

WORK PERFORMED FOR OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

Customs duties amounting to £26,549 were collected on articles received through the post from places beyond the colony, and £2,187 13s. 11d. on account of ordinary Customs work.

The sum of £2,211 was collected from the sale of game licenses.

Premiums amounting to £27,107 6s. 3d. were collected from policyholders on behalf of the Government Insurance Department.

£552 8s. 9d. was collected for the Government Printer on the sale of Government publications.

Income-tax amounting to £109,623 8s. 6d., and land-tax for £219,464 3s., were received at post-offices.

Fees under the Live-stock Acts amounting to £21,325 19s. 4d. were collected.

The sum of £5,299 was received for machinery fees.

The receipts from the sale of miners' licenses amounted to £629 2s.

£4,276 14s. was lodged at post-offices for investment in New Zealand Consols.

The receipts on behalf of the Public Trust Office were £311,064 15s. 4d., and payments £308,715 6s. 1d.

Railway receipts for £9,026 15s. 6d. were also accounted for through the Post Office Account.

The fees collected in respect of the registration of births, deaths, and marriages totalled £1,997 14s. 6d.

The Advances to Settlers Office receipts amounted to £615,341 3s. 5d., and payments £612,670 19s. 6d.

Fees, &c., were also collected on account of the Audit Office, Tourist Department, water rates, goldfields, County Councils, Road Boards, Clerks of Court, Harbourmasters, Arms Act, fishing licenses, Lunacy Department, Factories Act, Education Department, Homing-pigeons Protection Act, Hanmer Springs Sanatorium, Rotorua baths, Rotorua patients, the Treasury, Licensing Act, Valuation revenue, Coal-mines Act, Immigration Restriction Act, loan-debenture receipts, and receipts under the Unclaimed Moneys Act.

The payments made by the Post Office on behalf of the Treasury were £650,063 11s. 9d.

2,174,160 discount-stamps, valued at £2,264 15s., were sold during the year, and 1,955,184, for £2,036 13s., redeemed.

GROSS RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS.

The gross receipts dealt with during the year were : Departmental, £12,811,940 14s. 3d. ; on account of other Departments, £2,226,686 17s. 2d. : total, £15,038,627 11s. 5d.

The payments were : Departmental, £12,805,084 7s. 1½d. ; on behalf of other Departments—to individuals, £1,759,322 2s. 2d. ; to Government accounts, £447,641 18s. 6d. : a total of £15,012,048 7s. 9d.

The gross receipts and payments were therefore £30,050,675 19s. 3d. for the year.

LETTER-CARRIERS' DELIVERIES.

Deliveries by letter-carrier were established at : Dunedin—Kaitangata and Palmerston.

Letter-carriers' deliveries were extended as follows :—Auckland : (C.P.O.) To include Ellerslie district ; at Northcote, to include the whole borough. Christchurch : (C.P.O.) Suburban delivery in Addington in the afternoon to take in district towards Sydenham ; in Spreydon, to include Tankerville and adjacent parts, once daily ; extended to Heathcote, including Beckenham and adjacent parts, once daily ; at Ashburton, to include larger area in Allenton district. Dunedin : (C.P.O.) Midday delivery in George and King Streets. Invercargill : At Bluff, morning and afternoon deliveries. Napier : At Hastings, on the north-west, west, and south-west. Thames : At Waihi, to be made twice daily over Waihi, Broadway, Kenny, Johnson, and Union Streets. Timaru : At Waimate, to include Mill Road, King Street, &c. Wanganui : (C.P.O.) To Aramoho ; to Taylorville, No. 2 Line ; to Durietown ; to Putiki ; to houses beyond the railway-line in London Street ; and to Smiley's Paddock. Wellington : (C.P.O.) Brooklyn delivery to include Vogeltown ; Aro Street and Mitchelltown delivery to include Kelburne ; at Feilding, boundaries generally on all sides ; at Hutt, to Dew's Farm and along the Cemetery Road.

NEWSPAPERS REGISTERED.

Nine newspapers were registered for transmission by post, and fifteen ceased publication.

RECEIVING-BOXES.

Forty-seven receiving-boxes were established at : Auckland—City and suburbs, 3 ; Cambridge, 2. Christchurch—City and suburbs, 6 ; Ashburton, 2. Dunedin—City and suburbs, 4 ; Milton, 1 ; Mosgiel, 1. Greymouth—Town, 1. Napier—City, 1 ; Wairoa, 1. New Plymouth—Inglewood, 1 ; Waitara, 1. Thames—Katikati, 2 ; Waihi, 1. Timaru—Geraldine, 1 ; Waimate, 2. Wanganui—Marton, 2. Wellington—City and suburbs, 7 ; Eketahuna, 1 ; Feilding, 1 ; Foxton, 1 ; Hutt, 3 ; Otaki, 1 ; Palmerston North, 1.

Five receiving-boxes were closed at : Auckland—City, 1. Christchurch—City and suburbs, 2. Dunedin—City and suburbs, 1. Wellington—Greytown North, 1.