governor, Wellington.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

The revenue and expenditure of the Department for the financial year 1911-12 are shown in the following table:—

Item.	Postal.	Telegraph.	Total.
<i>Revenue.</i>			
Stamps for postage	£ s. d. 562,622 1 6	£ s. d.	£ s. d. 562,622 1 6
Money-order and postal-note commission	23,858 7 11	.. .. .	23,858 7 11
Money-order commission received from foreign offices	753 15 1	.. .. .	753 15 1
Private box and bag fees	12,778 0 4	.. .. .	12,778 0 4
Miscellaneous receipts	13,239 19 4	6,902 11 7½	20,142 10 11½
Paid telegrams .. .. .	.. .. .	288,431 16 6½	288,431 16 6½
Telephone exchanges .. .. .	.. .. .	179,123 18 8	179,123 18 8
Totals	613,252 4 2	474,458 6 10	1,087,710 11 0
<i>Expenditure.</i>			
Salaries (classified officers)	£ s. d. 221,450 19 11	£ s. d. 336,403 0 0	£ s. d. 557,853 19 11
Salaries (country Postmasters and telephonists, and contributions to Railway Department)	20,469 0 0	32,196 0 0	52,665 0 0
Conveyance of mails by sea	87,068 1 6	.. .. .	87,068 1 6
Conveyance of inland mails	68,964 0 10	.. .. .	68,964 0 10
Conveyance of mails by railway	62,024 9 4	.. .. .	62,024 9 4
Money-order commission credited to foreign offices	2,384 16 9	.. .. .	2,384 16 9
Maintenance of telegraph and telephone-lines .. .. .	.. .. .	48,012 9 11	48,012 9 11
Miscellaneous	56,833 6 7	53,105 7 8	109,938 14 3
Balance of revenue over expenditure	519,194 14 11 94,057 9 3	469,716 17 7 4,741 9 3	988,911 12 6 98,798 18 6
Totals	613,252 4 2	474,458 6 10	1,087,710 11 0

The total revenue exceeded that of 1910-11 by £50,444 13s. 9d., and the expenditure exceeded the expenditure of 1910-11 by £74,842 4s. 8d.

The excess of revenue over expenditure is less than it was last year by £24,397. This is due to the increased cost of sea services and the smaller proportional increase in the amount received for postages.

Postal matter delivered in New Zealand, including that received from abroad, during the year reached a total of 106,143,040 letters, 6,829,563 post-cards, 53,555,632 other articles, and 1,714,369 parcels.

607,764 money-orders, for £2,759,393 8s. 5d., were issued, and 483,043, for £2,416,958 15s. 10d., paid. The increase in the number of orders issued as compared with last year was 38,107.

The postal-note business continues to increase. During the year 1,821,566 postal notes, of the value of £574,979 18s. 6d., were sold, being an increase of 9·27 per cent. in number and 9·53 in amount as compared with the preceding year.

The number of British postal orders sold increased from 67,769, valued at £35,270 7s. 9d., to 88,528, for £45,687 10s. 6d., and 23,429 orders, for £15,458 18s. 6d., were paid, as against 19,941, for £13,183 16s. 6d., paid during the previous year.

The savings-bank deposits (£11,627,367 14s. 3d.) exceeded the withdrawals (£10,662,045 15s. 2d.) by £965,321 19s. 1d. There has been added £472,874 18s. 5d. as interest, making a total increase of £1,438,196 17s. 6d., and bringing the whole amount at credit up to £15,543,186 16s. 8d., a sum which equals £14 9s. 1d. per head of the population.

The number of old-age-pension payments was 194,623, as compared with 186,857 in the previous year, the respective amounts being £406,255 16s. 4d. and £383,392 10s. 8d.

The total number of telegrams forwarded was 9,063,133, an increase of 702,486, or 8·40 per cent., over the business of the previous year.

The number of bureau communications continues to show a marked increase, being 2,360,914, as against 2,031,376.

The amount expended on telegraph-extension was £147,692, with liabilities amounting to £111,372 on account of works for which the authority of Parliament was granted too late for the necessary expenditure to be brought within the financial year.

On the 31st March, 1912, there were 11,805 miles of telegraph-line and 39,370 miles of wire. The length of submarine cables within the Dominion was 372 knots.

The number of telephone-exchange connections still continues to increase.

STATEMENT SHOWING REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE OF THE POST AND TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT FOR THE TEN YEARS ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1912, AND FOR THE YEARS 1881-82, 1891-92 AND 1901-2.

Year.	Revenue.			Expenditure.			Balance of Revenue over Expenditure.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
1881-1882	234,529	8	0	233,291	10	4	1,237	17	8
1891-1892	320,058	1	3	268,343	1	1	51,715	0	2
1901-1902	488,573	1	11½	465,756	9	5	22,816	12	6½
1902-1903	525,098	17	3½	487,814	10	0	37,284	7	3½
1903-1904	580,771	4	5½	526,746	14	5	54,024	10	0½
1904-1905	633,305	12	7½	559,921	1	5	73,384	11	2½
1905-1906	684,878	11	2	578,726	11	7	106,151	19	7
1906-1907	746,249	16	0½	619,121	0	9	127,128	15	3½
1907-1908	822,639	8	9½	709,024	16	2	113,614	12	7½
1908-1909	913,994	17	2½	807,652	9	10	106,342	7	4½
1909-1910	961,500	10	2½	858,059	15	1	103,440	15	1½
1910-1911	1,037,265	17	3	914,069	7	10	123,196	9	5
1911-1912	1,087,710	11	0	988,911	12	6	98,798	18	6
Total for ten years ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	£943,367	6	5½

STAFF.

Comparative Return of Officers of the Post and Telegraph Department for the Years ended 31st March, 1911, and 31st March, 1912.

The total number of officers on the staff on the 31st March, 1911 and 1912, was as under:—

	31st March, 1911.	31st March, 1912.
Postmaster-General	1	1
Classified staff,—		
First Division	3	3
Clerical Division	2,599	2,791
Non-clerical Division	1,928	2,122
Telegraph message-boys ... ..	...	...
Total, classified staff	4,531	4,917
Employees not on permanent staff,—		
Country Postmasters and Postmistresses	2,138	2,178
Nightwatchmen	2	2
Mail-cart drivers	6	4
Postmasters and telegraphists or telephonists who are		
Railway officers	166	157
Total	6,843	7,258

HEALTH OF STAFF.

The following table gives the average absence of officers on sick-leave:—

	Numbers comprised.	Average Absence per Sick Officer.	Average Absence for each Officer employed.
		Days.	Days.
Men	4,191	11·09	4·77
Women	716	11·46	9·80

Five officers died during the year.

CHANGE OF POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

The Hon. H. G. Ell succeeded the Right Hon. Sir J. G. Ward as Postmaster-General on the 2nd April, 1912.

RETIREMENTS, ETC.

Mr. W. S. Furby, Telegraph Engineer, Auckland; Mr. S. P. Stevens, Chief Postmaster, Christchurch; and Mr. W. H. S. Nicholls, Chief Postmaster, Thames, retired on pension during the year after long and faithful service. Mr. C. C. Robertson, Telegraph Engineer, Wellington, who served the Department for over forty-four years, died on the 23rd April, 1911.

BOARD OF APPEAL.

The departmental Board of Appeal sat from the 8th to the 12th May, 1911. Seven appeals were considered. In one case the Board recommended the promotion of the officer to preserve his seniority.

This was done. In another case the Board agreed with the decision of the Department, but recommended the promotion of the officer when a suitable vacancy occurred. In four cases the Board did not make a recommendation. One appeal was withdrawn.

CLASSIFICATION.

By Order in Council of the 5th September, 1911, counter clerks and despatch clerks, in order to qualify for promotion to the Sixth Class, were required to pass either the Senior Technical Examination or the Second Examination (Postal General), and senior and second telephone-exchange clerks at the principal centres the Senior Technical Examination.

By Order in Council of the 20th November, 1911, regulations were made prescribing the syllabus of examinations for entrance to the Engineering Branch of the Department.

By Order in Council of the 22nd December, 1911, the double increment granted to officers passing the Senior Examination prescribed by classification regulations was made to apply to all officers in the Clerical Division below the Sixth Class. Previously this form of reward was confined to officers of the Seventh and Eighth Classes.

DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE CLASSES.

Correspondence classes for the instruction of officers of the Department in technical telegraphy and telephony, and in subjects of the Civil Service Senior and Junior Examinations and Sixth Standard, were inaugurated in 1910. These classes are of great value to officers in helping them to pass efficiency examinations and to qualify for promotion. Under the correspondence system officers in the country enjoy the same opportunities for tuition as are enjoyed by their fellow-officers in towns. Tuition by correspondence is especially suitable for officers working irregular hours, as it enables them to study at a time convenient to themselves, and there is no necessity to miss a lesson through inability to attend at any particular place or time. Papers are set weekly, and these limit the amount of matter to the capacity of the average student. The answering of questions on paper induces close reading by concentrating the attention on certain definite points, the subject being thus more thoroughly assimilated. It has been found that many promising candidates fail to do themselves justice at examinations through nervousness, inability to clearly express their ideas on paper, or the misreading of questions, and that tuition by correspondence increases the confidence of the student because it accustoms him to conditions similar to those of an examination. Corrected answer-papers bearing necessary comments or instruction are returned to the student; and the student is at liberty to ask questions without limit. The fee for each course is the nominal amount of 10s. 6d. The classes have been largely taken advantage of, the number of students for the two years 1910 and 1911 being 902—450 technical and 452 general. The classes in telegraphy and telephony are conducted by technical officers of the Department, and the Civil Service and Sixth Standard classes by a State-school teacher. The expenditure incurred by the Department, it is expected, will be fully warranted by the increased efficiency of officers.

ELECTRIC-LIGHTING LICENSES.

By the Public Works Amendment Act, 1911, the granting of electric-lighting licenses was transferred from the Post and Telegraph Department to the Public Works Department.

MONEY-ORDERS.

A new class of money-orders, to be known as "domestic money-orders," was introduced on the 1st June, 1912. These money-orders may be obtained at any money-order office, and may be made payable at the home or place of business of any person residing at places within the Dominion where a regular delivery is made by letter-carrier. The maximum amount for which domestic money-orders may be issued is £5, and the commission payable is 4d., which includes the delivery fee. It is believed that the system will be a great convenience to the wives of working-men and to others who find it difficult to go to the post-office during office-hours to obtain payment.

PENNY POSTAGE.

The principle of penny postage continues to spread. The Postmaster-General of Southern Rhodesia in his annual report for 1909 states that in his opinion the moment has arrived for introducing penny postage from that territory to all parts of the British Empire.

As the result of representations by New Zealand, the postage on letters from New Zealand to French Oceania was from the 6th January, 1912, reduced to 1d. per ounce. As soon as certain diplomatic arrangements are completed letters from French Oceania to New Zealand will also be sent at the penny rate.

On the 1st May, 1911, Australia and Rhodesia reduced the postage rates on letters for the rest of the British Empire to 1d. per $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.; so that the only places not yet included in the Imperial penny-postage system are a few remote islands in the Pacific.

POSTAGE RATES.

Representations to the General Post Office, London, with the object of securing a reduction in the postage on newspapers from the United Kingdom to New Zealand were unsuccessful.

POST AND TELEGRAPH AMENDMENT ACT, 1911.

By the Post and Telegraph Amendment Act, 1911, power was given to the Governor by Order in Council to make regulations prescribing the documents on which an impression indicating a stamp

value of any prescribed denomination might be made by recording-machines. The Minister of Telegraphs was authorized to grant licenses for the installation and working of apparatus for wireless telegraphy on board any ship registered in New Zealand, whether on the high seas or in New Zealand waters.

PARCEL-POST.

There has been a phenomenal growth in the parcel-post business generally, 1,613,010 parcels having been posted in the Dominion during 1911, as against 1,190,711 in 1910.

From the 1st March, 1912, the parcel-post rates to Canada were reduced from 1s. per pound to the following rates: For parcels not exceeding 3 lb., 1s.; not exceeding 7 lb., 2s.; and not exceeding 11 lb., 3s. A direct exchange of parcels was also established between Straits Settlements and New Zealand.

From the 1st October, 1911, the rate of postage on parcels to the Union of South Africa was reduced from 1s. to 9d. per pound.

DEFERRED CABLE MESSAGES.

From the 1st January, 1912, a system of deferred cable messages—ordinary and Press—was established. These deferred messages are transmitted after ordinary cable messages. The charge for deferred ordinary cable messages is one-half the rate for ordinary telegrams, and on deferred Press telegrams one-half the Press rate. At present the system of deferred Press messages is in operation only with Great Britain and Vancouver, and that of deferred ordinary cable messages with most countries to which the rate for ordinary cable messages is not less than 9½d. per word.

COLLECTION OF NATIONAL PROVIDENT FUND RECEIPTS.

Since last year's report the work of collecting moneys from contributors to the National Provident Fund has been undertaken by the Post Office. As the knowledge of the benefits of the fund becomes more general no doubt the business of the Post Office in connection therewith will largely increase.

POST OFFICE.

During 1911 the Assistant Inspectors of Post-offices visited 2,270 offices. In conformity with the system inaugurated in 1909, 444 small non-permanent offices were inspected by the permanent Postmasters in their vicinity.

Eighty post-offices were established (of these, 4 were reopened offices), and 25 closed. The number of post-offices open at the end of the year was 2,312, of which 1,747 were, and 565 were not, combined with telegraph or telephone offices.

The names of 13 offices were changed to meet altered circumstances or to agree more nearly with local designations.

The number of articles delivered in the Dominion, including those received from places outside, during the year 1911, as compared with the number in 1910, was as under:—

	1911.	1910.	Increase.	Decrease.
Letters and letter-cards ..	106,143,040	100,328,930	5,814,110	..
Post-cards ..	6,829,563	7,895,251	..	1,065,688
Other articles ..	53,555,632	50,301,836	3,253,796	..
	<u>166,528,235</u>	<u>158,526,017</u>	<u>8,002,218</u>	<u>..</u>
Parcels ..	1,714,369	1,281,253	433,116	..

The letters and letter-cards increased 5·80, post-cards decreased 13·50, other articles increased 6·47, and parcels 33·80 per cent. The decrease in the number of post-cards may be accounted for by the continued decline in popularity of the pictorial post-card. In 1910 letters and letter-cards increased 7·13, post-cards decreased 1·92, other articles increased 4·37, and parcels 14·19 per cent.

The average number of letters and letter-cards posted per head of population was estimated at 97·85. The average in 1910 was 97·14.

The correspondence of 35 persons or firms has been prohibited transmission under section 28 of the Post and Telegraph Act, 1908. Money-orders may not be issued in favour of such persons or firms.

On the 5th January a warrant was issued prohibiting the issue of money-orders and delivery of postal correspondence to a company on the ground that it dealt in premium bonds—a lottery or scheme of chance. Subsequently, a test case was brought to determine whether a premium bond was a lottery, and it was decided in the Magistrate's Court, Wellington, that it was. This decision was to be appealed against, but on the company satisfying the Department that it would not use the Post Office for the purposes of the supposed lottery the prohibition was removed. The decision has since been affirmed.

Twenty-one newspapers were registered for transmission by post, and 18 were removed from the register.

The declared value of parcels received from places outside the Dominion in 1911 was £374,294, as against £307,299 in 1910. The Customs duty collected amounted to £65,967 16s. 8d.

The declared value of parcels despatched to places beyond the Dominion was £39,521, as against £35,190 in 1910.

- Five new letter-carriers' deliveries were established. Deliveries were extended in 23 and increased in frequency in 9 places.

From the 1st July, 1911, the special-messenger and express delivery services were extended to all offices at which there were telegraph message-boys.

The roller obliterating-stamps with movable type used at the Wellington Office for post-marking packets and newspapers have proved satisfactory.

From the 1st July, 1911, the system of insurance of letters was extended to European and other countries if sent *via* London (Suez route only).

From July, 1911, lead sealing was adopted as the standard method of sealing mails of all descriptions for places in New Zealand, Australia, United Kingdom, Germany, and the United States of America.

During the course of alterations at the Lyttelton Post-office a bundle of old letters was discovered. The letters were post-marked April and May, 1889, and it is supposed that some letter-carrier had secreted them to save himself the trouble of making delivery.

In order to avoid delay to mail-matter generally, through the receipt of letters or other articles enclosed in "transparent" envelopes, such envelopes, if the address cannot be easily read, are placed aside during the sorting and dealt with when the work is less pressing. Enclosures in such envelopes folded in such a manner that the address cannot be read are treated as undeliverable for want of a true address, and if enclosed in an envelope with the transparency running across the breadth of the envelope instead of lengthwise are dealt with as prohibited articles.

POSTAGE-STAMPS.

New yellow-coloured 4d. stamps were printed on the 31st January, 1911, and brought into circulation on the 5th January, 1912.

King Edward overprinted stamps for the South Pacific Islands included in New Zealand territory have been issued as follows: Niue (30th November, 1911)— $\frac{1}{2}$ d., 6d., 1s.; Aitutaki (August, 1911)— $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

Stamp-booklets containing eighteen penny stamps and twelve half-penny stamps were issued for sale to the public on the 9th May, 1912. The stamps are printed in small sections bound with sheets of advertisements between the sections in a size handy for carrying in the vest-pocket. The booklets are sold for 2s., no charge being made for the binding.

OCEAN MAIL-SERVICES.

San Francisco Service.

The service established for one year from the 22nd October, 1910, having proved satisfactory, Government decided to extend it for two years, with Wellington as the outward and inward New Zealand port of call. The contractors placed the R.M.S. "Tahiti" in the service from the 16th December, 1911, and extended the service to Sydney from the 8th December, 1911. The new steamer is fitted with all modern improvements, and is capable of steaming eighteen knots an hour. She has 15,407 cubic feet of cool-storage and refrigerator space, in addition to considerable insulated space fore and aft. Her tonnage is 7,585. The dates of departure of the steamers from Wellington have been altered (from 29th March, 1912) so as to allow of a fortnightly alternation with the Vancouver service from Auckland.

The maximum, minimum, and average periods within which the mails were delivered at and from London and Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch, and Dunedin by the San Francisco mail-service are given in Table 15.

Vancouver Service.

The Auckland-Suva-Honolulu-Vancouver service commenced with the departure of the "Marama" from Auckland on the 4th August, 1911. The vessels employed have been regularly despatched and the times of transit allowed under the contract have been well maintained.

The maximum, minimum, and average periods within which the mails were delivered at and from London and Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch, and Dunedin by the Vancouver mail-service are given in Table 15.

Commencing in August, 1911, with the inauguration of the new mail-service from Auckland *via* Vancouver, the steamers of the San Francisco service made Wellington the port of departure and arrival.

Suez Service.

The P. and O. steamers resumed making calls regularly every four weeks at Auckland during the southern summer.

The s.s. "Warrimoo" which left Wellington on the 3rd November, 1911, was the only vessel which failed to connect with the outward English mail at Sydney.

Payments on Account of the Suez Mail-service during the Year 1911-12.

	£
Payment to Peninsular and Oriental and Orient lines	16,229
Transit-charges across Australia and Europe	7,497
Mail-service to Australia	*15,000
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	38,726

* Includes £4,000 for New Zealand-Australian mails.

The maximum, minimum, and average number of days within which the mails were delivered at and from London, and Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch, and Dunedin, by the Peninsular and Orient and Orient lines is given in Table 15.

INLAND MAIL-SERVICES.

Owing to floods in July, 1911, the mail-services in the Marlborough District were somewhat disorganized.

The s.s. "Jane Douglas," while on a voyage from Wellington to Hokitika, was wrecked on the 14th January, 1912, between Stephen Island and D'Urville Island.

The number of inland mail-services in operation on the 31st December, 1911, was 1,643.

Tenders for mail-services for the triennium 1913-15 will be invited shortly. Special attention is to be paid to the substitution of motor vehicles for coaches where this is likely to be a success, and it is hoped to largely extend the system of rural deliveries.

DEAD AND MISSING LETTERS.

The undermentioned articles of value were found in letters in the Dead Letter Office, and returned to the senders where practicable: 732 post-office orders, £1,945 13s. 5d.; 62 bank drafts, £6,306 5s.; 806 cheques, £7,996 1s.; 24 dividend-warrants, £115 16s. 1d.; 13 promissory notes, £657 1s. 8d.; postal notes, £794 9s. 6d.; British postal orders, £91 11s. 6d.; stamps, £61 3s. 4½d.; bank-notes, £480; gold, £61 10s.; silver and copper, £17 8s. 11½d.: representing a total of £18,527 0s. 6d.

In addition, 7,442 letters intended for "Tattersall's," containing £3,984 11s. 1½d., were received from Hobart as prohibited, and returned to the senders.

Amongst others things dealt with, there were 8 gold watches, 30 gold brooches, 8 gold chains, 15 gold rings, 5 gold tie-pins, 4 gold bangles, 3 sets gold earrings, 3 gold locket and chains, 1 pair gold sleeve-links, 1 gold-mounted tobacco-pouch, 27 gold and greenstone pendants, 6 gold-mounted greenstone brooches, 2 gold-mounted greenstone watch-chains, 34 silver and metal watches, 3 silver brooches, 2 silver chains, 6 greenstone silver-mounted spoons, 2 greenstone silver-mounted butter-knives, 1 silver-backed hair-brush, 1 silver-backed mirror, 1 silver flask, 1 silver serviette-ring, 1 silver photograph-frame, 1 silver butter-dish, 1 silver sovereign-case, 2 silver cigarette-holders, 3 pieces of electroplate, 1 steamer-ticket, 6 railway tickets, 9 pawn-tickets, 3 share certificates, and 52 lottery tickets.

The proportion of dead or unclaimed letters, letter-cards, and post-cards to the total number delivered within the Dominion was 0.44 per cent.

212,821 letters were opened and returned to writers through the Dead Letter Office; 54,591 were returned unopened to other countries; 526 were reissued; 21,983 were destroyed; 206,147 were returned by Chief Postmasters: a total of 496,068 letters, as compared with 424,339 in 1910.

51,416 other articles were returned to foreign countries; 6,196 were returned to the senders through the Dead Letter Office; 288,275 were returned by Chief Postmasters: a total of 345,887 other articles, as compared with 252,227 in 1910.

12,503 letters were wrongly addressed; 31 letters were discovered to have been posted with previously used stamps; 8,040 unclaimed registered letters were dealt with.

4,887 newspapers and 3,696 books and other articles without addresses were received, many of which were subsequently applied for and delivered.

30,984 newspapers were returned to publishers

3,568 letters and 853 letter-cards were posted without addresses.

125 letters with libellous addresses were intercepted.

4,534 inquiries for postal packets alleged to have been posted and not delivered were made during 1911. In 2,685 of the inquiries—over one-half of the total number—the investigations by the Department resulted in the missing articles being traced or accounted for. These may be summarized as follows:—

Number of Traced Cases.	Result.
784	Sender responsible for delay.
553	Addressee responsible for delay.
238	Post Office responsible for delay.
1,110	No delay, or responsibility not fixed.
<u>2,685</u>	

OFFENCES.

A letter containing £4 in postal notes was delivered to the wrong person, who on opening the letter discovered that a mistake had been made; but instead of returning the letter to the Post Office converted the contents to his own use. He was afterwards arrested for theft, and sentenced to three weeks' imprisonment.

On a charge of the theft of £5 from the post-office, Colac Bay, a man was fined £15 and ordered to refund the amount stolen. The KIWITEA office was entered by a burglar on the 19th January, 1912, and the Postmistress brutally maltreated. Burglars also entered the Manunui Post-office on the 26th April, 1911, and stole £134 4s. 7d.

At Cambridge an officer was sentenced to imprisonment for one month for stealing postal packets; at Gisborne a man was sentenced to three weeks' imprisonment on a charge of obtaining delivery of letters addressed to another person; at Hikurangi, a cadet and a railway porter, charged with opening

letters, were ordered to come up for sentence when called upon; at Nelson an officer was sentenced to three months' imprisonment for stealing postal packets; at Orepuki a railway cadet was admitted to probation on a similar charge; at Te Aro two telegraph message-boys, charged with stealing postal packets, were admitted to probation for two years; and at Thames a letter-carrier was convicted and ordered to come up for sentence when called upon on a charge of delaying and destroying circulars.

On a charge of defacing Post Office receiving-boxes two boys were severely cautioned in the Juvenile Court, Oamaru.

On a charge of the theft of two money-orders from the counter of the Foxton Post-office a man was sentenced to one month's imprisonment.

Several offences occurred in connection with Savings-bank accounts: a person was convicted at Palmerston North for forging a Savings-bank withdrawal; at Thames a man was convicted on a charge of fraudulently obtaining payment twice of a Savings-bank withdrawal; and at Wellington a man was convicted for forging a Savings-bank withdrawal.

