

## WORK PERFORMED FOR OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

Among the many branches of Government work performed during the calendar year 1907 by the Department may be mentioned the following :—

Customs duties were collected on parcels and other articles coming through the post from places beyond the colony amounting to £62,647 12s. 2d., and on account of ordinary Customs work £2,661 6s. 5d.

Advances to Settlers receipts amounted to £544,527 19s., and payments to £534,772 16s. 2d.

Fishing licenses were issued by Postmasters to the value of £1,454 8s. 6d., and game licenses to the value of £2,257.

For the Government Insurance Department premiums were collected from the public amounting to £30,365 13s.

Publications sent out by the Government Printer and paid for through the Post Office brought in £280 10s. 5d.

The sum of £30,289 18s. 7d. was paid to Imperial pensioners by Postmasters.

Income-tax amounting to £170,495 8s. 3d., and land-tax £376,533 0s. 2d., were collected by Postmasters.

The sum of £6,575 2s. 6d., fees due to the Machinery Department, was received.

Under the Mining Act the receipts were £251 15s.

New Zealand Consols for £175 were sold on behalf of the Treasury.

£3,559 16s. was the amount paid for Official Assignees as dividends in bankrupt estates.

The amount paid to old-age pensioners through the Post Office was £323,251 1s. 7d.

On behalf of the Public Trustee £721,812 11s. 3d. was received, and £721,758 0s. 9d. paid.

Railway revenue amounting to £5,953 11s. 5d. was collected by Postmasters.

Fees for the registration of births, deaths, and marriages received by Postmaster-Registrars were £2,409 2s.

Receipts from the Hanmer Springs Sanatorium amounted to £2,226 5s. 6d.

Sheep rates amounting to £22,096 12s., and £50 17s. sundry amounts, were collected for the Stock Department.

Valuation Department fees paid to Postmasters reached £5,533 9s. 4d.

Claims on the General Government for £923,053 3s. 11d. were paid on behalf of the Treasury.

Discount-stamps numbering 2,853,312, for £2,972 4s., were sold, and 2,676,192, for £2,787 14s., redeemed, during the year.

The amount invested by the general public in Government 4-per-cent. debentures through the medium of the Post Office was £120,975.

## GROSS RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS.

The gross amount received by the Department during 1907 was £24,968,894 0s. 7d., of which £22,523,309 7s. 8d. was departmental, and £2,445,584 12s. 11d. on account of other departments.

The gross amount paid out was £24,863,410 7s. 9d., made up of £22,424,706 10s. departmental, and on behalf of other departments—to individuals £1,616,942 3s. 9d., and to accounts £821,761 14s.

The total gross receipts and payments were therefore £49,832,304 8s. 4d.

## LETTER-CARRIERS' DELIVERIES.

Deliveries by letter-carrier were established at—Christchurch : Kaikoura. Napier : Waipukurau Wanganui : Ohakune. Wellington : Upper Hutt, Weraroa.

Letter-carriers' deliveries were extended as follows :—Auckland : Devonport to Takapuna. Christchurch (C.P.O.) : To Cashmere Hills, including area bounded by Dyer's Pass Road, Hackthorne. Cashmere and Whisby Roads ; North Opawa, delivery to include Richardson and Tabart Streets and Rhodes Avenue ; Shirley, delivery to include Philpott's Road and portion of Winter's Road to North Road ; Spreydon, delivery to include Stonebridge, Frankleigh, Conway and Rose Streets. Kaiapoi, to Sneyd Street, between Sneyd and Otaki Streets, and to Ohoka Road near railway-line. Kaikoura, to Kaikoura Wharf. Rangiora, afternoon delivery to include Southbrook district. Dunedin (C.P.O.) : North-east Valley, afternoon delivery to include the whole of Opoho, Gladstone, Dalmore, Woodhaugh, as far as Bishop's Grove, and Hawthorn to foot of Upper Junction Hill. Greymouth : Reefton, afternoon delivery to include town and suburbs. Wanganui (C.P.O.) : Aramoho delivery to half a mile beyond the Jubilee Home ; Gonville delivery to Heads Road as far as the Castlecliff Railway-crossing. Wellington : Levin, along King's Drive to Weraroa Road and returning by Queen Street ; Palmerston North, second delivery along North, Roy, Fritz, and Tram Streets to Boundary Road. Westport (C.P.O.) : to Orawaiti Bridge and along Nine-mile Road as far as Christie's.

Letter-carriers' deliveries were increased in frequency at—Christchurch (C.P.O.) : Daily to twice daily, Woolston, Opawa, Spreydon, West Addington, Fendalton, Gresford, East Gresford, Richmond, Linwood Extension, and Riccarton deliveries, also in King, Huxley, Southampton, Montrose, Gibbon, Hume, Croydon, and Rogers Streets. Wanganui (C.P.O.) : Daily to twice daily, Gonville, Sedgebrook, Aramoho and St. John's Hill deliveries. Wellington (C.P.O.) : Daily to twice daily, Karori delivery.