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# POST AND TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT

(REPORT OF THE) FOR THE YEAR 1912-13.

*Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.*

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General Post Office, Wellington, 22nd July, 1913.

MY LORD,—

I have the honour to submit to Your Excellency the Report of the Post and Telegraph Department for the year 1912-13, and in doing so to offer the following remarks:—

The business of the Department has been satisfactory, the excess of receipts over expenditure being no less than £98,554. The most outstanding feature of the year's work has been the extension of the radio-telegraphic system. Two low-power stations at Wellington and Auckland respectively are in successful operation, and have proved of great convenience, particularly in connection with the shipping. One high-power station at Awanui and another at Awarua are completed, and a low-power station at Chatham Islands is approaching completion. It is confidently anticipated that these stations will meet the requirements of navigation.

A tender for automatic-telephone exchanges has just been accepted. The expenditure will be considerable, but the ultimate saving in working-expenses and the increased convenience to the public should compensate for the additional outlay.

A trunk telephone-wire for bureau communications between Wellington and Auckland has been erected, with the most satisfactory results.

There has been a marked increase in the number of paid telegrams, whilst the number of bureau messages has increased by over 16 per cent.

The system of deferred cable messages, introduced at the beginning of 1912, has been largely availed of, as have also week-end cable messages to the United Kingdom. Each of these innovations seems to have met a public want.

In November, 1912, the business of the Department in Wellington was transferred to the new General Post Office. The recently erected chief post-office building in Auckland was also brought into use in the same month.

During the year, Mr. D. Robertson, I.S.O., who assumed the position of Secretary to the Department in 1907, was appointed Public Service Commissioner.

Matters of detail will be found at length in the report and tables which follow.

I have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your obedient servant,

R. HEATON RHODES,

Postmaster-General.

His Excellency the Governor, Wellington.

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS.

The receipts and payments of the Department for the financial year 1912-13 are shown in the following table :—

Item.	Postal.			Telegraph.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Receipts.</i>									
Stamps for postage .. .. .	591,921	11	8	..	..	..	591,921	11	8
Money-order and postal-note commission .. .. .	25,833	6	11	..	..	..	25,833	6	11
Money-order commission received from foreign offices .. .. .	811	16	1	..	..	..	811	16	1
Private box and bag fees .. .. .	13,736	0	1	..	..	..	13,736	0	1
Miscellaneous receipts .. .. .	12,334	12	5½	7,991	1	3	20,325	13	8½
Paid telegrams .. .. .	..	..	..	313,960	5	1	313,960	5	1
Telephone exchanges .. .. .	..	..	..	201,237	7	3	201,237	7	3
Totals .. .. .	644,637	7	2½	523,188	13	7	1,167,826	0	9½
<i>Payments.</i>									
Salaries (classified officers) .. .. .	243,044	3	8	348,334	5	4	591,378	9	0
Salaries (country Postmasters and telephonists, and contributions to Railway Department) .. .. .	20,641	0	0	32,281	0	0	52,922	0	0
Conveyance of mails by sea .. .. .	85,787	11	5	..	..	..	85,787	11	5
Conveyance of inland mails .. .. .	72,852	4	6	..	..	..	72,852	4	6
Conveyance of mails by railway .. .. .	62,677	3	2	..	..	..	62,677	3	2
Money-order commission credited to foreign offices .. .. .	2,500	3	10	..	..	..	2,500	3	10
Maintenance of telegraph and telephone-lines .. .. .	..	..	..	64,011	3	9	64,011	3	9
Miscellaneous .. .. .	72,273	7	9	64,870	4	6	137,143	12	3
Balance of receipts over payments .. .. .	559,775	14	4	509,496	13	7	1,069,272	7	11
Totals .. .. .	84,861	12	10½	13,692	0	0	98,553	12	10½
Totals .. .. .	644,637	7	2½	523,188	13	7	1,167,826	0	9½

The total receipts exceeded those of 1911-12 by £80,115 9s. 9½d.

Postal matter delivered in New Zealand, including that received from abroad, during the year reached a total of 108,143,256 letters, 6,058,962 post-cards, 54,068,196 other articles, and 1,735,567 parcels.

666,425 money-orders, for £3,231,349 14s. 6d., were issued, and 536,130, for £2,870,523 1s. 8d., paid. The increase in the number of orders issued as compared with last year was 58,661.

During the year 1,970,643 postal notes, of the value of £636,473 0s. 6d., were sold, being an increase of 8·18 per cent. in number and 10·69 in amount as compared with the preceding year.

The number of British postal orders sold increased from 88,528, valued at £45,687 10s. 6d., to 100,661, for £51,651 19s. 7d., and 24,405 orders, for £15,681 1s. 6d., were paid, as against 23,429, for £15,458 18s. 6d., paid during the previous year.

The savings-bank deposits (£11,725,182 16s. 5d.) exceeded the withdrawals (£11,449,711 3s. 7d.) by £275,471 12s. 10d. There has been added £511,598 18s. 8d. as interest, making a total increase of £787,070 11s. 6d., and bringing the whole amount at credit up to £16,330,257 8s. 2d., a sum which equals £14 16s. 3d. per head of the population.

The total number of telegrams forwarded was 9,944,272, an increase of 881,139, or 9·72 per cent., over the business of the previous year.

The number of bureau communications continues to show a marked increase, being 2,935,912, as against 2,360,914.

The amount expended on telegraph-extension was £251,375, with liabilities amounting to £171,297 on account of works for which the authority of Parliament was granted too late for the necessary expenditure to be brought within the financial year.

On the 31st March, 1913, there were 12,508 miles of telegraph-line and 41,892 miles of wire. The length of submarine cables within the Dominion was 374 knots.

The number of telephone-exchange connections still continues to rapidly increase.

STATEMENT SHOWING RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS OF THE POST AND TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT FOR THE TEN YEARS ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1913, AND FOR THE YEARS 1881-82, 1891-92 AND 1901-2.

Year.	Receipts.			Payments.			Balance of Receipts over Payments.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
1881-1882 .. .. .	234,529	8	0	233,291	10	4	1,237	17	8
1891-1892 .. .. .	320,058	1	3	268,343	1	1	51,715	0	2
1901-1902 .. .. .	488,573	1	11½	465,756	9	5	22,816	12	6½
1903-1904 .. .. .	580,771	4	5½	526,746	14	5	54,024	10	0½
1904-1905 .. .. .	633,305	12	7½	559,921	1	5	73,384	11	2½
1905-1906 .. .. .	684,878	11	2	578,726	11	7	106,151	19	7
1906-1907 .. .. .	746,249	16	0½	619,121	0	9	127,128	15	3½
1907-1908 .. .. .	822,639	8	9½	709,024	16	2	113,614	12	7½
1908-1909 .. .. .	913,994	17	2½	807,652	9	10	106,342	7	4½
1909-1910 .. .. .	961,500	10	2½	858,059	15	1	103,440	15	1½
1910-1911 .. .. .	1,037,265	17	3	914,069	7	10	123,196	9	5
1911-1912 .. .. .	1,087,710	11	0	988,911	12	6	98,798	18	6
1912-1913 .. .. .	1,167,826	0	9½	1,069,272	7	11	98,553	12	10½
Total for ten years .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	£1,004,636	12	0½

## STAFF.

*Comparative Return of Officers of the Post and Telegraph Department for the Years ended 31st March, 1912, and 31st March, 1913.*

The total number of officers on the staff on the 31st March, 1912 and 1913, was as under :—

	31st March, 1912.	31st March, 1913.
Postmaster-General	1	1
Classified staff,—		
First Division	3	5
Clerical Division	2,791	2,262*
General Division	2,122	3,094
Telegraph message-boys		
Total, classified staff	4,917	5,362
Employees not on permanent staff,—		
Country Postmasters and Postmistresses	2,178	2,219
Nightwatchmen	2	5
Mail-cart drivers	4	...
Postmasters and telegraphists or telephonists who are		
Railway officers	157	155
Total	7,258	7,741

## HEALTH OF STAFF.

The following table gives the average absence of officers on sick-leave :—

	Numbers comprised.	Average Absence per Sick Officer.	Average Absence for each Officer employed.
		Days.	Days.
Men	4,598	11·09	4·38
Women	764	17·59	10·34

Thirteen officers died during the year.

## POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

The Hon. R. Heaton Rhodes assumed office as Postmaster-General on the 10th July, 1912.

## PERSONAL.

The decoration of the Imperial Service Order was conferred on Mr. D. Robertson, late Secretary of the Department, in June, 1912. Mr. Robertson, who assumed the position of Secretary of the Department in 1907, having been appointed Commissioner under the Public Service Act, 1912, severed his connection with the Postal and Telegraph service as from the 1st January, 1913.

Mr. W. R. Morris was appointed Secretary of the Post and Telegraph Department on the 1st January, 1913, *vice* Mr. D. Robertson. On the same date Messrs. F. V. Waters and G. B. Dall were appointed Assistant Secretaries: Mr. D. Miller, Chief Inspector of Post-offices; and Mr. J. C. Williamson, Chief Clerk.

Mr. W. St. G. Douglas, Chief Postmaster, Dunedin; Mr. J. W. Gannaway, Telegraph Engineer, Christchurch; Mr. W. J. Chaney, Chief Postmaster, Napier; Mr. H. W. Capper, Chief Postmaster, Timaru; Mr. E. C. Gannaway, Assistant Postmaster, Wellington; Mr. J. H. Stevens, Assistant Inspector of Post-offices; Mr. B. N. Martin, Officer in Charge of the Telegraph-office, Christchurch; and Mr. H. Logie, Chief Postmaster, Thames, retired on pension during the year, after long and faithful service.

Mr. J. K. Logan, I.S.O., who retired on pension on the 1st January, 1911, after over forty-five years' service, during the last seventeen years of which he filled the position of Superintendent of Electric Lines, died on the 8th November, 1912, while travelling abroad.

## CLASSIFICATION.

By virtue of an Order in Council of the 7th October, 1912, persons of exceptional skill in the mechanical arts who have proved their qualifications to the satisfaction of the Minister may be appointed to the Non-clerical Division at a higher age than thirty-five years.

By Order in Council of the 18th November, 1912, provision was made for any officer who acts in a higher position at his own station for more than three consecutive months to be paid the difference between his salary and the minimum of the class above that in which he is placed. If he is in receipt of a higher salary than such minimum he may be paid an allowance at the rate of £10 per annum while so acting.

Provision was also made for the payment of £10 per annum, pending promotion to a higher class, to any officer of the Seventh Class who has passed the Civil Service Senior Examination or the Senior Technical Examination, or any equivalent examination, and has been in receipt of the maximum salary of the class for one year.

\* A number of these officers was included in the figures for the Clerical Division in previous year.

## APPEAL BOARD.

Mr. H. S. Wardell, a non-elective member of the departmental Board of Appeal, died on the 6th May, 1912. Mr. R. McNab was appointed in his place.

The Board sat on the 1st July, 1912. Ten appeals were considered. In three cases the Board confirmed the action of the Department, which was in accordance with regulations. In four cases the appeals failed. In one case the Board reported that the appeal had not been made within the time prescribed by Regulation 19, but strongly recommended the officer's promotion. One appeal was withdrawn, the officer having been promoted. One appeal was dismissed under Regulation 19.

The Board sat from the 8th to the 10th March, 1913. Twenty-one appeals were considered. In one case the Board recommended that, in consideration of the arduous and important work performed by the officer, his salary be raised to that paid in corresponding positions. As the Board's recommendation could not be given effect to under the Department's regulations, it was forwarded for the consideration of the Public Service Commissioner. In two cases the Board had no recommendation to make, but expressed the opinion that one of the officers should receive promotion at the earliest opportunity. In one case the Board recommended the payment of £5 as a special bonus. In view, however, of a subsequent adjustment of the officer's salary the bonus was not payable. One appeal was not proceeded with, as the officer had been promoted and his seniority preserved. In one case the Board had no recommendation to make. Five appeals were not inquired into by the Board, as they referred to action taken in 1908 and 1909. In ten cases the Board recommended that an adequate adjustment of salary and status be made to preserve the officers' relative seniority in the Classification List.

The Board again sat from the 27th to the 29th March, 1913. Eighteen appeals were considered. In nine of these the Board had no recommendation to make. In five appeals it was recommended that the cases of the officers who had suffered by the operation of the Post and Telegraph Amendment Act, 1907, and the annual classification made thereunder, be dealt with by the Department. The necessary adjustments have been made. In one case the Board could not sustain the appeal. In another the Board recommended that the opinion of the Crown Law Officer be taken. The opinion confirmed the decision of the Department. The Board upheld one appeal, and recommended that the officer be promoted from the 1st April, 1912. This was done. In a further case the Board considered that the officer should be given an opportunity of proving his fitness for another position. This was arranged. It also recommended that when the officer's promotion took place it should, if possible, be ante-dated to 31st March, 1913. The recommendation was forwarded to the Public Service Commissioner.

The Departmental Appeal Board ceased to exist with the coming into operation of the Public Service Act, 1912. Officers were called upon to elect representatives to the Public Service Appeal Board, and Messrs. F. M. Scully and A. Mill were elected to represent the Postal and Telegraph Branches of the Service, respectively, on the new Board.

## INSTRUCTION CLASSES FOR OFFICERS.

The special course of instruction instituted by the Professor of Physics at Victoria College for officers of the Engineering Branch of the Department commenced on the 27th March, 1913. The Department granted a sum to the College for the purchase of apparatus for use in tuition in telegraphy and telephony.

The correspondence classes inaugurated in 1910 for the tuition of officers of the Department in technical telegraphy and telephony, and in subjects of the Civil Service Senior and Junior Examinations and the Sixth Standard, were continued during 1912. The total number of students for the year was 319, of whom 130 were technical students. The results of the year's work were most satisfactory.

## EXAMINATIONS.

The principle of requiring officers of the Department to pass examinations was first dealt with in the Post and Telegraph Classification and Regulation Act, 1890, which provided that the Governor in Council might make regulations "prescribing the times and places at which examination of candidates [for employment] shall be held and the subjects of examination upon entrance or on promotion, also for the conduct of such examinations and the appointment and remuneration of examiners." Regulations were made under the authority of this Act by Order in Council dated the 22nd January, 1891, prescribing the examination for admission to the Department and the senior examination for officers before being eligible for promotion above the Fifth Class, of which the maximum salary at the time was £250. Officers of at least ten years' service before the passing of the Post and Telegraph Classification and Regulation Act, 1890, were exempted from the necessity of passing the senior examination.

Efficiency tests, however, were authorized in 1906, in which year it was provided by the Post Office Act Amendment Act that the Governor might make regulations "prescribing a test of efficiency for officers in the Sixth Class before such officers may receive increments beyond—(a) One hundred and fifty pounds; and (b) one hundred and eighty pounds." An Order in Council made on the 29th July, 1907, defined efficiency examinations for cadets before being promoted, and for officers in the Sixth Class before receiving increments above £150 and above £180. By the Act of 1907 the Sixth Class examinations were altered to apply to increments above £165 and £200. By Order in Council dated the 26th November, 1910, the efficiency test at £200 was changed from a written examination to an oral one, and a written test was required for promotion beyond the Seventh Class. At the same time questions on the Post and Telegraph Act were included in written examinations. At the beginning of 1913 examinations were in force for officers generally. For postal

officers the tests were based on the postal rules and regulations, and for telegraph officers the tests were partly on the telegraph rules and regulations and partly technical.

In March, 1913, the questions on the Post and Telegraph Act and the technical examination of telegraph officers before promotion above the Seventh Class were abolished. From the 1st April, 1913, examinations are conducted under the authority of the Public Service Commissioner.

#### DEPARTMENTAL RULES.

The rules and regulations for the guidance of officers were reissued during the year.

#### RECORD SYSTEM, GENERAL POST OFFICE.

On the 20th March, 1913, a new system of recording official papers was introduced in the General Post Office. A feature of the system is that the whole of the recording is performed in one operation on the typewriter.

#### GRAY MEMORIAL PRIZE.

The committee of adjudication in connection with the Gray Memorial Prizes made their awards for the years 1910 and 1911 on the 23rd July, 1912, and awarded gold medals to Messrs. J. G. Rule, Tanner, and Harrison.

#### TRADE OF EMPIRE COMMISSION.

At the request of the Trade Commission, evidence was furnished by the Department as to the possibility of a reduction in the cable rate to the United Kingdom from 3s. to 2s.; also as to existing foreign mail-services, and growth of savings-bank business.

#### CONTROL OF PENSIONS DEPARTMENT.

The Pensions Department was removed from the control of the Post and Telegraph Department on the 1st August, 1912.

#### PENNY POSTAGE.

As from the 21st February, 1912, French Oceania adopted the letter-postage rate of 1d. per ounce on letters from New Zealand and 1d. per three-quarters of an ounce on letters in the opposite direction. Papua introduced a rate of 1d. per half-ounce on letters to any part of the British Empire on the 1st November, 1912, and New Hebrides adopted a rate of 1d. per ounce on similar correspondence on the 10th December, 1912.

The United States Post Office was again urged to reduce the minimum postage for a letter from that country to New Zealand from 5 to 2 cents, and reminded that for seven years the initial letter-rate from New Zealand to that country has been 1d. per ounce, but the reply to the communication was unfavourable.

The Imperial penny-postage system now embraces practically the whole of the British Empire, the only exception being Pitcairn Island.

#### NEWSPAPER POSTAGE.

A proposal has been made by the Department to the Imperial Post Office that New Zealand printed newspapers be passed in the United Kingdom at the newspaper rate of postage. Later telegraphic Press news announces that legislation to enable colonial newspapers to be reposted in Great Britain at the same rate as British newspapers has been introduced by the Postmaster-General in the House of Commons.

#### PARCEL-POST.

1,623,830 parcels were posted in the Dominion during 1912, as against 1,613,010 in 1911.

From the 1st January, 1913, the inland parcel rates were reduced to 3d. for the first pound and 1½d. for each succeeding pound up to 11 lb. The introduction of the lower rate has resulted in a large increase of business.

A system of return receipts for inland parcels was inaugurated on the same date.

Wicker-and-canvas bag-hampers for the conveyance of parcels by post were brought into use, and have been found to be very suitable and convenient for the work. They are smaller than the ordinary hampers, and more easily handled.

On the 8th July, 1912, a trial system of transmission of fish by post was inaugurated between Dunedin and any office which could be reached within ten hours. The system, though not supported to the extent anticipated, is being given a further trial.

A scheme for the carriage of fruit by post was inaugurated on the 1st January, 1913, by this Department in conjunction with the Railway Department.

Only once have parcel-mails been seriously delayed. Owing to the accumulation of parcels during the dock strike in London, the parcel mail received by the s.s. "Turakina" on the 24th August, 1912, comprised some 6,000 parcels.

#### POST OFFICE.

During 1912 the Assistant Inspectors of Post-offices visited 1,960 offices. They also relieved Chief Postmasters in several districts, and were engaged in several investigations of a special nature. 446 non-permanent offices were inspected by permanent Postmasters in their vicinity.

Seventy-seven post-offices were established (of these, 10 were reopened offices) and 39 closed. The number of post-offices open at the end of the year was 2,350.

The names of 14 offices were changed to meet altered circumstances or to agree more nearly with local designations.

The number of articles delivered in the Dominion, including those received from places beyond, during the year 1912, as compared with the number in 1911, was as under :—

	1912.	1911.	Increase.	Decrease.
Letters and letter-cards..	108,143,256	106,143,040	2,000,216	..
Post-cards .. ..	6,058,962	6,829,563	..	770,601
Other articles .. ..	54,068,196	53,555,632	512,564	..
	168,270,414	166,528,235	2,512,780	..
Parcels .. ..	1,735,567	1,714,369	21,198	..

The letters and letter-cards increased 1·88, post-cards decreased 11·28, other articles increased 0·96, and parcels 1·24 per cent. The decrease in the number of post-cards may be accounted for by the continued decline in popularity of the pictorial post-card.

In 1911 letters and letter-cards increased 5·80, post-cards decreased 13·50, other articles increased 6·47 per cent.

The average number of letters and letter-cards posted per head of population was estimated at 102·06. The average in 1911 was 97·85.

The correspondence of 36 persons or firms was prohibited transmission under section 28 of the Post and Telegraph Act, 1908. Money-orders may not be issued in favour of such persons or firms. Letters addressed to prohibited persons or firms withheld from delivery during the year numbered 1,527. Prohibition was withdrawn in respect of five persons or firms.

Nineteen newspapers were registered for transmission by post, and 21 were removed from the register.

The declared value of parcels received from places outside the Dominion in 1912 was £435,594, as against £374,294 in 1911. The Customs duty collected amounted to £74,170 8s. 7d.

The declared value of parcels despatched to places beyond the Dominion was £39,432, as against £39,521 in 1911.

Six new letter-carriers' deliveries were established. Deliveries were extended in 43 and increased in frequency in 6 places.

As from the 1st January, 1913, undeliverable inland printed matter prepaid  $\frac{1}{2}$ d., bearing a request for its return to the sender, is returned and charged  $\frac{1}{2}$ d. postage. Undeliverable printed matter prepaid  $\frac{1}{2}$ d. posted outside the Dominion and bearing a request for its return to an address in New Zealand is similarly disposed of and surcharged.

The Secretary of the General Post Office, London, was informed on the 26th May, 1913, that this Dominion would support the scheme to be advocated by the Imperial Postmaster-General at the next Postal Union Congress for raising the limit of weight for "printed papers" from 2 to 3 kilogrammes in the case of packets containing literature for the blind, and for fixing the postage at ordinary rates up to 500 grammes, and above that weight at 50 centimes irrespective of weight.

During the past year 16 automatic stamp-vending machines have been installed.

A machine designed to register letters automatically at any hour was installed at Christchurch on the 23rd September, 1912.

While being date-stamped in the Auckland Chief Post-office on the 25th July, 1912, a packet broke open, and was found to contain bank-notes to the value of £200, wrapped in brown paper, unsealed and unfastened.

#### POSTAGE-STAMPS.

2,400 halfpenny stamps overprinted "Victoria Land" in black type across the upper half of the stamps were issued to the late Captain R. F. Scott, C.V.O., R.N., leader of the British Antarctic Expedition, as Postmaster of Victoria Land.

