

Class IX., Vote 109, £6,844 19s. 6d.

19. Your Committee find that this excess was caused mainly from the general extension of telephone wires which took place during the year, and the ordering of extra instruments and material required to keep pace with the large number of requests for telephone connections and private wires.

Government Insurance Account.

For services in excess of items—

	£	s.	d.
No. 1, salaries ...	1,456	1	11
No. 2, expenses...	2,196	7	6
Total ...	£3,652	9	5

20. Your Committee have been informed that the salaries paid in excess of vote are as follows:—

	£	s.	d.	
Secretary ...	38	1	1	Monthly bonus of £8 6s. 8d. from the 14th November, 1882, when appointed Secretary.
Chief Clerk ...	9	1	11	Increased salary from the 20th November, 1882, when appointed Chief Clerk.
Acting Chief Medical Officer ...	220	0	0	In absence of Chief Medical Officer from the 13th September, 1882.
Lecturer ...	100	0	0	Paid on account of Public Trust Office, and refunded by that department.
Resident Agent, Invercargill ...	62	10	0	Appointed 6th December, 1882.
Resident Agent, Wanganui ...	9	2	3	Appointed 20th January, 1883.
Resident Agent, Napier ...	33	6	8	Appointed 30th January, 1883.
New Cadets at Resident Agencies	40	12	10	
New Cadet at Head Office ...	45	7	9	
Extra clerical assistance ...	898	0	0	
	£1,456	2	6	

21. The expenses in excess of vote are explained by the following return, which has been supplied to the Committee:—

GOVERNMENT INSURANCE DEPARTMENT. — PARTICULARS of UNAUTHORIZED EXPENDITURE during the Government Financial Year ended 31st March, 1883.

General Expenses.

	Expended.	Voted.	Excess of Vote.	Balance Unexpended.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Commission ...	10,468 18 0	10,000 0 0	468 18 0	...
Medical fees ...	4,811 19 0	5,300 0 0	...	488 1 0
Rent...	350 0 0	350 0 0	...	...
Postage and telegrams ...	1,010 14 4	700 0 0	310 14 4	...
Printing and advertising ...	2,506 4 0	800 0 0	1,706 4 0	...
Exchange ...	97 10 6	100 0 0	...	2 9 6
Travelling expenses ...	984 11 8	500 0 0	484 11 8	...
Contingencies ...	716 10 0	1,000 0 0	...	283 10 0
Liabilities (estimated) ...	1,500 0 0	1,500 0 0	...	...
	22,446 7 6	20,250 0 0	2,970 8 0	774 0 6
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Unauthorized ...	...	...	2,196 7 6	

Items of estimated Liabilities.

	£
Commission ..	370
Medical fees ..	950
Printing and advertising ..	180
	£1,500

Items of Printing and Advertising unauthorized.

	£ s. d.
New prospectus ..	999 19 8
Almanacs ..	356 5 0
General advertising..	349 19 4
	£1,706 4 0

Postage and Telegrams.

	£ s. d.
Increase of Post Office charge for six months at the rate of £525 per annum ..	262 10 0

29th August, 1883.

F. J. Moss,
Chairman.