

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL OPERATIONS AND BUSINESS OF THE DEPARTMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1924.

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS.

The receipts and payments of the Department for the financial year 1923-24 are shown in the following table:—

Item.	Postal.		Telegraph.		Total.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
<i>Receipts.</i>						
Postages	1,032,347	3 9½	..	..	1,032,347	3 9½
Money-order and postal-note commission	50,000	9 9	..	..	50,000	9 9
Money-order commission received from foreign offices ..	928	19 7	..	..	928	19 7
Private box and bag rents and rural delivery fees ..	36,602	5 1	..	..	36,602	5 1
Miscellaneous receipts	26,709	17 10	11,566	2 9	38,276	0 7
Paid telegrams .. .. .	..	..	700,329	2 0½	700,329	2 0½
Telephone exchange rentals and miscellaneous .. ..	..	..	830,469	16 5½	830,469	16 5½
Totals	1,146,588	16 0½	1,542,365	1 3	2,688,953	17 3½
<i>Payments.</i>						
Salaries	599,994	19 10	810,696	11 6	1,410,691	11 4
Conveyance of ocean mails	54,139	10 8	..	..	54,139	10 8
Conveyance of inland mails	136,940	5 3	..	..	136,940	5 3
Conveyance of mails by rail	101,921	18 2	..	..	101,921	18 2
Money-order commission credited to foreign offices ..	2,632	12 5	..	..	2,632	12 5
Maintenance of telegraph and telephone lines .. ..	..	..	155,724	17 10	155,724	17 10
Miscellaneous	131,073	8 6	127,460	4 10	258,533	13 4
Balance of receipts over payments	1,026,702	14 10	1,093,881	14 2	2,120,584	9 0
Totals	1,146,588	16 0½	1,542,365	1 3	2,688,953	17 3½

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEARS 1881-82, 1891-92, 1901-2, 1911-12, AND FOLLOWING YEARS.

Year.	Receipts.	Payments.	Balance of Receipts over Payments.	Excess of Payments over Receipts.
	£	£	£	£
1881-1882	234,529	233,291	1,238	..
1891-1892	320,058	268,343	51,715	..
1901-1902	488,573	465,756	22,817	..
1911-1912	1,087,710	988,911	98,799	..
1912-1913	1,167,826	1,069,272	98,554	..
1913-1914	1,269,921	1,173,314	96,607	..
1914-1915	1,359,059	1,246,850	112,209	..
1915-1916	1,695,757	1,296,522	399,235	..
1916-1917	1,809,317	1,370,810	438,507	..
1917-1918	1,837,260	1,489,446	347,814	..
1918-1919	1,972,539	1,702,048	270,491	..
1919-1920	2,106,995	1,944,161	162,834	..
1920-1921	2,590,441	2,591,786	..	1,345
1921-1922	2,811,535	2,451,571	359,964	..
1922-1923	2,687,768	2,114,994	572,774	..
1923-1924	2,688,954	2,120,584	568,370	..

PERSONNEL.

During the year Mr. R. B. Morris, Secretary of the Department, retired, and was succeeded by Mr. A. T. Markman, First Assistant Secretary. Mr. Markman was succeeded by Mr. G. McNamara, Second Assistant Secretary, and Mr. J. Robertson, Superintendent of Staff, was appointed to the vacancy created by the promotion of Mr. McNamara.

Mr. J. Laurensen, Chief Inspector, retired during the year after completing forty years' service. Mr. Laurensen was succeeded by Mr. R. D. Kelly, Chief Postmaster, Auckland.

The positions of Superintendent of Staff and Chief Clerk have been abolished, the work hitherto attended to by these officers being distributed amongst the administrative and principal controlling officers in the General Post Office.