Special stamps for the use of the Government Life Insurance Department were reintroduced from the 1st January, 1913. The denominations are  $\frac{1}{2}$ d., 1d., 2d., 3d., and 6d.

Designs for the King George postage-stamps have been prepared, and sent to London for the engraving of dies. The following are the denominations proposed to be issued:  $\frac{1}{2}$ d., 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d., 2d., 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d., 3d., 4d., 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ d., 6d., 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ d., 9d., and 1s. The design of the penny stamp will not be changed. It is expected that the new issue will be ready for sale towards the end of the year.

The following postage, postage-due, and duty stamps, and postal stationery will be demonetized as from the 31st December, 1913, but may be exchanged at any post-office for stamps or stamped material to an equal value, up to the 31st December, 1914: All postage and revenue stamps bearing a portrait of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria; all envelopes embossed with postage duty of 1d. and 2d., and bearing Her late Majesty's portrait; all registered-letter envelopes, excepting the small size, imprinted with registration duty of 3d. and bearing Her late Majesty's portrait; all post-cards, letter-cards, and newspaper-wrappers bearing Her late Majesty's portrait; all stamps of the Christchurch Exhibition commemorative series; all the first issue of postage-due stamps,  $\frac{1}{2}$ d., 1d., and 2d., having only the denomination printed in red; all Law Court fee stamps of whatever denomination bearing the words "Law Courts, New Zealand"; all Land and Deeds fee stamps of whatever denomination bearing the words "Land and Deeds Stamp, New Zealand."

The issue of reply-paid post-cards ceased from the 8th October, 1912, there having been practically no demand for them.

## OCEAN MAIL-SERVICES.

*San Francisco Service.*

The Wellington - Rarotonga - Tahiti - San Francisco service has been regularly performed during the last year, and time-table dates have been well maintained. Several delays occurred in the delivery of the mail from New Zealand in the United Kingdom, principally due to connection being made with slow vessels on the Atlantic coast. The contract expires in October this year, and the question of renewing the service is under consideration.

The maximum, minimum, and average periods within which the mails were delivered at and from London and New Zealand by the various ocean mail-services are given in Table 15.

*Vancouver Service.*

The contract for the Auckland-Suva-Honolulu-Vancouver service has been satisfactorily performed during the past year, the time-table dates being well observed. The contractors placed the new steamer "Niagara," of 13,500 tons, fitted with all the latest improvements, in the service. She began her maiden voyage from Auckland on the 10th May this year, replacing the "Zealandia."

*Suez Service.*

The P. and O. steamers resumed making calls regularly every four weeks at Auckland during the southern summer.

On six occasions the steamers from Wellington failed to connect with the outward English mail at Sydney.

By a fire on the s.s. "Makura," which left Sydney on the 7th April, 1913, for Auckland, 2 bags of newspapers and 1 bag of letters were destroyed, and 12 bags of newspapers damaged.

Owing to a fire on a mail train near Brisbane, several bags of mail from Dunedin and Christchurch to Brisbane were burnt. A parcel mail, Wellington to Hong Kong, was also badly damaged.

*Payments on Account of the Suez Mail-service during the Year 1912-13.*

	£
Payment to Peninsular and Oriental and Orient lines .. .. .	10,784
Transit-charges across Australia and Europe .. .. .	6,583
Mail-service to Australia .. .. .	15,000*
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	£32,367

*Atlantic Service, &c.*

An apparently serious bid for an Imperial mail-service on the Atlantic was made in December, 1912, by a group of persons incorporated by special Act of the Parliament of Canada under the name of "The Imperial Steamship Company."

The s.s. "Turakina," which left Wellington for London on the 8th February, 1913, when at Rio de Janeiro on 4th March, was found to be on fire. The vessel was beached. The mails were landed safely and taken on by the liner "Blucher."

The boat in which the mails at Rarotonga were being carried for shipment by the s.s. "Talune" on the 28th January, 1913, was overturned in the surf. The mails were recovered undamaged and sent forward by the next steamer.

## INLAND MAIL-SERVICES.

The inland mail-services were relet by contract as from the beginning of this year for a triennial period. Several new rural services were established. In some cases arrangements were made for services to be performed by a departmental officer mounted on a motor-cycle. Several tenders were accepted for the carriage of mails by motor-car, and greatly improved services have resulted therefrom.

During the year the horses and plant used in the conveyance of mails in Wellington City were replaced by motor lorries and cycles.

The extension of the East Coast Main Trunk Railway enabled mails to be conveyed thrice weekly by rail as far as Otoko from the 1st January, 1913.

The driver of the mail-coach between Palmerston North and Rongotea was, unfortunately, killed by an accident, whereby his coach was upset, on the 10th May, 1913.

Heavy floods in the Dunedin, Timaru, and Invercargill districts in March, 1913, caused some delay to mails. The post-office at the Hermitage was temporarily cut off from postal and telephonic communication.

In the mail from Matiere to Ongarue, on the 23rd July, one bag disappeared in transit. It was discovered on the 28th, rifled of its contents, valued at £150.

## DEAD AND MISSING LETTERS.

The undermentioned articles of value were found in letters in the Dead Letter Office, and returned to senders where practicable: 885 post-office orders, £2,846 8s. 10d.; 68 bank drafts, £4,622 16s.; 1,056 cheques, £9,731 2s. 4d.; 20 dividend warrants, £107 7s. 10d.; 24 promissory notes, £1,125 19s. 5d.; postal notes, £586 9s. 6d.; British postal orders, £103 6s. 6d.; stamps, £56 2s. 10½d.; bank-notes (including a 15-dollar bill), £613 2s. 6d.; gold, £54; silver and copper, £17 0s. 8d.; representing a total of £19,863 16s. 5½d.

\* Includes £4,000 for New Zealand - Australian mails.

Amongst other things dealt with there were 17 gold watches, 31 gold brooches, 16 gold chains, 18 gold rings, 8 gold tie-pins, 3 gold bangles, 3 gold medals, 2 gold-mounted tusk-brooches, 3 pair gold earrings, 1 gold-mounted cigar-holder, 1 piece of gold quartz, 18 gold-mounted greenstone pendants, 11 gold-mounted greenstone brooches, 38 silver watches, 9 silver chains, 5 silver brooches, 13 silver spoons, 3 silver medals, 1 silver-mounted jar, 2 pieces of greenstone, 1 pair field-glasses, 1 masonic jewel, 5 railway tickets, 1 steamer ticket, 16 lottery-tickets, 5 pawn-tickets, and 9 share certificates.

The proportion of dead or unclaimed letters, letter-cards, and post-cards to the total number delivered within the Dominion was 0.49 per cent., as against 0.44 per cent. in 1911.

224,948 letters were opened and returned to writers through the Dead Letter Office; 59,457 were returned unopened to other countries; 785 were reissued; 31,452 were destroyed; 246,119 were returned by Chief Postmasters: a total of 562,761 letters, as compared with 496,068 in 1911.

51,569 other articles were returned to foreign countries; 9,630 were returned to senders through the Dead Letter Office; 309,769 were returned by Chief Postmasters: a total of 370,968 articles, as compared with 345,887 in 1911.

18,048 letters were wrongly addressed: 42 letters were discovered to have been posted with previously used stamps; 9,064 unclaimed registered letters were dealt with.

4,371 newspapers and 2,873 books and other articles without addresses were received, many of which were subsequently applied for and delivered.

28,403 newspapers were returned to publishers.

3,085 letters and 896 letter-cards were posted without addresses.

Eighty-two letters with libellous addresses were intercepted.

5,184 inquiries for postal packets, alleged to have been posted and not delivered, were made during 1912. In 3,118 of the inquiries—over half of the total number—the investigations by the Department resulted in the missing articles being traced or accounted for. These may be summarized as follows:—

Number of Traced Cases.	Result.
882 .. .. .	Sender responsible for delay.
717 .. .. .	Addressee responsible for delay.
322 .. .. .	Post Office responsible for delay.
1,197 .. .. .	No delay, or responsibility not fixed.
3,118	

#### OFFENCES.

At Auckland a young man, charged with misappropriating £1 from a registered letter delivered to him in error, was admitted to probation for two years upon refund of the sum stolen and payment of costs amounting to £5 5s.

A telegraph message-boy was convicted of the theft of £5 from a registered letter. Under section 14 (1) of the Civil Service Act, 1908, he ceased to be an officer of the Department.

A telegraph message-boy at Ashburton was dismissed from the service for failing to deliver a registered letter entrusted to him.

On a charge of signing a fictitious name to a telegram at Ashburton, a man was fined £5 and costs.

On a charge of conspiring to defraud by means of telegrams, two persons, one of whom was an officer of the Department, were convicted at Blenheim and were each fined £20, together with costs of £10 and £20 respectively: in default, to be imprisoned for a period not exceeding three months. The officer was dismissed.

A person convicted at Taumarunui of sending telegrams in breach of the Licensing Act and in a fictitious name was sentenced to one month's imprisonment.

A man was convicted and sentenced at Wellington to imprisonment for eighteen months with hard labour on the charge of opening telegrams addressed to another person which he obtained by fraud.

An office-cleaner at Wanganui was sentenced on the 11th July, 1912, to nine month's imprisonment for the theft of postal packets.

For stealing £42 from a postal packet at Omakau, a railway employee was brought before the Court and admitted to probation for twelve months. A fellow railway employee was also admitted to a similar term of probation for receiving a portion of the stolen amount.

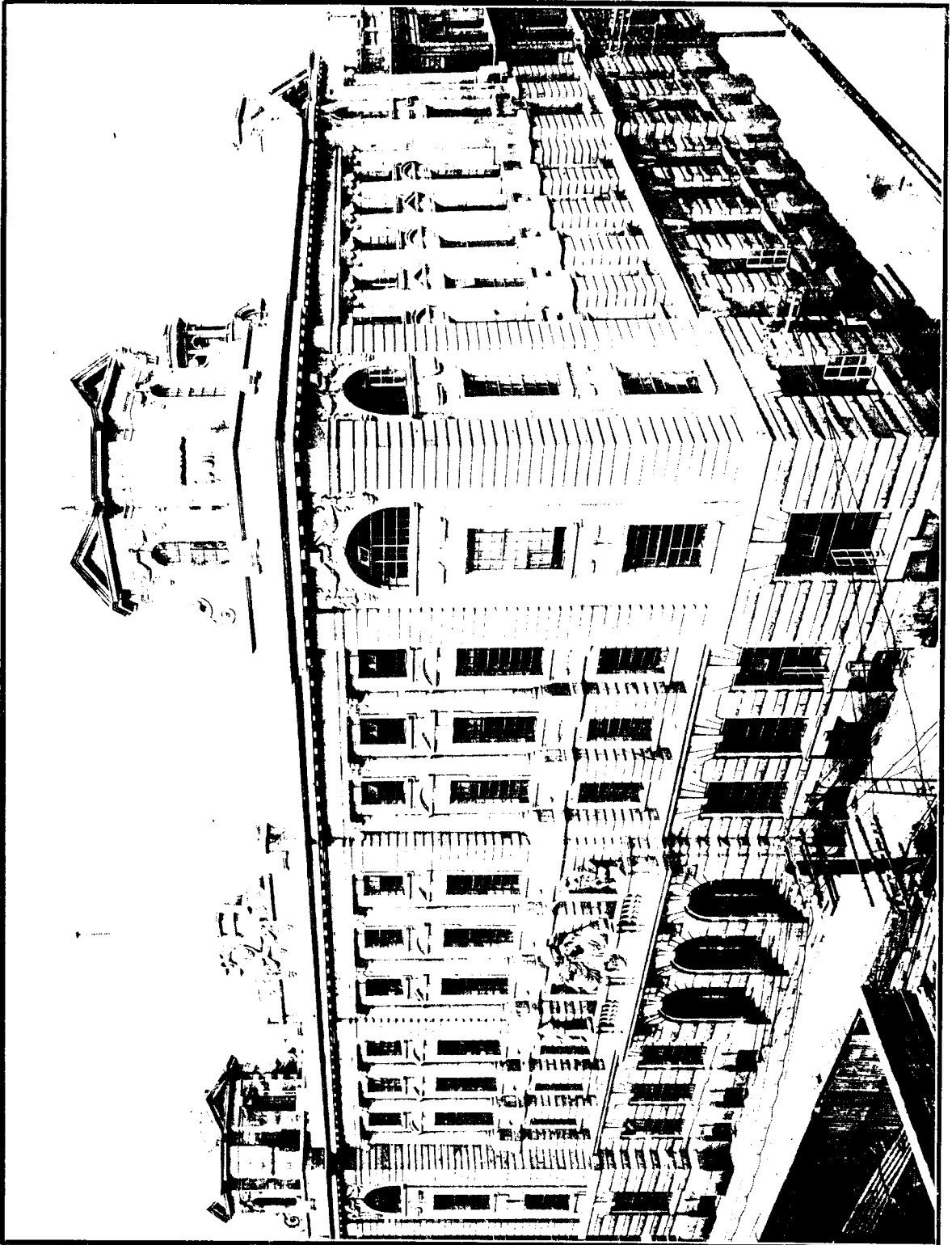
Three registered letters containing money were stolen at Runciman. The offender, who was arrested in Sydney, was sentenced to reformatory treatment for two years.

At Otaki a man was convicted and fined £1 and costs for using a defaced stamp as postage on a letter.

#### NEW GENERAL POST OFFICE.

The new General Post Office was, in the absence of the Postmaster-General, opened by the Minister of Public Works on the 26th November, 1912. The building is in the style of classic Renaissance, and is constructed of brick and Tonga Bay granite. It consists of a basement and four floors. The building has a frontage of 172 ft. with side frontages of 128 ft. 11 in. and 125 ft. 10 in., and, with the old General Post Office building, occupies a complete city block. The parapet of the building is 74 ft. above the footpath, and the height to the top of the domes is 100 ft. The main public office is lighted by a lead-light dome 24 ft. in diameter and seven smaller ones of similar design. The money-order and savings-bank office and a large mail-room are also on the ground-floor. There are 1,550 steel private letter-boxes provided. On the first floor are the telegraph-operating room, the Chief Telegraph Engineer's branch, and the letter-carriers' sorting-room. The second floor is occupied by the Postmaster-General, the Secretary and his staff, and the Public Service Commissioner. The third





CENTRAL POST OFFICE BUILDING, WELLINGTON.  
(Opened on 26th November, 1912.)

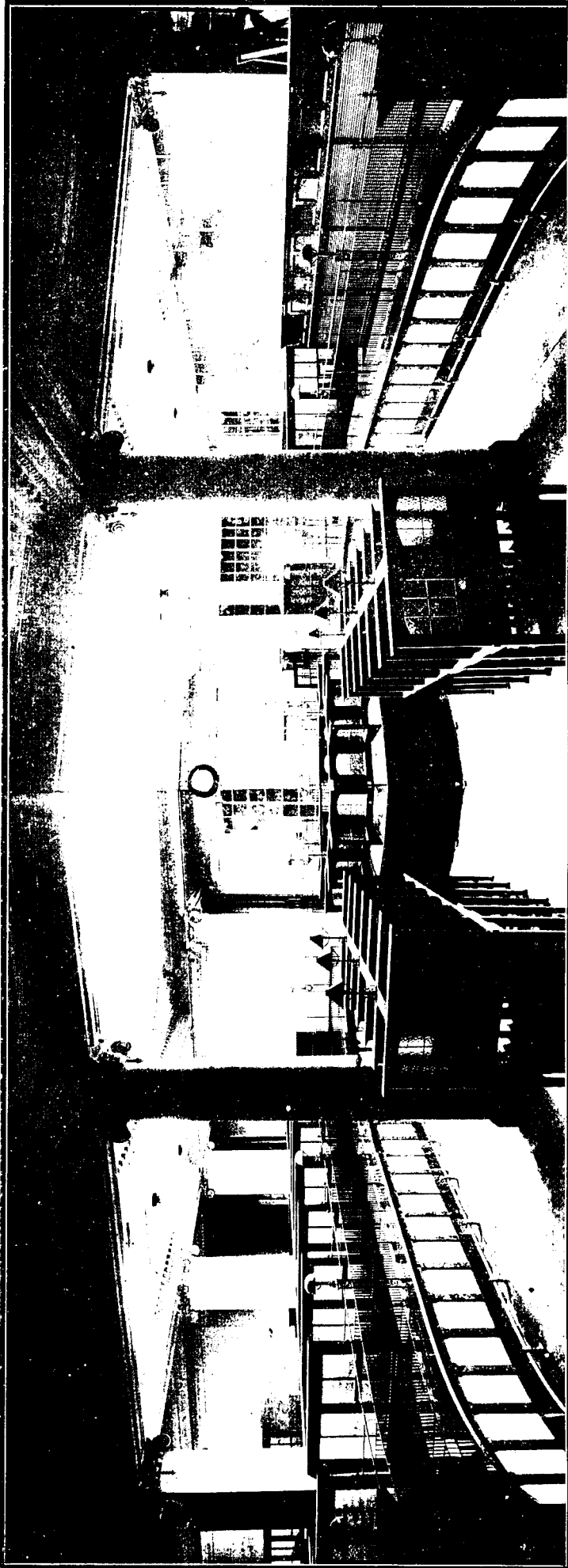
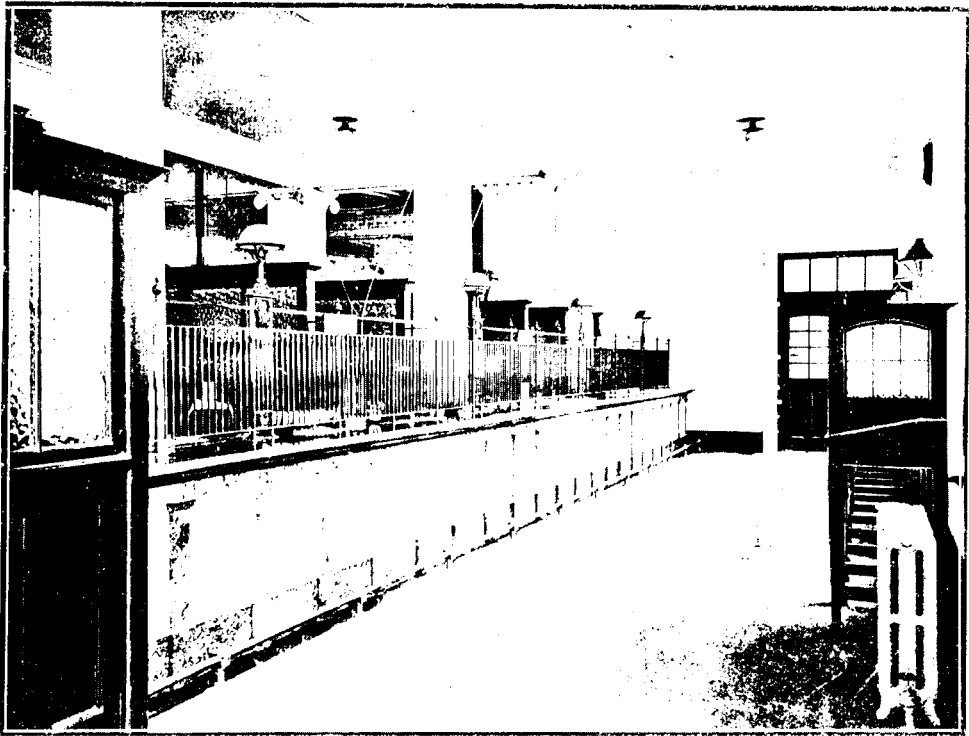
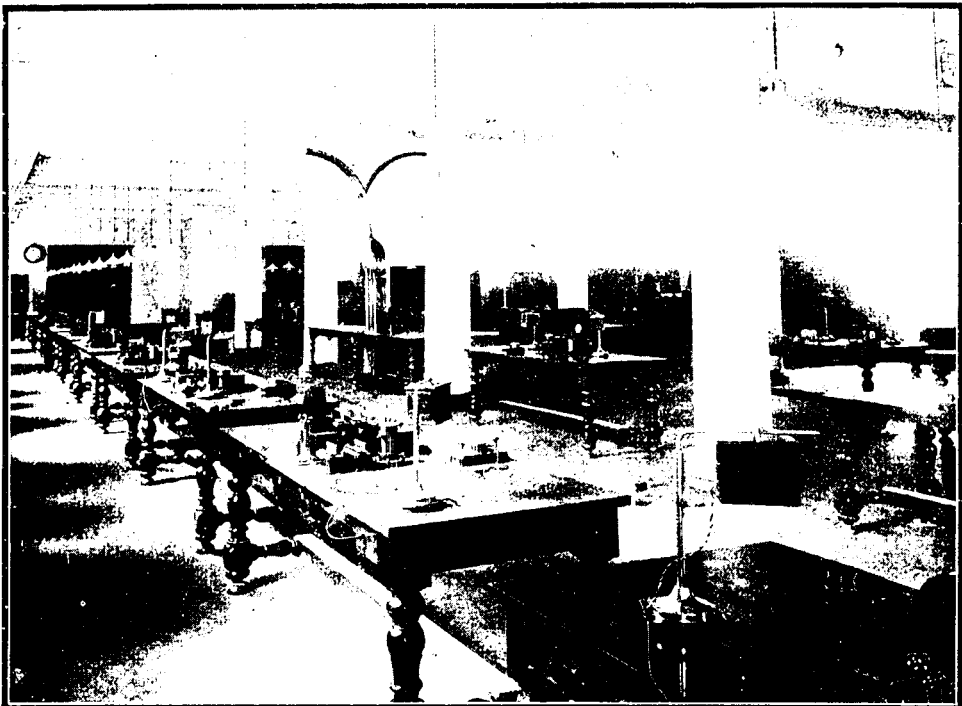


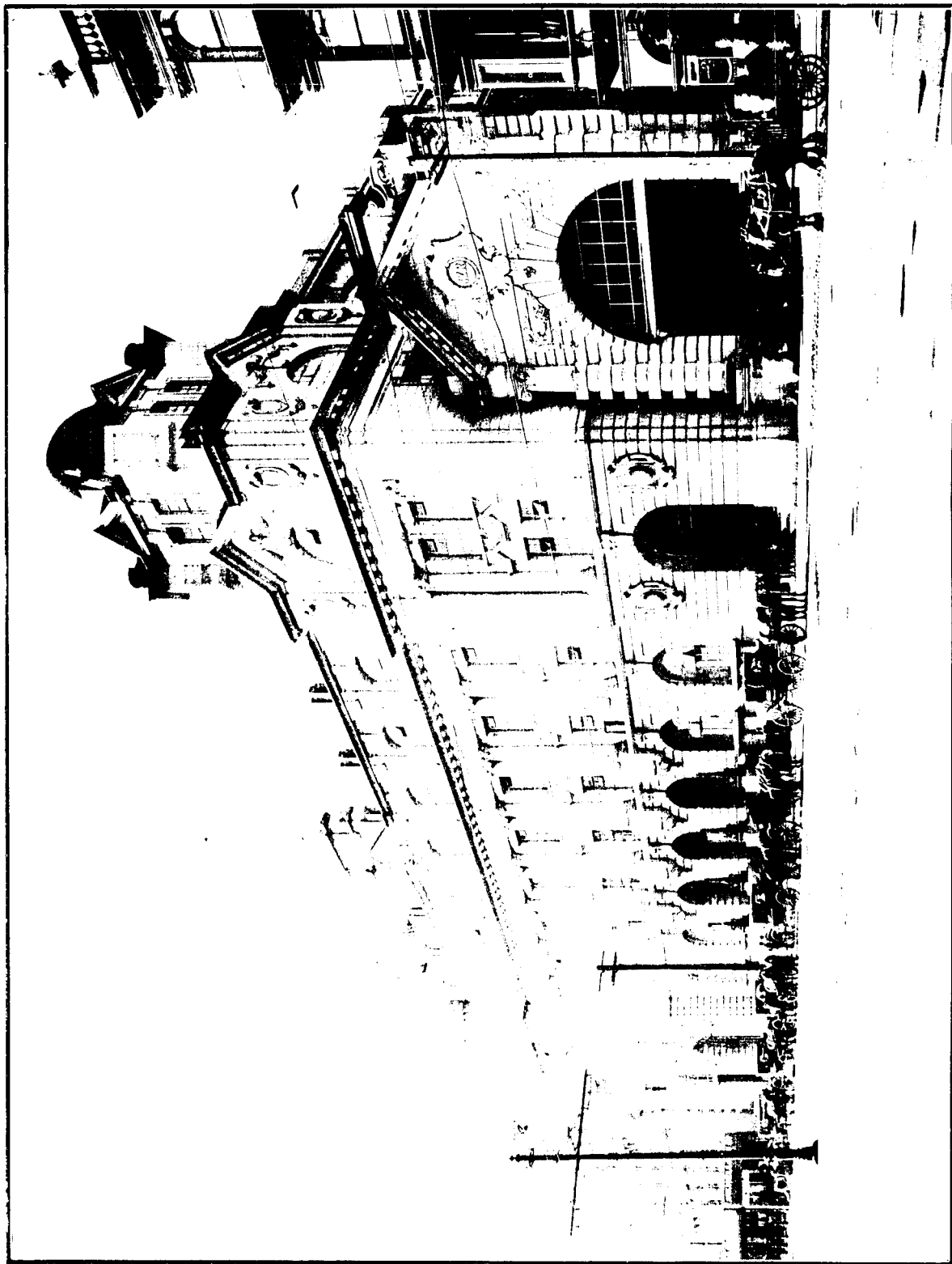
PLATE 2. View of the building from the street.