A man at Wellington, on a charge of forging a telegram, was ordered to come up for sentence when called upon.

BUILDINGS.

The following new offices were officially opened: Balclutha, Ellerslie, Green Island, Kilbirnie, Kingsland, Manaia, Porirua, Putaruru, Rangiwhia, and Te Aroha.

The following offices were transferred to departmental new buildings: Amberley, Avondale, Culverden, Granity, Hamilton East, Kaero, Leeston, Manaia, Manutuke, Matata, Mercer, Murchison, Ongarue, Putaruru, Rangiwhia, Riverton, Runanga, Seddon, Shannon, Taneatua, Taradale, Taupo, Te Awamutu, Tikokino, Wairoa, and Warkworth.

Sites have been purchased at Eastbourne, Fitzroy, Kawakawa, Little River, Lumsden, Otahuhu, Ravensbourne, Russell, and Taupiri.

During the year buildings were erected at Bannockburn, Ellerslie, Green Island, Kilbirnie, Kingsland, Kirikiriroa, Porirua, Rahotu, Takapau, Waimate, and Wellington (workshops).

General repairs, additions, &c., were carried out during the year at the following offices: Ashburton, Avondale, Carterton, Eltham, Hokitika, Huntly, Inglewood, Invercargill, Kaponga, Lawrence, Lower Hutt, New Brighton, Newton, Ohakune, Owaka, Paeroa, Pahiatua, Te Kuiti, Waipia, Wanganui, Wellington (Molesworth Street), Wellington (Tinakori Road), Wellington (bulk store), and Whakatane.

Contracts have been let for buildings at Addington (clock-tower), Balfour, Clive, Hawea Flat, Kaiwarawara, Lyttelton (clock-tower), Otane, Pleasant Point, Takaka (quarters), and Whangamomona.

Buildings are in course of erection at Auckland, Kaitangata, Matamata, Murchison, Ohura, Ponsonby, Sydenham, Waiiau (lineman's cottage), Wellington (G.P.O.), and Westport.

The old post-office building, Shannon, was handed over as a Coronation gift to the residents for a library and reading-room.

The Cheltenham Post-office was destroyed by fire on the 18th October, 1911. No postal property, except that in the safe, was saved.

The Raglan Post-office was destroyed by fire on the 18th May, 1911. Fires occurred in the following non-permanent offices: Hataitai (14/4/12), Kawerua (2/3/12), Kiritehere (9/5/12), Makomako (30/5/12), Onerahi (26/5/12), Oruanui (1/5/11), Rawhitiroa (1/6/11), Taipa (13/2/11), Waitetuna (25/3/11), and Woodend (25/3/12).

MONEY-ORDERS.

During the year there were 46 money-order offices opened and 6 closed, the number remaining open at the end of the year being 704.

607,764 money-orders were issued, for £2,759,393 8s. 5d., as compared with 569,657 for £2,457,522 18s. 5d., for the previous year—an increase of 38,107 in number and £301,870 10s. in amount.

483,043 money-orders, amounting to £2,416,958 15s. 10d., were paid, as against 449,773 for £2,126,588 16s. 7d., during 1910—an increase of 33,270 orders and £290,369 19s. 3d. in amount.

163,595 orders, for £497,027 5s. 11d., were drawn for payment in places beyond New Zealand.

39,427 orders, for £162,606 12s. 8d., were issued at offices abroad for payment in New Zealand.

The commission received for money-orders amounted to £15,307 7s. 7d., as against £14,300 7s. 9d. for 1910, an increase of £1,006 19s. 10d.

A direct money-order exchange with France was brought into force from the 1st August, 1911.

POSTAL NOTES.

Forty-four offices were opened and 7 closed, leaving 866 postal-note offices at the end of the year.

1,821,566 notes, representing a value of £574,979 18s. 6d., were sold, as against 1,666,959 notes, for £524,942 18s. 6d., sold during the previous year—an increase of 9.27 per cent. in number and 9.53 per cent. in value.

The postal notes paid numbered 1,811,096, of the value of £572,112 16s., as compared with 1,650,065, of the value of £520,675 16s., paid during 1910-11.

The postal-note commission amounted to £8,329 13s. 2d., as against £7,627 12s. 4d.—an increase of £702 0s. 10d., or 9.20 per cent.

The postal-note facilities were introduced in 1886, and some idea of the remarkable manner in which the business has increased in recent years may be gathered from the following comparative table:—

	1886.	1891-92.	1901-2.	1911-12.
Number	83,389	220,683	556,316	1,821,566
Value	£34,980	£80,887	£173,317	£574,980
Commission	£638	£1,561	£3,791	£8,330

BRITISH POSTAL ORDERS.

88,528 orders, representing a value of £45,687 10s. 6d., have been sold, and 23,429, for £15,458 18s. 6d. paid. An extended table of the transactions is printed in Table 5. There was an increase of 30·6 per cent. in the number and 29·54 per cent. in the amount of postal orders sold during the year, and 17·49 per cent. in the number paid.

SAVINGS-BANK.

During the year 43 offices were opened and 3 closed, leaving 687 offices open at the end of 1911. 85,912 accounts were opened and 60,931 closed, the net gain on the year's working being 24,981 accounts.

The number of accounts on the 31st December, 1911, was 405,566, and the proportion per head of population was 1 in 2·65, as compared with 1 in 2·76 at the end of the previous year.

The deposits numbered 823,832, representing £11,627,367 14s. 3d., an average of £14 2s. 3d. per transaction.

The withdrawals numbered 546,022, for £10,662,045 15s. 2d., an average of £19 10s. 6d. for each withdrawal.

The net amount added by depositors to their savings during the year was therefore £965,321 19s. 1d. excess of deposits, plus £472,874 18s. 5d. interest earned and credited, making a total of £1,438,196 17s. 6d.

The total amount at credit of depositors increased from £14,104,989 19s. 2d. at the close of the previous year to £15,543,186 16s. 8d. on the 31st December last, representing a sum equal to £14 9s. 1d. per head of the entire population, and £38 6s. 6d. to each depositor.

The interest credited to depositors since the post-office savings-banks were established in 1867 now amounts to £5,474,000 17s. 2d.

The cost of working the savings-banks amounted to 5·08d. per transaction, or £29,000 for the year.

The cost of management per cent. on the total amount at credit of depositors was 0·19 per cent., or 3s. 9d. per £100.

Contributors to the National Provident Fund who are also depositors in the Savings-bank may have contributions deducted from their Savings-bank account.

The system of Savings-bank nominations, inaugurated some few years ago, has proved acceptable to many persons who have wished to nominate a relative or friend to receive any Savings-bank moneys at their credit in the event of death. At the present time 721 nominations are recorded in the books of the Department.

The number of Savings-bank depositors who have given orders for the deduction of their Government Insurance premiums as they fall due from the balance to credit of their Savings-bank accounts is 1,989. The subscribers to the National Provident Fund who have acted in a like manner number 59.

The system of transfers of Savings-bank accounts between the Dominion and the United Kingdom has been largely taken advantage of by depositors removing both to and from New Zealand, the total number of transfers effected last year being 518.

WORK PERFORMED FOR OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

Among the many branches of Government work performed by the Department may be mentioned the following:—

Customs duties were collected on parcels and other articles coming through the post from places beyond the Dominion amounting to £69,302 18s. 2d., and on account of ordinary Customs work £1,379 0s. 11d.

Advances to Settlers receipts amounted to £3,213,717 6s., and payments to £3,199,509 9s. 3d.

Fishing licenses were issued by Postmasters to the value of £1,094 2s. 6d., and game licenses to the value of £4,156 3s.

For the Government Insurance Department premiums were collected from the public amounting to £27,883 13s. 6d.

The sum of £26,836 2s. 9d. was paid to Imperial pensioners by Postmasters.

Income-tax amounting to £252,482 10s. 2d. and land-tax to £468,241 15s. 10d. were collected by Postmasters.

The sum of £9,493, fees due to the Machinery Department, was received.

Under the Mining Act the receipts were £256 10s.

New Zealand Consols for £1,125 were sold on behalf of the Treasury.

On behalf of the Public Trustee, £1,660,718 0s. 5d. was received and £1,652,758 13s. 10d. paid.

Railway revenue amounting to £1,068 0s. 11d. was collected by Postmasters.

Fees received for the registration of births, deaths, and marriages amounted to £2,728 1s.

Receipts from the Hanmer Springs Sanatorium amounted to £1,901 12s. 10d.

Valuation fees paid to Postmasters reached £4,809 18s. 1d.

Claims on the General Government for £1,661,484 13s. 10d. were paid on behalf of the Treasury. Discount-stamps numbering 1,223,760, for £1,274 15s., were sold and 1,238,640, for £1,290 5s., redeemed during the year.

Contributions to the National Provident Fund collected by Postmasters amounted to £1,333 16s. 5d.

GROSS RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS.

The gross amount received by the Department during 1911 was £36,387,554 5s. 4d., of which £30,227,885 13s. 11d. was departmental and £6,159,668 11s. 5d. on account of other Departments.

The gross amount paid out was £36,314,660 18s. 4½d., made up of £30,183,465 4s. 11½d. departmental and on behalf of other Departments, to individuals £4,000,577 15s. 1d., and to accounts £2,130,617 18s. 4d.

The total gross receipts and payments were therefore £72,702,215 3s. 8½d.

TELEGRAPHS.

The total value of the telegraph and telephone business for the year ended the 31st March, 1912, including miscellaneous telegraph receipts and Government telegrams, was £479,289 17s. 4d., as compared with £438,989 19s. 10d. for the previous year—an increase of £40,299 17s. 6d., or 9·18 per cent.

The following is a comparison of the traffic in paid telegrams during the last five years:—

	Number.		Revenue.	
			£	
1907-8 ...	6,958,279	Increase, 12·96 per cent. ...	222,926	Increase, 10·2 per cent.
1908-9 ...	7,338,017	" 5·46 "	233,517	" 4·75 "
1909-10 ...	7,757,128	" 5·71 "	244,906	" 4·88 "
1910-11 ...	8,268,340	" 6·59 "	265,624	" 8·45 "
1911-12 ...	8,971,725	" 8·51 "	288,431	" 8·59 "

The number of telegrams forwarded and the revenue derived therefrom during the four quarters of the financial years 1910-11 and 1911-12 respectively are as follows:—

Quarter.	Number of Telegrams forwarded.			Revenue.			
	Year ended 31st March, 1911.	Year ended 31st March, 1912.	Increase per Cent.	Year ended 31st March, 1911	Year ended 31st March, 1912.	Increase per Cent.	
June quarter ...	1,958,996	2,099,745	7·18	£ 62,873 10 2½	£ 66,808 8 2½	6·26	
September quarter ...	1,930,574	2,084,614	7·98	62,382 16 11½	66,738 18 2½	6·98	
December quarter ...	2,160,751	2,353,496	8·92	69,195 18 11	76,480 3 5½	10·53	
March quarter ...	2,218,019	2,433,870	9·73	71,171 16 9½	78,404 6 8	10·16	
	8,268,340	8,971,725	8·51	265,624 2 10½	288,431 16 6½	8·59	

The telegraph receipts for the financial year, including telephone-exchange subscriptions, private-wire rents, &c., amounted to £474,458 6s. 10d., as compared with £434,115 19s. 8½d. in 1910-11—an increase of £40,342 7s. 1½d., or 9·29 per cent.

The expenditure was £469,716 17s. 7d., as against £446,709 17s. 1d. for the previous year—an increase of £23,007 0s. 6d., or 5·15 per cent.

There were 11,805 miles of line and 39,370 miles of wire at the close of the year—an increase of 489 and 2,158 miles respectively.

The net expenditure out of Public Works Fund for telegraph-extension was £147,692 6s. 8d., as compared with £111,867 13s. 1d. in 1910-11.

The number of private wires and subsidized lines was 519, as compared with 536 in 1910-11.

The amount received for rent and maintenance, &c., of such lines was £3,325 17s. 4d., as against £3,712 15s. 4d. in 1910-11.

The total number of telegraph and telephone offices open at the close of the year was 2,081. Of these, 310 were Morse-telegraph offices and 1,771 were telephone-offices. The total number of telegraph and telephone offices combined with post-offices was 1747; not combined, 334.

The number of telegrams of all codes forwarded during the last financial year was 9,063,133—an increase of 702,486, or 8·40 per cent. over 1910-11.

The proportion of paid telegrams per head of population was 8·34, and 7·78 the previous year.

The number of ordinary telegrams forwarded was 5,911,322, of the value of £185,612 9s. 4d., compared with 5,536,706, of the value of £173,142 15s. 11½d., in 1910-11—an increase of 374,616 in number, and of £12,469 13s. 4½d. in amount.

The urgent telegrams numbered 258,983, to the value of £15,854 8s. 10d.—a decrease of 3,161 in number and £219 8s. 3d. in amount.

The average value of each ordinary telegram was 7·54d., and of each urgent telegram 1s. 2·69d.

440,506 Press telegrams, of the value of £22,152 18s. 7½d., were forwarded in 1911-12, as compared with 438,114, valued at £22,069 11s. 1d., forwarded in 1910-11—an increase in number of 2,392, or 0·55 per cent., and an increase of £83 7s. 6½d., or 0·38 per cent. in value.

The value of each Press telegram averaged 1s. 0·06d., as against 1s. 0·08d. in 1910–11.

The bureau messages numbered 2,360,914, of the value of £64,811 19s. 9d., as compared with 2,031,376, of the value of £54,337 18s. 9d., in 1910–11—an increase of 329,538 in number and £10,474 1s. in amount.

The average value of each bureau message was 6·59d., as against 6·41d. in 1910–11.

The number of Government telegrams forwarded was 91,408, valued at £4,831 10s. 6d., as compared with 92,307, valued at £4,874 0s. 1½d.—a decrease of 899 in number, and £42 9s. 7½d. in amount.

The number of paid forwarded telegrams to every hundred letters posted in New Zealand was 8·57.

A telegram-accounting machine on the principle of the cash-register was installed at the Telegraph Office, Wellington, on the 26th July, 1911, and a second machine on the 12th August, 1911.

NEW ZEALAND CABLE SERVICE.

There were 372 knots of submarine cable on the 31st March, 1912.

The cables across Cook Strait are in good electrical condition, except No. 3, which has shown low insulation for some time. This cable parted late in November, and, owing to unsuitable weather, was not finally repaired until the 15th December. Portions of the three cables landing at Oterangi Bay are in a poor condition mechanically.

Repairs were made to the Stephen Island cable, and the shore end at the island moved to a point less exposed to the wash of the sea. The D'Urville end was found exposed; a new trench was made, and the cable buried. The Nelson Lighthouse cable parted: a new length was spliced in. 2 miles 7 chains of cable was laid across Pelorus Sound to connect Homewood with Te Rawa.

OCEAN CABLE SERVICES.

The ordinary international telegrams for the year increased by 8·6 per cent., and the intercolonial by 5·8 per cent.

New Zealand's proportion of the deficit of £48,210 11s. 9d. on the ninth year's working of the Pacific cable, 1910–11, amounted to £5,356 14s. 8d.

The receipts and working-expenses of the Pacific cable for the year ended 31st March, 1912, are estimated as follows:—

Traffic revenue	..	..	£	153,000	Annuity and renewals	..	£	107,545
Estimated deficit	..	..		39,526	Working-expenses	..		84,981
				£192,526				£192,526

New Zealand's proportion of the loss is stated at £4,392.

The share of ordinary paid business obtained by the Pacific cable still shows a decrease. In 1907 the Pacific proportion was 88 per cent., the Eastern 12 per cent. The 1911–12 figures are: Pacific, 69 per cent.; Eastern 31 per cent.

The following figures show the total number of ordinary telegrams forwarded for each of the past five years, and the percentages of such business falling to each route:—

Pacific.				E.E.A. & C.			
Year.		Messages.	Percentage of Total.	Year.		Messages.	Percentage of Total.
1907	..	102,490	88	1907	..	13,610	12
1908	..	101,724	85	1908	..	18,873	15
1909	..	96,648	83	1909	..	19,812	17
1910	..	87,326	72	1910	..	33,273	28
1911–12	..	89,276	69	1911–12	..	39,374	31

The average best times in which messages are handled on the Pacific route are:—

	H.	m.
From London	1	17
From America	0	23
From Sydney	0	4
From Melbourne	0	17

During the year New Zealand has only given the Pacific route 69·48 per cent. of the ordinary business to Australia, as against 72·68 per cent. last year.

912 Press telegrams were sent *via* Pacific and 1,250 *via* Eastern, compared with 925 and 1,336 respectively last year.

A new deep-sea cable, continued by subterannean cables between Auckland and Muriwai Creek, and between Sydney and Bondi, is about to be laid by the Pacific Cable Board. The advantage of terminating the cables in large centres of population is expected to be considerable, as several transmissions will be saved and the time reduced between Auckland and Sydney.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

The Wellington Radio-station, situated in the tower of the General Post Office, was opened on the 26th July, 1911, and has successfully carried on radio-telegraphic communication over a normal range at night of 600 miles during the past year. It has demonstrated the great value of such a service to the Dominion and to the ships trading in its waters. The work done by the station has steadily increased, and it is anticipated that as the advantages of radio-telegraphy become more generally recognized the demand for wireless facilities will materially increase. The greatest work done in one day of sixteen hours so far has been 7 messages sent and 32 received.

This branch of the service bids fair to become an indispensable adjunct to the Department's telegraph system. It carries on its operations where wire telegraphy is impracticable, minimizes

maritime dangers and anxieties, and, by keeping ships in touch with the shore or other ships renders unique service to society and commerce.

A large part of the plant for the Awanui high-power station has come to hand, and the task of providing suitable foundations for the towers and other structures appertaining to a modern high-power station is almost completed. Labour troubles have been responsible for delaying to some extent the manufacture and shipment of this plant. The work of erection will shortly be commenced by the contractors, who will next proceed with the erection of a similar South Island station near the Bluff. The material for this station is now coming to hand.

The station on Mount Etako, behind Wellington, is nearing completion. The building is of solid construction, designed to resist the heavy wind-forces to which this station will be subjected, and to ensure sufficient quietness which is essential for the accurate deciphering of attenuated signals. This when completed will be the station called "Radio-Wellington."

The first of the Government steamers to be equipped with wireless plant will be the cable-steamer "Tutanekai." Accommodation for the wireless equipment is now being provided, and as soon as this is ready the equipment will be installed.

The work of linking up the outlying islands has not been lost sight of, and preliminary surveys and estimates have been prepared with this object in view.

During the year 1911 eight ships' licenses for the installation of wireless plants have been issued by the Department.

An event of importance is the International Radio-telegraphic Convention to be held in London in June, 1912. Numerous propositions affecting all phases of radio-telegraphic service will come up for consideration, and the exchange of views on the regulation and control of wireless traffic will no doubt be of considerable benefit to the countries interested. New Zealand will be represented by Messrs. C. F. W. Palliser and T. E. Donne.

Arrangements have been made for the acceptance by the Department of weather radio-telegrams for the Meteorological Office from warships and from vessels belonging to the various companies trading around New Zealand. No charge is at present made by the Department for these weather messages.

Radio-telegrams from ships at sea addressed to the radio-telegraphic station, Wellington, merely announcing their expected time of arrival, are accepted free of charge, and the information is passed on to the shipping companies and to the Press.

The probable hour of arrival of the steamers at Wellington is notified by the wireless station in the General Post Office to the Chief Post Office, thus facilitating arrangements for the disposal of the mail.

Owing to unauthorized wireless installations interfering with official messages, instructions were given to order all amateur aerials to be taken down.

TELEPHONE EXCHANGES.

Thirteen new exchanges were opened during the year, the number of subscribers increased 3,031, and the total number of connections by 4,029.

The total number of exchanges now is 193, made up of 60 central and 133 sub-exchanges.

The total number of connections is 37,257, compared with 33,228 in 1911. They may be classified as follows: Paying, 27,746; bureaux, 3,341; service, 388; extensions, 5,782.

New connections numbered 4,795, and those given up 1,413. The increase in connections is equal to 12.13 per cent.

On the 31st March, 1912, there were 1,538 miles of telephone-line and 37,872 miles of wire.

New exchanges were opened at Huntly, Kohukohu, Mangonui, Rawene, Russell, Taumarunui, Waiuku, Waiwera, Warkworth, Whakatane, Kirwee, Halcombe, Waitotara, Makuri, Takapau, Mataroa, Greenmeadows, Middlemarch, Clyde, and Kelso; and additions were made to existing switch-boards at Morrinsville, Cambridge, Te Kuiti, Levin, Taihape, Carterton, Dannevirke, Stratford, Marton, Waipawa, and Wairoa.

The work of laying conduits at Auckland to place the telephone-cables underground has proceeded steadily, 2 miles 12 chains having been laid, which, with 25 miles 4 chains previously laid, gives a total of 27 miles 16 chains completed. In addition, 4 miles 48 chains of 3 in. steel pipe has been laid. 3 miles 34½ chains of cable has been drawn into the ducts.

At Christchurch, 29½ chains of cable was laid during the year, and 7 miles 68 chains of aerial cable erected.

At Wellington, 2 miles 57 chains of lead cable was drawn into the underground ducts, and in a short time all aerial cables in the congested part of the city will be diverted underground.

At Taumarunui, armoured cable was laid underground to replace the aerial wires, which were becoming too heavy in the main streets.

Subscribers' lines at Lyttelton, Mania, Shannon, and Napier have been converted from earth-working to metallic circuits; and similar alterations will be made early at Eltham, New Plymouth, Gisborne, Hawera, Masterton, Palmerston North, Temuka, Waimate, and Geraldine.

New exchanges are to be erected at Darfield, Coalgate, Fordell, Urenui, and Rangataua.

The Foxton and Patea exchange lines were overhauled and strengthened during the year.

By Order in Council dated the 12th June, 1911, the Telephone Exchange Regulations were amended to provide that an exchange with 151 subscribers or over may be kept open continuously if two thirds of the subscribers express in writing their desire that the exchange should be so open continuously and their willingness to pay a minimum rate of £6 per annum in lieu of £5. This decision can be reversed if at least two-thirds of the subscribers express a desire to return to the original hours—8 a.m. to midnight.

From the 1st January, 1912, the charges on party telephone-lines were materially reduced.

■ A telephone-exchange subscriber may now have the name of a person making a bureau communication from the subscriber's telephone inserted in the weekly account, provided he makes written application therefor and agrees in writing to pay a minimum charge of 6d. on all bureau communications from his connection.

It has been found necessary to issue special passes to linemen giving them authority to visit departmental offices and subscribers' premises and to make use of telephones on departmental business. Passes have been issued accordingly.

CONSTRUCTION OF TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE TRUNK LINES.

The following is a comparative statement showing the length of new lines and wires erected in Telegraph Engineers' districts during the last five years:—

	1907.				1908.				1909-10.				1910-11.				1911-12.			
	Poles.		Wire.		Poles.		Wire.		Poles.		Wire.		Poles.		Wire.		Poles.		Wire.	
	M.	ch.	M.	ch.	M.	ch.	M.	ch.	M.	ch.	M.	ch.	M.	ch.	M.	ch.	M.	ch.	M.	ch.
Auckland ..	139	60	350	60	228	60	795	0	191	36	952	78	173	15	654	43	148	58	683	30
Wellington ..	104	43	696	74	157	2½	974	52	192	55	490	53	117	2½	989	20	104	27	481	9
Nelson ..	245	16	484	77	52	22	254	58	38	16	189	72	31	15	156	27	69	31	194	55
Canterbury ..	90	47	266	20	62	30½	641	50	17	78	268	40	50	68	305	33	73	1	250	71
Otago ..	121	0	518	20	248	60	644	60	64	0	286	40	54	0	351	0	93	15	543	15
Totals ..	701	6	2,311	11	749	15	3,310	60	504	25	2,183	43	426	41	2,456	43	488	52	2,153	20

The number of offices in each district on the 31st March, 1912, was as follows:—

District.	Morse.	Telephone.	Total.	Increase.
Auckland ..	62	465	527	40
Wellington ..	84	464	548	24
Nelson ..	30	266	296	21
Canterbury ..	61	223	284	14
Otago ..	73	353	426	15
	310	1,771	2,081	114

MAINTENANCE OF TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE TRUNK LINES.

Several sections of line have been overhauled and strengthened: Auckland District, 268 miles; Wellington District, 433 miles; Nelson District, 493 miles; Otago District, 170 miles.

