

TABLE D.

COMPARATIVE TABLE showing the Progress of the TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT during the Financial Years ended 30th June, 1866, 1867, 1868, 1869, 1870, 1871, 1872, 1873, 1874, 1875, 1876, 1877, 1878, and to the 31st March, 1880 and 1881.

Year ended	Number of Miles of Line.	Number of Miles of Wire.	Number of Stations Open.	Number of Telegrams forwarded during the Year.			Revenue derived from Private and Press Messages, and incidental Receipts.	Value of Government Messages.	Total Value of Business done during the Year.	Cost of Maintenance of Stations.		Cost of Maintenance of Lines.		Total Expenditure.	Cost of Main-tenance of Lines per Mile.	Tariff in Operation.
				Private, and Provincial Government.	General Government.	Total.				£	s.	d.	£			
30th June, 1866	699	1,390	13	24,761	2,476	27,237	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	Mileage tariff.
1867	757	1,498	21	55,621	15,331	70,952	9,070	10	1	483	3	2	6,045	2	4	
1868	1,110	2,223	31	72,241	26,244	98,485	11,652	3	7	3,670	4	8	12,840	14	9	From 1st November, 1873, address and signature given in free.
1869	1,329	2,495	45	106,070	50,097	156,167	18,520	10	4	13,430	11	9	31,951	2	1	
1870	1,661	2,897	56	122,545	62,878	185,423	17,218	1	4	12,352	6	0	29,470	7	4	From 1st November, 1873, address and signature given in free.
1871	* 1,976	3,247	72	253,582	59,292	312,874	22,419	8	8	9,876	17	6	32,296	6	2	
1872	† 2,185	3,823	81	344,524	67,243	411,767	28,121	10	0	11,043	3	9	39,164	13	9	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	11,045	2	0	50,786	0	9	
1874	§ 2,530	5,782	105	645,067	107,832	752,899	46,508	18	10	12,618	11	6	59,127	10	4	From 1st November, 1873, address and signature given in free.
1875	2,986	6,626	127	786,237	130,891	917,128	55,391	12	3	13,679	10	9	68,981	3	0	
1876	¶ 3,154	7,247	142	890,382	160,704	1,051,086	62,715	10	4	16,154	6	0	78,869	16	4	From 1st November, 1873, address and signature given in free.
1877	** 3,259	7,423	155	952,283	172,159	1,124,432	65,644	15	3	17,024	8	9	82,669	4	0	
1878	†† 3,434	8,035	182	1,065,481	194,843	1,260,324	73,284	1	10	19,148	12	4	92,432	14	2	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	26,949	2	2	112,351	2	4	
31st March, 1880	§§ 3,638	9,333	214	824,734	183,675	1,008,409	58,120	3	3	19,707	6	3	77,827	9	6	From 1st November, 1873, address and signature given in free.
1881	3,758	9,587	227	1,058,342	246,370	1,304,712	73,002	2	0	27,021	3	8	100,023	5	8	

* From this mileage 78 miles to be deducted before computing the cost per mile for maintenance.

† From this mileage 32 miles to be deducted before computing the cost per mile for maintenance.

‡ From this mileage 42 miles to be deducted before computing the cost per mile for maintenance.

§ From this mileage 106 miles to be deducted before computing the cost per mile for maintenance.

|| From this mileage 31 miles to be deducted before computing the cost per mile for maintenance.

¶ From this mileage 174 miles to be deducted before computing the cost per mile for maintenance.

** From this mileage 85 miles to be deducted before computing the cost per mile for maintenance.

†† From this mileage 116 miles to be deducted before computing the cost per mile for maintenance.

‡‡ From this mileage 109 miles to be deducted before computing the cost per mile for maintenance.

§§ From this mileage 95 miles to be deducted before computing the cost per mile for maintenance.

||| From this mileage 102 miles to be deducted before computing the cost per mile for maintenance.