

1936.
NEW ZEALAND.

PRINTING AND STATIONERY DEPARTMENT

(ANNUAL REPORT OF THE) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1936.

Laid on the Table of the House of Representatives by Leave.

Printing and Stationery Department, Wellington, 30th July, 1936.

SIR,—

I have the honour to submit the annual report upon the working of this Department for the year ended 31st March, 1936.

The tables accompanying the report show the nature, extent, and result of the year's working.

Gazette.—The number printed of each issue was 750, the number of subscribers 476, and the amount received from subscribers and sales £2,427.

Hansard.—The number printed of each issue for session 1935 was 7,000, the number of subscribers 137, and the amount received from subscribers and sales £165.

Stamp-printing.—Stamps to the value of £4,271,564, and postal notes to the value of £35,881, were printed.

Stereo-plates.—The number of stereo-plates cast during the year was 40,691, of which 1,281 were nickel-plated, the weight being 25,734 lb.

Rubber Stamps.—The number of rubber stamps made was 8,915.

Railway Tickets.—5,464,211 railway tickets were printed, the largest number (626,919) being printed in December.

Work of the Year.—The year has been a strenuous one, the turnover showing an increase of approximately £24,600 over that of the previous year. A stage has now been reached where additional accommodation is an absolute necessity. The staff is at present working under conditions which should not be permitted to continue, and steps should be taken immediately to provide adequate accommodation.

Unfortunately, owing to insufficient plant, it has been found necessary to work a certain amount of overtime. This was unavoidable, as it was impossible, owing to congestion, to install the necessary machinery and increase the staff.

The Photo-litho and Process Engraving Branch dealt with 57 maps of survey districts; 14 city, borough, and county maps; and 346 miscellaneous maps, plans, posters, cheque forms, and diagrams. Eight hundred half-tone, line, and three-colour blocks were made, in addition to 121 bromide prints, 24 blue prints, and 290 negatives.

The Stationery Office dealt with 15,820 requisitions for stationery and publications, the total sales amounting to £44,433. Cash orders numbered 6,990. In addition, 380 typewriters of the value of £6,406 were issued.

Paper.—Although the demand on paper stocks has been heavy, all standard lines have been maintained on an economical basis at satisfactory prices. The issues for the year amounted to £37,249, comprising 77,951 packages of paper and boards and 4,131,000 envelopes.

Machinery.—Several small additions were made during the year. There is urgent need for a great deal of improved modern machinery, and special attention is being directed to this.

Finance.—The year's working has resulted in a profit of £9,681 15s. 2d., after allowing for interest on capital and depreciation.

Staff.—I have pleasure in testifying to the whole-hearted services of those holding responsible positions, while the staff generally has worked well.

I have, &c.,

G. H. LONEY,

Government Printer.

The Hon. the Minister in Charge.

RETURN OF VALUE OF PRINTING AND STATIONERY ISSUED TO DEPARTMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1936.