The following are the principal lines overhauled and strengthened during the year: Coromandel-Whitianga, 27 miles; Hamilton-Cambridge, 14 miles; Hamilton-Kawhia, 17 miles; Mangonui-Awanui, 20 miles; Ngaruawahia-Huntly, 10 miles; Ohaeawai-Waitangi, 13 miles; Ohaupo-Otorohanga, 20 miles; Waiuku-Drury, 18 miles; Waiuku-Manukau Heads, 20 miles; Whakatane-Opotiki, 38 miles; Whangarei-Kawakawa, 39 miles; Stoke-Lyell, 113 miles; St. Helens-Karamea, 34 miles; Mokihinui-Westport, 31 miles; Greymouth-Ngahere, 15 miles; Greymouth-Marsden, 13 miles; Hokitika-Kumara, 18 miles; Hokitika-Ross, 14 miles; Nelson-Wakapuaka, 13 miles; Richmond-Motueka, 26 miles; Motueka-Takaka, 38 miles; Picton-Flat Creek, 42 miles; Kohatu-Korere, 14 miles; D'Urville Island, 15 miles; Nydia Bay, 30 miles; Orepuki-Thornbury, 24 miles; Dunedin-Waitati, 17 miles; Oamaru-Glenavy, 14 miles; Oamaru-Windsor, 13 miles; Oamaru-Ngapara, 17 miles; Oamaru-Duntroon, 28 miles; Clyde-Cromwell, 13 miles; Lawrence-Waipori, 14 miles; Milton-Balclutha, 17 miles; Waipukurau-Porangahau, 31 miles; Waitotara Valley, 38 miles; Wellington-Featherston, 30 miles; Waitara-Urenui-Mahoenui, 67 miles; Patea-Waverley, 10 miles; Wellington-Paekakariki, 27 miles; Ohakune-Taihape, 38 miles; Napier-Waipawa, 39 miles; Porangahau-Aohanga, 42 miles; Masterton-Castlepoint, 38 miles; Marton-Taihape, 50 miles; Pahiatua-Makuri, 19 miles.

The section from Wellington to Palmerston North is being overhauled in conjunction with the erection of the Wellington-Palmerston North metallic circuit.

Considerable alterations are being made to the metallic circuits in the Wellington District, arrangements being made so that the circuits may be phantomned over when required.

The extension of lines to the outlying districts has been vigorously proceeded with.

Increased facilities for telegraph and telephone communication between centres have been given by the erection of additional circuits and the conversion of previously earth-working circuits to metallic circuits; also by superimposing Morse over telephone metallic circuits.

Owing to the increase in the number of circuits, new test-boards were fitted at Denniston, Foxton, Frankton Junction, Granity, Karamea, Kumara, Levin, Longburn, Mahoenui, Manaia, Motueka, Murchison, Reefton, Takaka, Taupo, Te Awamutu, Te Kuiti, and Warkworth.

The following offices were converted: From telephone to Morse—Ashhurst, Avondale, Kawhia, Matamata, Pongaroa, Porangahau, Taradale, and Wellington North; from Morse to telephone—Weraroa.

The construction of a metallic circuit between Wellington and Auckland to be used for bureau and telegraphic purposes is progressing.

APPENDIX.

DESIGNATION OF OFFICES CHANGED OR CORRECTED.

Postal District.	Changed from	Changed to
Auckland	Te Tatua	Mount Roskill.
"	Wade	Silverdale.
Blenheim	Flaxbourne	Ward.
Christchurch	Christchurch North	Shirley.
Dunedin	Bendigo	Lindis Crossing.
"	Otago Heads	Taiaroa.
Invercargill	Five Rivers	Ngawaijerima.
"	Middlevale	Charlton.
Nelson	Tatahi	Tahunanui.
"	Te Akau	Kapowai.
New Plymouth	Stanley Road	Wharehuia.
Wanganui	Moumahaki	Okotuku.
Wellington	Island Bay Bureau	Taputeranga.

INLAND MAIL-SERVICES ESTABLISHED, EXTENDED, AND ABOLISHED.

District.	Name of Service.	Frequency.	Remarks.
Auckland ..	Dargaville Post-office-Railway-station -wharf	As required ..	Established.
	Helensville Post-office - Railway-station - wharf	" ..	"
	Maraetai Post-office - wharf	" ..	"
	Oparau Ferry Post-office - river-bank	" ..	"
	Taupo Post-office - lake landing ..	" ..	"
	Te Arai - Mangawai	" ..	"
	Kawakawa Post - office - Railway-station	Twelve trips weekly	"
	Auckland - Takapuna ..	Twice daily ..	"
	Piriaka Post-office - Railway-station	" ..	"
	Auckland-Onehunga ..	Daily ..	"
	Clevedon - Clevedon South	" ..	"
	Hamilton-Rukuhia (rural delivery) ..	" ..	"
	Kumeu Post-office - Railway-station	" ..	"
	Morrinsville-Motumaoho ..	" ..	"
	Ruakohua - Waiuku - Pukekohe Road	" ..	"
	Kauroa - Hamilton - Raglan Road ..	Thrice weekly ..	"
	Kirikau - Kokakonui Landing	" ..	"
	Cambridge - White Hall ..	Twice weekly	"
	Gordonton-Whitikahu ..	" ..	"
	Mangakahia-Titoki ..	" ..	"
	Morrinsville-Tauhei (rural delivery) ..	" ..	"
	Ohautira - Ngarauawahia - Raglan Road	" ..	"
	Ohura-Tatu ..	" ..	"
	Otorohanga-Otewa-Tahaia ..	" ..	"
	Parua Bay - Taraunui ..	" ..	"
	Tangitu-Mapiu ..	" ..	"
	Tangitu-Mokauiti ..	" ..	"
	Waingaro-Mangati ..	" ..	"
	Whakatiri - s.s. Hirere ..	" ..	"
	Whakapirau-Pahi ..	" ..	"
	Awaroa River Junction - Naike ..	Weekly	"
	Kaihu-Mangatu-Tutamoe ..	" ..	"
	Kaikohe-Ohaeawai ..	" ..	"
	Kihikihi-Korakonui ..	" ..	"
	Kihikihi-Wharepuhunga ..	" ..	"
	Mangonui - Lake Ohia ..	" ..	"
	Mareretu-Taipuha ..	" ..	"
	Moeau-Poihakene ..	" ..	"
	Rangiriri - Awaroa River Junction ..	" ..	"
	Russell-Kerikeri ..	" ..	"
	Silverdale - Redvale - Dairy Flat	Weekly, 1st May to 31st October	"
	Silverdale-Redvale ..	Weekly, 1st Nov. to 30th April	"
	Tokatoka Wharf - Post-office ..	Weekly	"
	Waiotapu-Rotorua ..	" ..	"

INLAND MAIL-SERVICES ESTABLISHED, EXTENDED, AND ABOLISHED—*continued.*

District.	Name of Service.	Frequency.	Remarks.
Auckland— <i>cid.</i> ...	Papatoetoe - East Tamaki ..	..	Extended to Papatoetoe Railway-station.
	Clevedon - Clevedon South ..	..	Abolished.
	Devonport-Takapuna ..	..	"
	Kaihu, &c. - Taheke ..	..	"
	Kakepuku - Ormsby's Farm ..	..	"
	Maungatawhiri-Mangatangi ..	..	"
	Mercer-Kopuku ..	..	"
	Ohura-Tatu ..	..	" (See Established.)
	Rukuhia Post-office - Railway-station ..	..	" "
	Te Kopuru - Oruapou ..	..	"
	Towai-Hukerenui ..	..	"
	Towai-Kawakawa ..	..	"
	Wade - Dairy Flat ..	..	" (See Established.)
	Waiuku-Ruakohua ..	..	"
Blenheim ..	Flaxbourne Post - office - Railway-station (15/4/11)	Twice daily ..	Established.
	Grassmere Post - office - Railway-station	Daily ..	"
	Port Underwood - Ocean Bay - Robin Hood Bay - Blenheim	Weekly ..	"
	Flaxbourne Post - office - Railway-station (8/5/11)	..	Abolished.
Christchurch ..	Christchurch-Halswell ..	..	"
	Christchurch-Harewood ..	..	"
Dunedin ..	Taitapu-Lincoln ..	..	"
	Waipata Post-office - Railway-station	Daily ..	Established.
	Wairuna Post-office - Railway-station	..	"
	Greenfield-Pukete ..	Thrice weekly ..	"
	Pukema-Hillend ..	..	"
	Ururua-Pukema ..	..	"
	Kahuika Post-office - Houipapa Railway-station	Twice weekly ..	"
	Pembroke-Cardrona (winter service)	Weekly ..	"
Gisborne ..	Green Island Post-office - Abbotsford Railway-station	..	Abolished.
	Papatowai-Kahuika ..	..	"
	Whatatutu-Tahunaroa ..	Weekly ..	Established.
	Gisborne, &c. - Wairoa ..	..	Abolished.
Greymouth ..	Roa - Middle Camp - Soldier's Creek	Thrice weekly ..	Established.
Invercargill ..	Invercargill (delivery of parcels in town and suburbs)	As required ..	"
	Waikawa - Tokonui Gorge ..	Four times weekly	"
	Nightcaps-Birchwood ..	Thrice weekly ..	"
	Lumsden - Mossburn - The Key - Te Anau	Twice weekly; weekly, winter, to The Key and Te Anau	"
	Invercargill-Waimahaka ..	..	Extended to Tokonui.
	Fortrose-Waikawa ..	..	Abolished.
	Fortrose-Waimahaka ..	..	"
	Takapau Post-office - Railway-station	As required ..	Established.
Napier ..	Frasertown-Maromauku-Bryne's ..	Twice weekly to Maromauku; weekly to Bryne's	"
	Hatuma-Flemington (rural delivery)	Twice weekly ..	"
	Napier - Te Pohue ..	..	"
	Nuhaka - Steed's store ..	..	"
	Havelock North - Maraetotara ..	Weekly ..	"
	Wairoa-Nuhaka-Morere ..	..	"
	Ormondville - Whetukura - Te Uri (rural delivery)	..	Extended from Whetukura to Mr. Dassler's residence beyond Te Uri.
	Tui Post-office - Railway-station ..	Twice weekly ..	Established.
Nelson ..	Kiwi-Tui ..	..	Extended to Kaka.
	Kea-Tui ..	..	Abolished.
	Wharehuia - Te Popo - Kupe (rural delivery)	Thrice weekly ..	Established.
	New Plymouth - Huatoki ..	Twice weekly ..	"
New Plymouth ..	Uia-Midhurst ..	..	"
	Uruti-Ngatamiro ..	Weekly ..	"
	Uruti-Pehui ..	..	"
	New Plymouth (landing and checking mails at Breakwater; also reporting weather and shipping)	..	Abolished.
	New Plymouth - Fitzroy ..	..	"
	Stratford - Skinner Road gravel-pit	..	"
	Windsor-Maruaoko ..	Daily ..	Established.
	Hakataramea - Station Creek ..	Thrice weekly ..	"
Oamaru ..	Hakataramea - Rocky Point ..	Twice weekly ..	"
	Hakataramea - Rocky Point - Deep Creek	Weekly ..	"
	Hakataramea - Station Peak - Clarksfield - Mount Parker (rural delivery)	Twice weekly ..	"
	Maheno-Incholme ..	..	Extended to Kauru Hill.
	Hakataramea - Rocky Point ..	..	Abolished. (See Established.)

INLAND MAIL-SERVICES ESTABLISHED, EXTENDED, AND ABOLISHED—continued.

District.	Name of Service.	Frequency.	Remarks.
Thames	Mackaytown Post-office - Railway-station	Daily	Established.
	Te Puke - Tapuwae	Thrice weekly ..	"
	Te Puke - Te Matai	"	"
	Taneatua - Opouriao West	Twice weekly ..	"
	Te Puke - Papamoa - Tauranga	"	"
	Matata - Lake Rotokohio (rural delivery)	Twice weekly in summer; weekly in winter	"
	Tauranga - Omanawa Falls	Weekly	"
Timaru	Mackaytown Post-office - Karangahake Railway-station	.. ..	Abolished. (See Established.)
	Temuka Post-office - Railway-station	As required	Established.
	Timaru (parcels delivery within boundaries of letter-carriers' deliveries)	Daily	"
	Southby's corner - Pleasant Point Post-office	Thrice weekly ..	"
	Burke's Pass - Lake Tekapo - Braemar - Tasman Islands	Weekly	"
	Burke's Pass - Lake Tekapo (winter service)	"	"
	Hermitage - Lake Pukaki .. ..	.. ..	Abolished.
Wanganui	Sutherland's Post-office - Tycho Flat	.. ..	"
	Kohi-Waverley	Daily	Established.
	Okotuku Post-office - Moumahaki Railway-station	"	"
	Bull's - Brandon Hall - Raumai Roads (rural delivery)	Thrice weekly ..	"
	Utiku Post-office, along Gorge Road, across the Omatana Bridge and up the Makopua Road as far as O'Brist's farm (rural delivery)	"	"
	Raetihi - Ruatiti and junction of the Manganui-o-te-au and Ohura Roads (rural delivery)	Twice weekly ..	"
	Ngutuweru - Moumahaki .. ..	.. ..	Abolished.
Wellington	Waverley - Kohi - Karahaki - Putahi Roads (rural delivery)	.. ..	" (See Established.)
	Kaingaroa - Waitangi (Chatham Islands)	As required ..	Established.
	Waikanae Post-office - Railway-station	"	"
	Johnsonville - Pukehuia - Paparangi (rural delivery)	Daily	"
	Carterton, along Belvedere Road to Cobden Road, Hinau Gully, Hururua Road, Mangatariri Road, and Cemetery Road, to Clareville and Carterton (rural delivery)	Thrice weekly ..	"
	Dyerville, along Dry River Road, to Dixon's (rural delivery)	"	"
	Shannon - Kaihinu and Victoria Roads (rural delivery)	"	"
	Shannon - Victoria Road	"	"
	Upper Hutt - Silverstream - Whiteman's Valley - Wallace (rural delivery)	Twice weekly ..	"
	Linton - Moturimu - Kahatarawa (Smith's), (rural delivery)	Weekly	"
	Wellington or Lyttelton - Ouenga - Kaingaroa - Pitt Island - Waitangi (Chatham Islands)	Two monthly ..	"
	Eastbourne (daily delivery in borough)	.. ..	Extended to Rona Bay and Day's Bay.
	Wellington (conveyance of mails by tram-car)	.. ..	Extended to Wadestown.
	Ihurauna - Wairere .. ..	.. ..	Abolished.
Westport	Kaiwarawara (delivery by subsidized letter-carrier)	.. ..	"
	Linton - Moturimu .. ..	.. ..	" (See Established.)
	Ngakawau Post-office - Westport - Stockton Coal Company's incline - Ngakawau Railway-station	Twice daily ..	Established.
	Ngakawau - Darlington	Daily	"
	St. Helens - Corbyvale	Weekly	"

SUBSIDIZED SEA MAIL-SERVICES.

The several subsidized sea mail-services, the subsidy-payments for the year 1911, the dates when established, and the date on which each terminates are shown below :—

Service.	Annual Subsidy or Payment.	Duration of Service.		Number of Voyages per Annum.	Mileage for Complete Voyage.	Cost per Mile.
		When established.	When terminated or terminable.			
	£ s. d.					s. d.
Auckland and Fiji ..	1,690 0 0	June, 1880	..	13	2,334	1 1·37
Auckland and South Pacific Islands ..	1,200 0 0	June, 1885	..	12	6,992	0 3·43
Auckland and Great Barrier ..	250 0 0	Oct., 1891	Dec., 1912	52	124	0 9·31
Auckland, Whangaroa, and Mangonui ..	126 0 0	Nov., 1907	Dec., 1912	52	368	0 1·58
Dargaville and Tangiteroria ..	110 0 0	Nov., 1893	Dec., 1912	156	62	0 2·73
Helensville and Matakoho ..	150 0 0	Jan., 1881	Dec., 1912	104	116	0 2·98
Helensville and Dargaville ..	575 0 0	Jan., 1881	Dec., 1912	156	128	0 6·91
Horeke, Kohukohu, Rawene, Koutu, Rangi Point, Opononi, and Omarepe ..	150 0 0	Jan., 1889	Dec., 1912	156	52	0 4·44
Russell and Opua ..	90 0 0	Jan., 1889	Dec., 1912	(as required)	..	..
New Zealand - San Francisco ..	21,666 13 4	Oct., 1910	Oct., 1913	13	12,180	2 8·8
New Zealand - Vancouver ..	20,000 0 0	Aug., 1911	Sept., 1916	13	12,660	2 5·16
New Zealand and Australia (Wellington-Sydney) ..	15,000 0 0	Dec., 1906	..	52	1,230	4 8·28
Wellington, Wakatahuri, Homewood (and other offices), and Havelock ..	410 0 0	Dec., 1891	Dec., 1912	26	300	0 5·7
Wellington and Motueka ..	..	Nov., 1902	Dec., 1912	43	220	..
Pictou, offices in Sounds, and Havelock ..	265 0 0	Jan., 1907	Dec., 1912	26	330	0 7·4
Ngakuta, Whangakoko, Hakahaka, Ocean Bay, Robin Hood Bay, and Blenheim ..	275 10 0*	April, 1911	Dec., 1912	52	86	0 2·7
Portage and Crail Bay ..	185 0 0	Jan., 1910	Dec., 1912	52	106	0 6·16
Nelson, Tarakohe, Tonga Bay, Totaranui, Takaka, and Collingwood ..	145 0 0†	..	Dec., 1912	104	130	0 2·7
Nelson and Otarawao ..	140 0 0	Jan., 1904	Dec., 1912	52	61	0 10·59
Westport and Karamea ..	165 0 0†	June, 1886	Dec., 1912	36	102	2 9·51
Westport and Little Wanganui ..	650 0 0	Jan., 1895	Dec., 1912	12	82	..
Hokitika, Okarito, Bruce Bay, Paringa, Haast, Okura, and Jackson's Bay ..	850 0 0	Jan., 1886	Dec., 1912	6	270	10 5·93
Wellington or Lyttelton and Chatham Islands (including Pitt Island) ..	350 0 0	..	Aug., 1914	6	1,050	1 1·33
Bluff and Half-moon Bay ..	300 0 0	July, 1886	Dec., 1912	52	44	2 7·47
Bluff and Roapuke Island ..	43 0 0	Sept., 1903	Dec., 1912	19	26	1 8·89
Bluff, Te Oneroa, and Cromarty ..	137 10 0	April, 1893	Dec., 1912	6	190	2 4·95

* Subsidy increased from 1st November, 1911.
from 19th July, 1911.

† Subsidy increased from 16th May, 1911.

‡ Subsidy increased

CABLE BUSINESS.

The number and value of cable messages forwarded from New Zealand during the financial year 1911-12 are shown in the following statement :—

[N.B.—The figures shown hereunder are for the financial year ended the 31st March. In previous years the figures for the calendar year have been given.]

VIA PACIFIC.

Destination.	Ordinary.		Press.	
	Number of Messages.	Value.	Number of Messages.	Value.
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
International ..	28,528	40,287 6 0	238	400 13 7
Australia ..	60,748	11,378 14 11	674	218 4 3½
Total for 1911-12 ..	89,276	51,666 0 11	912	618 17 10½
Total for 1910 ..	87,326	50,778 10 3½	925	613 10 5½

VIA EASTERN.

Destination.	Ordinary.		Press.	
	Number of Messages.	Value.	Number of Messages.	Value.
International	12,699	£ 16,831 7 2	36	£ 80 2 0
Australia	26,675	4,680 7 1½	1,214	599 4 7½
Total for 1911-12	39,374	21,511 14 3½	1,250	679 6 7½
Total for 1910	33,273	18,139 9 6½	1,336	749 3 4½

The Dominion's outward international and Australian cable business, not including Press, for the years 1911-12 and 1910 was as follows:—

INTERNATIONAL.

	Number of Messages.	Value.
		£ s. d.
1911-12	41,227	57,118 13 2
1910	37,975	53,413 17 3½
Increase	3,252 = 8·6 per cent.	£3,704 15 10½ = 6·9 per cent.

AUSTRALIA.

	Number of Messages.	Value.
		£ s. d.
1911-12	87,423	16,059 2 0½
1910	82,624	15,504 2 6½
Increase	4,799 = 5·8 per cent.	£554 19 6 = 3·6 per cent.

There was a total increase of 8,051 messages, and an increase of £4,259 15s. 4½d. in value.

The number of cable messages received in New Zealand during 1911-12, exclusive of Press, was as follows:—

VIA PACIFIC.

	International.	Australia.
1911-12	22,840	48,798
1910	20,802	44,976
Increase	2,038	3,822

VIA EXTENSION.

	International.	Australia.
1911-12	14,691	31,191
1910	14,108	29,503
Increase	583	1,688

The forwarded and received cable Press business for the past ten years was,—

Year.	Forwarded.			Received.	
	Number of		Value.	Number of	
	Messages.	Words.		Messages.	Words.
1902	1,830	202,968	£ 1,772 8 4	4,443	396,438
1903	1,595	159,732	1,235 11 1	5,636	425,824
1904	1,551	161,094	1,147 8 8	4,488	392,888
1905	2,226	181,196	1,290 9 3	4,548	398,878
1906	1,815	186,128	1,290 7 9	4,061	394,337
1907	1,874	135,325	1,003 5 5	4,204	405,498
1908	2,404	236,759	2,643 6 0½	4,264	380,117
1909	2,270	199,291	2,230 18 3	4,515	422,949
1910	2,671	168,262	1,362 13 10¼	5,893	528,843
1911-12	2,117	158,590	1,297 14 6	6,682	582,247

RADIO-TELEGRAMS.

A radio-telegraph station was established at the Wellington General Post Office on the 25th July, 1911. The number of messages transmitted from the day of opening up to the 31st March, 1912, is shown in the following statement:—

	Number of Messages.	Number of Words.	Value.
			£ s. d.
Forwarded to ships from the New Zealand coast station	320	3,502	134 4 11
Received at the New Zealand coast station from ships...	639	6,281	242 16 4

Table No. 1.

TABLE showing the Number and Amount of Money-orders issued and of Money-orders payable in New Zealand since the Year 1863.

ISSUED IN THE DOMINION.

Year.	Commission received.		Where payable.								Total.			
			In the Dominion.		United Kingdom and Foreign Offices.		Australia and other British Possessions.							
			No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.				
1863	£	s. d.					£	s. d.			£	s. d.		
1863	1,057	9 0	2,201	9,613	11 11	4,740	21,944	2 1	4,645	24,145	7 5	11,586	55,703	1 5
1873	3,562	3 2	34,288	142,642	4 10	11,913	48,547	11 4	6,150	28,068	5 5	52,351	219,258	1 7
1883	9,022	10 6	132,232	402,558	12 11	26,211	91,634	4 7	14,113	46,939	17 11	172,556	541,132	15 5
1893	10,248	14 5	146,133	576,358	17 2	29,616	86,544	19 11	35,208	88,025	8 9	210,957	750,929	5 10
1894	10,600	19 7	155,534	608,042	2 11	28,513	79,348	10 2	38,631	89,392	11 10	222,678	776,783	4 11
1895	11,433	13 8	162,600	635,062	17 11	28,882	78,465	0 4	52,015	99,076	16 8	243,497	812,604	14 11
1896	12,671	6 7	181,505	717,217	19 1	29,238	82,498	15 6	58,823	102,443	1 0	269,566	902,159	15 7
1897	13,835	15 4	193,867	762,592	10 3	31,770	93,649	1 3	68,002	114,589	3 5	293,659	970,830	14 11
1898	14,747	9 6	206,265	798,725	15 8	35,377	107,140	7 5	76,728	123,375	4 6	318,370	1,029,241	7 7
1899	15,533	4 6	221,354	864,513	4 9	38,528	122,064	3 1	84,782	132,230	17 9	344,664	1,118,808	5 7
1900	16,512	12 9	239,565	951,860	7 4	40,925	122,934	10 4	89,344	140,057	18 9	369,834	1,214,852	16 5
1901	17,518	11 0	255,344	1,002,056	12 1	45,701	125,549	5 11	104,922	158,902	3 10	405,967	1,286,568	1 10
1902	14,915	18 2	258,110	1,014,723	16 0	53,910	138,755	2 8	55,187	123,580	3 7	367,207	1,277,059	2 3
1903	15,881	18 5	273,535	1,108,067	5 8	63,309	157,789	16 0	59,468	150,367	10 8	396,312	1,416,224	12 4
1904	16,385	9 0	281,655	1,148,226	3 0	60,490	165,245	0 8	65,638	163,416	4 9	407,783	1,476,887	8 5
1905	17,073	9 6	287,394	1,189,385	13 4	57,414	177,609	18 8	72,633	174,716	7 10	417,441	1,541,711	19 10
1906	18,278	10 3	301,650	1,312,270	13 4	60,120	186,902	16 6	77,250	187,057	12 1	439,020	1,686,231	1 11
1907	18,846	12 6	305,424	1,389,800	4 4	58,565	193,356	5 3	77,498	190,434	7 6	441,487	1,773,590	17 1
1908	12,555	10 3	338,752	1,611,968	4 11	67,384	226,408	10 1	81,948	212,307	11 10	488,084	2,050,684	6 10
1909	13,782	14 0	383,283	1,841,030	7 7	74,893	256,803	12 2	80,564	209,758	18 4	538,740	2,307,592	18 1
1910	14,300	7 9	413,314	1,981,877	2 2	79,651	273,449	2 2	76,692	202,196	14 1	569,657	2,457,522	18 5
1911	15,307	7 7	444,169	2,262,366	2 6	88,364	289,856	19 9	75,231	207,170	6 2	607,764	2,759,393	8 5

DRAWN ON THE DOMINION.