THEATRE, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, 1904



TELEGRAPH OFFICE, ROOM, GENEVA, 1904



CHIEF POST OFFICE BUILDING, AUCKLAND.  
(Opened on 20th November, 1912.)

floor is occupied by the staffs of the Controller of Money-orders and Savings-banks and the Chief Accountant. Magneta clocks, controlled by two master-clocks, are installed throughout the building. Four electric lifts and Lamson pneumatic carriers are provided. The cost of the building (exclusive of foundations) was £97,000. The furniture for the building was manufactured in the Department's workshops.

A feature in the design of the building is the allegorical group of statuary over the main porch representing the "Girdled Earth," designed by Mr. Alfred Drury, A.R.A., flanked by figures, one representing "Letter-delivery," and the other "Telegraphy."

#### NEW CHIEF POST-OFFICE, AUCKLAND.

The new chief post-office building at Auckland was opened by the Prime Minister on the 20th November, 1912. The building is in the style of English Renaissance, and has a frontage of 180 ft. by 140 ft. depth. The design somewhat resembles that of the General Post Office. The material used in the construction of the building is Coromandel granite, with Oamaru stone front. On the flat roof there is erected a wireless-telegraph station. The contract price of the building was £95,000.

#### BUILDINGS.

The other new offices officially opened were: Clive, Kaitangata, Kaiwarawara, Kawakawa, Ohura, Otane, Pleasant Point, Waihou, and Westport.

The following offices were transferred to departmental new buildings: Awakino, Balfour, Granity, Hawea Flat, Kawakawa, Matamata, Murchison, Ohura, Ponsonby, Ravensbourne, Sydenham, Westport, and Whangamomona.

Sites have been purchased at Awanui, Bombay, Brooklyn, Dargaville, Hataitai, Henderson, Island Bay, Khandallah, Kilbirnie, Kimbolton, Middlemarch, Miramar, New Lynn, Ohaupo, Oxford, Raglan, Ross, St. Clair, St. John's, Spring Creek, Takapuna, Waiuku, and Worser Bay.

During the year buildings were erected at Awakino, Balfour, Canvastown, Clive, Hawea Flat, Kaero, Kaitangata, Kaiwarawara, Kawakawa, Matamata, Murchison, Ohura, Opotiki, Otane, Pleasant Point, Ponsonby, Putaruru, Ravensbourne, Sydenham, Takaka (residence), Te Aroha, Waiau (lineman's cottage), Waihou, Westport, Whangamomona.

Contracts have been let for buildings at Gore (restoration of building) and Tokaanu.

Buildings are in course of erection at Kaikohe, Kaitaia, Papakura, Roxburgh, Timaru (clock), Wellington (bulk store).

The post-office at Kimbolton was destroyed by fire on the 13th May, 1913. All records and mail-matter were saved.

The post-office at Okoroire was destroyed by fire on the 30th May, 1912.

On the 22nd February, 1913, the Town of Westport was much shaken by a heavy earthquake, which damaged several buildings. The new post-office was considerably cracked in several places.

Lamson pneumatic carriers have been installed between the old and the new post-office buildings in Auckland City. The tubes are in underground pipes.

#### MONEY-ORDERS.

During the year there were 40 money-order offices opened and 2 closed, the number remaining open at the end of the year being 742.

666,425 money-orders were issued, for £3,231,349 14s. 6d., as compared with 607,764 for £2,759,393 8s. 5d. for the previous year—an increase of 58,661 in number and £471,956 6s. 1d. in amount.

536,130 money-orders, amounting to £2,870,523 1s. 8d., were paid, as against 483,043 for £2,416,958 15s. 10d., during 1911—an increase of 53,087 orders and £453,564 5s. 10d. in amount.

173,080 orders, for £528,880 5s. 11d., were drawn for payment in places beyond New Zealand.

43,461 orders, for £173,574 2s. 1d., were issued at offices abroad for payment in New Zealand.

The commission received for money-orders amounted to £16,398 16s. 2d., as against £15,307 7s. 7d. for 1911, an increase of £1,091 8s. 7d.

#### POSTAL NOTES.

Fifty-two offices were opened and 7 closed, leaving 911 postal-note offices at the end of the year.

1,970,643 notes, representing a value of £636,473 0s. 6d., were sold, as against 1,821,566 notes, for £574,979 18s. 6d., sold during the previous year—an increase of 8.18 per cent. in number and 10.69 per cent. in value.

The postal notes paid numbered 1,957,576, of the value of £624,086 12s., as compared with 1,811,096, of the value of £572,112 16s., paid during 1911-12.

The postal-note commission amounted to £9,029 19s., as against £8,329 13s. 2d.—an increase of £700 5s. 10d., or 8.40 per cent.

#### BRITISH POSTAL ORDERS.

100,661 orders, representing a value of £51,651 19s. 7d., have been sold, and 24,405, for £15,681 1s. 6d., paid. An extended table of the transactions is printed in Table 5. There was an increase of 13.71 per cent. in the number and 13.05 per cent. in the amount of postal orders sold during the year, and 4.16 per cent. in the number paid.

## SAVINGS-BANK.

During the year 42 offices were opened and 5 closed, leaving 724 offices open at the end of 1912. 85,529 accounts were opened and 58,896 closed, the net gain on the year's working being 26,633 accounts.

The number of accounts on the 31st December, 1912, was 432,199, and the proportion per head of population was 1 in 2·55, as compared with 1 in 2·65 at the end of the previous year.

The deposits numbered 877,889, representing £11,725,182 16s. 5d., an average of £13 7s. 1d. per transaction.

The withdrawals numbered 589,388, for £11,449,711 3s. 7d., an average of £19 8s. 6d. for each withdrawal.

The net amount added by depositors to their savings during the year was £275,471 12s. 10d., excess of deposits, plus £511,598 18s. 8d. interest earned and credited, making a total of £787,070 11s. 6d.

The total amount at credit of depositors increased from £15,543,186 16s. 8d. at the close of the previous year to £16,330,257 8s. 2d. on the 31st December last, representing a sum equal to £14 16s. 3d. per head of the entire population, and £37 15s. 8d. to each depositor.

The interest credited to depositors since the Post Office Savings-banks were established in 1867 amounts to £5,985,599 15s. 10d.

The cost of working the savings-banks amounted to 4·74d. per transaction, or £29,000 for the year.

The cost of management per cent. on the total amount at credit of depositors was 0·18 per cent., or 3s. 7d., per £100.

From 1st May, 1913, the rate of interest on savings-bank deposits not exceeding £300 was raised from 3½ per cent. to 3¾ per cent.

Contributors to the National Provident Fund who are also depositors in the Savings-bank may now have contributions deducted from their savings-bank account.

The system of savings-bank nominations by persons wishing to nominate a relative or friend to receive any savings-bank moneys at their credit in the event of death continues to find public favour. At the present time 1,145 nominations are recorded in the books of the Department.

The number of savings-bank depositors who have given orders for the deduction of their Government Insurance premiums as they fall due from the balance to credit of their savings-bank accounts is 2,195. The subscribers to the National Provident Fund who have acted in a like manner number 146.

Transfers of savings-bank accounts between the Dominion and the United Kingdom by depositors removing both to and from New Zealand last year totalled 680.

A new edition of Post Office Savings-bank regulations and instructions was issued during the year.

## WORK PERFORMED FOR OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

Among the many branches of Government work performed 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 Dominion amounting to £77,311 14s. 9d., and on account of ordinary Customs work £1,176 1s. 4d.

Advances to Settlers receipts amounted to £2,656,116 5s. 8d., and payments to £2,672,578 18s. 7d.

Fishing licenses were issued by Postmasters to the value of £1,180 2s. 6d., and game licenses to the value of £3,876 16s.

For the Government Insurance Department premiums were collected from the public amounting to £29,490 5s. 6d.

The sum of £28,550 18s. 9d. was paid to Imperial pensioners by Postmasters.

Income-tax amounting to £277,529 11s. 1d. and land-tax to £543,739 10s. 9d. was collected by Postmasters.

The sum of £9,901 7s. 6d., fees due to the Machinery Department, was received.

Under the Mining Act the receipts were £175 15s.

New Zealand Consols for £2,120 were sold on behalf of the Treasury.

On behalf of the Public Trustee, £958,745 9s. 8d. was received and £975,877 10s. 11d. paid.

Fees received for the registration of births, deaths, and marriages amounted to £2,723 4s.

Receipts from the Hanmer Springs Sanatorium amounted to £2,295 2s. 9d.

Valuation fees paid to Postmasters reached £6,096 6s. 8d.

Claims on the General Government for £1,519,023 2s. 11d. were paid on behalf of the Treasury.

Discount-stamps numbering 974,880, for £1,015 10s., were sold and 978,672, for £1,019 9s., redeemed during the year.

Contributions to the National Provident Fund collected by Postmasters amounted to £5,381 13s. 4d.

Old-age pensions paid during 1912 amounted to £413,530 5s., military pensions to £206 5s., and widows' pensions to £18,527 5s. 9d., while payments on behalf of the Public Service Superannuation Board reached £99,674 6s. 7d.

On the 1st April, 1913, the duties of the Collectors of Customs at Oamaru and Hokitika were transferred to the Chief Postmasters.

## TELEGRAPHS.

The total value of the telegraph and telephone business for the year ended 31st March, 1913, including miscellaneous telegraph receipts and Government telegrams, was £528,119 14s. 2d., as compared with £479,289 17s. 4d. for the previous year, an increase of £48,829 16s. 10d., or 10·19 per cent.

The following is a comparison of the traffic in paid telegrams during the last five years :—

Number.			Receipts.		
			£		
1908-9 ...	7,338,017	Increase, 5.46 per cent. ...	233,517	Increase, 4.75 per cent.	
1909-10 ...	7,757,128	" 5.71 " ...	244,906	" 4.88 "	
1910-11 ...	8,268,340	" 6.59 " ...	265,624	" 8.45 "	
1911-12 ...	8,971,725	" 8.51 " ...	288,431	" 8.59 "	
1912-13 ...	9,850,379	" 9.79 " ...	313,960	" 8.85 "	

The number of telegrams forwarded and the receipts therefrom during the four quarters of the financial years 1911-12 and 1912-13 respectively are as follows :—

Quarter.	Number of Telegrams forwarded.			Receipts		
	Year ended 31st March, 1912.	Year ended 31st March, 1913.	Increase per Cent.	Year ended 31st March, 1912.	Year ended 31st March, 1913.	Increase per Cent.
				£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
June quarter ...	2,099,745	2,341,714	11.52	66,808 8 2½	75,180 1 4	12.53
September quarter ...	2,084,614	2,308,351	10.73	66,738 18 2½	73,973 1 6	10.84
December quarter ...	2,353,496	2,565,435	9.00	76,480 3 5½	81,318 8 7½	6.33
March quarter ...	2,433,870	2,634,879	8.26	78,404 6 8	83,488 13 7½	6.49
	8,971,725	9,850,379	9.79	288,431 16 6½	313,960 5 1	8.85

The telegraph receipts for the financial year, including telephone-exchange subscriptions, private-wire rents, &c., amounted to £523,188 13s. 7d., as compared with £474,458 6s. 10d. in 1911-12—an increase of £48,730 6s. 9d., or 10.27 per cent.

The payments were £509,496 13s. 7d., as against £469,716 17s. 7d. for the previous year—an increase of £39,779 16s., or 8.47 per cent.

There were 12,508 miles of line and 41,892 miles of wire at the close of the year—an increase of 703 and 2,522 miles respectively.

The net payments out of Public Works Fund for telegraph-extension were £251,374 13s. 8d., as compared with £147,692 6s. 8d. in 1911-12.

The number of private wires and subsidized lines was 517, as compared with 519 in 1911-12. The amount received for rent and maintenance, &c., of such lines was £3,865 12s. 8d., as against £3,325 17s. 4d. in 1911-12.

The extension of lines into remote districts is proceeding vigorously, and 138 new offices were opened during the year.

The total number of telegraph and telephone offices open at the close of the year was 2,203. Of these, 317 were Morse-telegraph offices and 1,886 were telephone-offices. The total number of telegraph and telephone offices combined with post-offices was 1,811; not combined, 392.

The number of telegrams of all codes forwarded during the last financial year was 9,944,272—an increase of 881,139, or 8.93 per cent. over 1911-12.

The proportion of paid telegrams per head of population was 8.93, and 8.34 the previous year.

The number of ordinary telegrams forwarded was 6,177,847, of the value of £193,786 17s. 4d., compared with 5,911,322, of the value of £185,612 9s. 4d., in 1911-12—an increase of 266,525 in number, and of £8,174 8s. in amount.

The urgent telegrams numbered 280,270, to the value of £18,253 5s. 8d.—an increase of 21,287 in number and £2,398 16s. 10d. in amount.

The average value of each ordinary telegram was 7.53d., and of each urgent telegram 1s. 3.64d. 456,350 Press telegrams, of the value of £23,424 2s. 11d., were forwarded in 1912-13, as compared with 440,506, valued at £22,152 18s. 7½d., forwarded in 1911-12—an increase in number of 15,844, or 3.6 per cent., and an increase of £1,271 4s. 3½d., or 5.74 per cent. in value.

The value of each Press telegram averaged 1s. 0.32d., as against 1s. 0.06d. in 1911-12.

The bureau messages numbered 2,935,912, of the value of £78,495 19s. 2d., as compared with 2,360,914, of the value of £64,811 19s. 9d., in 1911-12—an increase of 574,998 in number and £13,683 19s. 5d. in amount.

The average value of each bureau message was 6.42d., as against 6.59d. in 1911-12.

The number of Government telegrams forwarded was 93,893, valued at £4,931 0s. 7d., as compared with 91,408, valued at £4,831 10s. 6d.—an increase of 2,485 in number, and £99 10s. 1d. in amount.

The number of paid forwarded telegrams to every hundred letters posted in New Zealand was 10.57.

Two telegram-accounting machines on the principle of the cash-register were installed at the Telegraph Office, Auckland, on the 16th June, 1912.

The first coin-in-slot telephones erected in the Dominion were installed at the Lambton and Thorndon railway-stations, Wellington, on the 17th August, 1910. There are now 39 such instruments in use at the principal centres of population throughout the Dominion, 30 of these having been installed during the year ended the 31st March, 1913.

The revenue collected from this class of telephone for the year ended 31st March, 1913, was £1,192 5s. 9d.

The charge on full-rate Press telegrams from New Zealand to Great Britain by all routes was reduced on the 10th October, 1912, to 7½d. per word.

By the Country Telephone-lines Act, 1912, power was given to County Councils to borrow money for the purpose of erecting telephone-lines to connect with Government exchanges, and to levy taxation sufficient to ensure payment of interest and redemption of the loan.

From the 1st August, 1912, the amount to be demanded from guarantors of new telephone-lines was reduced from one-half to one-third of the estimated deficiency.

As the public demand for books of embossed telegram forms had almost entirely ceased, they were withdrawn from sale in February, 1913.

At Wellington and Christchurch a trial is being given to the conveyance of telegrams between the principal telegraph-office and the sub-offices by telegraph message-boys mounted on motor-cycles. Previously the messages were transmitted by telegraph or telephone instrument. Both expedition and economy have resulted from the change.

By a rearrangement of wires effected at New Plymouth by the Telegraph Engineer, Wellington, communication between New Plymouth and Auckland has been greatly accelerated.

To give the King-country telephone-communication with offices in the Waikato and with Auckland, a metallic circuit was erected between Taumarunui and Hamilton.

An additional telephone circuit is being erected between Wellington and Palmerston North to cope with the increased business.

A second metallic circuit was erected between Christchurch and Timaru, and by superimposition three telephone circuits between those places have been obtained.

The weather-forecast-telegram system was extended to 200 stations on the 2nd September, 1912.

During July, 1912, telegraphic communication in the South Island was seriously retarded by damage to telegraph-lines through heavy falls of snow. Repairs to the lines over Whale's Back, between Waiau and Kaikoura, were effected by linemen on skis.

A lineman was accidentally killed at Wellington on the 28th May, 1912, through coming into contact with a high-tension electric-light wire and falling off a telephone-pole.

#### NEW ZEALAND CABLE SERVICE.

There were 374 knots of submarine cable in the Dominion on the 31st March, 1913.

A length of 2.38 knots of cable was laid for the Port Hardy extension at D'Urville Island.

The submarine cables generally gave some trouble during the year. Breaks occurred in one of the Oterangi Bay cables in August, 1912. Repairs were effected, 2,300 yards of new cable being used. On the 6th May, 1913, two Cook Strait cables parted some distance out from Lyall Bay. A fault also occurred in the Foveaux Strait cable.

The Wanganui-Wakapuaka cable developed a fault, and the faulty portion was located and replaced by a new piece of cable.

#### OCEAN CABLE SERVICES.

The ordinary international telegrams for the year increased by 13.5 per cent., and the intercolonial by 7 per cent.

New Zealand's proportion of the deficit of £40,498 18s. 11d. on the tenth year's working of the Pacific cable, 1911-12, amounted to £4,499 17s. 8d.

The receipts and working-expenses of the Pacific cable for the year ended 31st March, 1913, are estimated as follows:—

	£		£
Traffic revenue .. ..	157,000	Annuity and renewals .. ..	107,545
Estimated deficit .. ..	37,400	Working-expenses .. ..	86,855
	<u>£194,400</u>		<u>£194,400</u>

New Zealand's proportion of the loss is stated at £4,156.

The share of ordinary paid business handled by the Pacific cable shows a slight increase on that obtained during the previous year. In 1908 the Pacific proportion was 85 per cent., the Eastern 15 per cent. The 1912-13 figures are: Pacific, 71 per cent.; Eastern, 29 per cent.

