

Table No. 18—continued.

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 Offices	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.				Total.	£					s.	d.															
31st Dec., 1882	3,974	9,848	264	1,361,817	208,372	1,570,189	£	s.	d.	73,554	9	122,451	6	3	96,005	15	4	5	17	5	From 1st November, 1873, address and signature given in free.										
" 1883	4,074	10,037	302	1,379,483	219,917	1,599,400	93,822	3	21	555	19	2	378	2	5	92,204	11	0	4	16		8									
" 1884	4,264	10,474	330	1,433,458	220,847	1,654,305	95,634	5	20	855	19	7	490	5	0	90,078	2	0	4	18		4									
" 1885	4,463	10,931	375	1,533,466	240,867	1,774,273	101,652	8	0	24	860	9	0	126	512	7	97,982	10	6	4		15	9								
" 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	77,473	10	7	21	402	18	2	98,875	8	9	4	15	11	From 1st Jan., 1886, delayed telegrams posted to addressees immediately after their receipt at offices of destination.
" 1887	4,646	11,375	437	1,589,771	245,623	1,835,394	106,548	4	0	39	205	11	10	136	753	15	5	76,580	10	0	21	321	2	9	97,901	12	0	4	13	9	
" 1888	4,790	11,617	473	1,548,233	217,630	1,765,863	106,311	11	6	23	164	13	11	129	470	5	5	72,201	13	5	23	262	1	0	95,463	14	5	0	1	0	
" 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	75,426	9	7	26	007	1	5	101,433	11	0	5	8	7	
" 1890	5,148	12,812	520	1,734,381	226,780	1,961,161	110,696	17	8	26	070	12	7	136	767	10	3	76,845	1	10	27	546	2	0	104,391	3	10	5	13	0	
" 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	85,658	4	11	28	986	10	10	114,644	15	9	5	12	7	
" 1892	5,479	13,459	615	1,886,064	218,079	1,904,143	103,813	8	64	24,342	7	0	128,155	15	64			87,472	13	329,580	10	11	117,053	4	2	5	8	0			
" 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			92,109	17	0	29,141	6	0	121,251	3	0	5	5	9		

For the Financial Years ended 31st March, 1895, to 31st March, 1906.

Year ended	Number of Miles of Line.	Number of Miles of Wire.	Number of Offices Open.	Number of Telegrams forwarded during the Year.			Revenue (including Miscellaneous Receipts).		Total Value of Business done during the Year.	Total Expenditure (excluding Cable Subsidy).	Remarks.													
				Number of Offices		Total.	Revenue					Value of Government Messages.												
				Private and Press.	Government.		Telegraph.	Telephone.																
31st March, 1895	5,961 1/4	14,881 1/2	705	1,802,182	231,618	2,033,800	£ 88,459	s. 10	d. 11	£ 21,552	s. 12	d. 10	£ 26,950	s. 7	d. 5	£ 136,062	s. 11	d. 2	£ 135,791	s. 0	d. 7	Cable subsidy, 6,492	s. 11	d. 8
" 1896	6,245 1/2	15,764 1/2	743	1,899,632	224,579	2,124,211	£ 97,178	s. 14	d. 0 1/2	£ 25,933	s. 12	d. 9	£ 25,843	s. 11	d. 11	£ 148,955	s. 18	d. 8 1/2	£ 143,065	s. 14	d. 0	"	s. 5	d. 5
" 1897	6,264 1/4	16,470 1/2	780	2,285,001	235,168	2,520,169	£ 100,385	s. 16	d. 1	£ 29,248	s. 19	d. 5	£ 23,118	s. 2	d. 6	£ 152,752	s. 18	d. 0	£ 153,484	s. 6	d. 8	"	s. 8	d. 1
" 1898	6,484	18,024	824	2,469,415	226,818	2,696,233	£ 99,738	s. 10 1/2	d. 1	£ 36,422	s. 6	d. 8	£ 24,594	s. 9	d. 8	£ 160,725	s. 24	d. 1	£ 165,198	s. 13	d. 5	"	s. 2	d. 9
" 1899	6,736	18,746	878	2,717,548	243,190	2,960,738	£ 105,576	s. 6	d. 0	£ 39,718	s. 7	d. 7	£ 25,300	s. 5	d. 10	£ 170,794	s. 19	d. 5	£ 173,152	s. 16	d. 6	"	s. 11	d. 1
" 1900	6,910	19,228	915	3,159,093	310,538	3,469,631	£ 119,641	s. 11	d. 6 1/2	£ 43,303	s. 2	d. 10	£ 29,431	s. 19	d. 0	£ 192,376	s. 13	d. 4 1/2	£ 181,034	s. 11	d. 3	"	s. 7	d. 1
" 1901	7,249 3/4	20,682 1/2	991	3,534,444	363,684	3,898,128	£ 137,861	s. 1	d. 2 1/2	£ 49,117	s. 0	d. 8	£ 35,327	s. 6	d. 2	£ 222,305	s. 8	d. 0 1/2	£ 194,014	s. 12	d. 11	"	s. 6	d. 0
" 1902	7,469 1/2	21,705 1/2	1,038	3,850,391	317,590	4,167,981	£ 151,933	s. 19	d. 11	£ 55,542	s. 4	d. 9	£ 27,507	s. 17	d. 6	£ 234,984	s. 2	d. 2	£ 212,180	s. 16	d. 0	"	s. 15	d. 0
" 1903	7,748 1/2	22,920 1/2	1,103	4,271,218	288,086	4,559,304	£ 160,343	s. 7	d. 7 1/2	£ 62,151	s. 8	d. 11	£ 26,440	s. 2	d. 10	£ 248,934	s. 19	d. 4	£ 228,185	s. 10	d. 7	"	s. 10	d. 0
" 1904	7,794 1/2	22,920 1/2	1,153	4,671,904	293,293	4,965,197	£ 166,535	s. 18	d. 8 1/2	£ 71,028	s. 6	d. 13	£ 24,377	s. 1	d. 7	£ 261,491	s. 6	d. 0 1/2	£ 245,186	s. 9	d. 7	"	s. 10	d. 0
" 1905	7,943 3/4	23,764 1/2	1,266	4,966,465	289,250	5,159,745	£ 171,061	s. 13	d. 11 1/2	£ 79,661	s. 7	d. 4	£ 26,397	s. 11	d. 10	£ 270,660	s. 13	d. 1 1/2	£ 258,977	s. 10	d. 9	"	s. 10	d. 7
" 1906	8,355	25,116	1,312	5,351,084	289,135	5,640,219	£ 184,369	s. 6	d. 2	£ 89,542	s. 1	d. 5	£ 24,168	s. 10	d. 4	£ 298,079	s. 17	d. 11	£ 276,580	s. 12	d. 5	"	s. 11	d. 5

NOTE.—Tariff, 1890: 1s. for ten words, and free address and signature up to ten words; delayed telegrams, 6d. 1892: For twelve words, and free address and signature, ordinary telegrams, 1s.; delayed, 6d. Later in 1892 the number of words in text and signature made eighteen. 1896: First twelve words, 6d.; each additional word, 1d.; address and signature paid for.