Year.	Where issued.						Total.	
	In the Dominion.		United Kingdom and Foreign Offices.		Australia and other British Possessions.			
	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
1863	2,067	9,169 4 6	415	1,824 0 8	558	3,077 13 7	3,040	14,070 18 9
1873	34,288	142,642 4 10	1,482	6,625 14 5	1,668	7,689 6 8	37,438	156,957 5 11
1883	132,232	402,558 12 11	3,725	15,553 3 11	5,697	23,299 12 11	141,654	441,411 9 9
1893	146,133	576,358 17 2	8,746	32,616 17 2	10,679	40,929 2 5	165,558	649,904 16 9
1894	155,534	608,042 2 11	9,293	33,786 17 6	10,690	38,571 3 1	175,517	680,400 3 6
1895	162,600	635,062 17 11	9,938	35,155 7 9	11,520	39,862 18 10	181,058	710,081 4 6
1896	181,505	717,217 19 1	10,254	35,553 7 1	11,507	40,836 4 7	203,266	793,607 10 9
1897	193,867	762,592 10 3	10,085	35,238 10 3	11,407	40,105 1 11	215,359	837,936 2 5
1898	206,265	798,725 15 8	10,671	36,106 9 10	12,753	44,558 10 10	229,689	879,390 16 4
1899	221,354	864,513 4 9	10,624	37,290 8 7	13,399	48,533 15 11	245,377	950,337 9 3
1900	239,505	951,860 7 4	10,342	36,014 6 3	15,271	59,304 9 6	265,178	1,047,179 3 1
1901	255,344	1,002,056 12 1	11,082	40,021 14 4	16,688	63,800 4 10	283,114	1,105,878 11 3
1902	258,110	1,014,723 16 0	11,732	41,370 13 3	16,527	62,159 10 8	286,369	1,118,253 19 11
1903	273,535	1,108,067 5 8	13,035	49,181 1 3	17,777	68,340 8 8	304,347	1,225,588 15 7
1904	281,655	1,148,226 3 0	11,567	45,793 1 1	19,277	71,824 7 5	312,499	1,265,843 11 6
1905	287,394	1,189,385 13 4	10,338	47,649 9 0	19,669	72,437 13 3	317,401	1,309,472 15 7
1906	301,650	1,312,270 13 4	10,314	50,559 18 10	20,462	75,091 14 2	332,426	1,437,922 6 4
1907	305,424	1,389,800 4 4	10,315	55,032 3 3	21,697	77,118 8 9	337,436	1,521,950 16 4
1908	338,752	1,611,968 4 11	10,970	58,499 19 11	21,886	80,500 4 3	371,608	1,750,968 9 1
1909	383,283	1,841,030 7 7	11,783	61,289 17 2	23,592	82,409 13 2	418,658	1,984,729 17 11
1910	413,314	1,981,877 2 2	11,954	63,196 12 3	24,172	82,501 9 2	449,440	2,127,575 3 7
1911	444,169	2,262,366 2 6	11,866	65,074 8 0	27,561	97,532 4 8	483,596	2,424,972 15 2

Table No. 2.

TABLE showing the Money-orders issued in New Zealand on Offices beyond the Dominion and Money-orders issued at Offices beyond the Dominion on New Zealand, during the Years 1910 and 1911.

ISSUED IN NEW ZEALAND.

Where payable.	1910.		1911.	
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
United Kingdom and Foreign Offices through United Kingdom	65,809	216,538 6 10	72,803	237,609 4 3
United States of America	10,287	19,235 17 7	11,921	22,546 7 4
Austria	2,372	33,248 10 4	2,002	25,020 18 4
Canada	841	3,708 17 5	892	3,708 7 8
Ceylon	249	1,452 5 1	260	1,611 6 8
Fiji	258	805 13 8	166	586 12 8
France .. ..	..	..	364	779 11 4
Germany	1,034	3,225 13 6	1,014	2,597 8 3
Hong Kong	362	1,568 16 4	448	1,743 12 5
India	949	3,435 10 5	1,067	3,780 3 3
New South Wales	36,344	92,977 0 11	34,672	95,869 5 11
Norway	70	275 3 1	239	1,179 11 4
Queensland	2,771	9,971 7 7	2,807	10,182 0 7
Samoa	32	192 14 2	21	123 18 11
South Australia	1,746	5,525 12 4	1,730	5,303 2 11
Straits Settlements	41	111 11 11	38	115 5 11
Tasmania	6,077	13,165 16 1	6,225	14,424 18 5
Tonga	47	732 16 8	43	267 8 6
Union of South Africa	596	2,615 2 5	534	2,237 11 3
Victoria	24,584	61,893 14 8	24,412	62,135 14 0
Western Australia	1,874	4,965 5 3	1,937	5,204 16 0
Totals	156,343	475,645 16 3	163,595	497,027 5 11

DRAWN ON NEW ZEALAND.

Where issued.	1910.		1911.	
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
United Kingdom and Foreign Offices through United Kingdom	8,884	46,737 1 3	9,059	50,443 1 11
United States of America	2,015	8,994 7 7	2,194	10,644 17 2
Austria	31	97 16 9	22	104 18 9
Canada	710	2,947 19 8	789	3,322 7 3
Ceylon	36	119 18 11	52	281 9 2
Fiji	719	3,191 2 6	773	3,460 16 4
France .. ..	..	..	31	49 19 8
Germany	165	788 8 1	169	595 15 4
Hong Kong	42	207 19 7	47	275 0 0
India	224	1,027 8 0	166	633 11 4
New South Wales	9,700	29,119 17 10	11,606	33,879 17 7
Norway	1	0 6 7	18	145 10 9
Queensland	1,941	6,587 18 11	2,075	7,115 15 4
Samoa	338	2,454 5 6	373	3,990 4 5
South Australia	1,096	3,696 9 6	1,124	3,440 6 6
Straits Settlements	24	147 18 7	18	70 15 4
Tasmania	1,869	7,202 8 6	1,932	7,054 18 9
Tonga	520	4,124 6 6	726	7,735 5 10
Union of South Africa	693	4,213 2 4	752	4,459 2 7
Victoria	5,876	18,248 4 11	6,156	19,626 8 3
Western Australia	1,242	5,790 19 11	1,345	6,176 10 5
Totals	36,126	145,698 1 5	39,427	162,606 12 8

Table No. 3.

TABLE showing the Number and Value of Postal Notes sold from the 1st January, 1886—the date upon which they were first issued—to the 31st March, 1912.

Year.	Number of Postal Notes sold.												Total.		
	At 1s.	At 1s. 6d.	At 2s.	At 2s. 6d.	At 3s.	At 5s.	At 7s. 6d.	At 10s.	At 12s. 6d.	At 15s.	At 17s. 6d.	At £1.	At £5.*	Number.	Value.
Quarter ended Mar. 31, 1886	3,019	2,046	..	1,012	..	2,039	969	2,379	695	992	425	2,866	..	16,442	£ s. d. 6,909 15 6
1886-87 ..	16,605	12,283	..	6,647	..	11,566	5,729	13,103	4,090	5,187	2,375	14,961	..	92,546	37,659 7 0
1887-88 ..	22,467	17,167	..	9,162	..	15,553	7,671	17,487	5,278	6,940	2,952	17,578	..	122,255	47,729 5 0
1888-89 ..	27,428	21,900	..	11,912	..	19,741	9,477	21,149	6,618	8,243	3,633	19,778	..	149,879	56,841 18 0
1889-90 ..	32,754	25,387	..	14,478	..	23,550	10,894	24,011	7,809	9,386	4,158	22,596	..	175,023	65,484 2 0
1890-91 ..	35,915	28,559	..	16,092	..	25,204	12,229	25,906	7,969	10,172	4,366	23,503	..	189,915	69,721 18 6
1891-92 ..	42,416	33,722	..	19,383	..	29,550	14,019	30,132	9,058	11,611	4,953	25,839	..	220,683	79,325 16 6
1892-93 ..	48,612	38,849	..	22,038	..	33,012	16,072	32,747	9,904	12,330	5,369	28,969	..	247,902	87,856 18 0
1893-94 ..	56,761	44,706	..	25,461	..	37,771	18,096	37,687	11,016	13,800	6,156	33,935	..	285,389	101,002 7 6
1894-95 ..	62,306	49,846	..	28,975	..	43,829	20,423	43,167	11,864	15,567	6,790	36,601	..	319,368	112,307 10 0
1895-96 ..	68,454	56,185	..	32,801	..	49,204	22,802	47,787	13,601	17,191	7,020	33,390	1,192	349,627	123,368 6 6
1896-97 ..	74,534	62,056	..	35,322	..	54,219	24,871	51,963	14,365	18,102	7,406	32,868	1,090	376,796	129,011 18 0
1897-98 ..	81,958	69,981	..	38,617	..	60,843	26,968	55,748	15,463	19,477	7,904	32,179	728	409,866	134,378 9 6
1898-99 ..	86,529	72,710	..	41,991	..	64,386	28,448	59,631	16,202	19,990	8,193	32,696	673	431,449	139,957 4 0
1899-1900 ..	93,762	77,431	..	44,384	..	70,416	30,680	63,787	16,957	21,393	8,539	33,491	607	461,447	147,686 8 6
1900-1901 ..	85,478	68,068	13,834	52,691	14,702	80,630	24,497	71,001	13,304	23,875	6,799	35,067	560	490,506	154,435 16 6
1901-1902 ..	49,529	30,255	62,285	70,683	65,467	109,663	..	92,708	..	32,138	..	43,042	556	556,316	173,317 5 0
1902-1903 ..	54,268	33,409	70,122	76,613	75,700	119,593	..	102,641	..	34,508	..	48,852	558	616,264	191,904 13 0
1903-1904 ..	61,379	37,514	85,909	86,626	89,276	134,270	..	114,755	..	38,030	..	58,629	656	707,044	220,069 11 0
1904-1905 ..	65,484	40,263	86,711	96,228	99,739	154,281	..	130,430	..	42,317	..	69,206	633	785,347	250,123 7 6
1905-1906 ..	74,389	45,358	98,503	108,493	114,411	167,430	..	143,216	..	46,228	..	76,508	788	875,324	276,279 7 6
1906-1907 ..	82,417	54,375	106,311	120,321	128,384	187,083	..	159,045	..	51,559	..	91,193	954	981,642	314,053 6 0
1907-1908 ..	89,906	58,202	124,052	136,392	143,854	205,500	..	171,951	..	57,637	..	104,714	423	1,092,631	347,300 0 0
1908-1909 ..	97,285	59,484	153,925	162,588	146,148	227,471	..	188,677	..	62,916	..	123,786	..	1,222,280	389,143 0 0
1909-1910 ..	113,825	67,406	181,791	195,168	166,486	261,045	..	214,453	..	70,967	..	143,611	..	1,414,752	447,618 14 0
1910-1911 ..	130,645	79,792	211,298	244,941	201,569	301,707	..	242,854	..	82,253	..	171,900	..	1,666,959	521,942 18 6
1911-1912 ..	141,504	85,130	236,665	263,829	215,984	337,338	..	261,600	..	88,693	..	190,823	..	1,821,566	574,979 18 6

* Issued only from 17th June 1895 to 31st October 1907

Table No. 4.

TABLE showing the Number and Amount of Transactions at the Money-order and Savings-bank Offices of New Zealand during the Year 1911.

Office.		Money-orders.										Savings-banks.									
		Issued.						Paid.				New Accounts opened.	Deposits.				Accounts closed.	Withdrawals.			
		No.	Commission.	Amount.		No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.			No.	Amount.							
POSTAL DISTRICT OF—		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.			
Auckland ..	142721	3,645	16	1	622,781	19	9	135084	652,240	11	5	17773	145,292	2348,488	18	8	10,684	103445	2098,372	5	6
Blenheim ..	7,985	171	14	3	36,438	17	4	4,237	28,101	14	1	1,055	9,230	152,747	16	10	855	6,354	143,823	12	7
Christchurch ..	58,085	1,547	16	6	271,061	3	2	54,467	295,787	9	9	11666	131,072	1851,412	7	1	8,503	94,523	1777,364	6	8
Dunedin ..	57,345	1,299	6	3	221,956	7	4	57,773	275,035	2	10	8,105	98,246	1368,087	0	9	6,118	63,621	1288,198	13	6
Gisborne ..	14,834	397	10	3	75,116	15	8	6,028	34,909	17	7	2,879	22,290	301,500	9	0	1,924	15,049	266,800	1	5
Greymouth ..	17,444	460	19	9	77,833	10	11	7,204	35,505	13	11	2,064	16,770	218,786	17	0	1,769	9,186	211,154	3	9
Hokitika ..	3,665	72	13	9	14,092	13	9	2,420	9,359	11	10	529	2,867	39,890	0	5	264	1,511	37,696	11	11
Invercargill ..	29,206	614	9	3	113,297	18	2	17,644	72,210	5	11	3,427	29,393	522,667	16	1	2,286	17,700	454,337	7	5
Napier ..	30,972	730	12	3	161,920	15	4	18,939	116,445	6	8	4,646	40,331	563,572	17	11	3,144	23,777	497,640	10	7
Nelson ..	15,069	329	16	0	65,362	10	6	11,380	61,008	17	9	1,545	14,482	232,565	2	3	1,162	9,892	217,219	8	6
New Plymouth ..	16,928	360	19	6	79,301	5	3	10,301	61,739	15	0	2,362	19,399	301,693	8	4	1,686	11,849	275,110	0	3
Oamaru ..	8,743	160	19	0	63,639	0	2	4,284	19,483	16	5	870	7,744	131,786	3	7	756	5,771	145,165	2	10
Thames ..	28,747	601	14	9	123,228	3	5	11,226	56,835	12	7	2,756	22,306	315,988	3	0	2,000	12,705	274,468	0	10
Timaru ..	16,827	349	13	6	113,128	1	5	8,666	43,368	1	6	2,577	22,893	383,654	7	9	1,862	15,085	357,407	12	4
Wanganui ..	42,533	892	0	6	202,091	2	8	21,495	103,451	2	11	5,449	44,893	618,796	10	4	3,659	27,266	537,415	14	3
Wellington ..	101177	3,264	18	3	436,799	4	11	106726	514,672	7	6	16924	185,448	2126,518	12	5	13,137	122502	1,938,922	7	8
Westport ..	15,483	406	7	9	81,343	18	8	5,169	36,803	8	2	1,285	11,176	149,211	2	10	1,122	5,786	140,949	15	2
Grand totals ..	607764	15,307	7	7	2759,393	8	5	483043	2416958	15	10	85912	823,832	11627367	14	3	60,931	546022	10662045	15	2

Table No. 5.

STATEMENT showing the Number of British Postal Orders of each Denomination sold and paid in the Dominion of New Zealand during the Financial Years 1910-11 and 1911-12.

Denomination.	Sold.		Paid.	
	1910-11.	1911-12.	1910-11.	1911-12.
s. d.				
0 6	1,658	2,189	153	183
1 0	4,326	5,879	662	843
1 6	1,907	2,608	273	313
2 0	3,167	4,376	609	780
2 6	3,872	4,923	1,042	1,237
3 0	2,517	4,121	353	465
3 6	991	1,349	203	231
4 0	1,537	2,177	255	280
4 6	722	1,015	75	106
5 0	8,290	11,429	1,891	2,225
*5 6	211	..	36	50
*6 0	452	..	163	192
*6 6	203	..	45	57
*7 0	247	..	115	105
7 6	1,646	2,891	167	191
*8 0	284	..	86	95
*8 6	180	..	33	33
*9 0	159	..	58	55
*9 6	105	..	36	36
10 0	9,791	13,174	2,552	2,762
*10 6	209	..	88	116
*11 0	148	..	47	68
*11 6	60	..	40	50
*12 0	203	..	93	93
12 6	675	1,297	123	148
*13 0	144	..	42	62
*13 6	69	..	38	43
*14 0	121	..	62	69
*14 6	40	..	26	35
15 0	2,138	3,485	602	688
*15 6	50	..	11	30
*16 0	99	..	31	51
*16 6	37	..	7	26
*17 0	67	..	26	38
17 6	373	637	33	57
*18 0	97	..	40	44
*18 6	80	..	24	27
*19 0	152	..	36	43
*19 6	50	..	32	40
20 0	20,544	27,478	9,310	10,897
*21 0	148	..	423	565
Number ..	67,769	88,528	19,941	23,429
Value ..	£35,270 7s. 9d.	£45,687 10s. 6d.	£13,183 16s. 6d.	£15,458 18s. 6d.

* British Postal Orders of these denominations were withdrawn from issue at all offices in the Dominion on the 1st September, 1910.

Table No. 6.—POST-OFFICE SAVINGS-BANKS.—GENERAL STATEMENT.
TABLE showing the Business of the Post-Office Savings-banks in New Zealand during the Year ended the 31st December, 1911.

Postal Districts.	Number of Post-Office Savings-Banks Open at the Close of the Year.	Number of Deposits received during the Year.	Total Amount of Deposits received during the Year.	Average Amount of each Deposit received during the Year.	Number of Withdrawals during the Year.	Total Amount of Withdrawals during the Year.	Average Amount of each Withdrawal during the Year.	Excess of Deposits over Withdrawals during the Year.	Excess of Withdrawals over Deposits during the Year.	Cost of Management during the Year.	Average Cost of each Transaction, Deposit or Withdrawal.	Interest for the Year.	Number of Accounts opened during the Year.	Number of Accounts closed during the Year.	Number of Accounts remaining Open at Close of the Year.	Total Amount standing to the Credit of Open Accounts, inclusive of Interest to the Close of the Year.	Average Amount standing to the Credit of each Open Account at the Close of the Year.
Auckland	187	145,292	£ 2,348,488 18 8	£ s. d. 16 3 3	103,445	£ 2,098,372 5 6	£ s. d. 20 5 8	£ s. d. 250,116 13 2	£ s. d. ..	£ ..	d. ..	£ s. d. 80,676 4 4	17,773	10,684	67,355	£ 2,722,763 0 9	£ s. d. 40 8 6
Blenheim	13	9,230	£ 162,747 16 10	£ s. d. 16 11 0	6,354	£ 143,823 12 7	£ s. d. 22 12 8	£ s. d. 8,924 4 3	£ s. d. ..	£ ..	..	£ s. d. 6,970 5 9	1,055	855	6,342	£ 227,020 12 10	£ s. d. 35 15 11
Christchurch	71	131,072	£ 1,851,412 7 1	£ s. d. 14 2 6	94,523	£ 1,777,364 6 8	£ s. d. 18 16 1	£ s. d. 74,048 0 5	£ s. d. ..	£ ..	..	£ s. d. 76,617 1 7	11,666	8,503	67,534	£ 2,480,873 14 9	£ s. d. 36 14 8
Dunedin	63	98,246	£ 1,368,087 0 9	£ s. d. 13 18 6	63,621	£ 1,288,198 13 6	£ s. d. 20 5 0	£ s. d. 79,888 7 3	£ s. d. ..	£ ..	..	£ s. d. 67,374 17 8	8,105	6,118	49,270	£ 2,158,017 8 4	£ s. d. 43 16 0
Gisborne	17	22,290	£ 301,500 9 0	£ s. d. 13 10 6	15,049	£ 266,800 1 5	£ s. d. 17 14 6	£ s. d. 34,700 7 7	£ s. d. ..	£ ..	..	£ s. d. 9,162 0 11	2,879	1,924	9,777	£ 317,407 3 4	£ s. d. 32 9 3
Greymouth	15	16,770	£ 218,786 17 0	£ s. d. 13 0 11	9,186	£ 211,154 3 9	£ s. d. 22 19 9	£ s. d. 7,632 13 3	£ s. d. ..	£ ..	..	£ s. d. 11,049 12 11	2,064	1,769	7,711	£ 349,478 11 2	£ s. d. 45 6 5
Hokitika	7	2,867	£ 39,890 0 5	£ s. d. 13 18 3	1,511	£ 37,696 11 11	£ s. d. 24 19 0	£ s. d. 2,193 8 6	£ s. d. ..	£ ..	..	£ s. d. 3,222 10 11	529	264	2,163	£ 100,546 17 0	£ s. d. 46 9 8
Invercargill	30	29,393	£ 522,667 16 1	£ s. d. 17 15 8	17,700	£ 454,337 7 5	£ s. d. 25 13 5	£ s. d. 68,330 8 8	£ s. d. ..	£ ..	..	£ s. d. 23,504 13 4	3,427	2,286	17,253	£ 770,325 8 7	£ s. d. 44 13 0
Napier ..	37	40,331	£ 563,572 17 11	£ s. d. 13 19 5	23,777	£ 497,640 10 7	£ s. d. 20 18 7	£ s. d. 65,932 7 4	£ s. d. ..	£ ..	..	£ s. d. 22,202 18 3	4,646	3,144	20,160	£ 748,839 8 8	£ s. d. 37 2 10
Nelson ..	21	14,482	£ 232,565 2 3	£ s. d. 16 1 2	9,892	£ 217,219 8 6	£ s. d. 21 19 2	£ s. d. 15,345 13 9	£ s. d. ..	£ ..	..	£ s. d. 12,064 10 0	1,545	1,162	10,072	£ 384,684 6 0	£ s. d. 38 3 10
New Plymouth	18	19,399	£ 301,693 8 4	£ s. d. 15 11 0	11,849	£ 275,110 0 3	£ s. d. 23 4 4	£ s. d. 26,583 8 1	£ s. d. ..	£ ..	..	£ s. d. 12,161 17 6	2,362	1,686	10,259	£ 396,420 4 10	£ s. d. 38 12 10
Oamaru ..	10	7,744	£ 131,786 3 7	£ s. d. 17 0 4	5,771	£ 145,165 2 10	£ s. d. 25 3 1	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. 13,378 19 3	£ ..	..	£ s. d. 7,915 10 11	870	756	5,122	£ 239,385 11 5	£ s. d. 46 14 9
Thames ..	23	22,306	£ 315,988 3 0	£ s. d. 14 3 4	12,705	£ 274,468 0 10	£ s. d. 21 12 1	£ s. d. 41,520 2 2	£ s. d. ..	£ ..	..	£ s. d. 13,214 19 3	2,756	2,000	12,547	£ 441,498 15 2	£ s. d. 35 3 9
Timaru	16	22,893	£ 383,654 7 9	£ s. d. 16 15 2	15,085	£ 357,407 12 4	£ s. d. 23 13 10	£ s. d. 26,246 15 5	£ s. d. ..	£ ..	..	£ s. d. 15,971 0 1	2,577	1,862	12,180	£ 511,588 16 2	£ s. d. 42 0 1
Wanganui	50	44,893	£ 618,796 10 4	£ s. d. 13 15 8	27,266	£ 537,415 14 3	£ s. d. 19 14 2	£ s. d. 81,380 16 1	£ s. d. ..	£ ..	..	£ s. d. 21,876 13 8	5,449	3,659	21,905	£ 740,209 10 3	£ s. d. 33 15 10
Wellington	89	185,448	£ 2,126,518 12 5	£ s. d. 11 9 4	122,502	£ 1,938,922 7 8	£ s. d. 15 16 7	£ s. d. 187,596 4 9	£ s. d. ..	£ ..	..	£ s. d. 82,743 12 0	16,924	13,137	81,010	£ 2,750,225 13 5	£ s. d. 33 19 0
Westport	20	11,176	£ 149,211 2 10	£ s. d. 13 7 0	5,786	£ 140,949 15 2	£ s. d. 24 7 3	£ s. d. 8,261 7 8	£ s. d. ..	£ ..	..	£ s. d. 6,146 9 4	1,285	1,122	4,906	£ 203,901 14 0	£ s. d. 41 11 3
Totals for 1911	687	823,832	£ 11,627,367 14 3	£ s. d. 14 2 3	546,022	£ 10,662,045 15 2	£ s. d. 19 10 6	£ s. d. 965,321 19 1	£ s. d. ..	£ 29,000	5-08	£ 472,874 18 5	85,912	60,931	405,566	£ 15,543,186 16 8	£ s. d. 38 6 6

TABLE showing the Business of the Post-Office Savings-banks in New Zealand, Year by Year, from the Date they were established, in February, 1867, to the 31st December, 1911.