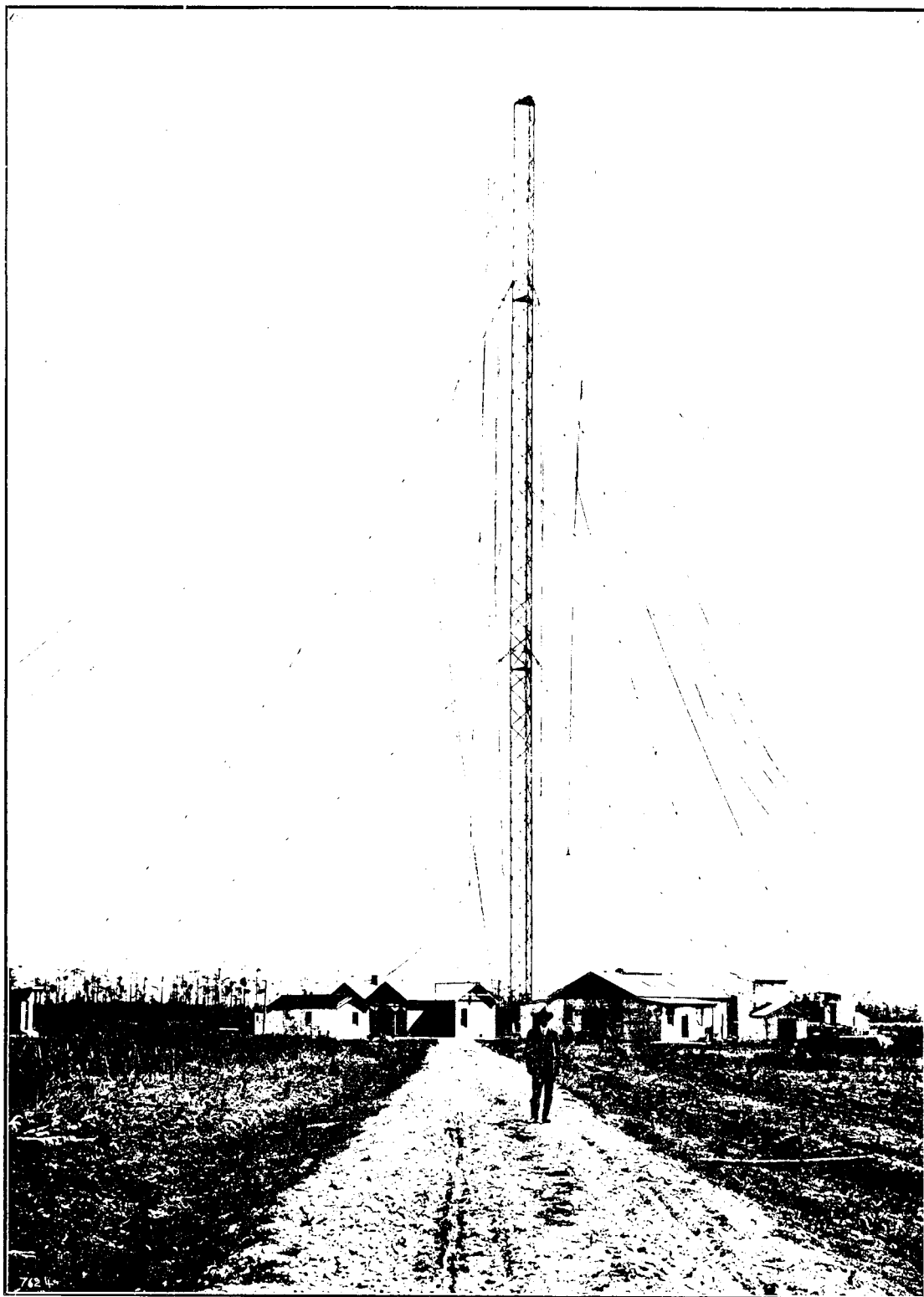
The following figures show the total number of ordinary telegrams forwarded for each of the past five years, and the percentages of such business falling to each route:—

Pacific.				E.E.A. & C.			
Year.		Messages.	Percentage of Total.	Year.		Messages.	Percentage of Total.
1908 .. ..	..	101,724	85	1908 .. ..	..	18,873	15
1909 .. ..	..	96,648	83	1909 .. ..	..	19,812	17
1910 .. ..	..	87,326	72	1910 .. ..	..	33,273	28
1911-12 .. ..	..	89,276	69	1911-12 .. ..	..	39,374	31
1912-13 .. ..	..	99,617	71	1912-13 .. ..	..	40,680	29

During the year New Zealand has given the Pacific route 71.42 per cent. of the ordinary business to Australia, as against 69.48 per cent. last year.

Returns received from London showed that for the first three months of 1913 the average time of transit on New Zealand business over the Pacific cable was only eighty minutes. The station at Auckland now works directly with Suva through repeaters at Norfolk Island, thus reducing by two the number of transmissions between New Zealand and the Mother-country.





*See page 12.*

AWAY-1 RADIO TELEGRAPH STATION.



1,106 Press telegrams were sent *via* Pacific and 1,574 *via* Eastern, compared with 912 and 1,250 respectively last year.

A system of deferred cable messages instituted on the 1st January, 1912, providing for transmission at half the ordinary charge (such messages being forwarded after ordinary cable messages, but not suffering a longer delay than twenty-four hours) is fully appreciated by the cabling public.

A system providing for the despatch of week-end cable messages between places in New Zealand and the United Kingdom lodged between midnight on Saturdays and noon on Mondays was inaugurated on the 4th January, 1913. The charge for transmission over the cable is 9d. per word, with a minimum of 18s.,  $\frac{1}{2}$ d. per word being added in each case for transmission over inland lines in the Dominion or in the United Kingdom. Details of the traffic attached to this report indicate that the innovation will be generously supported.

A new deep-sea cable directly connecting Sydney with Auckland has been successfully laid, and is operated by the staff of the Pacific Cable Board, now accommodated in the new Chief Post-office building at Auckland. The ocean cable is run from Bondi, near Sydney, to Muriwai, on the west coast of the Auckland Province. On behalf of the Pacific Cable Board the Department surveyed a route and laid a subterranean cable between Muriwai Beach and Harkin's Point, a distance of  $11\frac{1}{2}$  miles. Two cables were drawn into the underground ducts extending from the Ponsonby Reef to the Board's office at Auckland. The cable which formerly landed at Doubtless Bay and connected the Dominion at Norfolk Island with the Pacific cable to Vancouver has been extended to Auckland.

#### WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

The wireless station of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  kilowatts erected on Mount Etako, immediately behind the City of Wellington, and designated "Radio-Wellington," was opened on the 14th October, 1912. The station is situated 985 ft. above sea-level. Power is supplied from an extension of the city electric mains. It is open for business continuously. At night signals are exchanged with vessels within a radius of 600 to 1,000 miles, according to the varying atmospheric conditions, and almost nightly with some of the Australian stations.

Telephone and telegraph wires between the station and the city facilitate the prompt handling of messages.

The aerial, which is supported by two masts of Oregon pine 150 ft. high, and about 300 ft. apart, is of the flat-top type, and is composed of four phosphor-bronze wires 4 ft. apart. From the middle of the aerial four wires extend downward to the building. The earth connection consists of 300 copper wires radiating about 300 ft. from the station, situated midway between the masts. The ground is of rocky formation, with irregular surface. The results obtained from the working of the station have exceeded expectations.

The experimental wireless station which was situated in the tower of the General Post Office has been dismantled.

On the 24th October, 1912, a  $2\frac{1}{2}$ -kilowatt station, open during certain hours daily, was established on the roof of the new Chief Post-office at Auckland. The tubular steel masts of this station have been erected on the two domes of the building. Excellent results have also been obtained. The range is somewhat less than that of "Radio-Wellington."

The installation of wireless apparatus on the Government cable steamer "Tutanekai" was completed on the 20th June, 1912. The equipment has already proved valuable in aiding the work of repair to submarine cables.

The erection of the Chatham Islands wireless station of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  kilowatts is proceeding, and communication will be established shortly.

The high-power station at Awanui of 30 kilowatts has been completed. It will be capable of communicating with Sydney at any hour. This station is provided with a tower 394 ft. in height, from which an umbrella-shaped aerial spreads from summit to base over an area of about 90 acres. A similar station at Awarua, near Bluff, is also completed. These stations are undergoing departmental tests.

At the International Radio-telegraphic Convention at London, in June, 1912, the question of the regulation of wireless communication was reviewed. The Convention emphasized the need of a closer observance of the regulation requiring ships to communicate with the nearest coast station so as to minimize the interference peculiar to wireless communications and to permit of a greater number of radio-telegraphic messages being exchanged simultaneously. The use of minimum power for the distance to be covered has also been enjoined for the same reason. In exceptional cases maximum power may be used and a station other than the nearest one may be communicated with if a special wave-length be employed. The general trend of the amended regulations is in the direction of limiting long-distance working from one ship to another and between a ship and a coast station in order to circumscribe the area of disturbance. Ships are to be graded in three classes, and to observe prescribed hours of attendance, principally to ensure distress signals being observed. The amended regulations come into force in July, 1913.

Sixteen ship stations are registered in New Zealand.

The Telefunken system is used at all New Zealand shore stations.

By the radio-telegraphic service of the Department weather reports from and to vessels are on request transmitted free of charge.

#### TELEPHONE EXCHANGES.

Twenty new exchanges were opened during the year, the number of subscribers increased by 4,506 and the number of connections by 5,677.

The total number of exchanges now is 213, made up of 60 central and 153 sub-exchanges.

The total number of connections is 42,934, compared with 37,257 in 1912. They may be classified as follows: Paying direct, 32,252; extensions, 6,560; bureaux, 3,686; service, 436.

New connections numbered 6,686, and those given up 1,795. The increase in connections is equal to 15.24 per cent.

A new edition of the regulations for guidance of officers in telephone exchanges was issued during the year.

A branch telephone exchange for the General Post Office building was opened on the 30th December, 1912.

On the 31st March, 1913, there were 1,976 miles of telephone-line and 47,005 miles of wire.

New exchanges were opened at Albury, Coalgate, Darfield, East Oxford, Fordell, Havelock, Manurewa, Mercer, Ohaeawai, Owaka, Papatoetoe, Piopio, Putaruru, Raglan, Rangataua, Renwicktown, Seddon, Thornbury, Urenui, and Waiwera.

To meet the increase of subscribers at Auckland and Wellington, the switchboards have been supplemented by the installation of automatic sections to accommodate 500 numbers.

Bare wires are being replaced by lead-covered cables where the increase of subscribers makes the number of individual wires excessive.

Tenders were invited for automatic telephone exchanges at Wellington, Auckland, Blenheim, Hamilton, Masterton and Oamaru. The tender of the Western Electric Company was accepted.

Much trouble and expense has been caused by faults in the Wellington-Hutt aerial telephone cable during stormy weather. Arrangements have been made for a subterranean cable service.

#### MAINTENANCE OF TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE TRUNK LINES.

Sections of line totalling 1,510 miles have been overhauled and strengthened during the year, as under: Auckland district, 185 miles; Wellington district, 260 miles; Nelson district, 50 miles; Canterbury district, 565 miles; Otago district, 450 miles.

New testboards were fitted at Bluff, Cambridge, Eltham, Helensville, Inglewood, Kawakawa, Matamata, Murchison, Ohaeawai, Otahuhu, Putaruru, Te Aroha, Whangarei, and Winton.

A superimposed Morse circuit was opened between New Plymouth and Te Kuiti, with Awakino intermediate.

The following were converted from telephone to Morse offices: Awakino, East Oxford, Kaponga, Kohatu, Nightcaps, Ongarue, Roslyn, Stillwater, and Whangamomona.

Metallic circuit for telephone-communication, Napier to Palmerston North, was completed as far as Waipawa on the 10th December, 1912, and brought into use.

The new metallic circuit was brought into use for bureau communication between Wellington and Auckland on the 1st April, 1913.

## APPENDIX.

## DESIGNATION OF OFFICES CHANGED OR CORRECTED.

Postal District.	Changed from	Changed to
Auckland	Hunua Siding	Opaheke.
"	Mangeao	Waitanguru.
"	Maungatapu	Mangatapu.
"	Maungatawhiri	Mangatawhiri.
"	Maungatawhiri Valley	Mangatawhiri Valley.
"	Miranui	Mangatapu.
"	Oio	Hukapapa.
"	Oruaiti	Paraoanui.
"	Ruakohua	Glenbrook.
Dunedin	Barewood	Pukerangi.
Gisborne	Kanakanae	Kanakanaia.
Invercargill	Kaiwera	Karere.
"	Oraki	Tihaka.
Napier	Mangaone Valley	Tangitere.

## INLAND MAIL-SERVICES ESTABLISHED, EXTENDED, AND ABOLISHED.

District.	Name of Service.	Frequency.	Remarks.
Auckland	Arapae Post-office—Coach	As required	Established.
	Otahuhu Post-office—Railway-station	"	"
	Rawene Post-office—wharf	"	"
	Maromaku Post-office—Railway-station	Daily	"
	Matamata—Taihoa	"	"
	Okahukura Post-office—Railway-station	"	"
	Orakei Post-office—wharf	"	"
	Te Koura Post-office—Railway-station	"	"
	Kohukohu—Ivydale	Four times weekly	"
	Karapiro—Taotaoroa	Thrice weekly	"
	Mangaohutu Post-office—river landing	Thrice weekly, summer; twice weekly, winter	"
	Offices in Whangarei Harbour	Thrice weekly	"
	Hikurangi—a point near Manua	Twice weekly	"
	Kaco—Pupuke	"	"
	Kaitieke—Retaruke	"	"
	Kaitieke—Retaruke Valley Road (rural delivery)	"	"
	Otamatea—Batley	"	"
	Poroti—Kokopu	"	"
	Pukemiro—Waingaro—Ngaruawahia Road	"	"
	Warkworth—Pohuehue	"	"
	Whawharua—Otorohanga	"	"
	Woolley's Farm—Matapouri	"	"
	Aria—Rira	Weekly	"
	Mangapai Wharf—Onerahi	"	"
	Mangatawhiri—Mangatangi	"	"
	Port Fitzroy—Okiwi	"	"
	Taupo—Waitahanui	"	"
	Whangapara—Awanga	"	"
	Helensville Post-office—Railway-station	"	Abolished.
	Kaihu—Rotorima	"	"
	Kawhia—Pukeinui	"	"
	Mangawai—Tara	"	"
	Manunui Post-office—Railway-station	"	"
	Ngaruawahia, &c.—Harapepe Creamery	"	"
	Ngunguru—Matapouri	"	"
	Okupu—Owanga	"	"
	Onetea—Parakao	"	"
	Ongarue Post-office—Railway-station	"	"
	Otamatea—Batley	"	"

INLAND MAIL-SERVICES ESTABLISHED, EXTENDED, AND ABOLISHED—*continued*.

District.	Name of Service.	Frequency.	Remarks.
Auckland— <i>contd.</i>	Parua Bay, &c. — Whangarei Heads landing	..	Abolished.
	Tangitu—Mapiu .. ..	..	..
	Taumarunui Post-office—Railway-station and Post-office—river landing	..	..
	Taupo—Waitahanui .. ..	..	..
	Taurakawa—Puniwhakau .. ..	..	..
	Te Kuiti Post-office — Railway-station	..	..
	Topuni—Kaiwaka .. ..	..	..
	Waihou Post-office — Railway-station	..	..
	Waimauku—Waikoukou .. ..	..	..
	Whakapara Post-office — Railway-station	..	..
Blenheim	Whangarei, &c. — Mangapai	..	..
	Portage, &c. — Kenepuru .. ..	Twice weekly ..	Established.
	Kenepuru Head—Portage .. ..	..	Abolished.
Christchurch	St. Omer — Portage .. ..	..	..
	East Oxford — Glentui (rural delivery)	Daily .. ..	Established.
	Cheviot — Port Robinson .. ..	Weekly .. ..	..
Dunedin	Glentunnel, &c. — Windwhistle House	..	Extended to Whakamatau.
	Kaitangata Post-office — Railway-station	As required ..	Established.
	Clinton—Kuriwao .. ..	Daily, summer; twice weekly, winter	..
	Clyde—Earnscliffe .. ..	Thrice weekly ..	..
	Owaka—Pounawea .. ..	..	..
	Puketiro Post-office — Railway-station	..	..
	Ratanui—Hinahina .. ..	Twice weekly ..	..
	Tawanui Post-office — Papatutu Railway siding	..	..
	Lindis Pass — Taras .. ..	Weekly .. ..	..
	Goodwood Post-office—Railway-station	..	Abolished.
	Houipapa—Tawanui .. ..	..	(See Established.)
	Nevis — Upper Nevis portion of Ban-nockburn — Upper Nevis service	..	..
	Owaka—Pounawea .. ..	..	..
	Puketiro—Houipapa .. ..	..	(See Established.)
	Otoko Post-office — Railway-station ..	As required ..	Established.
	Waingake — Paparatu Homestead ..	Twice weekly, summer; weekly, winter	..
Gisborne	Gisborne, &c. — Wairoa .. ..	Weekly .. ..	..
	Rakauroa — Tahora, <i>via</i> Valley Road	..	..
	Tiniroto—Kairoa .. ..	..	..
	Waerengaokuri—Pehiri .. ..	..	..
	Gisborne, &c. — Waikohu .. ..	..	Extended to Otoko.
	Gisborne, &c. — Wairoa (extra service)	..	Abolished.
	Waikohu—Otoko .. ..	..	(See Extended.)
	Kanieri Forks — Hokitika .. ..	..	..
	Weheka — Gillespie's Beach .. ..	..	..
	Waikawa, &c. — Tokonui Railway-station	Four times weekly	Established.
Invercargill	Springhills Railway-station—Post-office	Thrice weekly ..	..
	Half-moon Bay — Murray River .. ..	Weekly .. ..	..
	Parawa—Nokomai .. ..	..	..
	Athol—Nokomai .. ..	..	Abolished. (See Established.)
	Waikawa Post-office — Glenavy .. ..	..	..
	Hatuma—Rangitoto—Marakeke (rural delivery)	Thrice weekly ..	Established.
	Takapau, &c. — Makaretu, <i>via</i> Ashcot	..	..
	Elsthorpe — The Valley Road (rural delivery)	Twice weekly ..	..
	Nuhaka — Steed's Store .. ..	..	Abolished.
	Takapau—Makaretu, <i>via</i> Ashcot .. ..	..	(See Established.)
Nelson	Tarakohe Post-office — wharf .. ..	As required ..	Established.
	Mariri — Lower Moutere .. ..	Daily .. ..	..
	Wakefield—Koreke .. ..	..	..
	Aporo — Harley's Road .. ..	Thrice weekly ..	..
	Kotinga—Takaka .. ..	..	..
	Golden Ridge — Mangarakau .. ..	Twice weekly ..	..
	Kaka—Tumanako .. ..	..	..
	Appleby—Mapua .. ..	Weekly .. ..	..
New Plymouth	Huinga—Toko .. ..	Daily .. ..	..
	Pohokura Post-office—Railway-station	..	..
	Whangamomona — Railway terminus	Daily, except Thursdays	..
	Ratapiko—Kaimata .. ..	Daily, summer; thrice weekly, winter	..
	Mokau—Pariwara .. ..	Twice weekly ..	..
Oamaru	Strathmore—Pahautuhia .. ..	Weekly .. ..	..
	Taurakawa—Puniwhakau .. ..	..	..
	Oamaru: delivery of parcels .. ..	Daily .. ..	..

INLAND MAIL-SERVICES ESTABLISHED, EXTENDED, AND ABOLISHED—*continua*.

District.	Name of Service.	Frequency.	Remarks.
Thames	Tauranga - Mount Maunganui	Thrice weekly	Established.
	Pipiroa - Pipiroa Wharf	Twice weekly	"
	Tauranga-Omanawa	"	"
Timaru	Kaimai-Tauranga	Weekly	"
	Timaru (clearance of posting-boxes)	Twice daily	"
	Fairlie - Lake Pukaki	Thrice weekly, summer; weekly, winter	"
	Fairlie-Hermitage	"	"
	Pembroke-Queenstown	Twice weekly, 1st Nov. to 30th April	"
	Lake Tekapo - Burke's Pass	Weekly (winter service)	"
	Lake Pukaki - Pembroke	Weekly, 1st Nov. to 30th April	"
	Temuka, &c. - Clandeboye	"	Extended to Orakapaoa.
	Fairlie-Ashwick (rural delivery)	"	Extended to Sherwood Downs Homestead.
	Fairlie, &c. - Hermitage	"	Abolished.
Wanganui	Lake Tekapo - Burke's Pass	"	"
	Koriniti - Landing stage	Daily	Established.
	Raetihi-Wharukura	Thrice weekly	"
	Taoroa-Mokai (rural delivery)	"	"
	Hunterville, around Silverhope Block and return to Hunterville (rural delivery)	Twice weekly	"
	Wanganui, &c. - Rapanui	"	Extended to Westmere.
	Karioi Post-office - Railway-station	"	Abolished.
	Kauangaroa-Mangitipua (rural delivery)	"	"
	Westmere Post-office-Railway-station	"	"
	Ashhurst, &c. - Hiwinui (rural delivery)	Daily	Established.
Wellington	Feilding, &c. - Sanson	"	"
	Levin-Ihakara	"	"
	Porirua-Johnsonville	"	"
	Utuwai, &c. - Pohangina (rural delivery)	Thrice weekly	"
	Featherston-Wairongomai (rural delivery)	"	Extended to Wharepapa.
	Bunnythorpe-Hiwinui	"	Abolished.
	Hukanui Post-office - Railway-station	"	"
	Komako - Left bank Pohangina River	"	"
	Tararua-Aokautere	"	"
	Miko Post-office - Railway-station	Four times weekly	Established.
Westport	St. Helens - Corbyvale - Te Namu	Weekly	"
	Arapito - Junction Arapito and Little Wanganui Roads	Once every four weeks	"
	Murchison-Longford	"	Abolished.