Office or Department.	Value of Printing.			Value of Stationery.	Office or Department.	Value of Printing.			Value of Stationery.
	£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.	
Advertising				0 1 6	Mental Hospitals ..	391	4	4	721 0 1
Agriculture—					Mines	499	0	0	217 6 2
Head Office	2,360	16	8	1,296 10 7	Museum, Dominion ..	281	9	5	49 13 9
<i>Journal</i>	1,158	3	5		National Provident Fund	211	13	2	128 13 9
Audit	174	12	5	383 11 11	Native	1,260	5	7	1,081 5 11
Bankruptcy	41	17	6	53 12 4	Naval Defence	350	17	6	626 14 3
Census and Statistics ..	4,870	9	8	372 2 11	New Zealand Meat Producers' Board	342	17	6	15 1 3
Cook Islands—					New Zealand Reparation Estates	15	18	5	36 14 11
Head Office	38	7	5	54 17 8	Patents	562	3	4	46 17 6
Niue	24	7	6	57 17 2	Pensions	1,194	9	2	491 7 1
Rarotonga	87	7	11	479 5 5	Police	2,197	4	0	2,587 6 4
Crown Law	66	5	6	152 17 2	Post and Telegraph—				
Customs	798	19	7	1,205 14 9	Head Office	21,807	6	4	120 1 2
Defence	1,110	7	2	742 5 10	Stores	11	0	2	58 0 6
Dominion Laboratory ..	32	12	0	62 1 3	Stores Division ..	13,880	0	7	1,185 19 8
Dominion Observatory ..	63	13	11	7 0 10	Prime Minister	248	15	1	165 13 2
Education—					Prisons	43	15	10	427 2 3
Head Office	4,990	3	3	1,680 6 1	Public Service Commissioner	140	14	9	104 9 7
Examination Branch	579	18	1	1 9 1	Public Service Superannuation	55	14	7	50 11 11
<i>School Journal</i> ..	2,209	19	6	0 1 6	Public Trust	3,660	3	3	1,339 5 9
Teachers' Superannuation Fund	72	0	7	6 0 9	Public Works	3,691	13	8	6,250 15 11
Electoral	1,892	12	3	1,326 6 9	Railways—				
External Affairs	272	0	1	70 19 5	Head Office	1,873	11	8	153 1 9
Friendly Societies ..	52	9	9		Accountant	26	10	0	0 17 3
<i>Gazette</i>	6,123	1	1		Advertising	2	9	4	
Geological Survey	73	18	8	20 19 5	Day Tickets	823	2	2	
Government Actuary ..	8	16	8	19 10 4	District Traffic Manager	3,041	0	1	
Government House ..	223	8	4	74 14 10	Publicity	722	12	0	0 1 4
Government Life Insurance	985	18	11	522 9 4	Refreshment Branch ..	13	7	11	0 7 9
Health	1,890	0	6	762 2 10	Road Motor Services ..	45	3	3	
House of Representatives—					Stores—Woburn	8,970	12	2	1,190 3 8
Head Office	501	1	6	494 3 0	Ticket Printer	567	6	6	
Appendices to Journals	2,786	7	4		Registrar-General ..	899	5	8	201 0 1
Bellamy's	22	19	5		Rural Intermediate Credit Board	91	12	7	
Bills	677	11	4		Samoan Affairs	175	4	1	523 12 2
<i>Hansard</i>	3,680	6	5	1 18 2	Scientific and Industrial Research	1,501	10	8	272 9 9
Journals	289	18	6		Stamp Duties	917	5	9	462 2 9
Library	506	11	7	29 10 9	State Advances	1,821	17	10	1,074 8 3
Order Papers	212	18	5		State Coal—				
Statutes	132	13	10		Head Office	1	1	5	
Immigration				0 7 6	Christchurch	65	18	10	8 7 7
Industries and Commerce, Tourist, and Publicity	3,206	4	7	1,051 15 1	Grey mouth	66	11	11	61 16 4
Internal Affairs—					Wellington	59	6	8	11 19 8
Head Office	976	5	2	924 15 3	State Fire Insurance ..	1,047	4	5	539 15 8
Ministers' Offices ..	659	1	4	399 7 9	State Forest Service ..	210	4	10	539 9 0
Justice	1,234	13	6	2,240 3 4	Survey Board of New Zealand	7	11	4	0 3 7
Labour	1,357	17	3	827 3 5	Transport	262	19	11	219 18 11
Land and Deeds	356	17	2	367 12 5	Treasury—				
Land and Income Tax ..	1,532	14	8	660 14 7	Head Office	3,224	18	6	618 0 0
Lands and Survey	3,206	10	10	3,480 9 4	Unemployment	2,652	13	1	1,452 6 1
Law Drafting	12	17	8	17 19 1	Valuation	493	10	5	525 8 7
Legislative Council—					Totals	133,486	6	11	43,776 2 0
Head Office	85	14	8	79 17 10					
Bills	130	4	1						
Journals	73	11	6						
Order Papers	33	3	5						
Marine	1,176	14	9	287 13 9					

SUMMARY.									
1935—April	7,731	6	0	1,023 16 4	1935—November ..	10,689	9	8	4,058 18 6
May	10,452	12	3	3,928 1 10	December	13,687	4	9	3,155 3 8
June	8,885	4	1	2,733 5 1	1936—January	7,840	8	6	3,235 1 11
July	9,098	10	3	4,256 17 10	February	11,556	8	8	3,740 12 2
August	10,433	6	1	4,501 4 3	March	17,850	15	4	6,402 8 0
September	13,173	4	11	3,343 2 2	Totals	133,486	6	11	43,776 2 0
October	12,087	16	5	3,396 10 3					

RETURN OF ADHESIVE AND IMPRESSED STAMPS PRINTED FROM 1ST APRIL, 1935, TO 31ST MARCH, 1936.

Description.	Sheets.	Stamps.	Value.	
			£	s. d.
Postage	54,276	5,621,340	51,312	7 8
Postal notes	402,050	4,020,500	35,881	15 0
Post-cards	140,460	2,247,360	4,628	14 9
Letter-cards	144,850	1,738,200	7,188	19 5
Duty	7,462	1,172,106	1,849,371	0 0
Unemployment-relief ..	61,451	14,642,400	2,320,915	0 0
Newspaper-wrappers ..	52,250	418,000	1,369	3 0
Railways	2,030	240,000	500	0 0
Embossed envelopes ..	104,820	104,440	906	6 10
Impressed		3,805,132	35,373	0 8
Totals	969,649	34,009,478	4,307,446	7 4

Approximate Cost of Paper.—Preparation, not given; printing (439 copies), £6 10s.

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