Number of Office Savings-banks Open at the Close of the Year.		Number of Deposits received during the Year.		Total Amount of Deposits received during the Year.		Average Amount of each Deposit received during the Year.		Number of Withdrawals during the Year.		Total Amount of Withdrawals during the Year.		Average Amount of each Withdrawal during the Year.		Excess of Deposits over Withdrawals during the Year.		Excess of Withdrawals over Deposits during the Year.		Average Cost of each Transaction, Deposit or Withdrawal.		Interest for the Year.		Number of Accounts opened during the Year.		Number of Accounts remaining at Close of the Year.		Total Amount standing to the Credit of all Open Accounts, inclusive of Interest to the Close of the Year.		Average Amount standing to the Credit of each Open Account at the Close of the Year.	
1911		1912		1913		1914		1915		1916		1917		1918		1919		1920		1921		1922		1923		1924		1925	
687	823,832	11,627,367	14	10	13	14	2	3	546,022	10,662,045	15	2	19	10	5	29,000	472,874	18	5	85,912	60,931	405,566	15,543,186	16	8	38	6	6	
647	768,824	10,708,938	16	10	13	18	7	520,413	9,605,514	16	1	18	12	6	28,000	424,668	1	5	78,566	57,095	380,585	14,104,989	19	2	37	4	3		
619	724,501	9,611,119	11	3	13	5	4	520,971	9,499,319	16	4	18	4	8	27,000	395,804	4	5	77,400	56,763	359,714	12,666,897	17	5	35	4	3		
593	706,101	9,674,075	4	13	14	4	434,672	9,417,820	10	3	19	8	8	26,254	379,808	6	7	74,671	53,644	319,773	11,529,293	18	1	35	10	11			
563	659,990	9,351,663	19	7	14	4	483,796	8,125,123	0	18	14	7	1,226,540	13	9	19,000	0	420	74,671	53,644	319,773	11,529,293	18	1	35	10	11		
541	593,764	7,907,154	12	5	13	6	386,536	6,907,103	17	7	17	5	1,000,050	14	10	17,000	0	416	70,206	47,526	298,746	9,953,265	11	0	33	6	4		
520	509,112	6,625,744	0	10	13	0	346,022	5,984,184	12	2	17	5	11	641,559	8	16,500	0	463	57,065	43,113	276,066	8,662,022	17	1	31	7	6		
510	469,799	5,836,540	0	12	8	6	323,609	5,664,770	3	9	17	1	1	171,769	16	16,000	0	484	57,765	42,280	259,164	7,761,382	0	11	29	18	11		
493	444,510	5,661,592	15	2	12	14	301,076	5,343,828	5	0	17	5	15	317,764	10	15,000	0	483	57,047	40,837	243,675	7,388,681	18	7	30	6	5		
481	411,215	5,069,619	6	2	12	6	273,454	4,708,771	11	2	17	4	5	360,847	15	14,000	0	490	53,587	38,558	227,465	6,883,787	5	9	29	17	10		
466	380,868	4,611,456	6	2	12	2	247,854	4,381,262	19	1	17	4	3	331,262	19	11,500	0	439	50,046	35,018	212,436	6,350,013	9	2	29	17	10		
445	347,056	4,170,428	15	3	12	0	227,079	3,827,416	7	3	16	17	1	343,012	8	10,500	0	439	46,086	31,724	197,408	5,809,552	5	3	29	8	7		
427	313,783	3,644,980	9	10	11	12	166,940	3,147,298	19	7	16	10	3	227,081	10	9,500	0	438	34,362	28,284	183,046	5,320,370	14	10	29	1	4		
409	281,749	3,279,611	7	5	11	12	106,764	3,194,893	16	7	16	4	9	84,717	10	8,500	0	426	37,265	26,628	169,968	4,957,771	5	5	29	3	5		
388	267,615	3,187,219	2	4	11	18	179,555	2,891,166	5	8	16	2	10	206,049	16	8,000	0	429	36,394	24,821	159,331	4,744,924	18	1	29	15	7		
371	242,283	2,881,152	16	3	11	17	167,248	2,591,558	19	4	15	9	10	289,593	16	7,000	0	445	32,982	22,907	147,758	4,311,634	13	5	29	3	7		
357	217,393	2,794,506	16	0	12	17	159,904	2,369,333	6	7	14	16	4	425,173	9	6,500	0	437	31,464	22,001	137,683	3,895,543	0	3	28	5	10		
348	204,545	2,252,862	6	11	11	15	152,136	2,268,624	8	4	14	18	3	..	..	5,500	0	429	31,131	21,778	112,528	3,441,998	7	10	26	8	0	
327	202,276	2,386,089	10	7	11	15	136,739	2,122,521	16	8	14	18	5	56,921	8	5,000	0	429	31,131	21,778	104,467	2,695,447	11	6	25	16	0		
318	180,945	1,878,270	6	4	10	11	120,628	1,821,348	18	1	15	2	5	149,472	5	5,000	0	416	104,098	17	0	23,719	2,441,876	8	7	25	2	4	
296	162,938	1,658,543	3	5	10	3	106,868	1,500,437	9	5	14	0	5	158,105	4	5,000	0	445	92,319	0	6	23,719	2,441,876	8	7	25	2	4	
294	153,920	1,515,281	11	3	9	16	99,185	1,457,081	5	0	14	13	9	58,200	6	4,000	0	379	84,809	17	1	15,521	2,191,451	14	1	24	2	4	
290	145,355	1,544,747	7	11	10	12	96,204	1,387,471	1	10	14	8	5	157,276	6	4,000	0	397	78,080	6	3	21,307	1,615,979	9	6	24	4	10	
1888	136,197	1,342,151	1	5	9	12	89,962	1,182,409	7	6	13	2	10	129,741	13	4,000	0	424	67,363	15	3	20,368	1,813,084	18	8	22	14	10	
283	136,197	1,342,151	1	5	9	12	89,962	1,182,409	7	6	13	2	10	129,741	13	4,000	0	424	67,363	15	3	20,368	1,813,084	18	8	22	14	10	
271	137,989	1,248,405	6	11	9	0	89,182	1,336,287	6	4	14	19	8	..	..	4,000	0	423	62,228	9	6	21,671	1,615,979	9	6	21	11	8
256	131,373	1,341,001	3	2	10	4	84,832	1,264,305	8	3	14	18	0	76,695	14	4,000	0	444	62,228	3	11	20,661	1,615,979	9	5	23	8	4	
243	129,279	1,227,909	11	4	9	9	80,800	1,195,931	0	11	14	16	0	31,978	10	4,000	0	457	57,381	13	7	20,386	1,499,112	0	7	22	16	3	
222	127,609	1,178,474	4	1	9	4	78,405	1,295,719	18	3	16	10	6	..	..	4,000	0	466	56,046	17	3	20,386	1,499,112	0	7	22	15	2
207	129,952	1,325,852	2	11	10	8	69,308	1,421,599	0	1	16	9	8	183,253	2	4,000	0	482	54,909	13	11	21,778	1,499,112	0	7	22	15	2	
1882	125,855	1,189,012	2	7	9	4	60,137	902,195	1	8	15	9	1	286,817	0	3,500	0	452	42,204	19	0	25,059	1,499,112	0	7	22	15	2	
1881	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3,500	0	604	32,822	12	4	16,137	1,499,112	0	7	22	15	2
1880	81,660	864,441	18	10	10	11	57,446	780,504	13	4	13	11	8	83,937	5	3,500	0	604	32,822	12	4	16,137	1,499,112	0	7	22	15	2	
165	71,865	812,399	11	11	6	1	54,698	876,180	19	3	16	0	4	..	..	3,500	0	569	31,715	18	2	15,401	1,499,112	0	7	22	15	2
147	69,908	762,084	12	0	10	18	42,746	742,053	14	3	17	7	2	20,030	17	2,500	0	533	31,664	12	9	13,005	1,499,112	0	7	22	15	2	
138	60,953	681,294	13	2	11	3	39,363	667,023	7	5	16	18	10	14,271	5	2,500	0	598	29,193	14	6	11,235	1,499,112	0	7	22	15	2	
124	57,295	644,134	12	6	11	14	39,486	696,281	7	4	17	12	8	..	..	2,500	0	620	28,762	4	7	11,255	1,499,112	0	7	22	15	2
119	56,129	657,653	4	0	11	4	36,977	729,759	17	9	19	14	8	..	..	2,500	0	644	28,762	3	5	11,273	1,499,112	0	7	22	15	2
1875	52,627	699,249	14	3	13	5	29,778	620,155	8	9	20	16	5	79,094	5	2,250	0	655	26,935	6	8	10,340	1,499,112	0	7	22	15	2	
1876	64,134	657,653	4	0	11	4	36,977	729,759	17	9	19	14	8	..	..	2,500	0	644	28,762	3	5	11,273	1,499,112	0	7	22	15	2
1877	56,129	657,653	4	0	11	4	36,977	729,759	17	9	19	14	8	..	..	2,500	0	644	28,762	3	5	11,273	1,499,112	0	7	22	15	2
1878	72,084	762,084	12	0	10	18	42,746	742,053	14	3	17	7	2	20,030	17	2,500	0	533	31,664	12	9	13,005	1,499,112	0	7	22	15	2	
1879	61,294	681,294	13	2	11	3	39,363	667,023	7	5	16	18	10	14,271	5	2,500	0	598	29,193	14	6	11,235	1,499,112	0	7	22	15	2	
1880	81,660	864,441	18	10	10	11	57,446	780,504	13	4	13	11	8	83,937	5	3,500	0	604	32,822	12	4	16,137	1,499,112	0	7	22	15	2	
1881	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3,500	0	604	32,822	12	4	16,137	1,499,112	0	7	22	15	2
1882	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3,500	0	604	32,822	12	4	16,137	1,499,112	0	7	22	15	2
1883	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3,500	0	604	32,822	12	4	16,137	1,499,112	0	7	22	15	2
1884	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3,500	0	604	32,822	12	4	16,137	1,499,112	0	7	22	15	2
1885	3,500	0	604	32,822	12	4	16,137	1,499,112	0	7	22	15	2	
1886	3,500	0	604	32,822	12	4	16,137	1,499,112	0	7	22	15	2	
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Table No. 7.

BALANCE-SHEET OF THE NEW ZEALAND POST OFFICE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1911.

	Balances on 1st January, 1911.			Transactions.			Balances on 31st December, 1911.		
	Cr.	Dr.	£ s. d.	Cr.	Dr.	£ s. d.	Cr.	Dr.	
MONEY-ORDER ACCOUNTS:—									
Money-orders (general)	42,079 4 0	..	..	2,924,238 3 11	2,915,214 18 6	51,102 9 5	..	..
United Kingdom	27,696 5 8½	..	..	295,751 4 2½	297,783 13 9½	25,663 16 1½	..	..
United States of America	919 10 0	..	..	22,844 10 9	23,625 2 3	138 18 0	..	..
Australia	3,144 6 0	..	..	225,919 14 0	224,224 7 0½	4,839 12 11½	..	..
Austria	3,818 10 1	..	..	25,103 16 3	22,629 13 1	6,292 13 3	..	..
Canada	..	80 10 0	..	4,196 1 1	4,175 14 3	..	60 3 2	..	
Ceylon	185 13 1	..	..	1,619 7 10	1,718 17 3	86 3 8	..	..
Fiji	..	236 13 4	..	3,632 19 1	3,470 7 9	..	74 2 0	..	
France	..	..	..	783 9 3	50 4 8	733 4 7	..	..
Germany	2,624 10 8	..	..	2,612 8 3	3,872 11 0	1,364 7 11	..	..
Hong Kong	153 7 8	..	..	1,753 19 0	1,804 14 9	102 11 11	..	..
India	703 1 9	..	..	3,799 5 3	2,772 19 8	1,729 7 4	..	..
Norway	275 10 3	..	..	1,182 10 4	1,172 13 0	285 7 7	..	..
Samoa	..	1,045 4 7	..	2,695 4 7	3,105 18 6	..	1,455 18 6	..	
Straits Settlements	..	27 13 6	..	168 4 5	71 17 5	68 13 6	..	..
Tonga	..	2,100 19 10	..	5,810 18 11	7,754 12 7	..	4,044 13 6	..	
Union of South Africa	..	1,317 16 5	..	5,720 3 4	4,492 6 3	..	89 19 4	..	
Commission	..	418 16 7	..	2,325 17 10	2,349 13 10	..	442 12 7	..	
SAVINGS-BANK ACCOUNTS:—									
Deposits and withdrawals	14,104,989 19 2	..	..	12,100,242 12 8	10,662,045 15 2	15,543,186 16 8	..	..
Transfers	6,741 9 8	..	..	979,297 11 7	979,614 18 8	6,424 2 7	..	..
POSTAL ACCOUNTS:—									
Stamps	178,104 12 3	..	..	921,535 13 11	905,395 3 2½	194,245 2 11½	..	..
Postal Guides	10 1 2	..	..	558 4 4	554 18 2	13 7 4	..	..
Postal notes	110,836 1 6½	..	..	578,788 19 2	570,012 13 3½	119,612 7 5	..	..
Private box and bag rents	..	..	..	11,923 13 8	11,923 13 8	..	..	..
Money-order commission	..	..	..	15,307 7 7	15,307 7 7	..	..	..
British postal orders—H.O. a/c	20,918 15 0	..	..	46,472 18 4	42,538 19 2	24,852 14 2	..	..
—C.P.M.'s a/c	18,796 15 7	..	..	42,538 19 2	40,602 4 10	20,733 9 11	..	..
—London a/c	..	12 9 5	..	40,199 4 10½	40,202 17 4½	..	16 1 11	..	
B.P.O. commission	..	..	..	459 13 3½	459 13 3½	..	..	..
Postal revenue	4,492 0 1	..	..	606,824 14 5½	612,777 7 0	..	1,460 12 5½	..
TELEGRAPH ACCOUNTS:—									
New South Wales Telegraphs	508 17 11	..	..	16,301 3 10	16,268 11 7	541 10 2	..	..
New Zealand and Australian Cable	231 16 5	..	..	6,408 1 4	6,377 0 10	262 16 11	..	..
Pacific Cable Board	1,899 16 3	..	..	49,717 12 3	49,838 5 3	1,779 3 3	..	..
Telephone-exchange receipts	..	..	..	178,964 7 2	178,964 7 2	..	..	..
Special-messenger receipts	..	..	..	475 9 10	475 9 10	..	..	..
Maintenance of private wires	..	..	..	3,344 13 8	3,344 13 8	..	..	..
Registration of code addresses	..	..	..	1,262 14 3	1,262 14 3	..	..	..
Cable deposits	..	..	..	4,834 14 3	4,839 1 1½	266 3 11	..	..
Telegraph revenue	270 10 9½	..	..	541,531 0 10	540,953 8 0½	6,660 10 0½	..	..
..	6,082 17 3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
GENERAL ACCOUNTS:—									
Post Office Account	..	587,132 18 6	..	10,070,901 2 1	9,926,837 9 2	..	443,069 5 7	..	
Postmasters and Telegraphists	..	465,582 14 10	..	22,503,002 7 0	22,596,271 11 3½	..	558,851 19 1½	..	
Investments	..	13,725,819 19 7	..	1,446,593 0 0	2,990,343 0 0	..	15,269,569 19 7	..	
Accrued interest on investments	..	150,578 4 5	..	150,578 4 5	163,826 3 5	..	163,826 3 5	..	
Miscellaneous receipts (general)	..	..	..	15,199 2 0½	14,802 8 11	..	..	..
Foreign postage	3,652 10 9½	..	..	44,694 3 11	34,766 0 8	4,049 3 11	..	..
Foreign Mail Settlement Account	4,996 9 6	..	..	..	..	14,924 12 9	..	..
..	10,653 19 4	..	..	31,066 7 4	41,720 6 8	..	..	..

Table No. 7—continued.
BALANCE-SHEET OF THE NEW ZEALAND POST OFFICE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1911—continued.

	Balances on 1st January, 1911.			Transactions.				Balances on 31st December, 1911.			
	Cr.		Dr.	Cr.		Dr.		Cr.		Dr.	
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.			£	s. d.		
GENERAL ACCOUNTS—continued.											
Miscellaneous expenses ..	30,708	17 8	..	1,664,647	15 6	1,661,484	13 10	33,871	19 4	..	..
Discount stamps ..	2,086	13 0	..	1,272	15 0	1,303	0 0	2,056	8 0	..	..
FOR OTHER DEPARTMENTS:—											
Advances to Settlers ..	14,668	1 11	..	3,213,717	6 0	3,199,509	9 3	28,875	18 8	..	..
Arms Act Licenses ..	3	0 0	..	160	0 0	160	0 0	3	0 0	..	..
Audit fees ..	5	0 0	..	10	0 0	10	13 4	4	6 8	..	..
Clerks of Court ..	0	12 0	..	74	4 8	64	4 8	10	12 0	..	..
County Clerks ..	..	..	..	203	8 0	203	8 0	..	..	..	..
Customs dues (H.M.C.) ..	341	19 3	..	1,379	0 11	1,707	8 8	13	11 6	..	..
Customs duty (parcels) ..	6,160	17 0	..	69,302	18 2	68,351	1 8	7,112	13 6	..	..
Education Department ..	..	..	..	2	0 0	2	0 0	..	..	..	..
Electoral receipts ..	..	..	..	19	10 0	19	2 0	0	8 0	..	..
Factories Act ..	..	..	..	40	14 0	40	14 0	..	..	..	..
Fishing licenses ..	132	0 0	..	1,094	2 6	1,184	5 0	41	17 6	..	..
Game licenses ..	..	..	..	4,156	3 0	4,156	3 0	..	..	..	..
Goldfields revenue ..	4	2 9	..	138	2 0	135	4 3	7	0 6	..	..
Government Insurance ..	2,048	14 5	..	27,883	13 6	27,953	0 9	1,979	7 2	..	..
Government Printer ..	0	8 0	..	25	8 4	24	9 7	1	6 9	..	..
Imperial pensions ..	555	1 2	..	33,000	0 0	26,836	2 9	6,718	18 5	..	..
Income-tax ..	103	4 4	..	252,482	10 2	252,430	0 0	155	14 6	..	..
Land-tax ..	2,046	8 0	..	468,241	15 10	468,105	0 0	2,183	3 10	..	..
Licensing Act ..	..	..	..	20	0 0	20	0 0	..	..	..	..
Machinery ..	799	0 0	..	9,493	0 0	9,676	12 6	615	7 6	..	..
Marine light dues ..	0	3 4	..	2	6 4	2	6 4	0	3 4	..	..
Mining Act ..	479	0 0	..	256	10 0	308	5 0	427	5 0	..	..
Miners Guides ..	1	5 6	..	..	..	1	5 6	..	..	..	..
National Provident Fund receipts ..	..	..	..	1,333	16 5	1,090	18 3	242	18 2	..	..
New Zealand Consols ..	..	..	..	1,125	0 0	1,125	0 0	..	..	..	..
Official Assignee ..	..	..	..	..	..	0	12 6	..	..	..	..
Old-age pensions ..	0	12 6	..	404,000	0 0	404,312	4 10	26,867	8 8	..	..
Miscellaneous ..	27,179	13 6	..	0	16 8	1,652,758	13 10	41,420	18 2	..	..
Public Trust ..	33,461	11 7	..	1,660,718	0 5	1,392	2 8	235	15 6	..	..
Railways ..	324	1 9	..	1,068	0 11	2,676	6 6	3	4 2	..	..
Registration of births, &c. ..	184	1 0	..	2,728	1 0	263	19 10	138	4 1	..	..
Rents ..	11	4 10	..	255	19 2	1,940	0 6	4	10 0	..	..
Sanatorium, Hanmer Springs ..	176	11 9	..	1,901	12 10	1,940	0 6	238	5 0	..	..
Stock Department ..	..	..	..	10	10 0	4,711	10 7	..	..	..	..
Valuation revenue ..	139	17 6	..	4,809	18 1	15	16 8	2	1 0	..	..
Miscellaneous revenue ..	1	14 2	..	14	2 6	..	..	259,769	15 6	..	..
Suspense Account ..	..	..	..	2	1 0	..	..	..	..	..	..
Profit and loss ..	257,942	18 10	..	666,066	12 0	664,239	15 4	..	..	..	..
Totals ..	14,934,354	1 0	14,934,354	62,430,839	10 5½	62,430,839	10 5½	16,442,961	11 2	16,442,961	11 2

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Table No. 8.

SECURITIES, ETC., STANDING IN THE NAME OF THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL ON ACCOUNT OF THE
POST-OFFICE SAVINGS-BANK FUND ON THE 31ST DECEMBER, 1911.

Description of Securities.	Nominal Value.		Cost-price.		Accrued Interest on 31st December, 1911.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1899 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	125,000	0 0	125,000	0 0	731	3 3
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1900 Debentures, 4 per cent.	200	0 0	200	0 0	1	6 3
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1900 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	56,500	0 0	56,500	0 0	325	1 4
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1901 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	32,600	0 0	32,600	0 0	570	10 0
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1901 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	2,500	0 0	2,500	0 0	7	3 10
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1902 Debentures, 4 per cent.	3,000	0 0	3,000	0 0	9	17 3
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1902 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	125,000	0 0	125,000	0 0	359	11 9
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1903 Debentures, 4 per cent.	1,000	0 0	1,000	0 0	20	0 0
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1903 Debentures, 4 per cent.	170,100	0 0	170,100	0 0	2,833	8 9
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1903 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	61,525	0 0	61,525	0 0	1,076	13 9
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1905 Debentures, 4 per cent.	51,750	0 0	51,750	0 0	1,035	0 0
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1906 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	500,000	0 0	500,000	0 0	8,750	0 0
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1907 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	200,000	0 0	200,000	0 0	3,500	0 0
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1908 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	50,000	0 0	50,000	0 0	436	6 0
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1909 Debentures, 4 per cent.	300	0 0	300	0 0	6	0 0
Canadian Stock, 3 per cent.	5,000	0 0	4,800	0 0	79	7 6
Canadian Stock, 2½ per cent.	12,666	15 11	10,133	8 9	88	3 9
Cape of Good Hope Consolidated Stock, 3½ per cent.	200	0 0	186	1 3	8	14 1
The Coal-mines Act 1908 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	40,000	0 0	40,000	0 0	271	7 4
The Consolidated Loan Act 1867 Debentures, 4 per cent.	13,000	0 0	12,480	0 0	109	13 11
The Consolidated Stock Act 1884 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	194,200	0 0	194,200	0 0	2,830	10 6
The Consolidated Stock Act 1884 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	283,500	0 0	283,500	0 0	3,289	7 4
The Consolidated Stock Act 1884 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	165,000	0 0	165,000	0 0	1,914	8 11
The Dairy Industry Act 1898 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	438	0 0	438	0 0	6	7 8
The Dairy Industry Act 1898 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	1,343	0 0	1,343	0 0	19	11 6
The Defence and other Purposes Loan Act 1870 Debentures, 4 per cent.	75,000	0 0	72,000	0 0	632	17 6
The Defence and other Purposes Loan Act 1870 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	8,100	0 0	8,100	0 0	141	15 0
Dunedin Garrison Hall Debentures, 4½ per cent.	4,500	0 0	4,500	0 0	87	13 1
The General Purposes Loan Act 1873 Debentures, 4 per cent.	5,200	0 0	4,342	0 0	43	17 7
The Government Advances to Settlers Act 1894 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	300,000	0 0	300,000	0 0	863	0 5
The Government Advances to Settlers Act 1906 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	555,000	0 0	555,000	0 0	1,596	11 7
The Government Advances to Settlers Act 1908 Debentures, 4 per cent.	12,900	0 0	12,964	10 0	258	0 0
The Government Advances to Settlers Extension Act 1901 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	80,000	0 0	80,000	0 0	230	2 9
The Government Advances to Workers Act 1906 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	25,000	0 0	25,000	0 0	71	18 4
The Government Advances to Workers Act 1906 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	205,000	0 0	205,000	0 0	3,587	10 0
The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act 1886 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	231,500	0 0	231,500	0 0	2,686	0 6
The Government Railways Act 1908 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	85,000	0 0	85,000	0 0	..	..
The Government Railways Act 1908 Debentures, 4 per cent.	10,000	0 0	10,000	0 0	..	..
The Government Railways Act 1908 and Finance Act 1909 Debentures, 4 per cent.	100	0 0	100	0 0	1	13 3
The Government Railways Act 1908 and Finance Act 1909 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	50,000	0 0	50,000	0 0	..	..
The Government Railways Amendment Act 1910 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	50,350	0 0	50,350	0 0	733	17 4
The Government Railways Amendment Act 1910 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	11,150	0 0	11,150	0 0	27	15 11
Greymouth Harbour Board Debentures, 4 per cent.	220,000	0 0	220,000	0 0	4,273	19 3
Hamilton Borough Debentures, 4½ per cent.	3,000	0 0	3,000	0 0	56	4 4
The Hutt Railway and Road Improvement Acts 1903 and 1905 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	100,000	0 0	100,000	0 0	575	6 9
The Hutt Railway and Road Improvement Act 1905 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	50,000	0 0	50,000	0 0	287	13 5
The Hutt Railway and Road Improvement Act 1907 Debentures, 4 per cent.	10,000	0 0	10,000	0 0	32	17 6
The Hutt Railway and Road Improvement Act 1907 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	67,000	0 0	67,000	0 0	385	9 6
The Hutt Railway and Road Improvement Act 1907 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	27,590	0 0	27,590	0 0	402	2 8

Table No. 8—continued.