## SUBSIDIZED SEA MAIL-SERVICES.

The several subsidized sea mail-services, the subsidy-payments for the year 1912, the dates when established, and the date on which each terminates are shown below:—

Service.	Annual Subsidy or Payment.	Duration of Service.		Number of Voyages per Annum.	Mileage for Complete Voyage.	Cost per Mile.
		When established.	When terminated or terminable.			
	£ s. d.					s. d.
Auckland and Fiji ..	1,690 0 0	June, 1880	..	13	2,394	1 1·87
Auckland and South Pacific Islands ..	1,200 0 0	June, 1885	..	12	6,992	0 3·43
Auckland and Great Barrier ..	250 0 0	Oct., 1891	Dec., 1912	52	124	0 9·31
Auckland, Whangaroa, and Mangonui ..	126 0 0	Nov., 1907	Dec., 1912	52	368	0 1·58
Dargaville and Tangiteroria ..	110 0 0	Nov., 1893	Dec., 1912	156	62	0 2·73
Helensville and Matakohē ..	150 0 0	Jan., 1881	Dec., 1912	104	116	0 2·98
Helensville and Dargaville ..	575 0 0	Jan., 1881	Dec., 1912	156	128	0 6·91
Horeke, Kohukohu, Rawene, Koutu, Rangi Point, Opononi, and Omapere ..	150 0 0	Jan., 1889	Dec., 1912	156	52	0 4·44
Russell and Opua ..	90 0 0	Jan., 1889	Dec., 1912	(as required)	..	..
New Zealand - San Francisco ..	21,666 13 4	Oct., 1910	Oct., 1913	13	12,180	2 8·8
New Zealand - Vancouver ..	20,000 0 0	Aug., 1911	Sept., 1916	13	12,660	2 5·16
New Zealand and Australia (Wellington-Sydney) ..	15,000 0 0	Dec., 1906	..	52	1,230	4 8·28
Wellington, Wakatahuri, Home-wood (and other offices), and Havelock ..	420 0 0	Dec., 1891	Dec., 1912	26	300	0 5·8
Wellington and Motueka ..	..	Nov., 1902	Dec., 1912	43	220	..
Pictou, offices in Sounds, and Havelock ..	275 10 0	Jan., 1907	Dec., 1912	26	330	0 7·9
Ngakuta, Whangakoko, Hakahaka, Ocean Bay, Robin Hood Bay, and Blenheim ..	285 0 0	April, 1911	Dec., 1912	52	86	0 2·7
Portage and Crail Bay ..	145 0 0	Jan., 1910	Dec., 1912	52	106	0 6·31
Nelson, Tarakohē, Tonga Bay, Totaranui, Takaka, and Collingwood ..	155 0 0	..	Dec., 1912	104	130	0 2·93
Nelson and Otarawao ..	150 0 0	Jan., 1904	Dec., 1912	52	61	0 10·59
Westport and Karamea ..	650 0 0	June, 1886	Dec., 1912	36	102	2 9·51
Westport and Little Wanganui ..	850 0 0	Jan., 1895	Dec., 1912	12	82	10 5·93
Hokitika, Okarito, Bruce Bay, Paringa, Haast, Okura, and Jackson's Bay ..	..	Jan., 1886	Dec., 1912	6	270	..
Wellington or Lyttelton and Chatham Islands (including Pitt Island) ..	350 0 0	..	Aug., 1914	6	1,050	1 1·33
Bluff and Half-moon Bay ..	300 0 0	July, 1886	Dec., 1912	52	44	2 7·47
Bluff and Ruapuke Island ..	43 0 0	Sept., 1903	Dec., 1912	19	26	1 8·89
Bluff, Te Oneroa, and Cromarty ..	137 10 0	April, 1893	Dec., 1912	6	190	2 4·95
Offices in Whangarei Harbour ..	117 0 0	Sept., 1912	Dec., 1912	156	22	0 8·18

\* Subsidy increased from 1st September, 1912.  
from 6th June, 1912.

† Subsidy increased from 1st April, 1912.  
‡ Subsidy decreased from 1st October, 1912.

§ Subsidy decreased

## CABLE BUSINESS.

The number and value of cable messages forwarded from New Zealand during the financial year 1912-13 are shown in the following statement:—

## VIA PACIFIC.

Destination.	Ordinary.		Press.	
	Number of Messages.	Value.	Number of Messages.	Value.
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
International ... ..	32,826	42,751 4 1	336	749 10 10
Australia ... ..	66,791	12,693 8 6½	770	327 6 10½
Total for 1912-13 ... ..	99,617	55,444 12 7½	1,106	1,076 17 8½
Total for 1911-12 ... ..	89,276	51,666 0 11	912	618 17 10½



## VIA EASTERN.

Destination.	Ordinary.		Press.	
	Number of Messages.	Value.	Number of Messages.	Value.
International ... ..	13,954	£ 19,125 s. 1 d. 11	56	£ 242 s. 0 d. 9
Australia ... ..	26,726	4,774 8 4	1,518	842 10 10½
Total for 1912-13 ... ..	40,680	23,899 10 3	1,574	1,084 11 7½
Total for 1911-12 ... ..	39,374	21,511 14 3½	1,250	679 6 7½

The Dominion's outward international and Australian cable business, exclusive of Press, for the years 1912-13 and 1911-12 was as follows:—

## INTERNATIONAL.

	Number of Messages.	Value.
		£ s. d.
1912-13 ... ..	46,780	61,876 6 0
1911-12 ... ..	41,227	57,118 13 2
Increase	5,553 = 13·5 per cent.	4,757 12 10 = 8·3 per cent.

## AUSTRALIA.

	Number of Messages.	Value.
		£ s. d.
1912-13 ... ..	93,517	17,467 16 10½
1911-12 ... ..	87,423	16,059 2 0½
Increase	6,094 = 7 per cent.	1,408 14 10 = 8·8 per cent.

There was a total increase of 11,647 messages, and an increase of £6,166 7s. 8d. in value.

## RECEIVED CABLES.

The number of cable messages received in New Zealand during the years 1911-12 and 1912-13, exclusive of Press, was as follows:—

## VIA PACIFIC.

	International.	Australia.
1912-13 ... ..	26,901	51,366
1911-12 ... ..	22,840	48,798
Increase ... ..	4,061	2,568

## VIA EASTERN.

	International.	Australia.
1912-13 ... ..	16,326	34,872
1911-12 ... ..	14,691	31,191
Increase ... ..	1,635	3,681

PRESS.

The forwarded and received cable Press business for the past ten years was :—

Year.	Forwarded.			Received.	
	Number of		Value.	Number of	
	Messages.	Words.		Messages.	Words.
1903 ... ..	1,595	159,732	£ s. d. 1,235 11 1	5,636	425,824
1904 ... ..	1,551	161,094	1,147 8 8	4,488	392,888
1905 ... ..	2,226	181,196	1,290 9 3	4,548	398,878
1906 ... ..	1,815	186,128	1,290 7 9	4,061	394,337
1907 ... ..	1,874	135,325	1,003 5 5	4,204	405,498
1908 ... ..	2,404	236,759	2,643 6 0½	4,264	380,117
1909 ... ..	2,270	199,291	2,230 18 3	4,515	422,949
1910 ... ..	2,671	168,262	1,362 13 10½	5,893	528,843
1911-12 ... ..	2,117	158,590	1,297 14 6	6,682	582,247
1912-13 ... ..	2,680	252,725	2,161 9 4	6,004	546,187

DEFERRED CABLES.

The deferred-cable traffic for the year 1912-13 was :—

	Forwarded.		Received.
	Number of Messages.	Total Value.	Number of Messages.
Via Pacific ... ..	5,404	£ s. d. 4,544 16 2½	4,626
„ Eastern... ..	807	807 8 4½	1,445
Total ... ..	6,211	5,352 4 7	6,071

WEEK-END CABLES.

The week-end cable traffic for the three months ended 31st March, 1913, was :—

	Forwarded.		Received.
	Number of Messages.	Total Value.	Number of Messages.
Via Pacific ... ..	366	£ s. d. 455 0 5½	166
„ Eastern... ..	67	80 17 2	130
Total ... ..	433	535 17 7½	296

RADIO-TELEGRAMS.

Radio-telegraph stations are now established at Wellington and Auckland. The number of messages transmitted up to the 31st March, 1913, is shown in the following statement :—

Year.	Forwarded.			Received.		
	Number of		Total Value.	Number of		Total Value.
	Messages.	Words.		Messages.	Words.	
1912-13 ... ..	1,095	10,946	£ s. d. 434 17 8	1,932	16,909	£ s. d. 666 15 6
1911-12 ... .. (eight months)	320	3,502	134 4 11	639	6,281	242 16 4

Table No. 1.

TABLE showing the Number and Amount of Money-orders issued and of Money-orders payable in New Zealand since the Year 1863.

## ISSUED IN THE DOMINION.

Year.	Commission received.		Where payable.										Total.						
			In the Dominion.				United Kingdom and Foreign Offices.				Australia and other British Possessions.								
			No.		Amount.		No.		Amount.		No.		Amount.		No.		Amount.		
£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		
1863	1,057	9	0	2,201	9,613	11	11	4,740	21,944	2	1	4,645	24,145	7	5	11,586	55,703	1	5
1873	3,562	3	2	34,288	142,642	4	10	11,913	48,547	11	4	6,150	28,068	5	5	52,351	219,258	1	7
1883	9,022	10	6	132,232	402,558	12	11	26,211	91,634	4	7	14,113	46,939	17	11	172,556	541,132	15	5
1893	10,248	14	5	146,133	576,358	17	2	29,616	86,544	19	11	35,208	88,025	8	9	210,957	750,929	5	10
1894	10,600	19	7	155,534	608,042	2	11	28,513	79,348	10	2	38,631	89,392	11	10	222,678	776,783	4	11
1895	11,433	13	8	162,600	635,062	17	11	28,882	78,465	0	4	52,015	99,076	16	8	243,497	812,604	14	11
1896	12,671	6	7	181,505	717,217	19	1	29,238	82,498	15	6	58,823	102,443	1	0	269,566	902,159	15	7
1897	13,835	15	4	193,867	762,592	10	3	31,770	93,649	1	3	68,002	114,589	3	5	293,659	970,830	14	11
1898	14,747	9	6	206,265	798,725	15	8	35,377	107,140	7	5	76,728	123,375	4	6	318,370	1,029,231	7	7
1899	15,533	4	6	221,354	864,513	4	9	38,528	122,064	3	1	84,782	132,230	17	9	344,664	1,118,808	5	7
1900	16,512	12	9	239,565	951,860	7	4	40,925	122,934	10	4	89,344	140,057	18	9	369,834	1,214,852	16	5
1901	17,518	11	0	255,344	1,002,056	12	1	45,701	125,549	5	11	104,922	158,902	3	10	405,967	1,286,508	1	10
1902	14,915	18	2	258,110	1,014,723	16	0	53,910	138,755	2	8	55,187	123,580	3	7	367,207	1,277,059	2	3
1903	15,881	18	5	273,535	1,108,067	5	8	63,309	157,789	16	0	59,468	150,367	10	8	396,312	1,416,224	12	4
1904	16,385	9	0	281,655	1,148,226	3	0	60,490	165,245	0	8	65,638	163,416	4	9	407,783	1,476,887	8	5
1905	17,073	9	6	287,394	1,189,385	13	4	57,414	177,609	18	8	72,633	174,716	7	10	417,441	1,541,711	19	10
1906	18,278	10	3	301,650	1,312,270	13	4	60,120	186,902	16	6	77,250	187,057	12	1	439,020	1,686,231	1	11
1907	18,846	12	6	305,424	1,389,800	4	4	58,565	193,356	5	3	77,498	190,434	7	6	441,487	1,773,590	17	1
1908	12,555	10	3	338,752	1,611,968	4	11	67,384	226,408	10	1	81,948	212,307	11	10	488,084	2,050,684	6	10
1909	13,782	14	0	383,283	1,841,030	7	7	74,893	256,803	12	2	80,564	209,758	18	4	538,740	2,307,592	18	1
1910	14,300	7	9	413,314	1,981,877	2	2	79,651	273,449	2	2	76,692	202,166	14	1	569,657	2,457,522	18	5
1911	15,307	7	7	444,169	2,262,366	2	6	88,364	289,856	19	9	75,231	207,170	6	2	607,764	2,759,393	8	5
1912	16,398	16	2	493,345	2,702,469	8	7	98,452	322,037	9	10	74,628	206,842	16	1	666,425	3,231,349	14	6

## DRAWN ON THE DOMINION.

Year.	Where issued.						Total.	
	In the Dominion.		United Kingdom and Foreign Offices.		Australia and other British Possessions.			
	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
1863	2,067	9,169 4 6	415	1,824 0 8	558	3,077 13 7	3,040	14,070 18 9
1873	34,288	142,642 4 10	1,482	6,625 14 5	1,668	7,689 6 8	37,438	156,957 5 11
1883	132,232	402,558 12 11	3,725	15,553 3 11	5,697	23,299 12 11	141,654	441,411 9 9
1893	146,133	576,358 17 2	8,746	32,616 17 2	10,679	40,929 2 5	165,558	649,904 16 9
1894	155,534	608,042 2 11	9,293	33,786 17 6	10,690	38,571 3 1	175,517	680,400 3 6
1895	162,600	635,062 17 11	9,938	35,155 7 9	11,520	39,862 18 10	184,058	710,081 4 6
1896	181,505	717,217 19 1	10,254	35,553 7 1	11,507	40,836 4 7	203,266	793,607 10 9
1897	193,867	762,592 10 3	10,085	35,238 10 3	11,407	40,105 1 11	215,359	837,936 2 5
1898	206,265	798,725 15 8	10,671	36,106 9 10	12,753	44,558 10 10	229,689	879,390 16 4
1899	221,354	864,513 4 9	10,624	37,290 8 7	13,399	48,533 15 11	245,377	950,337 9 3
1900	239,565	951,860 7 4	10,342	36,014 6 3	15,271	59,304 9 6	265,178	1,047,179 3 1
1901	255,344	1,002,056 12 1	11,082	40,021 14 4	16,688	63,800 4 10	283,114	1,105,878 11 3
1902	258,110	1,014,723 16 0	11,732	41,370 13 3	16,527	62,159 10 8	286,369	1,118,253 19 11
1903	273,535	1,108,067 5 8	13,035	49,181 1 3	17,777	68,340 8 8	304,347	1,225,588 15 7
1904	281,655	1,148,226 3 0	11,567	45,793 1 1	19,277	71,824 7 5	312,499	1,265,843 11 6
1905	287,394	1,189,385 13 4	10,338	47,649 9 0	19,669	72,437 13 3	317,401	1,309,472 15 7
1906	301,650	1,312,270 13 4	10,314	50,559 18 10	20,462	75,091 14 2	332,426	1,437,922 6 4
1907	305,424	1,389,800 4 4	10,315	55,032 3 3	21,697	77,118 8 9	337,436	1,521,950 16 4
1908	338,752	1,611,968 4 11	10,970	58,499 19 11	21,886	80,500 4 3	371,608	1,750,968 9 1
1909	383,283	1,841,030 7 7	11,783	61,289 17 2	23,592	82,409 13 2	418,658	1,984,729 17 11
1910	413,314	1,981,877 2 2	11,954	63,196 12 3	24,172	82,501 9 2	449,440	2,127,575 3 7
1911	444,169	2,262,366 2 6	11,866	65,074 8 0	27,561	97,532 4 8	483,596	2,424,972 15 2
1912	493,345	2,702,469 8 7	13,195	72,743 7 1	30,266	100,830 15 0	536,806	2,876,043 10 8

Table No. 2.

TABLE showing the Money-orders issued in New Zealand on Offices beyond the Dominion, and Money-orders issued at Offices beyond the Dominion on New Zealand, during the Years 1911 and 1912.

## ISSUED IN NEW ZEALAND.

Where payable.	1911.			1912.		
	Number.	Amount.		Number.	Amount.	
		£	s. d.		£	s. d.
United Kingdom and Foreign Offices through United Kingdom	72,803	237,609	4 3	80,559	262,235	17 7
United States of America .. .. .	11,921	22,546	7 4	13,167	24,967	12 7
Austria .. .. .	2,002	25,020	18 4	2,177	28,376	16 9
Canada .. .. .	892	3,708	7 8	960	3,950	10 1
Ceylon .. .. .	260	1,611	6 8	253	1,379	11 9
Fiji .. .. .	166	586	12 8	183	869	18 9
France .. .. .	364	779	11 4	1,212	1,780	7 3
Germany .. .. .	1,014	2,597	8 3	969	2,794	15 11
Hong Kong .. .. .	448	1,743	12 5	445	1,683	8 5
India .. .. .	1,067	3,780	3 3	1,342	5,296	6 7
New South Wales .. .. .	34,672	95,869	5 11	35,394	98,796	0 3
Norway .. .. .	239	1,179	11 4	311	1,575	15 1
Queensland .. .. .	2,807	10,182	0 7	2,823	9,701	5 3
Samoa .. .. .	21	123	18 11	19	109	0 6
South Australia .. .. .	1,730	5,303	2 11	1,657	4,839	3 1
Straits Settlements .. .. .	38	115	5 11	37	105	9 9
Tasmania .. .. .	6,225	14,424	18 5	5,263	12,856	15 1
Tonga .. .. .	43	267	8 6	38	197	4 2
Union of South Africa .. .. .	534	2,237	11 3	571	2,595	8 2
Victoria .. .. .	24,412	62,135	14 0	23,617	58,860	4 5
Western Australia .. .. .	1,937	5,204	16 0	2,083	5,908	14 6
Totals .. .. .	163,595	497,027	5 11	173,080	528,880	5 11

## DRAWN ON NEW ZEALAND.

Where issued.	1911.			1912.		
	Number.	Amount.		Number.	Amount.	
		£	s. d.		£	s. d.
United Kingdom and Foreign Offices through United Kingdom	9,059	50,443	1 11	9,547	51,260	1 4
United States of America .. .. .	2,194	10,644	17 2	2,264	9,816	3 9
Austria .. .. .	22	104	18 9	23	181	3 4
Canada .. .. .	789	3,322	7 3	998	4,345	19 3
Ceylon .. .. .	52	281	9 2	57	383	16 10
Fiji .. .. .	773	3,460	16 4	790	3,426	8 11
France .. .. .	31	49	19 8	92	168	7 7
Germany .. .. .	169	595	15 4	184	742	11 4
Hong Kong .. .. .	47	275	0 0	35	134	3 11
India .. .. .	166	633	11 4	179	754	1 6
New South Wales .. .. .	11,606	33,879	17 7	13,892	41,132	12 4
Norway .. .. .	18	145	10 9	12	29	3 3
Queensland .. .. .	2,075	7,115	15 4	2,094	7,139	8 3
Samoa .. .. .	373	3,090	4 5	320	1,709	16 4
South Australia .. .. .	1,124	3,440	6 6	1,320	4,280	3 7
Straits Settlements .. .. .	18	70	15 4	19	57	10 6
Tasmania .. .. .	1,932	7,054	18 9	2,070	8,136	15 9
Tonga .. .. .	726	7,735	5 10	753	8,836	0 2
Union of South Africa .. .. .	752	4,459	2 7	668	3,829	14 9
Victoria .. .. .	6,156	19,626	8 3	6,692	20,011	1 2
Western Australia .. .. .	1,345	6,176	10 5	1,452	7,198	18 3
Totals .. .. .	39,427	162,606	12 8	43,461	173,574	2 1

Table No. 3.

TABLE showing the Number and Value of Postal Notes sold from the 1st January, 1886—the date upon which they were first issued—to the 31st March, 1913.

Year.	Number of Postal Notes sold.												Total.		
	At 1s.	At 1s. 6d.	At 2s.	At 2s. 6d.	At 3s.	At 5s.	At 7s. 6d.	At 10s.	At 12s. 6d.	At 15s.	At 17s. 6d.	At £1.	At £5.*	Number.	Value.
Quarter ended Mar. 31, 1886	3,019	2,046	..	1,012	..	2,039	969	2,379	695	992	425	2,866	..	16,442	£ 6,909
1886-87 ..	16,605	12,283	..	6,647	..	11,566	5,729	13,103	4,090	5,187	2,375	14,961	..	92,546	37,659
1887-88 ..	22,467	17,167	..	9,162	..	15,553	7,671	17,487	5,278	6,940	2,952	17,578	..	122,255	47,729
1888-89 ..	27,428	21,900	..	11,912	..	19,741	9,477	21,149	6,618	8,243	3,633	19,778	..	149,879	56,841
1889-90 ..	32,754	25,387	..	14,478	..	23,550	10,894	24,011	7,809	9,386	4,158	22,596	..	175,023	65,484
1890-91 ..	35,915	28,559	..	16,092	..	25,204	12,229	25,906	7,969	10,172	4,366	23,503	..	189,915	69,721
1891-92 ..	42,416	33,722	..	19,383	..	29,550	14,019	30,132	9,058	11,611	4,953	25,839	..	220,683	79,325
1892-93 ..	48,612	38,849	..	22,038	..	33,012	16,072	32,747	9,904	12,330	5,369	28,969	..	247,902	87,856
1893-94 ..	56,761	44,706	..	25,461	..	37,771	18,096	37,687	11,016	13,800	6,156	33,935	..	285,389	101,002
1894-95 ..	62,306	49,846	..	28,975	..	43,829	20,423	43,167	11,864	15,567	6,790	36,601	..	319,368	112,307
1895-96 ..	68,454	56,185	..	32,801	..	49,204	22,802	47,787	13,601	17,191	7,020	33,390	1,192	349,627	123,368
1896-97 ..	74,534	62,056	..	35,322	..	54,219	24,871	51,963	14,365	18,102	7,406	32,868	1,090	376,796	129,011
1897-98 ..	81,958	69,981	..	38,617	..	60,843	26,968	55,748	15,463	19,177	7,904	32,179	728	409,866	134,378
1898-99 ..	86,529	72,710	..	41,991	..	64,386	28,448	59,631	16,202	19,990	8,193	32,696	673	431,449	139,957
1899-1900 ..	93,762	77,431	..	44,384	..	70,416	30,680	63,787	16,957	21,393	8,539	33,491	607	461,447	147,686
1900-1901 ..	85,478	68,068	13,834	52,691	14,702	80,630	24,497	71,001	13,304	23,875	6,799	35,067	560	490,506	154,435
1901-1902 ..	49,529	30,255	62,285	70,683	65,467	109,663	..	92,708	..	32,138	..	43,042	556	556,316	173,317
1902-1903 ..	54,268	33,409	70,122	76,613	75,700	119,593	..	102,641	..	34,508	..	48,852	558	616,264	191,904
1903-1904 ..	61,379	37,514	85,909	86,626	89,276	134,270	..	114,755	..	38,030	..	58,629	656	707,044	220,069
1904-1905 ..	65,484	40,263	86,711	96,228	99,739	154,281	..	130,430	..	42,317	..	69,206	688	785,347	250,123
1905-1906 ..	74,889	45,358	98,503	108,493	114,411	167,430	..	143,216	..	46,228	..	76,508	788	875,324	276,279
1906-1907 ..	82,417	54,375	106,311	120,321	128,384	187,083	..	159,045	..	51,559	..	91,193	954	981,642	314,053
1907-1908 ..	89,906	58,202	124,052	136,392	143,854	205,500	..	171,951	..	57,637	..	104,714	423	1,092,631	347,300
1908-1909 ..	97,285	59,484	153,925	162,588	146,148	227,471	..	188,677	..	62,916	..	123,786	..	1,222,280	389,143
1909-1910 ..	113,825	67,406	181,791	195,168	166,486	261,045	..	214,453	..	70,967	..	143,611	..	1,414,752	447,618
1910-1911 ..	130,645	79,792	211,298	244,941	201,569	301,707	..	242,854	..	82,253	..	171,900	..	1,666,959	521,942
1911-1912 ..	141,504	85,130	236,665	263,829	215,984	337,338	..	261,600	..	88,693	..	190,823	..	1,821,566	574,979
1912-1913 ..	154,201	92,342	264,844	279,311	220,109	367,942	..	283,206	..	95,535	..	213,153	..	1,970,643	636,473

\*Issued only from 17th June, 1895, to 31st October, 1907

Table No. 4.

