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A new letter-card machine, built by Bell and Valentine, of Melbourne, has been installed and is doing satisfactory work.

The disk ruling-machine, ordered in 1916, has just arrived, and is in process of being set up.

This should be a valuable addition to the plant.

Three railway-ticket-printing machines are under order from Waterlow and Sons, and should be delivered soon. The ticket-printing plant will then be up to date.

We have also under order four letterpress printing-machines (three large Wharfdales, and one small fast-printing press) and one "Reliable" flat-bed litho printing-machine.

The binding machinery needs radical improvement, and orders have been placed for a casemaking machine, a rounding and backing machine, and a cloth-cutting machine. More machinery is required to keep this branch up with the times, and I propose in the near future to place orders for other up-to-date machines

For the Photo-litho Branch a "Macbeth" are lamp is under order, and should be delivered

within the next few months.

The generator and water-tank which were used when our machinery was steam-driven have been sold, but the steam-engines have not yet been disposed of.

The Staff.—The staff has had a strenuous year, and I have pleasure in testifying to the valuable services rendered by all in responsible positions.

Hon, the Minister in Charge.

MARCUS F. MARKS, Government Printer.

PRINTING AND STATIONERY DEPARTMENT.

	BALANCE-SHEET	ат 31 st Максн, 1920.				
Dr. Liabilities. £ s. To Capital Account 107,040 4 Sundry creditors 1,813 9 Consolidated Fund Account 41,415 11	d. £ s. d. 2 4 4	By Buildings Less depreciation	$\begin{array}{ccc} Assets. & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & \ddots & \\ & \vdots & \\ & \mathbf{f.} & \mathbf{s.} & \mathbf{d.} \end{array}$	£ s. 6 43,390 7 1,084 15	7	
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		Plant—Engine-room Less depreciation	369 16 9 41 0 0	1,544 19 328 16	9	
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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1920.

Dr. To Lighting and water Repairs and maintenance Salaries Office expenses Discount Freight Postage Medical services Bad debts Interest Account Depreciation Balance—Profit for year		360 6 76 7 1,258 10 1,541 5 118 5 0 1 5,281 12	0 6 5 5 6 5 8 4 4 0 0 3	Cr. By Paper Stock Account Manufacturing Account Stationery Trading Account Publishing Account	£ s. d. 1,373 11 : 2,029 7 1 6,945 13 6 1,292 3 11	2 1 3 1	
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