SECURITIES, ETC., STANDING IN THE NAME OF THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL ON ACCOUNT OF THE POST-OFFICE SAVINGS-BANK FUND ON THE 31ST DECEMBER, 1911—continued.

Description of Securities.	Nominal Value.			Cost-price.			Accrued Interest on 31st December, 1911.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
The Hutt Railway and Road Improvement Act 1910 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	15,000	0	0	15,000	0	0	218	12	7
The Immigration and Public Works Loan Act 1870 Debentures, $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	20,900	0	0	20,527	10	0	198	8	1
The Immigration and Public Works Loan Act 1870 Debentures, 4 per cent.	175,300	0	0	168,372	0	0	1,479	4	9
India Stock, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	216	14	5	213	18	9	2	0	6
India Stock, 3 per cent.	52	13	9	45	15	0	0	8	5
Inscribed Stock, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	618,000	0	0	618,000	0	0	11,445	17	6
Inscribed Stock, 5 per cent.	2,260,495	11	1	2,244,582	18	0	18,885	2	10
Irish Land Stock, $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	100	0	0	89	15	0	1	16	9
The Land for Settlements Act 1908 Debentures, 4 per cent. ..	300	0	0	300	0	0	6	0	0
The Land for Settlements Act 1908 Debentures, 4 per cent. ..	400	0	0	400	0	0	5	13	6
The Land for Settlements Act 1908 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. ..	76,150	0	0	76,150	0	0	1,332	12	6
The Land for Settlements Act 1908 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. ..	62,000	0	0	62,000	0	0	541	0	3
The Land for Settlements Act 1908 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. ..	27,000	0	0	27,000	0	0	155	6	10
The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act 1900 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	741,066	0	0	741,066	0	0	4,334	14	8
The Lands for Settlements Consolidation Act 1900 Debentures, 4 per cent.	9,550	0	0	9,550	0	0	176	16	5
The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act 1900 Debentures, 4 per cent.	2,400	0	0	2,400	0	0	36	10	6
The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act 1900 Debentures, 4 per cent.	20,000	0	0	20,000	0	0	199	9	0
The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act 1900 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	10,650	0	0	10,650	0	0	155	4	6
The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act 1900 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	5,000	0	0	5,000	0	0	87	10	0
The Lands Improvement and Native Lands Acquisition Act 1894 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	339,000	0	0	339,000	0	0	2,990	12	3
The Local Bodies' Loans Act 1901 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. ..	100,000	0	0	100,000	0	0	1,160	5	5
The Local Bodies' Loans Act 1908 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. ..	785,000	0	0	785,000	0	0	9,108	2	6
The Local Bodies' Loans Act 1908 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. ..	150,000	0	0	150,000	0	0	1,740	8	1
The Local Bodies' Loans Act 1908 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. ..	786,000	0	0	786,000	0	0	9,119	14	7
The Local Bodies' Loans Act 1908 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. ..	50,000	0	0	50,000	0	0	143	16	8
The Maori Land Settlement Act 1905 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	25,650	0	0	25,650	0	0	448	17	6
The Maori Land Settlement Act Amendment Act 1907 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	50,000	0	0	50,000	0	0	875	0	0
New South Wales Stock, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	27,000	0	0	26,865	0	0	340	16	8
The New Zealand State-guaranteed Advances Act 1909 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	400,000	0	0	400,000	0	0	3,490	7	11
The New Zealand State-guaranteed Advances Act 1909 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	1,918,600	0	0	1,918,600	0	0	15,996	2	9
The New Zealand Land for Settlements Act 1908 and State-guaranteed Advances Amendment Act 1910 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	44,925	0	0	44,925	0	0	786	3	9
The New Zealand State-guaranteed Advances Acts 1909 and 1910 (Land for Settlements Branch) Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	99,000	0	0	99,000	0	0	854	7	7
The New Zealand State-guaranteed Advances Acts 1909 and 1910 (Land for Settlements Branch) Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	8,000	0	0	8,000	0	0	44	9	10
The Oamaru Borough Consolidated Loan Debentures, 5 per cent.	13,800	0	0	13,800	0	0	345	0	0
Patea Harbour Board Debentures, $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	30,000	0	0	30,000	0	0	536	6	0
The Post-Office Savings-Bank Fund Investment Act 1907 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	125,000	0	0	125,000	0	0	2,187	10	0
The Post and Telegraph Act 1908 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. ..	75,000	0	0	75,000	0	0	1,312	10	0
The Railways Improvement Authorization Act 1907 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	25,000	0	0	25,000	0	0	..	..	..
The Reserve Fund Securities Act 1907 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	800,000	0	0	800,000	0	0	11,660	5	0
The Scenery Preservation Act 1908 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. ..	40,000	0	0	40,000	0	0	230	2	8
South Australian Stock, 4 per cent.	1,772	16	2	1,861	9	0	19	15	0
South Australian Stock, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	12,000	0	0	11,760	0	0	222	5	0
The State Coal-mines Act 1901 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. ..	100,000	0	0	100,000	0	0	872	12	0
The State Fire Insurance Act 1908 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. ..	2,000	0	0	2,000	0	0	11	10	1
Thames Harbour Board Debentures, 4 per cent.	10,000	0	0	10,000	0	0	99	14	6
Timaru Borough Council Debentures, 4 per cent.	4,000	0	0	4,000	0	0	..	..	..
The Public Revenues Act 1910 Treasury bills, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. ..	200,000	0	0	200,000	0	0	..	..	..
Victorian Stock, 8 per cent.	12,379	19	10	10,708	13	10	196	10	6
The Waihou and Ohinemuri Rivers Improvement Act 1910 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	100,000	0	0	100,000	0	0	1,457	10	7
Wellington City Council Debentures, 4 per cent.	100,000	0	0	99,000	0	0	2,000	0	0
Wellington City Council Debentures, 4 per cent.	25,000	0	0	24,500	0	0	500	0	0
Wellington Harbour Board Debentures, $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	28,900	0	0	28,900	0	0	420	12	8
Westport Harbour Board Debentures, 4 per cent.	489,500	0	0	489,500	0	0	9,790	0	0
Accrued interest on Post Office Account .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	351	3	0
Totals	15,803,321	11	2	15,269,569	19	7	163,826	3	5

Table No. 9.

POST-OFFICE SAVINGS-BANK.

Receipts and Payments for the Year ended 31st December, 1911.

Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
Balance to credit of depositors on 1st January, 1911	14,104,989	19	2	Withdrawals during 1911	10,662,045	15	2
Deposits during 1911	11,627,867	14	3	Balance to credit of depositors on 31st December, 1911	15,543,186	16	8
Interest credited to depositors, 1911	472,874	18	5				
	<u>£26,205,232</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>10</u>		<u>£26,205,232</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>10</u>

Liabilities and Assets.

Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
Balance to credit of depositors on 31st December, 1911	15,543,186	16	8	Securities	15,269,569	19	7
Balance of assets over liabilities	259,769	15	6	Balance uninvested	533,386	12	7
	<u>£15,802,956</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>2</u>		<u>£15,802,956</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>2</u>

Profit and Loss Account.

Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
Interest credited to depositors during 1911	472,874	18	5	Balance forward, 1st January, 1911 ..	257,942	18	10
Interest paid on debentures purchased by Department	350	12	6	Interest received during the year	501,869	18	3
Paid Public Account, for cost of Savings-bank management	29,000	0	0	Accrued interest on 31st December, 1911	163,826	3	5
Purchase of home savings-bank boxes	1,436	0	0		665,696	1	8
Savings-bank profits for 1910 paid to revenue	10,000	0	0	Less accrued interest on 31st December, 1910	150,578	4	5
Balance to next account	259,769	15	6	Sundry receipts	370	10	4
	<u>£773,431</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>		<u>£773,431</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>

Table No. 10.

RETURN SHOWING THE TOTAL NUMBER OF POST-OFFICE SAVINGS-BANK ACCOUNTS OPEN ON THE 31ST DECEMBER, 1911, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THE BALANCES AT CREDIT.

Postal District.	Not exceeding £20.	Exceeding £20 and up to £50.	Exceeding £50 and up to £100.	Exceeding £100 and up to £200.	Exceeding £200 and up to £300.	Exceeding £300 and up to £400.	Exceeding £400 and up to £500.	Exceeding £500 and up to £600.	Exceeding £600.	Total Number of Accounts open.
Auckland ..	49,404	6,389	4,228	3,778	1,645	817	413	343	338	67,355
Blenheim ..	4,716	556	379	344	157	94	43	31	22	6,342
Christchurch ..	48,470	6,991	4,711	3,825	1,674	837	454	324	248	67,534
Dunedin ..	33,675	5,439	3,704	3,204	1,502	857	410	275	204	49,270
Gisborne ..	7,153	1,053	677	483	186	110	47	35	33	9,777
Greymouth ..	5,280	793	569	539	229	134	71	53	43	7,711
Hokitika ..	1,463	197	175	161	90	32	19	19	7	2,163
Invercargill ..	11,422	2,049	1,384	1,269	576	261	146	99	47	17,253
Napier ..	14,441	2,173	1,387	1,105	493	240	134	88	99	20,160
Nelson ..	7,081	1,101	758	569	269	128	82	52	32	10,072
New Plymouth	7,297	1,072	721	612	262	147	57	48	43	10,259
Oamaru ..	3,353	610	434	374	157	86	56	23	24	5,122
Thames ..	9,102	1,298	863	646	314	155	70	50	49	12,547
Timaru ..	8,270	1,478	944	754	365	172	92	62	43	12,180
Wanganui ..	15,906	2,502	1,411	1,076	458	253	134	95	70	21,905
Wellington ..	59,765	8,030	5,298	4,117	1,767	879	482	349	323	81,010
Westport ..	3,359	535	418	306	133	72	40	29	14	4,906
Totals, 1911	290,157	42,266	28,061	23,162	10,277	5,274	2,750	1,980	1,639	405,566
Totals, 1910	270,812	40,931	26,966	22,070	9,536	4,761	2,544	1,651	1,314	380,585

Table No. 11.

RETURN showing the Number and Amount of Old-age Pension Payments made each Month for the Two Years ended 31st March, 1912.

Month.	1910-11.				1911-12.			
	Number of Payments.	Amount.			Number of Payments.	Amount.		
		£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
April	15,218	31,008	18	1	15,907	33,328	12	11
May	15,402	31,389	15	2	16,152	33,774	6	4
June	15,477	31,539	1	4	16,011	33,482	16	10
July	15,455	31,483	3	6	16,145	33,744	15	0
August	15,575	31,714	4	8	16,181	33,798	18	5
September	15,579	31,669	7	5	16,152	33,706	10	11
October	15,589	31,743	9	6	16,184	33,742	5	4
November	15,657	31,844	13	2	16,307	34,002	1	2
December	18,693	38,307	6	6	20,147	42,039	6	7
January	12,566	26,331	7	7	12,578	26,146	16	2
February	15,763	33,063	18	0	16,399	34,169	17	0
March	15,883	33,297	5	9	16,460	34,319	9	8
Totals	186,857	383,392	10	8	194,623	406,255	16	4

RETURN for same Period of Number of Payments and Amounts in each Postal District.

Postal District.	1910-11.				1911-12.			
	Number of Payments.	Amount.			Number of Payments.	Amount.		
		£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Auckland... ..	39,219	79,770	18	7	41,091	85,157	11	3
Blenheim... ..	2,252	4,634	13	4	2,368	4,971	15	2
Christchurch	31,044	63,893	14	9	32,591	68,159	10	1
Dunedin	27,965	56,867	15	6	28,864	59,996	10	0
Gisborne	1,429	2,761	16	8	1,490	2,973	4	11
Greymouth	6,349	13,280	1	2	6,304	13,392	9	8
Hokitika	6,473	13,742	15	3	6,292	13,384	4	5
Invercargill	11,516	23,658	13	11	11,866	24,834	15	8
Napier	6,972	14,333	18	2	7,448	15,534	8	3
Nelson	3,742	7,796	10	6	3,827	8,100	7	1
New Plymouth	3,343	6,745	9	3	3,572	7,309	15	1
Oamaru	3,737	7,700	15	11	3,822	7,990	3	1
Thames	6,608	13,722	2	6	6,684	14,111	3	11
Timaru	7,333	14,985	10	5	7,730	16,285	9	8
Wanganui	5,856	12,255	1	5	6,485	13,688	12	0
Wellington	19,646	40,211	8	7	20,928	43,435	18	6
Westport... ..	3,373	7,031	4	9	3,261	6,929	17	7
Totals	186,857	383,392	10	8	194,623	406,255	16	4

Table No. 12.

TABLE showing the estimated Number of Letters and Letter-cards, Post-cards, Book-packets, Newspapers, and Parcels posted and delivered in the several Postal Districts of New Zealand during the Year ended 31st December, 1911.

Postal Districts.	Posted in the Dominion.					Delivered in the Dominion.					Total posted and delivered.				
	Letters and Letter-cards.	Post-cards.	Books, &c.	Newspapers.	Parcels.	Letters and Letter-cards.	Post-cards.	Books, &c.	Newspapers.	Parcels.	Letters and Letter-cards.	Post-cards.	Books, &c.	Newspapers.	Parcels.
Auckland	19,585,650	1,110,590	6,086,306	3,946,039	383,071	19,344,572	1,058,642	4,944,160	3,672,136	383,808	38,930,222	2,169,232	11,030,466	7,618,175	766,879
Blenheim	1,372,854	75,855	335,493	280,905	11,869	1,611,805	99,216	411,125	555,480	37,057	2,984,659	175,071	746,618	839,085	48,926
Christchurch	13,345,233	713,661	3,664,532	2,989,398	296,868	14,958,671	1,114,958	3,428,035	2,615,236	187,295	28,303,904	1,828,619	7,092,567	5,604,634	484,163
Dunedin	11,173,433	635,804	4,095,157	1,931,499	195,802	11,378,302	840,073	3,878,212	2,442,206	126,104	22,551,735	1,475,877	7,973,369	4,373,705	321,906
Gisborne	1,625,338	88,465	619,777	627,317	30,290	1,757,886	102,323	435,266	838,019	49,204	3,383,224	190,788	1,055,043	1,405,336	79,554
Greytown	1,207,740	45,981	194,818	318,578	12,519	1,713,842	80,119	333,502	734,201	39,003	2,921,582	126,100	528,320	1,052,779	51,522
Hokitika	536,253	27,794	124,614	170,222	15,327	712,517	60,385	334,932	304,187	21,363	1,248,770	88,179	459,546	474,409	36,690
Invercargill	5,246,366	313,248	1,453,091	713,064	47,021	6,291,129	439,387	1,585,090	1,319,240	87,832	11,537,495	752,635	3,038,181	2,032,304	134,853
Napier	5,815,815	244,725	1,761,126	945,455	59,111	6,015,932	302,237	1,666,964	1,671,637	105,535	11,831,747	546,962	3,428,090	2,617,112	164,646
Nelson	2,144,198	152,906	532,182	416,329	25,948	2,311,907	189,293	723,086	698,594	45,885	4,456,105	342,199	1,255,268	1,114,923	71,833
New Plymouth	2,482,955	215,059	527,541	477,146	27,378	2,830,932	133,133	511,329	774,462	64,196	5,313,887	348,192	1,038,870	1,251,608	91,574
Oamaru	1,339,455	69,251	217,994	170,885	8,437	1,986,231	115,115	448,292	287,313	19,682	3,325,686	184,366	666,286	458,198	28,119
Thames	2,212,126	98,631	419,008	298,597	18,785	2,476,591	131,339	461,435	582,166	59,774	4,688,717	229,970	880,443	880,763	78,559
Timaru	3,245,516	246,181	919,262	423,492	21,255	3,870,555	262,314	1,310,478	812,786	37,929	7,116,071	508,495	2,229,740	1,236,278	59,184
Wanganui	5,870,164	409,019	1,686,809	1,066,269	66,807	6,771,843	440,960	1,726,335	2,054,975	148,307	12,642,007	849,979	3,413,144	3,121,244	215,114
Wellington	21,310,238	955,994	7,376,680	4,026,316	382,551	21,142,134	1,421,628	6,289,010	5,218,356	278,522	42,452,372	2,377,622	13,664,690	9,244,672	661,073
Westport	794,253	22,750	124,345	135,577	9,971	968,191	38,441	208,450	280,917	22,813	1,762,444	61,191	327,795	416,494	32,784
Totals	99,307,587	5,425,914	30,137,735	18,936,788	1,613,010	106,143,040	6,829,563	28,690,701	24,864,931	1,714,369	205,450,627	12,255,477	58,828,436	43,801,719	3,327,379
Previous year ..	96,440,038	5,786,417	28,636,434	18,375,596	1,190,711	100,328,930	7,895,251	26,371,878	23,929,958	1,281,253	196,768,968	13,681,668	55,008,362	42,305,554	2,471,964

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.
United Kingdom and foreign countries (<i>via</i> London)	83,312	lb. oz. 478,632 0	93,998	lb. oz. 530,896 0	12,252	lb. oz. 37,745 6	13,112	lb. oz. 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.

Table No. 15—continued.
TO LONDON VIA SAN FRANCISCO.

	Melbourne.	Sydney.	Dunedin.	Christchurch	Wellington.	Auckland.
Maximum (in days) ...	45	44	39	39	38	37
Minimum " ...	38	37	32	32	31	30
Average " ...	40	39	34	34	33	32

The high maxima were occasioned by an accident to the machinery of the "Aorangi," which caused the mails to be seven days late in reaching London.

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

FROM LONDON VIA VANCOUVER.

	Melbourne.	Sydney.	Auckland.	Wellington.	Christchurch	Dunedin.
Maximum (in days) ...	*	*	34	35	36	36
Minimum "	31	32	33	33
Average "	32	33	34	34

TO LONDON VIA VANCOUVER.

	Auckland.	Wellington.	Christchurch	Dunedin.	Sydney.	Melbourne.
Maximum (in days) ...	35	36	37	37	39	41
Minimum " ...	31	32	33	33	35	37
Average " ...	32	33	34	34	36	38

STATEMENT showing the Number of Days occupied in the Delivery of Mails between London and the undermentioned Places by the Packets of the Peninsular and Oriental Service.

FROM LONDON VIA BRINDISI (P. AND O. PACKETS).

	Melbourne.	Sydney.	Auckland.	Wellington.	Christchurch	Dunedin.
Maximum (in days) ...	30	32	38	39	39	40
Minimum " ...	29	30	35	34	35	35
Average " ...	30	31	37	38	39	38

TO LONDON VIA BRINDISI (P. AND O. PACKETS).

	Auckland.	Wellington.	Christchurch	Dunedin.	Sydney.	Melbourne.
Maximum (in days) ...	37	36	37	37	32	31
Minimum " ...	36	35	36	36	31	30
Average " ...	36	35	36	36	31	30

* No mails received.

STATEMENT showing the Number of Days occupied in the Delivery of Mails between London and the undermentioned Places by the Packets of the Orient Line.

FROM LONDON VIA TARANTO (ORIENT PACKETS).

	Melbourne.	Sydney.	Auckland.	Wellington.	Christchurch	Dunedin.
Maximum (in days) ...	31	32	38	39	40	39
Minimum " ...	30	31	35	36	37	38
Average " ...	30	31	37	38	38	38

TO LONDON VIA TARANTO (ORIENT PACKETS).

	Auckland.	Wellington.	Christchurch	Dunedin.	Sydney.	Melbourne.
Maximum (in days) ...	40	39	40	40	34	33
Minimum " ...	37	37	38	38	32	31
Average " ...	38	37	38	38	32	31

Table No. 16.

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.

Year ended	Number of Miles of Line.	Number of Miles of Wire.	Number of Offices Open.	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.		£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	
30th June, 1866	699	1,390	13	24,761	2,746	27,407	5,561	19	2	6,045	3	4	3,934	3	4	6,377	6	3	Mileage tariff.
" 1867	757	1,498	21	55,621	15,331	70,952	9,070	10	1	12,840	14	9	8,017	14	7	10,558	19	6	
" 1868	1,110	2,223	31	72,241	26,244	98,485	11,652	3	7	18,324	3	10	9,489	17	10	14,896	5	1	
" 1869	1,329	2,495	45	106,070	50,097	156,167	18,520	10	4	31,951	2	1	14,266	12	7	22,813	17	4	Mileage tariff in operation up to 1st Sept., 1869; uniform 2s. 6d. tariff from 1st Sept., 1869, to 31st March, 1870; and 1s. tariff from 1st April, 1870.
" 1870	1,661	2,897	56	122,545	62,878	185,423	17,218	1	4	29,470	7	4	16,417	7	4	30,537	12	2	
" 1871	1,976	3,247	72	253,582	59,292	312,874	22,419	8	8	32,296	6	2	21,254	4	3	32,598	7	11	
" 1872	2,185	3,823	81	344,524	67,243	411,767	28,121	10	0	39,164	13	9	23,593	9	9	32,452	9	4	From 1st November, 1873, address and signature given in free.
" 1873	2,356	4,574	93	485,507	83,453	568,960	39,680	18	9	59,786	0	9	27,040	18	10	36,520	4	2	
" 1874	2,530	5,782	105	645,067	107,832	752,899	46,508	18	10	59,127	10	4	38,801	19	4	53,823	17	3	
" 1875	2,986	6,626	127	786,237	130,891	917,128	55,301	12	3	68,981	3	0	45,814	11	4	60,055	10	11	From 1st November, 1873, address and signature given in free.
" 1876	3,154	7,247	142	890,382	160,704	1,051,086	62,715	10	4	78,869	16	4	61,696	14	5	82,771	3	1	
" 1877	3,259	7,423	155	952,283	172,159	1,124,442	65,644	15	3	82,669	4	0	63,353	10	10	81,284	18	10	
" 1878	3,434	8,035	182	1,065,481	194,843	1,260,324	73,284	1	10	92,432	14	2	69,340	1	8	87,599	6	5	From 1st November, 1873, address and signature given in free.
" 1879	3,512	8,117	195	1,201,982	246,961	1,448,943	85,402	0	2	112,351	2	4	79,502	0	5	96,801	8	3	
31st March, 1880	3,638	9,333	214	824,734	183,675	1,008,409	58,120	3	3	77,827	9	6	68,651	10	10	83,409	15	3	
" 1881	3,758	9,587	227	1,058,342	246,370	1,304,712	73,002	2	0	100,023	5	8	78,224	1	8	101,378	9	11	From 1st November, 1873, address and signature given in free.
" 1882	3,824	9,653	234	1,215,849	222,923	1,438,772	78,828	19	8	101,566	16	0	69,165	5	0	87,457	18	4	

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 Open.		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 11	111,242 3 1	73,554 9 1	122,451 6 3	96,005 15 4	£	s.	d.	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 2	115,378 2 5	73,054 4 6	119,210 6 6	92,264 11 4	£	s.	d.	
" 1884	4,264	10,474	330	1,433,458	220,847	1,654,305	95,634 5 5	20,855 19 7	116,490 5 0	70,036 6 2	120,041 15 10	90,078 2 0	£	s.	d.	
" 1885	4,463	10,931	375	1,533,406	240,867	1,774,273	101,652 8 0	24,860 9 0	126,512 17 0	77,082 4 4	120,900 6 2	97,982 10 6	£	s.	d.	
" 1886	4,546	11,178	412	1,583,717	252,549	1,836,266	106,638 12 2	27,281 4 9	133,919 16 11	77,473 10 7	121,402 18 2	98,875 8 9	£	s.	d.	
" 1887	4,646	11,375	437	1,589,771	245,623	1,835,394	106,548 4 0	30,205 11 0	136,753 15 10	76,580 10 0	121,321 2 9	97,901 12 9	£	s.	d.	
" 1888	4,790	11,617	473	1,548,233	217,630	1,765,863	106,311 11 6	23,104 13 11	129,416 5 5	72,201 13 5	123,262 1 0	95,463 14 5	£	s.	d.	
" 1889	4,874	11,827	489	1,589,157	213,830	1,802,987	106,462 18 4	24,218 9 7	130,681 7 7	75,426 9 7	126,007 1 5	101,433 11 0	£	s.	d.	
" 1890	5,148	12,812	520	1,734,381	226,780	1,961,161	110,696 17 8	26,079 12 7	136,767 10 3	76,845 1 10	127,546 2 0	104,391 3 10	£	s.	d.	
" 1891	5,349	13,235	573	1,746,115	222,149	1,968,264	117,633 15 9	24,840 5 7	142,474 1 4	85,658 4 11	128,986 10 10	114,644 15 9	£	s.	d.	
" 1892	5,479	13,459	615	1,686,064	218,979	1,904,143	103,813 8 6	24,342 7 8	128,155 15 6	87,472 13 3	129,580 10 11	117,053 4 2	£	s.	d.	
" 1893	5,513	13,515	640	1,825,646	244,045	2,069,691	112,465 15 9	28,317 7 10	140,783 3 7	92,109 17 0	129,141 6 0	121,251 3 0	£	s.	d.	