TABLE showing the Number and Amount of Transactions at the Money-order and Savings-bank Offices of New Zealand during the Year 1912.

Office.	Money-orders.						Savings-banks.					
	Issued.			Paid.			New Accounts opened.	Deposits.		Accounts closed.	Withdrawals.	
	No.	Commission.	Amount.	No.	Amount.			No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.
POSTAL DISTRICT		£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.				£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Auckland	163988	4,165 13 4	748,576 3 7	153231	779,835 5 1	18804	166,041	2,482,279 9 10	10,856	118120	2332913	7 7
Blenheim	9,168	188 7 8	43,702 2 2	4,898	38,450 6 4	1,224	10,212	154,414 12 9	806	6,543	146,513	2 4
Christchurch	60,999	1,640 6 7	320,430 5 10	58,193	335,050 13 4	10728	138,221	1,793,447 12 2	7,563	99,013	1791900	1 7
Dunedin	61,189	1,375 16 8	258,869 15 9	62,471	309,128 17 5	7,615	100,845	1,317,101 5 6	5,730	65,313	1305577	11 10
Gisborne	17,207	444 13 7	91,001 13 9	6,739	45,587 6 0	3,066	25,559	317,315 9 5	2,004	17,804	308,966	4 8
Greymouth	16,327	400 4 6	76,611 1 3	7,329	40,351 16 0	1,609	14,280	181,965 4 1	1,530	8,644	206,736	5 9
Hokitika	3,639	75 1 0	17,675 17 7	2,388	10,958 5 2	399	2,743	43,798 14 3	265	1,655	45,267	16 5
Invercargill	31,683	665 9 5	131,922 7 6	18,748	84,409 5 0	3,364	31,287	514,454 12 3	2,209	19,746	514,192	12 8
Napier	34,282	789 14 4	188,550 2 7	21,235	137,296 12 7	4,944	44,421	583,392 8 3	3,217	26,843	574,170	9 9
Nelson	16,759	352 18 3	74,007 1 7	12,970	73,104 15 0	1,729	16,190	249,872 4 1	1,063	10,068	234,860	14 2
New Plymouth	18,925	400 14 0	91,272 13 1	12,511	78,273 17 8	2,345	19,859	306,667 15 0	1,709	13,018	302,120	0 11
Oamaru	9,612	180 3 9	74,028 0 7	4,427	25,527 9 11	937	8,881	160,418 16 7	628	5,394	139,652	0 8
Thames	27,913	568 11 7	130,313 8 9	13,024	68,360 0 6	2,567	20,501	297,596 9 0	2,259	14,528	309,152	2 11
Timaru	18,355	385 14 5	139,995 2 0	10,108	66,327 3 10	2,671	24,048	388,810 18 7	1,848	16,005	378,580	10 11
Wanganui	47,739	991 3 0	236,004 6 10	25,632	130,109 18 3	5,519	48,201	636,710 10 11	3,998	30,826	625,526	19 3
Wellington	111,127	3,328 19 11	515,431 12 11	116,733	608,048 1 4	16616	194,865	2,159,581 3 0	12,223	130,098	2099761	12 3
Westport	17,513	445 4 2	92,957 18 9	5,493	39,703 8 3	1,392	11,735	137,355 10 9	988	5,770	133,819	9 11
Grand totals	666425	16,398 16	2,321,349 14	6536130	2870523 1 8	85529	877,889	11,725,182 16 5	58,896	589,388	1,144,971	3 7

Table No. 5.

STATEMENT showing the Number of British Postal Orders of each Denomination sold and paid in the Dominion of New Zealand during the Financial Years 1911-12 and 1912-13.

Denomination.	Sold.		Paid.	
	1911-12.	1912-13.	1911-12.	1912-13.
s. d.				
0 6	2,189	2,486	183	239
1 0	5,879	6,363	843	1,009
1 6	2,608	2,960	313	318
2 0	4,376	4,897	780	828
2 6	4,923	5,371	1,237	1,369
3 0	4,121	6,469	465	478
3 6	1,349	1,415	231	231
4 0	2,177	2,421	280	354
4 6	1,015	1,037	106	118
5 0	11,429	13,025	2,225	2,386
*5 6	..	..	50	84
*6 0	..	..	192	218
*6 6	..	..	57	68
*7 0	..	..	105	96
7 6	2,391	2,418	191	223
*8 0	..	..	95	99
*8 6	..	..	33	38
*9 0	..	..	55	48
*9 6	..	..	36	32
10 0	13,174	14,785	2,762	2,978
*10 6	..	..	116	124
*11 0	..	..	68	57
*11 6	..	..	50	34
*12 0	..	..	93	120
12 6	1,297	1,278	148	163
*13 0	..	..	62	63
*13 6	..	..	43	41
*14 0	..	..	69	63
*14 6	..	..	35	24
15 0	3,485	3,725	688	751
*15 6	..	..	30	20
*16 0	..	..	51	35
*16 6	..	..	26	24
*17 0	..	..	38	22
17 6	637	687	57	47
*18 0	..	..	44	47
*18 6	..	..	27	24
*19 0	..	..	43	40
*19 6	..	..	40	33
20 0	27,478	31,323	10,897	10,850
*21 0	..	..	565	610
Number	88,528	100,661	23,429	24,405
Value	£45,687 10s. 6d.	£51,651 19s. 7d.	£15,458 18s. 6d.	£15,681 1s. 6d.

\* British Postal Orders of these denominations were withdrawn from issue at all offices in the Dominion on the 1st September, 1910.

Table No. 6.—POST OFFICE SAVINGS-BANKS.—GENERAL STATEMENT.

TABLE showing the Business of the Post Office Savings-banks in the various Postal Districts in New Zealand during the Year ended the 31st December, 1912.

Postal Districts.	Number of Post-Office Savings-banks Open at the Close of the Year.	Total Amount of Deposits received during the Year.	Average Amount of each Deposit received during the Year.	Number of Withdrawals during the Year.	Total Amount of Withdrawals during the Year.	Average Amount of each Withdrawal during the Year.	Excess of Deposits over Withdrawals during the Year.	Cost of Management during the Year.	Average Cost of each Transaction, Deposit or Withdrawal.	Interest for the Year.	Number of Accounts opened during the Year.	Number of Accounts closed during the Year.	Number of Accounts remaining Open at Close of the Year.	Total Amount standing to the Credit of all Open Accounts, inclusive of Interest to the Close of the Year.	Average Amount standing to the Credit of each Open Account at Close of the Year.
Auckland	204	£ 2,482,279	£ s. d. 14 19 0	118,120	£ 2,332,913	£ s. d. 19 15 0	£ 149,366	£ s. d. 2 3	d.	£ s. d. 90,065 14 1	18,804	10,856	75,303	£ 2,962,194	£ s. d. 39 6 9
Blenheim	13	154,414	15 2 5	6,543	146,513	22 7 10	7,901	10 5	..	7,615 2 7	1,224	806	6,760	242,537	35 17 7
Christchurch	72	1,793,447	12 19 6	99,013	1,791,900	18 1 11	1,547	10 7	..	80,280 14 0	10,728	7,563	70,699	2,562,701	36 5 0
Dunedin	65	1,317,101	13 1 3	65,313	1,305,577	19 19 9	11,523	13 8	..	71,204 5 10	7,615	5,730	51,155	2,240,746	43 16 1
Gisborne	19	317,315	12 8 4	17,804	308,966	17 7 1	8,349	4 9	..	10,277 1 4	3,066	2,004	10,839	336,033	31 0 1
Greymouth	16	181,965	12 14 10	8,644	206,736	23 18 4	..	..	..	11,015 10 6	1,609	1,530	7,790	335,723	43 1 11
Hokitika	8	43,798	15 19 4	1,655	45,267	27 7 1	..	1,469 2 2	..	3,357 11 10	399	265	2,297	102,435	44 11 11
Invercargill	31	514,454	16 8 10	19,746	514,192	26 0 10	261	19 7	..	25,906 4 6	3,364	2,209	18,408	796,493	43 5 5
Napier	41	583,392	13 2 8	26,843	574,170	21 7 10	9,221	18 6	..	24,525 18 10	4,944	3,217	21,887	782,587	35 15 1
Nelson	23	249,872	15 8 8	10,068	234,860	23 6 7	15,011	9 11	..	12,979 10 3	1,729	1,063	10,738	12,675	38 8 8
New Plymouth	18	306,667	15 0 11	13,018	302,120	23 4 2	4,547	14 1	..	13,314 7 5	2,345	1,709	10,895	414,282	38 0 6
Oamaru	10	160,418	18 1 3	5,394	139,652	25 17 10	20,766	15 11	..	8,163 12 1	937	628	5,431	268,315	49 8 1
Thames	25	297,596	14 10 4	14,528	309,152	21 5 7	..	11,555 13 11	..	14,620 15 2	2,567	2,259	12,855	444,563	34 11 8
Timaru	16	388,810	16 3 4	16,005	378,580	23 13 1	10,230	7 8	..	17,006 9 9	2,671	1,848	13,003	538,825	41 9 9
Wanganui	52	636,710	13 4 2	30,826	625,526	20 5 10	11,183	11 8	..	24,371 2 6	5,519	3,998	23,426	775,764	33 2 4
Wellington	91	2,159,581	11 1 8	130,098	2,099,761	16 2 10	59,819	10 9	..	90,061 0 10	16,616	12,223	85,403	2,900,106	33 19 2
Westport	20	137,355	11 14 1	5,770	133,819	23 3 10	3,536	0 10	..	6,833 17 2	1,392	988	5,310	214,271	40 7 1
Totals for 1912	724	11,725,182	13 7 1	589,388	11,449,711	19 8 6	275,471	12 10	4-74	511,598 18 8	85,529	58,896	432,199	16,330,257	37 15 8

Table No. 6a.—POST OFFICE SAVINGS-BANKS.—GENERAL STATEMENT.

TABLE showing the Business of the Post Office Savings-banks in New Zealand. Year by Year, from the Date they were established, in February, 1867, to the 31st December, 1912.

Year	Number of Post Office Savings-banks Open at the Close of the Year.	Number of Deposits received during the Year.	Total Amount of Deposits received during the Year.	Average Amount of each Deposit received during the Year.	Number of Withdrawals during the Year.	Total Amount of Withdrawals during the Year.	Average Amount of each Withdrawal during the Year.	Excess of Deposits over Withdrawals during the Year.	Excess of Withdrawals over Deposits during the Year.	Cost of Management during the Year.	Average Cost of each Transaction, Deposit or Withdrawal.	Interest for the Year.	Number of Accounts opened during the Year.	Number of Accounts remaining open at Close of the Year.	Total Amount standing to the Credit of all Open Accounts, inclusive of Interest to the Close of the Year.	Average Amount standing to the Credit of each Open Account at the Close of the Year.
Totals for 1912	724	877,880	11,725,182	16	539,388	11,449,711	19	6,275,471	5,471,240	29,000	4.74	511,598	85,529	432,199	16,330,257	2.37
1911	687	823,832	11,627,367	14	546,022	10,662,045	19	6,965,321	4,662,045	29,000	4.74	472,874	85,912	405,566	15,943,186	2.38
1910	647	768,824	10,708,938	16	520,413	9,695,514	18	7,101,342	2,603,424	28,000	5.21	421,668	78,566	380,585	14,104,989	2.35
1909	619	724,501	9,611,119	15	520,971	9,499,319	16	8,111,799	14,111,799	27,000	5.20	395,801	77,490	359,714	12,666,897	2.37
1908	593	706,101	9,674,075	16	484,672	9,417,820	19	8,256,254	13,917,820	27,000	5.44	379,808	80,133	378,299	12,599,293	2.35
1907	563	590,990	9,351,663	19	433,796	8,625,796	17	7,122,650	15,122,650	19,000	4.26	291,101	70,266	319,773	11,523,236	2.36
1906	541	593,764	7,907,154	12	386,536	6,907,103	17	5,100,050	19,100,050	17,000	4.26	291,101	70,266	319,773	11,523,236	2.36
1905	520	509,112	6,625,744	13	346,022	5,984,184	12	4,641,559	8,641,559	16,500	4.63	259,081	60,015	276,066	8,662,032	2.31
1904	510	469,799	5,836,540	11	323,609	5,664,770	9	4,171,769	16,323,609	16,000	4.84	200,930	57,765	259,164	7,761,382	2.29
1903	493	444,510	5,661,592	15	301,076	5,343,328	5	3,177,664	10,317,664	15,000	4.83	187,130	57,047	243,675	7,388,681	2.30
1902	481	411,215	5,069,619	6	273,454	4,708,771	11	3,360,847	15,360,847	14,000	4.90	172,926	53,587	227,405	6,883,787	2.30
1901	466	380,808	4,611,456	6	247,854	4,230,193	6	3,812,262	19,381,262	11,500	4.39	159,198	46,086	212,436	6,350,013	2.29
1900	445	347,056	4,170,428	15	227,079	3,827,416	7	3,431,012	8,343,012	10,500	4.38	134,917	41,362	183,046	5,320,370	2.29
1899	427	313,783	3,644,980	9	206,940	3,417,298	19	2,277,681	10,277,681	8,500	4.26	128,128	37,205	169,968	4,957,771	2.29
1898	409	281,749	3,279,611	7	196,704	3,194,593	16	2,891,169	5,891,169	8,000	4.29	137,240	36,394	159,331	4,744,924	2.29
1897	388	267,615	3,187,219	7	179,555	2,891,169	5	2,591,558	19,259,158	7,000	4.45	129,489	32,982	147,758	4,311,634	2.29
1896	371	242,283	2,881,152	16	167,248	2,591,558	19	2,439,593	16,243,593	7,000	4.45	129,489	32,982	147,758	4,311,634	2.29
1895	357	217,393	2,794,566	16	159,904	2,369,333	6	2,439,593	16,243,593	7,000	4.45	129,489	32,982	147,758	4,311,634	2.29
1894	348	204,545	2,522,862	11	152,136	2,268,624	8	2,149,472	5,214,972	6,500	4.37	114,643	28,669	129,432	3,940,879	2.25
1893	327	202,276	2,386,089	10	136,739	2,122,521	16	1,581,051	4,158,105	6,500	4.60	114,760	29,755	122,684	3,340,998	2.26
1892	318	186,945	1,878,270	6	120,628	1,821,348	18	1,572,276	6,157,276	5,500	4.29	111,301	26,232	112,528	2,863,670	2.25
1891	311	176,971	1,842,987	15	111,603	1,693,515	9	1,509,921	3,509,921	5,000	4.16	104,098	25,131	104,098	2,095,447	2.25
1890	296	162,938	1,658,543	5	106,868	1,500,437	9	1,581,051	4,158,105	5,000	4.45	92,319	23,719	97,208	2,441,876	2.25
1889	294	153,920	1,515,281	11	99,185	1,457,081	5	58,200	6,582,000	4,000	3.79	84,800	21,778	10,543	2,191,451	2.24
1888	290	145,355	1,544,747	7	90,204	1,336,287	6	1,336,287	6,133,628	4,000	4.24	67,363	20,368	15,515	1,813,084	2.22
1887	283	136,197	1,312,151	1	89,962	1,182,409	7	1,457,081	5,145,708	4,000	4.23	65,825	21,671	16,757	1,615,979	2.21
1886	271	137,989	1,248,405	6	89,182	1,182,409	7	1,457,081	5,145,708	4,000	4.23	65,825	21,671	16,757	1,615,979	2.21
1885	256	131,373	1,341,001	3	84,832	1,264,305	8	1,336,287	6,133,628	4,000	4.44	62,228	20,661	16,421	1,638,035	2.23
1884	243	129,279	1,227,909	11	80,800	1,195,931	11	1,264,305	5,145,708	4,000	4.57	56,046	20,228	16,447	1,499,116	2.22
1883	222	127,609	1,178,474	4	78,405	1,205,719	18	1,264,305	5,145,708	4,000	4.82	54,909	20,386	16,936	1,409,751	2.22
1882	207	129,952	1,325,852	2	69,308	1,142,599	10	1,264,305	5,145,708	4,000	4.82	54,909	20,386	16,936	1,409,751	2.22
1881	190	125,855	1,189,012	7	60,137	902,195	13	1,264,305	5,145,708	3,500	4.52	42,204	26,059	12,718	1,232,787	2.23
1880	178	81,660	864,441	18	57,446	780,594	13	83,937	5,63,937	3,500	6.04	32,822	16,137	12,718	903,765	2.24
1879	165	71,865	812,309	11	54,698	876,180	19	83,937	5,63,937	3,000	5.69	31,715	15,401	12,786	787,005	2.22
1878	147	69,908	762,084	12	42,746	642,053	14	77,929	17,779,299	2,500	5.33	29,103	13,005	9,534	819,017	2.25
1877	138	60,953	681,294	13	39,363	667,023	17	77,929	17,779,299	2,500	5.98	29,103	13,005	9,534	819,017	2.25
1876	124	57,295	664,134	12	39,486	696,281	7	77,929	17,779,299	2,500	6.20	28,762	11,235	8,681	723,910	2.27
1875	119	56,129	657,653	4	30,977	729,759	17	77,929	17,779,299	2,500	6.20	28,762	11,235	8,681	723,910	2.27
1874	103	52,627	699,249	14	29,778	620,155	8	77,929	17,779,299	2,250	6.55	26,935	10,346	5,736	770,836	2.35
1873	97	39,223	580,542	5	21,268	425,908	3	77,929	17,779,299	1,800	7.14	20,106	7,382	3,816	664,807	2.38
1872	92	31,681	430,877	0	17,254	313,176	7	77,929	17,779,299	1,556	7.63	14,711	6,205	3,888	490,066	2.36
1871	81	24,642	312,338	18	14,773	261,347	16	77,929	17,779,299	1,351	8.23	11,291	4,615	2,383	357,654	2.33
1870	70	20,489	264,328	5	11,934	209,509	13	77,929	17,779,299	1,264	9.36	9,242	4,304	2,277	295,372	2.35
1869	57	17,133	240,898	5	9,292	186,518	4	77,929	17,779,299	1,186	10.77	7,412	3,839	1,861	231,311	2.36
1868	55	13,014	194,535	11	6,365	107,994	17	77,929	17,779,299	789	9.77	4,880	1,282	1,186	163,518	2.38
Totals from 1st Feb. to 31st Dec., 1867	46	6,977	96,372	7	1,919	26,415	18	69,956	9,69,956	822	10.18	1,241	2,520	364	71,197	2.33



Table No. 7.

## BALANCE-SHEET OF THE NEW ZEALAND POST OFFICE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1912.

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F.—1.

	Balances on 1st January, 1912.			Transactions.			Balances on 31st December, 1912.		
	Cr.	£	s. d.	Dr.	£	s. d.	Cr.	£	s. d.
<b>MONEY-ORDER ACCOUNTS:—</b>									
Money-orders (general) ..	..	51,102	9 5	..	3,407,379	10 2	..	58,214	10 10
United Kingdom ..	..	25,663	16 1½	..	330,069	13 1	..	35,009	10 7
United States of America ..	..	138	6	..	25,065	19 6	..	415	16 3
Australia ..	..	4,839	12 11½	..	201,221	0 3	..	7,133	11 0
Austria ..	..	6,292	13 3	..	28,448	9 6	..	3,221	8 1
Canada ..	..	..	..	60	4,621	18 0	..	..	..
Ceylon ..	..	86	3 8	..	1,386	11 9	..	44	11 3
Fiji ..	..	..	..	74	3,288	5 2	..	..	..
France ..	..	733	4 7	..	1,789	5 4	..	875	0 10
Germany ..	..	1,364	7 11	..	2,822	5 4	..	2,427	17 1
Hong Kong ..	..	102	11 11	..	1,693	3 5	..	238	16 6
India ..	..	1,729	7 4	..	5,331	3 7	..	2,574	9 10
Norway ..	..	285	7 7	..	1,579	13 10	..	456	13 8
Samoa ..	..	..	..	1,455	2,044	9 3	..	..	..
Straits Settlements ..	..	68	13 6	..	106	0 4	..	30	16 3
Tonga ..	..	..	..	4,044	8,696	13 2	..	..	..
Union of South Africa ..	..	..	..	89	3,818	15 10	..	4,206	2 4
Commission ..	..	..	..	442	2,454	17 2	..	159	3 4
<b>SAVINGS-BANK ACCOUNTS:—</b>									
Deposits and withdrawals ..	..	15,543,186	16 8	..	12,236,781	15 1	..	16,330,257	8 2
Transfers ..	..	6,424	2 7	..	934,448	17 11	..	6,567	14 7
<b>POSTAL ACCOUNTS:—</b>									
Stamps ..	..	194,245	2 11½	..	983,387	11 7	..	214,799	0 0
Postal Guides ..	..	13	7 4	..	683	6 8	..	39	12 3
Postal notes ..	..	119,612	7 5	..	647,039	7 6	..	144,320	16 4
Private box and bag rents ..	..	..	..	..	12,851	6 10	..	..	..
Money-order commission ..	..	..	..	..	16,629	19 2	..	..	..
British postal orders—H.O. a/c ..	..	24,852	14 2	..	54,662	10 0	..	29,935	4 2
—C.P.M.'s a/c ..	..	20,733	9 11	..	49,580	0 0	..	20,398	12 8
—London a/c ..	..	..	..	16	49,437	11 7	..	0	0 5
B.P.O. commission ..	..	..	..	..	554	18 7	..	..	..
Postal revenue ..	..	..	..	1,460	642,828	4 5	..	1,988	11 11½
<b>TELEGRAPH ACCOUNTS:—</b>									
New South Wales Telegraphs ..	..	541	10 2	..	18,429	0 1	..	983	7 10
New Zealand and Australian Cable ..	..	262	16 11	..	6,857	6 1	..	226	15 9
Pacific Cable Board ..	..	1,779	3 3	..	52,758	0 9	..	4,233	3 1
Telephone-exchange receipts ..	..	..	..	..	155,633	2 10	..	..	..
Special-messenger receipts ..	..	..	..	..	497	6 3	..	..	..
Maintenance of private wires ..	..	..	..	..	3,775	11 11	..	..	..
Registration of code addresses ..	..	..	..	..	1,740	16 10	..	..	..
Cash deposits ..	..	266	3 11	..	13,138	15 11½	..	1,077	3 4
Telegraph revenue ..	..	6,060	10 0½	..	552,739	4 5½	..	3,618	4 10½
<b>GENERAL ACCOUNTS:—</b>									
Post Office Account ..	..	..	..	443,069	10,405,726	0 3	..	..	309,571 4 3
Postmasters and Telegraphists ..	..	..	..	558,851	22,706,389	5 2	..	..	570,153 8 9½
Investments ..	..	..	..	15,269,569	3,527,566	0 0	..	..	16,301,669 19 7
Accrued interest on investments ..	..	..	..	163,826	163,826	3 5	..	..	180,063 13 7
Miscellaneous receipts (general) ..	..	4,049	3 11	..	17,019	6 3½	..	4,235	12 4½
Foreign postage ..	..	14,924	12 9	..	20,739	0 11	..	11,231	1 0

Table No. 7—continued.

