

Table No. 12.

REGISTERED ARTICLES.

The number of registered articles dealt with in 1915, compared with the number in 1890, 1900, 1910, and 1914, is as follows:—

	1890.	1900.	1910.	1914.	1915.
From places beyond the Dominion	26,374	52,343	132,493	139,003	118,416
Registered in the Dominion	169,321	464,036	993,675	1,390,880	1,323,708
Totals	195,695	516,379	1,126,168	1,529,883	1,442,124

DEAD LETTERS.

	1914.	1915.
Opened and returned to writers	231,706	282,102
Returned unopened to other countries	48,715	44,609
Reissued	368	1,452
Destroyed	44,662	45,636
Returned unopened to writers by Chief Postmasters	217,672	204,376
Returned unopened to other countries by Chief Postmasters	22,002	18,185
Totals	565,125	596,360

Table No. 13.

PARCEL-POST.

The following shows the number and weight of parcels posted during the years 1890, 1900, 1910, 1914, and 1915:—

	1890.	1900.	1910.	1914.	1915.
Number	121,292	199,413	1,190,711	2,469,428	2,838,537
Weight	336,643 lb. 12 oz.	682,140 lb. 7 oz.	3,953,284 lb. 15 oz.	8,756,596 lb. 14 oz.	10,886,709 lb. 11 oz.

The following table shows the number and weight of parcels exchanged with the United Kingdom and the undermentioned places during the years 1914 and 1915:—

Country.	Received.				Despatched.			
	1914.		1915.		1914.		1915.	
	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.
		lb. oz.		lb. oz.		lb. oz.		lb. oz.
United Kingdom and foreign countries (via London)	107,767	660,747 0	115,639	737,261 0	16,681	59,039 4	34,517	104,692 15
United States of America	12,225	47,307 14	14,995	63,702 13	1,832	5,839 3	2,032	6,624 0
New Zealand Expeditionary Force, Egypt	..	..	2,128	5,295 0	..	..	60,214	215,084 0
Canada	1,256	3,902 0	1,499	5,904 0	651	1,897 13	714	2,318 1
Victoria	8,590	29,440 4	8,574	30,042 12	3,612	9,418 12	3,802	9,630 5
New South Wales ..	15,636	45,330 0	15,990	45,321 0	6,483	16,929 13	9,209	26,146 12
South Australia ..	483	1,167 1	524	1,305 1	556	1,310 8	560	1,451 9
Queensland	718	1,746 12	837	2,036 0	952	2,332 14	1,093	2,762 11
Tasmania	464	1,107 6	390	881 0	810	1,785 12	819	1,966 2
Western Australia ..	351	799 13	463	1,004 15	509	1,360 3	568	1,482 4
Samoa	13	30 15	* ..	..	139	562 12	* ..	..
Fiji	176	597 11	244	698 10	768	2,237 6	1,112	3,768 11
Ceylon	553	2,586 6½	566	2,211 11	48	146 11	357	1,933 12
Uruguay	..	..	..	..	133	550 11	114	383 7
Capo of Good Hope	483	813 12	484	790 15	49	153 2	83	212 0
Natal	..	..	..	..	315	812 6	309	785 4
India	1,246	6,294 2½	1,090	5,062 0	323	1,485 4	498	2,818 11
Tonga	11	40 4	31	114 8	265	1,021 6	294	1,184 8
Tahiti	..	..	..	..	..	..	260	1,439 15
Hong Kong	457	2,597 0	694	4,068 0	93	363 15	113	405 6
Straits Settlements	138	493 14	103	350 3	57	215 4	79	320 13
Totals	150,567	805,002 2¾	164,251	906,049 8	34,276	107,462 15	116,747	385,411 2

* Now treated as inland.