For the Financial Years ended 31st March, 1895, to 31st March, 1912.

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	5,961	14,884	705	1,802,182	231,618	2,033,800	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	Cable subsidy, 6,492 11 8
1896	6,245	15,764	743	1,899,632	224,579	2,124,211	88,459 10 11	21,552 12 10	136,062 11 2	135,791 0 7	143,665 14 0	4,774 5 8
1897	6,284	16,470	780	2,285,001	235,168	2,520,169	97,178 14 0	25,933 12 9	148,955 18 8	25,843 11 11	152,752 18 0	3,972 8 1
1898	6,484	18,024	824	2,469,415	226,818	2,696,233	100,335 16 1	29,248 19 5	152,752 18 0	23,118 2 6	153,484 6 8	1,849 2 9
1899	6,736	18,746	878	2,717,548	243,190	2,960,738	99,708 8 10	36,422 6 8	160,725 5 2	24,504 9 8	165,198 13 5	1,427 19 11
1900	6,910	19,228	915	3,159,093	310,538	3,469,631	105,576 6 0	39,718 7 7	170,794 19 5	25,500 5 10	173,152 16 6	1,608 7 1
1901	7,249	20,682	991	3,534,444	363,684	3,898,128	119,641 11 6	43,303 2 10	192,376 13 4	29,431 19 0	181,634 11 3	1,000 8 6
1902	7,469	21,705	1,038	3,850,391	317,590	4,167,981	131,933 19 11	55,542 4 9	234,984 2 2	35,327 6 2	194,014 12 11	234 15 0
1903	7,748	22,672	1,103	4,271,218	288,086	4,559,304	151,933 19 11	62,151 8 11	248,934 19 4	27,440 2 10	228,185 10 7	181 10 0
1904	7,779	22,920	1,153	4,671,904	293,293	4,965,197	166,535 18 8	71,028 6 3	261,941 6 6	24,377 1 7	245,805 9 7	10,037 11 7
1905	7,943	23,704	1,200	4,900,495	259,250	5,159,745	171,001 13 11	79,061 7 4	270,660 13 1	20,597 11 10	258,977 10 9	
1906	8,355	25,116	1,312	5,351,084	289,135	5,640,219	184,399 6 8	89,542 1 5	298,079 17 11	24,168 10 4	276,580 12 5	
1907	8,953	27,031	1,446	6,160,080	336,252	6,496,332	207,706 15 8	100,814 0 3	325,007 15 7	17,486 19 8	291,359 12 6	
1908	9,656	29,343	1,611	6,958,279	84,644	7,042,923	227,398 6 8	116,852 13 10	348,749 17 1	4,498 16 7	357,581 1 3	
1909	10,404	32,654	1,764	7,338,017	87,676	7,425,693	238,103 16 5	131,249 0 7	374,174 7 10	4,821 10 7	394,049 19 6	
1910	10,901	34,788	1,871	7,757,128	89,762	7,846,890	250,212 2 1	144,298 2 9	399,361 2 0	4,850 17 2	411,296 17 2	
1911	11,316	37,212	1,963	8,268,340	92,307	8,360,647	272,942 12 10	161,173 6 10	438,989 19 10	4,874 0 1	446,709 17 1	
1912	11,805	39,370	2,079	8,971,725	91,408	9,063,133	293,344 8 2	179,123 18 8	479,289 17 4	4,831 10 6	469,716 17 7	

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, 3d.

Table No. 17.

TABLE showing the Cash Revenue derived from Paid Telegrams of all Codes, the Value of Franked Government Telegrams, and the Number of Telegrams transmitted in the several Postal Districts of New Zealand for the Twelve Months ended 31st March, 1912.

Postal District.	Revenue derived from Paid Telegrams of all Codes.		Value of Franked Government Telegrams.		Total Value of Telegrams of all Codes.		Number of Paid Telegrams.	Number of Franked Government Telegrams.	Total Number of Telegrams of all Codes.
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.			
Auckland	58,959	11 4½	740	7 4½	59,699	18 9	1,827,336	14,115	1,841,451
Blenheim	5,010	10 10	240	12 4	5,251	3 2	163,111	4,808	167,919
Christchurch	29,682	9 3½	538	13 9	30,221	3 0½	889,094	9,659	898,753
Dunedin	23,691	1 8	290	18 6½	23,982	0 2½	720,297	4,809	725,106
Gisborne	9,337	5 9	96	15 2	9,434	0 11	247,520	1,927	249,447
Greymouth	6,546	16 3	183	18 0½	6,730	14 3½	180,073	3,677	183,750
Hokitika	2,345	0 7½	8	4 1½	2,353	4 9	68,592	160	68,752
Invercargill	15,077	15 2	165	3 6½	15,242	18 8½	467,198	3,268	470,466
Napier	19,920	4 1½	180	2 7½	20,100	6 9	644,859	3,661	648,520
Nelson	6,749	0 1	644	17 0	7,393	17 1	283,507	12,613	296,120
New Plymouth	8,221	7 1	125	12 5½	8,346	19 6½	258,423	2,474	260,897
Oamaru	4,310	19 6	32	6 11½	4,343	6 5½	112,341	671	113,012
Thames	8,721	9 4	36	15 3½	8,758	4 7½	279,325	740	280,065
Timaru	8,516	19 6	82	6 0	8,599	5 6	259,148	1,608	260,756
Wanganui	19,301	18 3½	105	7 8	19,407	5 11½	617,811	1,961	619,772
Wellington	57,618	14 2½	1,086	3 0½	58,704	17 3	1,828,789	19,863	1,848,652
Westport	4,420	13 5½	273	6 7	4,694	0 0½	124,301	5,394	129,695
Totals, 1911-12	288,431	16 6½	4,831	10 6	293,263	7 0½	8,971,725	91,408	9,063,133
Totals, 1910-11	265,624	2 10½	4,874	0 1½	270,498	3 0	8,268,340	92,307	8,360,647

Table No. 18.

TABLE showing the Paid Telegrams of all Codes forwarded during the Twelve Months ended 31st March, 1912, and the Revenue received therefrom.

Class of Telegrams.	June Quarter, 1911.		September Quarter, 1911.		December Quarter, 1911.		March Quarter, 1912.		Totals.	
	Number.	Revenue.	Number.	Revenue.	Number.	Revenue.	Number.	Revenue.	Number.	Revenue.
Ordinary ..	1,403,164	£ 59,961 6 11	1,356,676	£ 59,687 15 1½	1,562,758	£ 67,078 2 9	1,588,724	£ 68,230 0 4	5,911,322	£ 254,957 5 1½
Urgent ..	58,654	3,644 15 10	56,634	3,615 18 5	73,950	4,173 8 8	69,745	4,420 5 11	258,983	15,854 8 10
Press ..	98,983	5,261 12 6½	109,093	6,178 8 7½	115,351	6,458 4 7	117,079	6,664 17 4½	440,506	24,563 3 1½
Bureau ..	538,944	14,803 4 8	562,211	15,362 1 11	601,437	16,490 6 3½	658,322	18,156 6 10½	2,360,914	64,811 19 9
Gross totals	2,099,745	83,670 19 11½	2,084,614	84,844 4 1	2,353,496	94,200 2 3½	2,433,870	97,471 10 6	8,971,725	360,186 16 10
Less other lines and credits)	..	16,862 11 9	..	18,105 5 10½	..	17,719 18 10	..	19,067 3 10	..	71,755 0 3½
Net totals, 1911-12	2,099,745	66,808 8 2½	2,084,614	66,738 18 2½	2,353,496	76,480 3 5½	2,433,870	78,404 6 8	8,971,725	288,431 16 6½
Net totals, 1910-11	1,958,996	62,873 10 2½	1,930,574	62,382 16 11½	2,160,751	69,195 18 11	2,218,019	71,171 16 9½	8,268,340	265,624 2 10½

Table No. 19.

TABLE showing the CLASS and NUMBER of INSTRUMENTS and BATTERIES in use at TELEGRAPH-OFFICES for the Year ended 31st March, 1912.

District.	Number of Morse Instruments in Use (Full Sets).		Number of Duplexes (Differential).		Number of Direct-sounder Sets.	Number of Quadruplex Sets.	Number of Automatic Sets.
	Intermittent Current.	Constant Current.	Single Current.	Double Current.			
Auckland	48	64	16	3	..	20	1
Wellington	62	169	19	9	3	31	2
Nelson	34	12	10	8	..	4	..
Canterbury	20	111	3	4	..	9	2
Otago	83	103	1	1	..	8	1
Totals	247	459	49	25	3	72	6

District.	Number of Quadruplex Translator Sets.	Number of Telephones not connected with Exchange.	Number of Cells.				
			Leclanche.	Gordon.	Daniell.	Bichromate.	Storage.
Auckland	9	125	8,436	474	687	484	6
Wellington	9	203	10,817	1,223	1,607	210	47
Nelson	3	50	4,250	312	360	..	..
Canterbury	2	9	1,724	66	988	886	2
Otago	1	43	4,754	..	530	210	42
Totals	24	430	29,981	2,075	4,172	1,790	97

Table No. 20.
TABLE SHOWING THE COST OF MAINTENANCE OF TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE LINES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1912.

District.	Miles of Wire.	Miles of Lines.	Travelling-expenses of Engineers and Linemen.	Extra Labour.	Material.	Upkeep of S.s. Trenches.	Rural Telephone: Assistance to Settlers.	Total Expenditure out of Vote Maintenance.	Salaries of Engineers and Linemen.	Total Cost of Maintenance.	Average Cost per Mile of Line.
			£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland ..	9,561	3,136	1,882 1 3	2,551 14 9	2,771 5 8	..	142 9 11	7,347 11 7	5,494 0 0	12,841 11 7	4 1 11
Wellington ..	12,198	3,049	2,003 18 2	2,548 18 10	3,379 0 8	..	261 8 0	8,193 5 8	5,192 0 0	13,385 5 8	4 7 10
Nelson ..	4,436	1,601	1,393 13 10	2,292 10 5	2,353 15 8	..	26 0 3	6,066 0 2	2,246 0 0	8,312 0 2	5 3 10
Canterbury ..	5,622	1,385	815 7 0	552 7 2	785 10 2	..	87 1 11	2,240 6 3	4,454 0 0	6,694 6 3	4 16 8
Otago ..	7,553	2,634	1,016 17 10	749 14 9	1,140 5 6	..	170 3 2	3,077 1 3	3,664 0 0	6,741 1 3	2 11 2
Total ..	39,370	11,805	7,111 18 1	8,695 5 11	10,429 17 8	..	687 3 3	26,924 4 11	21,050 0 0	47,974 4 11	4 1 3
Cables ..	372	..	93 12 10	328 13 10	206 19 10	2,000 0 0	..	2,629 6 6	50 0 0	2,679 6 6	Per Knot. 7 4 1
Stores ..	..	..	164 18 3	616 16 2	..	..	..	781 14 5	1,388 0 0	2,169 14 5	..
Total telegraph-lines ..	..	..	7,370 9 2	9,640 15 11	10,636 17 6	2,000 0 0	687 3 3	30,335 5 10	22,488 0 0	52,823 5 10	..
Telephone exchanges ..	37,872	1,538	1,053 0 5	7,870 0 11	8,754 2 9	..	..	17,677 4 1	16,114 0 0	33,791 4 1	..
Grand total ..	..	..	8,423 9 7	17,510 16 10	19,391 0 3	2,000 0 0	687 3 3	48,012 9 11	38,602 0 0	86,614 9 11	..

Table No. 21.

TABLE SHOWING THE EXPENDITURE ON, AND THE COST OF, TELEGRAPH CONSTRUCTION DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1912.

Line.	Expenditure.	Material from Stores.	Total Cost during the Year.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Telephone exchanges,—			
Ashburton	112 14 9	478 15 0	591 9 9
Auckland	11,269 13 10	8,638 2 3	19,907 16 1
Blenheim	193 8 7	784 0 11	977 9 6
Christchurch	4,039 2 7	6,715 2 2	10,754 4 9
Dannevirke	110 10 6	397 13 11	508 4 5
Dunedin	3,534 7 4	5,012 7 1	8,546 14 5
Feilding	260 1 7	633 12 9	893 14 4
Gisborne	645 13 10	1,312 11 8	1,958 5 6
Greymouth	83 2 10	271 6 5	354 9 3
Hamilton	33 18 7	585 18 11	619 17 6
Hawera	213 1 2	309 0 6	522 1 8
Hokitika	9 6 8	51 2 2	60 8 10
Invercargill	1,356 15 9	2,064 18 11	3,421 14 8
Levin	156 13 5	107 6 1	263 19 6
Masterton	824 0 8	1,346 7 10	2,170 8 6
Napier	4,728 8 5	6,539 12 5	11,268 0 10
Nelson	107 13 11	331 1 8	438 15 7
New Plymouth	213 12 8	471 7 6	685 0 2
Oamaru	2,155 4 1	1,625 5 8	3,780 9 9
Pahiatua	46 7 7	118 10 4	164 17 11
Palmerston North	317 2 0	830 13 0	1,147 15 0
Rotorua	125 6 6	75 8 2	200 14 8
Stratford	104 1 5	335 11 0	439 12 5
Thames	394 14 2	624 2 3	1,018 16 5
Timaru	618 12 0	1,086 15 1	1,705 7 1
Wanganui	1,303 4 2	2,999 7 3	4,302 11 5
Wellington	6,316 9 8	11,182 3 0	17,498 12 8
Westport	33 9 6	145 4 11	178 14 5
Whangarei	227 5 11	143 0 4	370 6 3
Total exchanges	39,534 4 1	55,216 9 2	94,750 13 3
Kohumaru Extension	0 14 6	12 9 9	13 4 3
Kerikeri-Purerua Extension	34 17 0	30 3 2	65 0 2
Russell-Opua	0 7 6	17 7 4	17 14 10
Ivydale Extension	11 1 5	9 19 9	21 1 2
Kawakawa-Opua	8 8 8	..	8 8 8
Otonga Extension	1 5 8	4 15 0	6 0 8
Tanekaha Extension .. .. .	..	4 12 7	4 12 7
Whangarei-Kawakawa (trunk telephone circuit)	144 14 1	332 18 1	477 12 2
Whangarei-Houto	38 15 2	18 1 10	56 17 0
Whangarei Heads - Taurikura Extension	13 2 0	12 9 6	25 11 6
Rukuwai-Taraunui-Waiparera	146 16 3	30 7 10	177 4 1
Whatoro Extension	0 8 9	6 7 8	6 16 5
Parua Bay - Onerahi Extension	0 4 6	..	0 4 6
Dargaville-Tangowahine	19 19 8	21 6 3	41 5 11
Dargaville-Tekopuru-Tatarariki .. .. .	..	53 7 8	53 7 8
Reotahi Telephone	1 11 0	5 1 11	6 12 11
Waipu - North River Extension	114 8 7	18 6 4	132 14 11
Maungaturoto-Wairere	88 17 9	15 5 10	104 3 7
Otamatea Extension	0 18 0	..	0 18 0
Okonga Extension	1 12 4	4 16 6	6 8 10
Tauhoa-Mangakura Extension	0 12 6	..	0 12 6
Mangakura-Glorit	3 10 8	17 19 11	21 10 7
Pukapuka Extension	1 12 6	157 7 6	159 0 0
Pohuehue Telephone-office .. .. .	..	5 2 4	5 2 4
Warkworth - Mullet Point - Te Kapa Extension	187 1 8	33 16 11	220 18 7
Tahekeroa Extension	22 12 3	11 2 11	33 15 2
Dargaville-Whangarei (metallic circuit)	4 11 6	..	4 11 6
Redvale Extension	23 10 7	80 12 1	104 2 8
Ruahau-Piha Extension .. .. .	..	15 0 7	15 0 7

Table No. 21—continued.

TABLE SHOWING THE EXPENDITURE ON, AND THE COST OF, TELEGRAPH CONSTRUCTION DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1912—continued.

Line.	Expenditure.	Material from Stores.	Total Cost during the Year.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Waikumete-Karekare	9 0 3	54 10 10	63 11 1
Auckland-Dargaville	2 7 0	..	2 7 0
Auckland-Waiwera	1 8 3	395 10 9	396 19 0
Auckland-Wiri Extension	38 19 2	37 4 1	76 3 3
Auckland-Matamata	24 0 3	14 4 0	38 4 3
Auckland-Katikati	2 6 10	..	2 6 10
Auckland-Wellington (Auckland-Horopito) ..	3,782 3 10	1,528 0 7	5,310 4 5
Auckland-New Plymouth Line-diversion ..	6 5 10	3 5 8	9 11 6
Auckland-Pukekohe (metallic circuit) ..	..	483 1 6	483 1 6
Otahuhu-Papakura (metallic circuit) ..	4 4 11	130 13 7	134 18 6
Pokeno-Pokeno Valley-Bombay-Paparata Valley-Mangatawhiri Valley-Miranda-Mercer	179 9 7	77 9 3	256 18 10
Waiuku-Ruakohua Extension	10 10 4	3 19 7	14 9 11
Otaua-Waiuku and Puni-Akaaka-Otaua Extensions	245 8 10	17 2 2	262 11 0
Waiterimu Extension	3 18 8	25 9 9	29 8 5
Korakonui Extension .. .. .	..	5 0 8	5 0 8
Ngaruawahia-Mercer	121 8 4	349 7 5	470 15 9
Hamilton-Cambridge	1 1 6	238 3 2	239 4 8
Hamilton-Kawhia (metallic circuit) ..	12 12 10	35 0 7	47 13 5
Tepapatapu .. .. .	..	5 19 9	5 19 9
Mairoa-Marakopa	331 11 7	62 13 2	394 4 9
Mahoenui-Paemako	14 18 7	..	14 18 7
Wardville Extension	10 12 8	..	10 12 8
Turangaomoana-Okauia	44 9 8	11 3 11	55 13 7
Matamata-Monamara	1 0 6	..	1 0 6
Matamata-Tauranga	3 5 0	..	3 5 0
Miranui Extension	7 18 0	7 8 10	15 6 10
Waiharakeke-Hauturu-Pukeinoi	1 10 0	0 10 0	2 0 0
Te Awamutu-Kaputuhi	20 9 8	40 5 3	60 14 11
Kihikihi-Wharepuhunga	4 15 7	47 2 1	51 17 8
Pukeatua Extension	3 4 6	44 19 8	48 4 2
Rotorua-Hamilton (metallic circuit) ..	1 4 0	..	1 4 0
Rotorua-Ngongotaha	235 0 8	113 3 10	348 4 6
Okere-Rotorua (metallic circuit)	27 3 8	..	27 3 8
Pongakawa-Okere Falls	1 0 0	..	1 0 0
Kaiangaroa Plains Extension	45 14 3	..	45 14 3
Rotorua-Tauranga via Te Pu and Oropu ..	1 5 0	850 0 0	851 5 0
Muripara-Te Houhe	4 10 0	..	4 10 0
Ohura	0 13 6	..	0 13 6
Roto Extension	3 2 0	11 5 8	14 7 8
Tokirima (extension from Tatu)	80 7 10	0 10 0	80 17 10
Piopio Exchange and Te Mapara Extension ..	423 13 0	723 13 4	1,147 6 4
Ongarue-Taumarunui (metallic circuit) ..	0 19 2	281 2 10	282 2 0
Taumarunui-Hamilton (metallic circuit) ..	4 2 6	739 19 11	744 2 5
Taumarunui-Raurimu (metallic circuit) ..	0 5 4	222 0 8	222 6 0
Waitewhena Extension	197 1 8	32 17 5	229 19 1
Ongarue-Tangitu	3 4 1	91 9 11	94 14 0
Taringamotu Extension	21 5 2	51 6 9	72 11 11
Waimiha	1 3 0	5 12 11	6 15 11
Taumarunui Houseboat	3 8 0	..	3 8 0
Taumarunui-Otunui	1 2 6	..	1 2 6
Taumarunui-Ohakune	0 16 6	..	0 16 6
Piriaka Extension	3 16 1	..	3 16 1
Manunui-Kakahi (metallic circuit)	0 16 5	53 18 4	54 14 9
Raurimu-Kaitieke Extension	94 0 0	..	94 0 0
Whakatete Telephone	1 0 0	3 7 6	4 7 6
Kerepehi-Waitakaruru	92 5 11	80 19 5	173 5 4
Thames-Puriri (metallic circuit)	25 12 4	1 3 6	26 15 10
Wharepoa Extension	53 0 4	..	53 0 4
Waitoa-Ngarua	64 13 10	79 19 2	144 13 0
Matata-Manawahe	0 11 0	..	0 11 0

Table No. 21—continued.

TABLE SHOWING THE EXPENDITURE ON, AND THE COST OF, TELEGRAPH CONSTRUCTION DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1912—continued.

Line.	Expenditure.	Material from Stores.	Total Cost during the Year.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Whakatane—Opotiki	633 13 4	382 17 11	1,016 11 3
Opouriao—Opouriao West	13 14 3	0 10 0	14 4 3
Matahanea—Oponae	8 8 9	..	8 8 9
Te Araroa—Whangaparoa	1 11 0	..	1 11 0
Otoko—Te Karaka (metallic circuit)	1 15 5	102 4 5	103 19 10
Gisborne—Morere	7 19 2	..	7 19 2
Waipawa—Waipukurau	13 13 9	4 10 3	18 4 0
Waipawa—Napier .. ..	..	146 8 3	146 8 3
Waipukurau—Porangahau	156 0 9	4 10 8	160 11 5
Takapau—Ormondville—Waipukurau	357 15 11	94 17 3	452 13 2
Ngamoko Extension	35 7 8	36 6 2	71 13 10
Te Rehunga—Kiritaki	29 2 0	22 10 11	51 12 11
Te Rehunga—Ruaroa	23 3 0	57 10 0	80 13 0
Mangatuna Extension	34 17 10	..	34 17 10
Aohanga—Porangahau	560 19 7	33 10 10	594 10 5
Pongaroa—Korepo—Akitio	58 11 9	..	58 11 9
Pahiatua—Dannevirke	128 2 1	433 16 0	561 18 1
Pahiatua—Pongaroa	0 5 0	..	0 5 0
Kaiwhata Telephone Extension	0 10 0	5 0 4	5 10 4
Kuku	0 18 11	5 2 11	6 1 10
Levin—Foxton	91 16 0	197 0 9	288 16 9
Kaharoa Extension	43 14 8	109 13 0	153 7 8
Marotiri Extension	2 11 6	6 10 6	9 2 0
Foxton—Rongotea—Bull's (metallic circuit)	4 3 3	2 2 9	6 6 0
Weraroa—Levin (metallic circuit)	1 15 10	2 1 8	3 17 6
Hukinga Telephone Extension	8 0 0	13 12 9	21 12 9
Whatarangi (new office)	1 17 0	3 10 11	5 7 11
Masterton—Tinui—Castlepoint	821 0 0	323 9 9	1,144 9 9
Wellington—Palmerston North	138 10 5	615 0 2	753 10 7
Wellington—Featherston (metallic circuit)	0 10 3	..	0 10 3
Wellington—Auckland (Wellington—Horopito)	1,881 19 10	1,813 0 2	3,695 0 0
Awakino—Mangaawakino	150 0 6	..	150 0 6
Waitara—Urenui (metallic circuit)	6 18 0	234 19 5	241 17 5
Urenui—Okoke	9 7 3	..	9 7 3
Urenui—Pukearuhe Extension	61 4 4	65 18 9	127 3 1
Whakawhiti	0 18 0	4 11 2	5 9 2
Tawhiwhi Extension	1 12 0	5 2 6	6 14 6
Tarahua—Moturoa	0 1 8	7 11 1	7 12 9
Lower Mangorei Telephone	5 15 0	..	5 15 0
Mangorei Extension	43 2 0	191 13 3	234 15 3
Midhirst—Makara	0 13 5	..	0 13 5
Stratford—Whangamomona	8 17 0	377 14 11	386 11 11
Stratford—Mountain House	0 12 6	..	0 12 6
Tuna Extension	29 17 11	20 16 8	50 14 7
Eltham—Kaponga	30 9 7	27 0 5	57 10 0
Oeo Extension	1 14 0	7 2 4	8 16 4
Raetihi—Ruatiti Extension	27 7 0	50 6 7	77 13 7
Raetihi—Wanganui and Omakukuru—Oreore	432 6 2	146 7 8	578 13 10
Hawera—Normanby	16 10 6	39 5 1	55 15 7
Hawera—Ararata	1 4 0	0 1 11	1 5 11
Kohi—Mataimoana	2 3 4	..	2 3 4
Nukuhau Extension	316 0 6	35 16 9	351 17 3
Moumahaki Farm	1 8 6	..	1 8 6
Orangimea—Rangitatau—Puao Extension	7 5 8	..	7 5 8
Wanganui—Waitotara	267 16 9	145 1 4	412 18 1
Wanganui—Raetihi	36 8 7	..	36 8 7
Waverley—Kohi .. ..	..	0 10 11	0 10 11
Puniwhaka—Turakina	0 1 4	..	0 1 4
Huntermville—Marton	62 16 10	322 1 10	384 18 8
Ohakea Extension	1 3 0	22 5 10	23 8 10
Ocean Bay—Kakapo Bay	25 4 10	11 17 8	37 2 6
The Grove Telephone Extension	7 3 0	15 3 11	22 6 11
Te Rawa Extension	105 1 6	238 7 7	343 9 1

Table No. 21—continued.