BALANCE-SHEET OF THE NEW ZEALAND POST OFFICE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1912—continued.

F. 1.

	Balances on 1st January, 1912.		Transactions.		Balances on 31st December, 1912.	
	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.	Dr.
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
GENERAL ACCOUNTS—continued.						
Foreign Mail Settlement Account	..	..	17,655	7 4	..	..
Miscellaneous expenses	..	..	1,543,020	18 5	1,519,023	2 11
Discount stamps	..	..	980	0 0	1,019	9 0
FOR OTHER DEPARTMENTS:—						
Advances to Settlers	..	..	2,656,116	5 8	2,672,578	18 7
Arms Act licenses	..	..	179	0 0	178	0 0
Audit fees	..	..	5	6 8	9	13 4
Clerks of Court	..	..	137	13 4	114	18 2
County Clerks	..	..	268	16 9	180	15 2
Customs dues (H.M.C.)	..	..	1,176	1 4	1,111	6 8
Customs duty (parcels)	..	..	77,311	14 9	76,266	0 6
Education Department	..	..	1	0 0	1	0 0
Electoral receipts	..	..	2	8 0	2	16 0
Factories Act	..	..	46	14 0	46	14 0
Fishing licenses	..	..	1,180	2 6	1,110	0 0
Game licenses	..	..	3,876	16 0	3,876	16 0
Goldfields revenue	..	..	130	13 8	123	11 1
Government Insurance	..	..	29,490	5 6	30,110	13 10
Government Printer	..	..	15	9 6	16	15 3
Homing-pigeons Protection Act	..	..	0	1 0	0	1 0
Imperial pensions	..	..	28,750	18 10	28,550	18 9
Income-tax	..	..	277,529	11 1	277,655	0 0
Land-tax	..	..	543,739	10 9	495,255	0 0
Licensing Act	..	..	20	0 0	20	0 0
Machinery	..	..	9,901	7 6	9,555	15 0
Marine light dues	..	..	104	13 2	99	19 10
Military Pensions	..	..	1,500	0 0	206	5 0
Mining Act	..	..	175	15 0	236	10 0
National Provident Fund receipts	..	..	5,381	13 4	5,441	17 7
New Zealand Consols	..	..	2,120	0 0	2,120	0 0
Old-age pensions	..	..	416,500	0 0	413,530	5 0
Miscellaneous	..	..	1	11 8	1	11 8
Public Trust	..	..	958,745	9 8	975,877	10 11
" Service Superannuation	..	..	100,839	19 10	99,674	6 7
Registration of births, &c...	..	..	2,723	4 0	2,653	1 6
Rents	..	..	304	5 10	298	19 8
Sanatorium, Hanmer Springs	..	..	2,295	2 9	2,166	11 7
Stock Department	..	..	283	15 0	288	5 0
Valuation revenue	..	..	6,096	6 8	6,285	1 2
Widows Pensions	..	..	20,800	0 0	18,527	5 9
Miscellaneous revenue	..	..	26	1 4	24	10 3
Suspense Account	..	..	..	..	..	..
Profit and loss	..	..	729,011	2 2	705,623	3 3
Totals	..	..	16,442,961	11 2	16,442,961	11 2
	..	..	65,745,961	8 2½	65,745,961	8 2½
	..	..	..	..	17,368,462	19 0½

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Table No. 8.

SECURITIES, ETC., STANDING IN THE NAME OF THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL ON ACCOUNT OF THE  
POST OFFICE SAVINGS-BANK FUND ON THE 31ST DECEMBER, 1912.

Description of Securities.	Nominal Value.			Cost-price.			Accrued Interest on 31st December 1912.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1900 Debentures, 4 per cent.	200	0	0	200	0	0	1	6	3
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1900 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	56,500	0	0	56,500	0	0	325	1	4
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1901 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	32,600	0	0	32,600	0	0	570	10	0
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1901 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	2,500	0	0	2,500	0	0	7	3	10
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1901 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	8,100	0	0	8,100	0	0	24	19	8
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1902 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	128,000	0	0	128,000	0	0	394	10	4
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1903 Debentures, 4 per cent.	1,000	0	0	1,000	0	0	20	0	0
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1903 Debentures, 4 per cent.	170,100	0	0	170,100	0	0	2,833	8	9
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1903 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	61,525	0	0	61,525	0	0	1,076	13	9
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1906 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	51,750	0	0	51,750	0	0	905	12	6
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1906 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	500,000	0	0	500,000	0	0	8,750	0	0
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1906 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	10,000	0	0	10,000	0	0	175	0	0
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1906 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	8,650	0	0	8,650	0	0	162	3	9
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1907 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	200,000	0	0	200,000	0	0	3,500	0	0
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1908 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	50,000	0	0	50,000	0	0	436	6	0
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1909 Debentures, 4 per cent.	300	0	0	300	0	0	6	0	0
The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1911 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	50,000	0	0	50,000	0	0	154	2	2
The Aid to Water-power Works Act 1910 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	50,000	0	0	50,000	0	0	174	13	1
The Appropriation Act 1912 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	10,000	0	0	10,000	0	0	34	18	7
Canadian Stock, 3 per cent.	5,000	0	0	4,800	0	0	75	0	0
Canadian Stock, 2½ per cent.	12,666	15	11	10,133	8	9	88	3	9
Cape of Good Hope Consolidated Stock, 3½ per cent.	200	0	0	186	1	3	3	14	1
The Coal-mines Act 1908 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	40,000	0	0	40,000	0	0	349	0	9
The Coal-mines Act 1908 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	110,000	0	0	110,000	0	0	1,028	8	4
The Consolidated Loan Act 1867 Debentures, 4 per cent.	13,000	0	0	12,480	0	0	109	13	11
The Consolidated Stock Act 1884 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	194,200	0	0	194,200	0	0	3,032	14	1
The Consolidated Stock Act 1884 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	283,500	0	0	283,500	0	0	3,289	7	4
The Consolidated Stock Act 1884 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	165,000	0	0	165,000	0	0	1,914	8	11
The Dairy Industry Act 1898 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	438	0	0	438	0	0	6	7	8
The Dairy Industry Act 1898 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	1,343	0	0	1,343	0	0	19	11	6
The Defence and other Purposes Loan Act 1870 Debentures, 4 per cent.	75,000	0	0	72,000	0	0	632	17	6
The Defence and other Purposes Loan Act 1870 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	8,100	0	0	8,100	0	0	141	15	0
Dunedin Garrison Hall Debentures, 4½ per cent.	4,000	0	0	4,000	0	0	77	18	4
The General Purposes Loan Act 1879 Debentures, 4 per cent.	5,200	0	0	4,342	0	0	43	17	7
The Government Advances to Settlers Act 1906 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	105,000	0	0	105,000	0	0	302	1	1
The Government Advances to Settlers Act 1908 Debentures, 4 per cent.	12,900	0	0	12,964	10	0	258	0	0
The Government Advances to Settlers Extension Act 1901 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	80,000	0	0	80,000	0	0	230	2	9
The Government Advances to Workers Act 1906 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	25,000	0	0	25,000	0	0	71	18	4
The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act 1886 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	231,500	0	0	231,500	0	0	2,686	0	6
The Government Railways Act 1908 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	85,000	0	0	85,000	0	0	..		
The Government Railways Act 1908 Debentures, 4 per cent.	10,000	0	0	10,000	0	0	..		
The Government Railways Act 1908 and Finance Act 1909 Debentures, 4 per cent.	100	0	0	100	0	0	1	13	3
The Government Railways Act 1908 and Finance Act 1909 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	50,000	0	0	50,000	0	0	..		
The Government Railways Amendment Act 1910 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	50,350	0	0	50,350	0	0	733	17	4
The Government Railways Amendment Act 1910 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	11,150	0	0	11,150	0	0	195	2	6
The Government Railways Amendment Act 1910 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	10,000	0	0	10,000	0	0	187	10	0
Greyouth Harbour Board Debentures, 4 per cent.	240,000	0	0	240,000	0	0	4,757	5	2
Hamilton Borough Debentures, 4½ per cent.	3,000	0	0	3,000	0	0	56	4	4
The Hutt Railway and Road Improvement Acts 1903 and 1905 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	100,000	0	0	100,000	0	0	575	6	9

Table No. 8—continued.

SECURITIES, ETC., STANDING IN THE NAME OF THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL ON ACCOUNT OF THE  
POST OFFICE SAVINGS-BANK FUND ON THE 31ST DECEMBER, 1912—continued.

Description of Securities.	Nominal Value.			Cost-price.			Accrued Interest on 31st December, 1912.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
The Hutt Railway and Road Improvement Act 1905 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	50,000	0	0	50,000	0	0	287	13	5
The Hutt Railway and Road Improvement Act 1907 Debentures, 4 per cent.	10,000	0	0	10,000	0	0	65	15	1
The Hutt Railway and Road Improvement Act 1907 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	67,000	0	0	67,000	0	0	385	9	6
The Hutt Railway and Road Improvement Act 1907 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	27,590	0	0	27,590	0	0	402	2	8
The Hutt Railway and Road Improvement Act 1910 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	15,000	0	0	15,000	0	0	218	12	7
The Immigration and Public Works Loan Act 1870 Debentures, 4½ per cent.	20,900	0	0	20,527	10	0	198	8	1
The Immigration and Public Works Loan Act 1870 Debentures, 4 per cent.	175,300	0	0	168,372	0	0	1,479	4	9
India Stock, 3½ per cent.	216	14	5	213	18	9	1	18	4
India Stock, 3 per cent.	52	13	9	45	15	0	0	7	10
Inscribed Stock, 3½ per cent.	618,000	0	0	618,000	0	0	10,815	0	0
Inscribed Stock, 5 per cent.	2,260,495	11	1	2,244,582	18	0	18,885	2	10
Irish Land Stock, 2½ per cent.	100	0	0	89	15	0	1	19	11
The Land for Settlements Act 1908 Debentures, 4 per cent.	300	0	0	300	0	0	6	0	0
The Land for Settlements Act 1908 Debentures, 4 per cent.	400	0	0	400	0	0	6	13	8
The Land for Settlements Act 1908 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	76,150	0	0	76,150	0	0	1,332	12	6
The Land for Settlements Act 1908 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	62,000	0	0	62,000	0	0	541	0	3
The Land for Settlements Act 1908 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	27,000	0	0	27,000	0	0	155	6	10
The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act 1900 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	4,700	0	0	4,700	0	0	94	0	0
The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act 1900 Debentures, 4 per cent.	2,400	0	0	2,400	0	0	39	19	6
The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act 1900 Debentures, 4 per cent.	20,000	0	0	20,000	0	0	199	9	0
The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act 1900 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	10,650	0	0	10,650	0	0	155	4	6
The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act 1900 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	5,000	0	0	5,000	0	0	87	10	0
The Lands Improvement and Native Lands Acquisition Act 1894 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	339,000	0	0	339,000	0	0	2,990	12	3
The Local Bodies' Loans Act 1901 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	100,000	0	0	100,000	0	0	1,160	5	5
The Local Bodies' Loans Act 1908 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	785,000	0	0	785,000	0	0	9,108	2	6
The Local Bodies' Loans Act 1908 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	150,000	0	0	150,000	0	0	1,740	8	1
The Local Bodies' Loans Act 1908 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	786,000	0	0	786,000	0	0	9,119	14	7
The Local Bodies' Loans Act 1908 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	50,000	0	0	50,000	0	0	143	16	8
The Maori Land Settlement Act 1905 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	25,650	0	0	25,650	0	0	448	17	6
The Maori Land Settlement Act Amendment Act 1907 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	50,000	0	0	50,000	0	0	875	0	0
The Native Land Purchase Act 1892 and New Zealand Loans Act 1908 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	125,000	0	0	125,000	0	0	783	7	9
New South Wales Stock, 3½ per cent.	27,000	0	0	26,865	0	0	340	16	8
The New Zealand Consols Act 1908 Debentures, 4 per cent.	400	0	0	400	0	0	1	8	11
The New Zealand State-guaranteed Advances Act 1909 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	400,000	0	0	400,000	0	0	3,490	7	11
The New Zealand State-guaranteed Advances Act 1909 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	1,918,600	0	0	1,918,600	0	0	16,741	13	8
The New Zealand Land for Settlements Act 1908 and State-guaranteed Advances Amendment Act 1910 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	44,925	0	0	44,925	0	0	786	3	9
The New Zealand State-guaranteed Advances Acts 1909 and 1910 and the New Zealand Loans Act 1908 (Land for Settlements Branch) Debentures, 3½ per cent.	99,000	0	0	99,000	0	0	863	17	6
The New Zealand State-guaranteed Advances Acts 1909 and 1910 (Land for Settlements Branch) Debentures, 3½ per cent.	8,000	0	0	8,000	0	0	46	0	6
The New Zealand State-guaranteed Advances Acts 1909 and 1910 (Land for Settlements Branch) Debentures, 3½ per cent.	64,850	0	0	64,850	0	0	1,134	17	6
The New Zealand State-guaranteed Advances Acts 1909 and 1910 (Land for Settlements Branch) Debentures, 3½ per cent.	15,300	0	0	15,300	0	0	94	6	3
The New Zealand State-guaranteed Advances Acts 1909 and 1910 (Land for Settlements Branch) Debentures, 3½ per cent.	12,350	0	0	12,350	0	0	231	11	3
The New Zealand State-guaranteed Advances Acts 1909 and 1910 (Land for Settlements Branch) Debentures, 3½ per cent.	21,500	0	0	21,500	0	0	335	15	0
The New Zealand State-guaranteed Advances Acts 1909 and 1910 (Land for Settlements Branch) Debentures, 3½ per cent.	741,066	0	0	741,066	0	0	4,644	6	10
The New Zealand State-guaranteed Advances Act 1909 (Land for Settlements Branch) Debentures, 3½ per cent.	410,000	0	0	410,000	0	0	3,833	4	3
The New Zealand State-guaranteed Advances Acts 1909 and 1910 (Advances to Settlers Branch) Debentures, 3½ per cent.	750,000	0	0	750,000	0	0	5,316	15	2
The New Zealand State-guaranteed Advances Acts 1909 and 1910 (Advances to Workers Branch) Debentures, 3½ per cent.	205,000	0	0	205,000	0	0	3,587	10	0
The New Zealand State-guaranteed Advances Act 1909 (Advances to Workers Branch) Debentures, 3½ per cent.	100,000	0	0	100,000	0	0	934	18	7
The New Zealand State-guaranteed Advances Acts 1909 and 1910 (Native Lands Settlement Branch) Debentures, 3½ per cent.	50,000	0	0	50,000	0	0	467	9	4

Table No. 8—continued.

SECURITIES, ETC., STANDING IN THE NAME OF THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL ON ACCOUNT OF THE  
POST OFFICE SAVINGS-BANK FUND ON THE 31ST DECEMBER, 1912—continued.

Description of Securities.	Nominal Value.		Cost-price.		Accrued Interest on 31st December, 1912.
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£ s. d.
The New Zealand State-guaranteed Advances Act 1909 (Native Lands Settlement Branch) Debentures, 3½ per cent.	54,500	0 0	54,500	0 0	509 10 9
The New Zealand State-guaranteed Advances Act 1909 (Local Authorities Branch) Debentures, 3½ per cent.	10,000	0 0	10,000	0 0	93 9 11
The New Zealand State-guaranteed Advances Act 1909 (Local Authorities Branch) Debentures, 3½ per cent.	275,000	0 0	275,000	0 0	2,399 13 0
The New Zealand State-guaranteed Advances Act 1909 (Guaranteed Mining Advances Branch) Debentures, 3½ per cent.	5,000	0 0	5,000	0 0	46 14 11
Oamaru Borough Consolidated Loan 1893 Debentures, 5 per cent.	13,800	0 0	13,800	0 0	345 0 0
Patea Harbour Board Debentures, 4½ per cent.	30,000	0 0	30,000	0 0	536 6 0
The Post Office Savings-bank Fund Investment Act 1907 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	125,000	0 0	125,000	0 0	2,187 10 0
The Post and Telegraph Act 1908 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	75,000	0 0	75,000	0 0	1,312 10 0
The Railways Improvement Authorization Act 1907 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	25,000	0 0	25,000	0 0	..
The Reserve Fund Securities Act 1907 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	800,000	0 0	800,000	0 0	11,660 5 0
The Scenery Preservation Act 1908 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	40,000	0 0	40,000	0 0	230 2 8
The Scenery Preservation Act 1908 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	20,000	0 0	20,000	0 0	123 5 9
South Australian Stock, 4 per cent.	1,772	16 2	1,861	9 0	19 15 0
South Australian Stock, 3½ per cent.	12,000	0 0	11,760	0 0	210 0 0
Thames Harbour Board Debentures, 4 per cent.	10,000	0 0	10,000	0 0	99 14 6
Timaru Borough Council Debentures, 4 per cent.	4,000	0 0	4,000	0 0	80 0 0
Victorian Stock, 3 per cent.	12,379	19 10	10,708	13 10	196 10 6
The Waihou and Ohinemuri Rivers Improvement Act 1910 Debentures, 3½ per cent.	100,000	0 0	100,000	0 0	1,457 10 7
Wellington City Council Debentures, 4 per cent.	100,000	0 0	99,000	0 0	2,000 0 0
Wellington City Council Debentures, 4 per cent.	25,000	0 0	24,500	0 0	500 0 0
Wellington Harbour Board Debentures, 4½ per cent.	28,700	0 0	28,700	0 0	417 14 5
Wellington Harbour Board Debentures, 4 per cent.	24,000	0 0	24,000	0 0	216 13 4
Westport Harbour Board Debentures, 4 per cent.	489,500	0 0	489,500	0 0	9,790 0 0
Accrued interest on Post Office Account	..	..	..	..	629 18 3
<b>Totals</b>	<b>16,335,421</b>	<b>11 2</b>	<b>16,301,669</b>	<b>19 7</b>	<b>180,063 13 7</b>

Table No. 9.

## POST OFFICE SAVINGS-BANK.

Receipts and Payments for the Year ended 31st December, 1912.

Dr.	£	s. d.	Cr.	£	s. d.
Balance to credit of depositors on 1st January, 1912	15,543,186	16 8	Withdrawals during 1912	11,449,711	3 7
Deposits during 1912	11,725,182	16 5	Balance to credit of depositors on 31st December, 1912	16,330,257	8 2
Interest credited to depositors, 1912	511,598	18 8			
	<u>£27,779,968</u>	<u>11 9</u>		<u>£27,779,968</u>	<u>11 9</u>

## Liabilities and Assets.

Dr.	£	s. d.	Cr.	£	s. d.
Balance to credit of depositors on 31st December, 1912	16,330,257	8 2	Securities	16,301,669	19 7
Balance of assets over liabilities	283,157	14 5	Balance uninvested	311,745	3 0
	<u>£16,613,415</u>	<u>2 7</u>		<u>£16,613,415</u>	<u>2 7</u>

## Profit and Loss Account.

Dr.	£	s. d.	Cr.	£	s. d.
Interest credited to depositors during 1912	511,598	18 8	Balance forward, 1st January, 1912	259,769	15 6
Interest paid on debentures purchased by Department	218	17 10	Interest received during the year	547,256	18 11
Paid Public Account, for cost of Savings-bank management	29,000	0 0	Accrued interest on 31st December, 1912	180,063	13 7
Purchase of home savings-banks	979	3 4		727,320	12 6
Balance to next account	283,157	14 5	Less accrued interest on 31st December, 1911	163,826	3 5
	<u>£824,954</u>	<u>14 3</u>		563,494	9 1
			Sundry receipts	1,690	9 8
				<u>£824,954</u>	<u>14 3</u>

Table No. 10.

RETURN SHOWING THE TOTAL NUMBER OF POST OFFICE SAVINGS-BANK ACCOUNTS REMAINING OPEN ON 31ST DECEMBER, 1912, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THE BALANCE AT CREDIT OF EACH ACCOUNT.

Postal District.	Not exceeding £20.	Exceeding £20 and up to £50.	Exceeding £50 and up to £100.	Exceeding £100 and up to £200.	Exceeding £200 and up to £300.	Exceeding £300 and up to £400.	Exceeding £400 and up to £500.	Exceeding £500 and up to £600.	Exceeding £600.	Total Number of Accounts open.
Auckland ..	56,501	6,502	4,337	3,974	1,748	996	468	373	404	75,303
Blenheim ..	5,027	640	388	335	160	99	52	36	23	6,760
Christchurch..	51,504	7,137	4,714	3,824	1,697	802	459	324	238	70,699
Dunedin ..	34,378	5,725	4,084	3,497	1,620	907	414	298	232	51,155
Gisborne ..	7,925	1,198	748	535	230	94	46	31	32	10,839
Greymouth ..	5,483	730	537	526	222	138	66	49	39	7,790
Hokitika ..	1,601	217	146	147	104	39	22	12	9	2,297
Invercargill ..	12,284	2,198	1,513	1,285	551	301	153	73	50	18,408
Napier ..	15,738	2,183	1,703	1,156	544	269	122	87	85	21,887
Nelson ..	7,498	1,217	813	610	289	134	84	57	36	10,738
New Plymouth	7,785	1,116	716	674	315	148	71	36	34	10,895
Oamaru ..	3,409	720	486	428	180	93	55	35	25	5,431
Thames ..	9,462	1,251	840	664	291	160	88	56	43	12,855
Timaru ..	8,793	1,581	1,041	804	383	197	97	69	38	13,003
Wanganui ..	17,314	2,462	1,526	1,079	514	246	117	104	64	23,426
Wellington ..	62,969	8,541	5,573	4,336	1,834	980	490	357	323	85,403
Westport ..	3,718	534	437	321	150	64	46	23	17	5,310
Totals, 1912	311,389	43,952	29,602	24,195	10,832	5,667	2,850	2,020	1,692	432,199
Totals, 1911	290,157	42,266	28,061	23,162	10,277	5,274	2,750	1,980	1,639	405,566

Table No. 11.

