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COMPARATIVE TABLE showing the Progress of the Telegraph Department during the Financial Years ended 30th June, 1866, to 30th June, 1879; 31st March, 1880, to 31st March, 1882, and Calendar Years ended 31st December, 1882, to 31st December, 1893—continued.

Year ended.	Number of Miles of Line.	Number of Miles of Wire.	Number of Stations Open.	Number of Telegrams forwarded during the Year.		Telegraph Revenue from all Sources.	Value of Government Messages.	Total Value of Business done during the Year.	Cost of Maintenance of Stations.	Cost of Maintenance of Lines, excluding Australian Cable Subsidy.	Total Expenditure.		Cost of Maintenance of Lines per Mile.	Tariff in Operation.
				Private, and Press.	Government.						£	s. d.		
31st Dec., 1882	3,974	9,848	264	1,361	817	208	372	1,570,189	£ 90,633	11 2	20,608	11 11	£ 111,242	3 1
" 1883	4,074	10,037	302	1,379,483	219,917	1,599,400			93,822	3 3	21,555	19 2	115,378	2 5
" 1884	4,264	10,474	330	1,433,458	220,847	1,654,305			95,634	5 5	20,855	19 7	116,490	5 0
" 1885	4,463	10,931	375	1,533,466	240,867	1,774,273			101,652	8 0	24,860	9 0	126,512	17 0
" 1886	4,546	11,178	412	1,583,717	252,549	1,836,266			106,638	12 2	27,281	4 9	133,919	16 11
" 1887	4,646	11,375	437	1,589,771	245,623	1,835,394			106,548	4 0	30,205	11 10	136,753	15 10
" 1888	4,790	11,617	473	1,548,233	217,630	1,765,863			106,311	11 6	23,164	13 11	129,476	5 5
" 1889	4,874	11,827	489	1,589,157	213,830	1,802,987			106,462	18 4	24,218	9 3	130,681	7 7
" 1890	5,148	12,812	520	1,734,381	226,780	1,961,161			110,606	17 8	26,070	12 7	136,677	10 3
" 1891	5,349	13,235	573	1,746,115	222,149	1,968,264			117,633	15 9	24,840	5 7	142,474	1 4
" 1892	5,479	13,459	615	1,686,064	218,079	1,904,143			103,813	8 6½	24,342	7 0	128,155	15 6½
" 1893	5,513	13,515	640	1,825,646	244,045	2,069,691			112,465	15 9	28,317	7 10	140,783	3 7

From 1st November, 1873, address and signature given in free.

From 1st Jan., 1886, delayed telegrams posted to addressees immediately after their receipt at offices of destination.

For the Financial Year 1894-95.

Year ended	Number of Miles of Line.	Number of Miles of Wire.	Number of Stations Open.	Number of Telegrams forwarded during the Year.			Revenue.		Value of Government Messages.	Total Value of Business done during the Year.	Total Expenditure (excluding Cable Subsidy).		Remarks.
				Private, and Press.	Government.	Total.	Telegraph.	Telephone.			£	s. d.	
31st March, 1895	5,961½	14,881½	705	1,802	182	2,31,618	£ 88,459	10 11	£ 26,050	7 5	£ 136,062	11 2	£ 135,791 0 7