TABLE SHOWING THE EXPENDITURE ON, AND THE COST OF, TELEGRAPH CONSTRUCTION DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1912—continued.

Line.	Expenditure.	Material from Stores.	Total Cost during the Year.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Canvastown—Deep Creek	10 15 0	..	10 15 0
Ward—Kekerangu (metallic circuit) .. ..	..	108 17 9	108 17 9
Mangamaunui Extension	0 7 6	4 6 9	4 14 3
Whangakoko Extension	2 3 0	5 4 6	7 7 6
Kenepuru Heads—Endeavour Inlet	244 3 10	31 5 7	275 9 5
Turnbull River Telephone Extension	0 6 6	25 3 4	25 9 10
Richmond—Upper Moutere	44 2 5	77 13 7	121 16 0
Glenhope Telephone Extension .. ..	..	3 6 7	3 6 7
Hope Junction Telephone Extension	1 3 0	3 8 6	4 11 6
Sandy Bay Telephone Extension	55 8 3	48 0 8	103 8 11
Takaka—Puramahoi	11 6 3	13 13 3	24 19 6
Nelson—Atawhai Extension	8 2 0	17 2 3	25 4 3
Riverina Telephone Extension	5 19 5	12 6 1	18 5 6
Nelson—Motueka (metallic circuit)	158 15 4	307 11 0	466 6 4
Longford—Tutaki	174 5 8	53 6 8	227 12 4
Owen Junction—Kawatiri Extension	53 2 0	15 5 1	68 7 1
Arapito—McNab's	7 2 0	..	7 2 0
Umere Telephone Extension	5 8 0	27 4 3	32 12 3
Charleston—Tiromoana	4 2 10	52 4 7	56 7 5
Upper Matakītaki—Warwick Junction	349 14 1	46 13 5	396 7 6
Inchbonnie Telephone-office	1 1 10	3 8 6	4 10 4
Rewanui Extension	20 11 5	21 10 10	42 2 3
Mahinapua Office .. ..	..	3 18 11	3 18 11
Merrijigs .. ..	..	3 19 11	3 19 11
Reefton—Big River	328 0 10	36 11 11	364 12 9
Blackwater—Ikamatua Extension	0 5 10	..	0 5 10
Poerua Extension	31 4 11	21 6 7	52 11 6
Greymouth—Runanga	1 15 4	11 13 4	13 8 8
Harihari Cheese-factory Extension	12 15 4	10 3 6	22 18 10
Kumara—Callaghan's	23 13 1	27 12 8	51 5 9
Stafford—Awarere Telephone-line	9 0 1	10 12 8	19 12 9
Waioururangi Bureau	3 2 0	..	3 2 0
Hawkeswood—Hundalee	355 14 7	56 9 9	412 4 4
Leader Extension	51 11 10	14 3 9	65 15 7
Waipara—Amberley	22 15 7	22 10 1	45 5 8
Leithfield—Amberley	12 4 0	15 19 4	28 3 4
Amberley—Balcairn	41 9 4	..	41 9 4
Rangiora—Southbrook	4 6 2	7 12 5	11 18 7
Annat—Russell's Flat	80 0 3	14 17 10	94 18 1
Kirwee—Darfield .. ..	..	88 11 4	88 11 4
Kirwee—Courtenay Extension	47 16 11	16 6 9	64 3 8
Courtenay—Whakahua .. ..	..	62 9 9	62 9 9
Hororata—Lake Coleridge	859 4 5	..	859 4 5
Springfield—Kowai Bush	9 19 8	10 7 4	20 7 0
Cass—Springfield (Otira deviation)	100 17 11	1 4 6	102 2 5
Craigieburn Extension	0 12 11	2 3 0	2 15 11
Akaroa—Gough's Bay	2 11 0	..	2 11 0
Lyndhurst—Methven (metallic circuit)	8 4 0	43 11 11	51 15 11
Hinds (metallic circuit)	28 19 6	37 7 9	66 7 3
Arundel—Anderson's	86 2 5	34 0 11	120 3 4
Clandebye—Orton	23 14 2	2 13 6	26 7 8
Temuka—Clandebye, via Ohape Extension	5 14 4	..	5 14 4
Simon's Pass Bureau	1 17 0	6 0 7	7 17 7
Chamberlain Extension	92 0 6	27 15 5	119 15 11
Motukaika Extension	165 8 9	70 10 5	235 19 2
Fairview Bureau	17 6 0	35 15 6	53 1 6
St. Andrew's—Pareora Extension	0 10 10	..	0 10 10
Willowbridge—Waimate	42 15 6	35 6 1	78 1 7
Timaru—Raorao—Pareora	1 18 7	1 5 3	3 3 10
Timaru—Glenavy	243 17 3	609 5 9	853 3 0
Oamaru—Glenavy	93 0 9	298 0 10	391 1 7
Oamaru—Windsor	56 10 11	..	56 10 11
Oamaru—Ngapara	5 12 4	..	5 12 4

Table No. 21—continued.

TABLE SHOWING THE EXPENDITURE ON, AND THE COST OF, TELEGRAPH CONSTRUCTION DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1912—continued.

Line.	Expenditure.	Material from Stores.	Total Cost during the Year.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Oamaru-Duntroon	137 0 10	..	137 0 10
Oamaru-Maheno (metallic circuit)	0 16 0	..	0 16 0
Oamaru-Hampden (metallic circuit)	3 14 7	..	3 14 7
Duntroon-Otekaieke	19 6 6	36 13 5	55 19 11
Kiaora Telephone-line	36 12 4	30 11 3	67 3 7
Windsor-Balmddery	103 6 5	13 17 8	117 4 1
Whitstone Extension	1 6 0	6 3 9	7 9 9
Hampden Square - Hillgrove - Moeraki	47 2 1	32 6 8	79 8 9
Waikouaiti-Karitane-Puketeraki	78 2 2	29 0 8	107 2 10
Green Island Morse Office. .. .. .	..	27 4 8	27 4 8
Mosgiel-Momona	4 5 0	..	4 5 0
Allanton (metallic circuit)	66 18 10	42 19 8	109 18 6
Milburn-Clarendon Extension	6 19 11	12 17 7	19 17 6
Manuka Creek Telephone-office	1 8 1	4 15 10	6 3 11
Stoney Creek Telephone-office	1 12 1	4 15 5	6 7 6
Merino Downs - Pukewhenua	46 9 5	3 14 9	50 4 2
Clinton - Waiwera South	56 15 9	4 8 6	61 4 3
Waipahi-Popotunoa	0 3 5	..	0 3 5
Lawrence-Dunedin	1,014 11 3	472 17 6	1,487 8 9
Dunedin-Balclutha	779 11 1	325 7 3	1,104 18 4
Clyde-Cromwell	29 13 4	26 7 2	56 0 6
Bendigo Extension	49 15 3	13 6 7	63 1 10
Dunedin-Middlemarch	12 15 10	17 6 1	30 1 11
Middlemarch-Mount Stoker	6 5 11	33 15 6	40 1 5
Sutton-Barewood	8 2 8	..	8 2 8
Hindon Extension	119 18 5	62 18 5	182 16 10
Etal Creek Telephone Extension	1 13 0	..	1 13 0
East Chatton Extension	42 18 10	10 8 2	53 7 0
Mataura-Tuturau	23 6 11	0 15 0	24 1 11
Springhills Telephone	24 18 6	8 10 1	33 8 7
Ryall Bush - Tussock Creek	97 4 5	25 10 7	122 15 0
Thornbury-Riverton-Orepuki	189 7 9	148 1 0	337 8 9
Invercargill-Winton (second trunk line)	10 17 10	11 16 8	22 14 6
Pararahi Extension .. .. .	..	19 2 5	19 2 5
Five Rivers Extension .. .. .	..	4 13 11	4 13 11
Menzies Ferry Extension .. .. .	..	9 7 6	9 7 6
Wireless installation, Awanui	1,511 17 3	..	1,511 17 3
„ Wellington	1,863 8 4	..	1,863 8 4
„ Christchurch	33 18 10	..	33 18 10
	63,874 12 1	£73,439 17 10	137,314 9 11
Purchase of material	83,817 14 7		
Total expenditure, 1911-12	147,692 6 8		
Total expenditure to 31st March, 1911	1,878,058 4 4		
Total expenditure out of Public Works Fund to 31st March, 1912	£2,025,750 11 0	Total cost of lines during the year ..	£137,314 9 11

Table No. 22.

TABLE SHOWING THE CAPITAL COST, WORKING-EXPENSES, AND REVENUE OF THE TELEPHONE EXCHANGES, YEAR BY YEAR, FROM THE DATE OF THEIR ESTABLISHMENT.

Year.	Number of Direct Connections.	Capital Cost for Instruments, Wire, Poles, Labour, Freight, Superintendence, &c.		Revenue.		Working-expenses.					Balance of Revenue over Working-expenses.	Annual Rate per Cent. yielded on Capital Cost.				
		Average Cost of each Connection.	Total for all Connections.	Salaries and Allowances of Clerks, &c.		Materials and Linemen.	Wear-and-tear, &c.*	Rent, Fuel, Light, Paper, Printing, Binding, &c.		Total.						
				£	s. d.			£	s. d.				£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Total for the year ended 31st March,—																
1882	116	21 16	6	2,531 14	0	613 5	2	285 0	0	275 0	0	253 0	0	963 0	d.	8-17
1883	379	21 16	6	8,271 13	6	5,014 9	2	595 0	0	595 0	0	827 0	0	2,317 0	0	54-31
1884	715	21 16	6	15,604 17	6	7,746 16	7	695 0	0	770 0	0	1,560 0	0	3,375 0	0	23-41
1885	1,075	21 18	6	23,461 17	6	10,008 3	6	1,770 0	0	1,590 0	0	2,346 0	0	6,181 0	0	16-31
1886	1,710	20 8	6	37,319 12	1	12,294 1	2	2,849 1	3	1,704 0	0	3,731 19	2	8,985 0	5	13-42
1887	2,038	19 19	5	40,686 3	1	15,477 16	2	2,873 0	0	1,580 10	0	4,068 12	2	6,635 14	0	16-30
1888	2,153	22 19	0	49,407 5	0	16,881 8	6	3,119 10	0	2,252 0	0	4,940 14	6	10,642 4	6	12-63
1889	2,249	23 18	10	53,849 11	6	17,613 4	0	3,315 10	0	2,249 7	0	5,344 9	2	11,244 6	2	11-82
1890	2,402	24 4	1	58,229 3	4	18,581 11	7	3,790 0	0	2,206 10	0	5,823 0	1	12,194 10	1	11-00
1891	2,587	24 17	1	64,294 4	4	19,961 4	2	4,192 0	0	2,249 18	5	6,429 8	5	13,265 10	7	10-43
1892	3,060	24 16	11	76,579 1	8	18,571 7	8	4,630 0	0	2,345 2	9	7,658 7	11	15,026 12	2	4-63
1893	3,690	24 16	11	91,687 11	1	19,155 11	5	7,405 0	0	2,695 19	10	9,168 15	1	18,734 1	1	Loss.
1894	4,244	24 12	1	104,425 3	0	21,771 4	4	7,720 0	0	3,131 1	1	10,442 10	4	22,217 10	2	Loss.
1895	4,616	25 6	3	116,845 10	4	21,552 12	10	9,285 0	0	4,253 11	4	11,684 11	0	26,041 1	9	Loss.
1896	5,143	24 6	6	125,108 4	1	25,938 12	9	9,686 0	10	5,303 11	9	12,510 16	5	29,452 17	3	Loss.
1897	5,747	23 7	4	134,299 11	4	29,248 19	5	12,306 9	7	7,398 0	10	13,429 19	1	34,991 2	8	Loss.
1898	5,787	24 11	6	142,218 11	8	36,422 6	8	14,181 18	0	11,834 2	11	7,110 18	7	35,008 11	5	0-99
1899	6,203	24 5	3	150,490 18	9	39,718 7	7	15,030 7	1	16,190 4	0	7,524 10	11	40,606 4	3	Loss.
1900	7,150	22 14	1	162,333 1	2	43,303 2	10	15,710 13	2	20,847 13	6	8,116 13	0	46,567 10	4	Loss.
1901	8,210	21 9	7	176,349 1	8	49,117 0	8	16,304 6	3	18,225 18	9	8,317 11	9	50,772 8	10	2-14
1902	9,260	20 18	0	193,511 6	2	55,542 4	9	18,443 3	5	20,570 0	9	9,675 11	9	57,728 9	0	2-46
1903	10,633	20 2	6	213,966 10	8	62,151 8	11	20,885 13	3	22,078 4	11	10,698 6	6	56,276 19	8	2-75
1904	12,105	19 19	8	241,903 2	6	71,028 6	3	23,359 8	3	22,507 9	10	12,095 3	1	60,948 4	10	4-17
1905	14,423	21 19	7	295,029 7	2	79,061 7	4	25,121 16	1	26,781 19	6	14,751 9	3	71,103 3	4	2-69
1906	15,393	23 13	9	363,192 6	9	89,542 1	5	26,506 16	5	22,576 6	8	18,159 12	4	72,512 16	2	4-69
1907	17,403	24 2	2	420,088 12	1	100,814 1	3	32,913 16	8	26,145 3	4	21,004 8	7	86,226 6	8	3-47
1908	20,402	24 18	4	508,408 7	8	116,892 13	10	36,107 12	8	36,813 9	6	25,420 8	5	107,243 19	1	1-89
1909	22,815	25 18	9	591,760 0	7	131,249 0	7	39,995 2	4	32,995 2	4	29,598 0	7	117,072 7	9	2-40
1910	25,212	27 2	7	683,986 11	1	144,298 2	10	52,315 1	8	28,765 11	11	34,199 6	7	123,010 18	3	3-11
1911	28,093	27 17	8	783,382 15	4	161,173 6	10	54,818 13	10	39,814 5	4	39,169 2	9	141,831 4	6	2-46
1912	31,475	27 18	0	978,133 8	7	179,123 18	8	62,588 11	10	33,791 4	1	43,906 13	5	214,011 8	6	3-43

* This column includes 5 per cent. for wear-and-tear, and 5 per cent. for debenture capital, except in 1897-98 and following years, in which only 5 per cent. for debenture capital is included.

† In former returns

Table No. 23.

TABLE SHOWING THE NUMBER OF CONNECTIONS AT EACH TELEPHONE EXCHANGE.

Exchange.	Number of Connections on 31st March.					
	1912.			1911.		
	Direct Connections.	Extensions.	Total.	Direct Connections.	Extensions.	Total.
Ashburton	241	26	267	220	21	241
Auckland	3,906	1,149	5,055	3,469	989	4,458
Devonport	83	4	87	67	1	68
Helensville	31	1	32	24	1	25
Northcote	10	..	10	10	..	10
Onehunga	59	4	63	49	4	53
Pukekohe	54	1	55	47	1	48
Takapuna	37	..	37	27	..	27
Waiuku	32	..	32	*	*	*
Balclutha	100	6	106	75	4	79
Clinton	16	..	16	16	..	16
Kaitangata	12	..	12	12	..	12
Blenheim	352	32	384	324	28	352
Picton	98	2	100	94	2	96
Carterton	120	9	129	101	8	109
Greytown	81	2	83	73	2	75
Cheviot	40	..	40	36	..	36
Christchurch	3,182	924	4,106	2,945	818	3,763
Akaroa	42	4	46	33	4	37
Doyleston	11	..	11	11	..	11
Duvauchelle	20	..	20	20	..	20
Kaiapoi	44	..	44	43	1	44
Kirwee	10	..	10	*	*	*
Leeston	20	1	21	19	..	19
Lincoln	12	2	14	12	2	14
Little River	15	..	15	16	..	16
Lyttelton	22	1	23	21	1	22
New Brighton	6	..	6	6	..	6
Southbridge	12	..	12	13	..	13
Sumner	15	..	15	18	..	18
Cromwell	31	..	31	29	..	29
Clyde	12	1	13	*	*	*
Dannevirke	250	22	272	223	19	242
Ormondville	29	..	29	29	..	29
Takapau	34	..	34	*	*	*
Weber	19	..	19	20	..	20
Dargaville	94	5	99	76	..	76
Aratapu	15	..	15	15	..	15
Tangowahine	13	..	13	13	..	13
Te Kopuru	37	..	37	32	..	32
Dunedin	2,940	821	3,761	2,723	761	3,484
Lawrence	51	1	52	51	..	51
Middlemarch	23	..	23	*	*	*
Milton	52	1	53	45	1	46
Mosgiel	38	1	39	35	..	35
Outram	29	..	29	23	..	23
Palmerston	32	4	36	30	3	33
Port Chalmers	43	1	44	41	..	41
Waikouaiti	11	..	11	10	..	10
Eketahuna	89	1	90	77	..	77
Alfredton	19	..	19	20	..	20
Eltham	91	8	99	79	4	83
Kaponga	19	..	19	17	..	17

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TABLE SHOWING THE NUMBER OF CONNECTIONS AT EACH TELEPHONE EXCHANGE—continued.

Exchange.	Number of Connections on 31st March,					
	1912.			1911.		
	Direct Connections.	Extensions.	Total.	Direct Connections.	Extensions.	Total.
Featherston	88	9	97	79	8	87
Martinborough	83	2	85	73	2	75
Feilding	286	27	313	270	23	293
Cheltenham	16	..	16	16	..	16
Halcombe	14	..	14	*	*	*
Kiwitea	16	1	17	12	1	13
Rongotea	27	..	27	25	..	25
Sanson	17	..	17	16	..	16
Gisborne	981	92	1,073	861	85	946
Gore	218	27	245	194	25	219
Balfour	10	..	10	9	..	9
Mataura	24	3	27	20	2	22
Riversdale	30	..	30	29	..	29
Waikaia	12	..	12	10	..	10
Waikaka	12	..	12	10	..	10
Waipahi	8	..	8	8	..	8
Greymouth	387	43	430	369	38	407
Reefton	74	4	78	72	4	76
Hamilton	398	39	437	323	26	349
Cambridge	111	3	114	93	2	95
Huntly	24	1	25	*	*	*
Morrinsville	68	1	69	59	..	59
Ngaruawahia	36	..	36	32	..	32
Te Awamutu	71	6	77	46	4	50
Hastings	657	71	728	567	61	628
Hawera	256	25	281	233	23	256
Manaia	32	2	34	27	1	28
Okaiawa	7	..	7	6	..	6
Opunake	38	1	39	35	1	36
Otakeho	5	..	5	6	..	6
Hokitika	160	6	166	156	5	161
Kumara	33	..	33	29	..	29
Ross	35	..	35	21	..	21
Invercargill	815	195	1,010	692	164	856
Bluff	75	7	82	72	5	77
Edendale	15	3	18	15	..	15
Lumsden	24	..	24	24	..	24
Nightcaps	7	..	7	8	..	8
Orepuki	8	..	8	9	..	9
Otautau	63	1	64	55	..	55
Riverton	39	..	39	37	..	37
Tuatapere	12	..	12	12	..	12
Waimahaka	23	..	23	23	..	23
Winton	58	1	59	50	1	51
Woodlands	10	..	10	11	..	11
Wyndham	33	3	36	28	2	30
Kaikoura	34	1	35	33	1	34
Kimbolton	29	..	29	28	..	28
Apiti	14	..	14	13	..	13
Kohukohu	23	..	23	*	*	*
Rawene	29	..	29	*	*	*
Levin	61	5	66	70	3	73
Otaki	55	3	58	53	2	55
Shannon	28	..	28	24	..	24

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TABLE SHOWING THE NUMBER OF CONNECTIONS AT EACH TELEPHONE EXCHANGE—continued.

Exchange.	Number of Connections on 31st March,					
	1912.			1911.		
	Direct Connections.	Extensions.	Total.	Direct Connections.	Extensions.	Total.
Mangonui	41	..	41	*	*	*
Marton	176	8	184	168	8	176
Bull's	43	..	43	34	..	34
Hunterville	48	1	49	43	1	44
Masterton	531	54	585	491	44	535
Napier	860	203	1,063	785	198	983
Greenmeadows	12	..	12	*	*	*
Nelson	466	43	509	449	42	491
Motueka	63	2	65	57	1	58
Richmond	28	..	28	27	..	27
Takaka	51	..	51	45	..	45
Wakefield	27	..	27	26	..	26
New Plymouth	445	58	503	412	55	467
Inglewood	61	1	62	61	..	61
Waitara	59	2	61	47	1	48
Oamaru	389	35	424	351	26	377
Duntroon	19	1	20	18	..	18
Kurow	27	..	27	27	..	27
Ngapara	18	..	18	17	..	17
Opotiki	64	4	68	59	1	60
Whakatane	42	..	42	*	*	*
Paeroa	67	8	75	60	5	65
Te Aroha	74	2	76	65	1	66
Pahiatua	135	9	144	129	8	137
Makuri	6	..	6	*	*	*
Pongaroa	28	..	28	27	..	27
Woodville	65	3	68	56	1	57
Palmerston North	685	100	785	621	85	706
Ashhurst	22	..	22	23	2	25
Foxton	95	2	97	83	3	86
Longburn	13	..	13	13	..	13
Tokomaru	13	..	13	13	..	13
Patea	57	1	58	54	1	55
Queenstown	41	..	41	41	..	41
Arrowtown	21	..	21	18	..	18
Glenorchy	8	..	8	8	..	8
Rakaia	47	1	48	43	..	43
Chertsey	10	..	10	9	..	9
Methven	45	..	45	37	..	37
Rangiora	49	4	53	43	4	47
Amberley	17	2	19	10	..	10
Cust	12	..	12	11	..	11
Rotorua	187	15	202	179	14	193
Stratford	219	18	237	201	16	217
Taihape	130	8	138	105	7	112
Mangaweka	35	..	35	31	..	31
Mataroa	14	..	14	*	*	*
Ohakune	69	1	70	52	..	52
Raetihi	32	..	32	22	..	22
Utiku	21	..	21	21	..	21

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Exchange.	Number of Connections on 31st March,					
	1912.			1911.		
	Direct Connections.	Extensions.	Total.	Direct Connections.	Extensions.	Total.
Tapanui	21	1	22	20	1	21
Heriot	10	..	10	9	..	9
Kelso	5	..	5	*	*	*
Taumarunui	47	..	47	*	*	*
Tauranga	70	2	72	63	2	65
Te Puke	18	..	18	13	..	13
Te Kuiti	124	10	134	100	6	106
Otorohanga	32	1	33	24	1	25
Thames	175	18	193	161	10	171
Timaru	584	107	691	530	97	627
Fairlie	70	2	72	59	2	61
Geraldine	92	3	95	87	3	90
St. Andrew's	13	..	13	12	..	12
Temuka	83	4	87	54	3	57
Waihi	104	9	113	111	9	120
Waimate	131	10	141	118	9	127
Studholme Junction	8	..	8	8	..	8
Waipawa	148	6	154	132	6	138
Otane	29	..	29	27	..	27
Waipukurau	126	..	126	101	..	101
Wairoa	179	13	192	160	10	170
Mohaka	18	1	19	17	1	18
Nuhaka	22	..	22	22	..	22
Wanganui	891	148	1,039	791	130	921
Waitotara	34	..	34	*	*	*
Waverley	37	1	38	41	1	42
Warkworth	38	..	38	*	*	*
Wellington	3,740	1,214	4,954	3,457	1,133	4,590
Johnsonville	6	..	6	6	..	6
Lower Hutt	54	..	54	52	..	52
Petone	12	..	12	17	..	17
Upper Hutt	39	1	40	28	..	28
Westport	210	15	225	202	12	214
Whangarei	204	13	217	185	10	195
Kawakawa	48	1	49	42	1	43
Russell	23	..	23	*	*	*
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