OLD-AGE PENSIONS.

RETURN showing the Number and Amount of Old-age Pension Payments made each Month for the Two Years ended 31st March, 1913.

Month.	1911-12.				1912-13.			
	Number of Payments.	Amount.			Number of Payments.	Amount.		
		£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
April ... ..	15,907	33,328	12	11	16,547	34,472	0	10
May ... ..	16,152	33,774	6	4	16,776	34,974	17	7
June ... ..	16,011	33,482	16	10	16,601	34,595	13	4
July ... ..	16,145	33,744	15	0	16,793	34,941	0	0
August ... ..	16,181	33,798	18	5	16,783	34,901	15	9
September ... ..	16,152	33,706	10	11	16,670	34,706	0	1
October ... ..	16,184	33,742	5	4	16,777	34,903	17	7
November ... ..	16,307	34,002	1	2	16,817	34,953	1	0
December ... ..	20,147	42,039	6	7	19,419	40,445	16	0
January ... ..	12,578	26,146	16	2	13,764	28,569	5	9
February ... ..	16,399	34,169	17	0	16,392	34,078	14	2
March ... ..	16,460	34,319	9	8	16,449	34,218	12	10
Totals ... ..	194,623	406,255	16	4	199,788	415,760	14	11

RETURN for same Period of Number of Payments and Amounts in each Postal District.

Postal District.	1911-12.				1912-13.			
	Number of Payments.	Amount.			Number of Payments.	Amount.		
		£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Auckland ... ..	41,091	85,157	11	3	42,013	87,161	19	5
Blenheim... ..	2,368	4,971	15	2	2,378	5,022	16	1
Christchurch ... ..	32,591	68,159	10	1	34,404	71,788	14	6
Dunedin ... ..	28,864	59,996	10	0	29,265	60,369	14	9
Gisborne ... ..	1,490	2,973	4	11	1,607	3,270	18	0
Greymouth ... ..	6,304	13,392	9	8	6,105	13,004	8	2
Hokitika ... ..	6,292	13,384	4	5	6,141	13,108	16	11
Invercargill ... ..	11,866	24,834	15	8	12,062	25,076	13	5
Napier ... ..	7,448	15,534	8	3	7,607	15,795	14	1
Nelson ... ..	3,827	8,100	7	1	3,913	8,241	4	8
New Plymouth ... ..	3,572	7,309	15	1	3,619	7,404	2	5
Oamaru ... ..	3,822	7,990	3	1	3,945	8,231	0	3
Thames ... ..	6,684	14,111	3	11	6,602	13,732	3	1
Timaru ... ..	7,730	16,285	9	8	8,217	17,148	16	4
Wanganui ... ..	6,485	13,688	12	0	6,628	13,810	16	5
Wellington ... ..	20,928	43,435	18	6	22,103	45,829	0	2
Westport ... ..	3,261	6,929	17	7	3,174	6,763	16	3
Totals ... ..	194,623	406,255	16	4	199,788	415,760	14	11

Table No. 12.

TABLE showing the estimated Number of Letters and Letter-cards, Post-cards, Book-packets, Newspapers, and Parcels posted and delivered in the several Postal Districts of New Zealand during the Year ended 31st December, 1912.

Postal Districts.	Posted in the Dominion.					Delivered in the Dominion.					Total posted and delivered.				
	Letters and Letter-cards.	Post-cards.	Books, &c.	Newspapers.	Parcels.	Letters and Letter-cards.	Post-cards.	Books, &c.	Newspapers.	Parcels.	Letters and Letter-cards.	Post-cards.	Books, &c.	Newspapers.	Parcels.
Auckland ..	23,667,968	1,218,529	6,973,964	4,264,232	434,980	20,958,171	1,010,074	5,711,108	3,913,507	409,430	44,626,139	2,228,603	12,685,072	8,177,739	844,410
Blenheim ..	1,422,426	77,246	381,478	297,011	14,872	1,642,576	98,930	489,645	591,552	41,232	3,065,002	176,176	871,123	888,563	56,104
Christchurch ..	13,128,946	623,402	3,429,639	2,720,576	250,367	15,239,536	892,892	3,923,439	2,502,331	170,142	28,368,482	1,516,294	7,353,078	5,222,907	420,509
Dunedin ..	11,346,070	627,757	3,951,028	1,859,663	173,706	11,641,851	788,814	4,197,063	2,430,012	141,442	22,987,921	1,416,571	8,148,091	4,289,675	315,148
Gisborne ..	1,648,065	98,215	543,883	637,802	24,882	1,853,826	94,705	396,851	824,577	45,930	3,501,891	192,920	940,734	1,462,379	70,812
Greymouth ..	1,127,949	32,253	183,515	288,938	12,571	1,624,428	63,245	310,596	634,231	31,680	2,752,377	95,498	494,111	923,169	44,251
Hokitika ..	5,527,503	23,465	103,294	137,540	12,883	667,095	40,196	233,831	223,938	18,876	1,194,598	63,661	337,125	361,478	31,759
Invercargill ..	5,258,430	281,190	986,971	694,022	49,010	6,500,845	401,544	1,478,360	1,336,257	80,918	11,759,275	682,734	2,465,331	2,030,279	129,928
Napier ..	6,355,786	287,768	1,804,446	992,656	58,084	5,535,309	284,453	1,739,777	1,717,209	110,077	11,891,095	572,221	3,544,223	2,709,865	168,161
Nelson ..	2,170,086	124,904	563,227	341,185	26,312	2,193,087	162,032	614,666	668,369	59,049	4,363,173	286,936	1,177,893	1,009,554	85,361
New Plymouth ..	2,478,159	102,076	501,876	426,056	28,132	2,602,509	123,812	551,616	642,109	61,340	5,080,668	225,888	1,053,492	1,068,165	89,472
Oamaru ..	1,373,939	74,958	236,711	175,188	10,465	1,964,456	101,192	472,784	290,992	21,984	3,338,395	176,150	709,495	466,180	32,449
Thames ..	2,194,609	102,726	431,476	335,205	21,671	2,601,950	122,889	538,772	699,049	62,944	4,796,559	225,615	970,248	1,034,254	84,615
Timaru ..	3,375,289	180,128	714,503	376,896	21,320	3,733,210	196,482	871,663	602,316	34,916	7,108,499	376,610	1,586,166	979,212	56,236
Wanganui ..	5,384,421	254,982	1,286,110	829,090	68,757	5,927,051	307,827	1,375,114	1,483,248	137,861	11,311,472	562,809	2,661,224	2,312,338	206,618
Wellington ..	23,777,501	1,059,760	8,894,453	5,116,038	406,211	22,435,439	1,327,079	7,044,453	4,948,294	284,831	46,212,940	2,386,839	15,938,906	10,064,332	691,042
Westport ..	803,716	24,206	140,642	137,423	9,607	1,021,917	42,796	287,963	322,504	22,915	1,825,633	67,002	428,605	459,927	32,522
Totals ..	106,040,863	5,193,565	31,127,216	19,629,521	1,623,830	108,143,256	6,058,962	30,237,701	23,830,495	1,735,567	214,184,119	11,252,527	61,364,917	43,460,016	3,359,397
Previous year ..	99,307,587	5,425,914	30,137,735	18,936,788	1,613,010	106,143,040	6,829,563	28,690,701	24,864,931	1,714,369	205,450,627	12,255,477	58,828,436	43,801,719	3,327,379

Table No. 13.

## REGISTERED ARTICLES.

The number of registered articles dealt with in 1912, compared with the number in 1890, 1900, 1910, and 1911, is as follows :—

	1890.	1900.	1910.	1911.	1912.
From places beyond the Dominion	26,374	52,343	132,493	152,349	142,686
Registered in the Dominion	169,321	464,036	993,675	*1,194,570	1,161,909
Totals	195,695	516,379	1,126,168	1,346,919	1,304,595

## DEAD LETTERS.

	1911.	1912.
Opened and returned to writers	212,821	224,948
Returned unopened to other countries	54,591	59,457
Reissued	526	785
Destroyed	21,983	31,452
Returned unopened by Chief Postmasters	206,147	246,119
Totals	496,068	562,761

\* This number is abnormal owing to the large amount of registered correspondence posted in connection with the General Election.

Table No. 14.

## PARCEL-POST.

The following shows the number and weight of parcels posted during the years 1890, 1900, 1910, 1911, and 1912 :—

	1890.	1900.	1910.	1911.	1912.
Number	121,292	199,413	1,190,711	1,613,010	1,623,830
Weight	336,643 lb. 12 oz.	682,140 lb. 7 oz.	3,953,284 lb. 15 oz.	5,392,360 lb. 3 oz.	5,279,140 lb. 12 oz.

The following table shows the number and weight of parcels exchanged with the United Kingdom and the undermentioned places during the years 1911 and 1912 :—

Country.	Received.				Despatched.			
	1911.		1912.		1911.		1912.	
	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.
		lb. oz.		lb. oz.		lb. oz.		lb. oz.
United Kingdom and foreign countries ( <i>via</i> London)	93,998	530,896 0	101,630	589,085 0	13,112	42,041 10	13,719	44,236 11
United States of America	7,591	26,683 6	9,506	34,483 5	1,095	2,931 6	1,196	3,265 8
Canada	568	1,094 8	839	1,674 0	377	866 8	463	1,217 9
Victoria	8,358	27,140 14	8,703	28,843 14	3,140	7,720 3	3,231	8,485 13
New South Wales	13,262	42,214 0	14,625	45,727 0	5,357	12,552 8	5,561	13,065 0
South Australia	519	1,403 13	496	1,232 4	415	968 14	488	1,090 5
Queensland	878	1,933 9	830	2,053 0	897	2,092 10	865	1,880 11
Tasmania	473	1,173 0	527	1,422 2	694	1,535 6	788	1,754 2
Western Australia	371	834 14	455	1,091 6	476	1,101 3	496	1,395 3
Samoa	16	88 6	25	66 6	157	612 11	187	759 12
Fiji	137	350 10	101	298 2	511	1,420 1	682	2,043 0
Ceylon	549	2,732 3	643	3,230 14	70	216 13	55	172 3
Uruguay	..	..	..	..	97	318 12	120	392 1
Cape of Good Hope	463	775 10	421	718 1	115	364 12	66	156 2
Natal	32	42 5	..	..	243	667 1	314	719 5
India	1,138	5,765 6	1,370	7,278 6	235	842 9	318	1,233 5
Tonga	16	68 3	11	20 11	280	914 13	266	977 2
Hong Kong	357	1,492 11	391	1,832 6	96	248 15	112	377 1
Straits Settlements	..	..	131	404 11	..	..	40	89 14
Totals	128,726	644,689 6	140,704	719,461 8	27,367	77,416 11	28,967	83,310 11

Table No. 15.

## SAN FRANCISCO, VANCOUVER, AND SUEZ SERVICES.

STATEMENT showing the Number of Days occupied in the Delivery of Mails between London and the undermentioned Places by the San Francisco Mail-service.

## FROM LONDON VIA SAN FRANCISCO.

	Auckland.	Wellington.	Christchurch.	Dunedin.	Sydney.	Melbourne.
Maximum (in days)	39	38	39	40	43	*
Minimum	33	32	33	33	37	..
Average	36	35	36	36	40	..

\* No mails received.



**Table No. 15—continued.**  
TO LONDON VIA SAN FRANCISCO.

—	Melbourne.	Sydney.	Dunedin.	Christchurch	Wellington.	Auckland.
Maximum (in days) ...	*	44	39	39	38	39
Minimum " ...	...	37	32	32	31	32
Average " ...	...	40	34	34	33	34

\* No mails despatched.

STATEMENT showing the Number of Days occupied in the Delivery of Mails between London and the undermentioned Places by the Vancouver Mail-service.

FROM LONDON VIA VANCOUVER.

—	Auckland.	Wellington.	Christchurch	Dunedin.	Sydney.	Melbourne.
Maximum (in days) ...	35	37	38	38	40	*
Minimum " ...	31	32	33	33	35	...
Average " ...	33	34	35	35	38	...

\* No mails received.

TO LONDON VIA VANCOUVER.

—	Melbourne.	Sydney.	Dunedin.	Christchurch	Wellington.	Auckland.
Maximum (in days) ...	*	41	39	39	38	37
Minimum " ...	...	35	33	33	32	31
Average " ...	...	36	34	34	33	32

\* No mails despatched.

STATEMENT showing the Number of Days occupied in the Delivery of Mails between London and the undermentioned Places by the Packets of the Peninsular and Oriental Service.

FROM LONDON VIA BRINDISI (P. AND O. PACKETS).

—	Melbourne.	Sydney.	Auckland.	Wellington.	Christchurch	Dunedin.
Maximum (in days) ...	31	32	38	39	39	39
Minimum " ...	30	31	36	38	38	38
Average " ...	30	31	37	38	39	38

TO LONDON VIA BRINDISI (P AND O. PACKETS).

—	Auckland.	Wellington.	Christchurch	Dunedin.	Sydney.	Melbourne.
Maximum (in days) ...	37	36	37	37	32	31
Minimum " ...	36	35	36	36	31	30
Average " ...	36	35	36	36	31	30

STATEMENT showing the Number of Days occupied in the Delivery of Mails between London and the undermentioned Places by the Packets of the Orient Line.

FROM LONDON VIA TARANTO (ORIENT PACKETS).

—	Melbourne.	Sydney.	Auckland.	Wellington.	Christchurch	Dunedin.
Maximum (in days) ...	31	32	39	40	40	39
Minimum " ...	29	30	35	36	37	38
Average " ...	30	31	36	37	38	38

TO LONDON VIA TARANTO (ORIENT PACKETS).

—	Auckland.	Wellington.	Christchurch	Dunedin.	Sydney.	Melbourne.
Maximum (in days) ...	39	38	39	39	33	32
Minimum " ...	37	36	37	37	31	30
Average " ...	38	37	38	38	32	31

Table No. 16.

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.

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.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.		
30th June, 1866	699	1,390	13	24,761	2,746	27,407	5,561	19 2	483	3 2	6,045	2 4	3,934	3 4	2,443	2 11	6,377	6 3	3 9 10	Mileage tariff.
" 1867	757	1,498	21	55,621	15,331	70,952	9,070	10 1	3,770	4 8	12,840	14 9	8,017	14 7	2,541	4 11	10,558	19 6	3 7 1	
" 1868	1,110	2,223	31	72,241	26,244	98,485	11,652	3 7	6,672	0 3	18,324	3 10	9,489	17 10	5,406	7 3	14,895	5 1	4 17 4	
" 1869	1,329	2,495	45	106,070	50,097	156,167	18,520	10 4	13,430	11 9	31,951	2 1	14,266	12 7	8,547	4 9	22,813	17 4	6 8 6	Mileage tariff in operation up to 1st Sept., 1869; uniform 2s. 6d. tariff from 1st Sept., 1869, to 31st March, 1870; and 1s. tariff from 1st April, 1870.
" 1870	1,661	2,897	56	122,545	62,878	185,423	17,218	1 4	12,252	6 0	29,470	7 4	16,417	7 4	14,120	4 10	30,537	12 2	8 9 11	
" 1871	1,976	3,247	72	253,582	59,292	312,874	22,419	8 8	9,876	17 6	32,296	6 2	21,254	4 3	11,344	3 8	32,598	7 11	5 19 6	
" 1872	2,185	3,823	81	344,524	67,243	411,767	28,121	10 0	11,043	3 9	39,164	13 9	23,593	9 9	8,858	19 7	32,452	9 4	4 2 3	From 1st November, 1873, address and signature given in free.
" 1873	2,356	4,574	93	485,507	83,453	568,960	39,680	18 9	11,105	2 0	50,786	0 9	27,040	18 10	9,479	5 4	36,520	4 2	4 1 11	
" 1874	2,530	5,782	105	645,067	107,832	752,899	46,508	18 10	12,618	11 6	59,127	10 4	38,801	19 4	15,021	17 11	53,823	17 3	6 3 11	
" 1875	2,986	6,626	127	786,237	130,891	917,128	55,301	12 3	13,679	10 9	68,981	3 0	45,814	11 4	14,240	19 7	60,055	10 11	4 16 4	From 1st November, 1873, address and signature given in free.
" 1876	3,154	7,247	142	890,382	160,704	1,051,086	62,715	10 4	16,154	6 0	78,869	16 4	61,696	14 5	21,074	8 8	82,771	3 1	5 18 10	
" 1877	3,259	7,423	155	952,283	172,159	1,124,442	65,644	15 3	17,024	8 9	82,669	4 0	63,353	10 10	17,931	8 0	81,284	18 10	5 12 11	
" 1878	3,434	8,035	182	1,065,481	194,843	1,260,324	73,284	1 10	19,148	12 4	92,432	14 2	69,340	1 8	18,259	4 9	87,599	6 5	5 10 0	From 1st November, 1873, address and signature given in free.
" 1879	3,512	8,117	195	1,201,982	246,961	1,448,943	85,402	0 2	26,949	2 2	112,351	2 4	79,502	0 5	17,299	7 10	96,801	8 3	5 0 9	
31st March, 1880	3,638	9,333	214	824,734	183,675	1,008,409	58,120	3 3	19,707	6 3	77,827	9 6	68,651	10 10	14,758	4 5	83,409	15 3	4 3 4	
" 1881	3,758	9,587	227	1,058,342	246,370	1,304,712	73,002	2 0	27,021	3 8	100,023	5 8	78,224	1 8	23,154	8 3	101,378	9 11	6 6 7	
" 1882	3,824	9,653	234	1,215,849	222,923	1,438,772	78,828	19 8	22,737	16 4	101,566	16 0	69,165	5 0	18,292	13 4	87,457	18 4	4 17 4	

Table No. 16—*contin. used.*

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 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.					£	s. d.										
31st Dec., 1882	3,974	9,848	264	1,361,817	208,372	1,570,189	£ 90,633	11	20,008	11	111,242	3	1	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	115,378	2	73,054	4	619,210	6	6	92,264	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	116,490	5	70,036	6	220,041	15	10	90,078	2	0	4	18	4		
" 1885	4,463	10,931	375	1,533,406	240,867	1,774,273	101,652	8	24,860	9	0	126,512	17	77,082	4	420,900	6	2	97,982	10	6	4	15	9		
" 1886	4,546	11,178	412	1,583,717	252,549	1,836,266	106,638	12	27,281	4	9	133,919	16	77,473	10	721,402	18	2	98,875	8	9	4	15	11		
" 1887	4,646	11,375	437	1,589,771	245,623	1,835,394	106,548	4	30,205	11	10	136,753	15	76,580	10	621,321	2	9	97,901	12	9	4	13	9	From 1st Jan., 1886, delayed telegrams posted to addressees immediately after their receipt at offices of destination.	
" 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	72,201	13	523,262	1	0	95,463	14	5	0	1		
" 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	75,426	9	726,007	1	5	101,433	11	0	5	8		
" 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	76,845	1	1,027,546	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	85,658	4	1,128,986	10	10	114,644	15	9	5	12		7
" 1892	5,479	13,459	615	1,686,064	218,079	1,904,143	103,813	8	6	24,342	7	0	128,155	15	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	92,109	17	629,141	6	0	121,251	3	0	5	5	9	

For the Financial Years ended 31st March, 1895, to 31st March, 1913.

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).		Value of Government Messages.		Total Value of Business done during the Year.		Total Expenditure (excluding Cable Subsidy).		Remarks.								
				Private and Press.		Govern-ment.		Total.		Telegraph.		Telephone.			£ s. d.		£ s. d.					
				£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.		£	s. d.	£	s. d.				
31st March, 1895	5,961 1/4	14,881 1/4	705	1,802,182	231,618	2,033,800	88,459	10	11	21,552	12	10	26,059	7	5	136,062	11	2	135,791	0	7	Cable subsidy, 6,492 11 8
" 1896	6,245 1/4	15,764 1/4	743	1,809,632	224,579	2,034,211	97,173	14	0 1/2	25,933	12	9	25,843	11	11	148,955	18	8 1/2	143,665	14	0	
" 1897	6,284 1/4	16,070 1/4	780	2,285,001	235,168	2,520,169	100,385	16	1	29,248	19	5	23,118	9	6	152,752	18	0	153,484	6	8	
" 1898	6,484	18,024	824	2,469,415	226,818	2,696,233	99,798	8	10 1/2	36,422	6	8	24,594	9	8	160,725	5	2 1/2	165,198	13	5	
" 1899	6,736	18,746	878	2,717,548	243,190	2,960,738	105,576	6	0	39,718	7	7	25,500	5	10	170,794	19	5	173,152	16	6	
" 1900	6,910	19,228	915	3,159,093	310,538	3,469,631	119,641	11	6 1/2	43,303	2	10	29,431	19	0	192,376	13	4 1/2	181,634	11	3	
" 1901	7,249 1/2	20,682	991	3,534,444	363,684	3,898,128	137,861	1	2 1/2	49,117	0	8	35,327	6	2	222,395	8	0 1/2	194,014	12	11	
" 1902	7,460	21,705	1,038	3,850,391	317,590	4,167,981	151,933	19	11	55,542	4	9	27,507	17	6	234,984	2	2	212,180	16	0	
" 1903	7,748 1/2	22,672 1/2	1,103	4,271,218	288,086	4,559,304	160,343	7	7	62,151	8	11	26,440	2	10	248,934	19	4	228,185	10	7	
" 1904	7,779 1/2	22,920 1/2	1,153	4,671,904	293,293	4,965,197	166,535	18	8 1/2	71,028	6	3	24,377	1	7	261,941	6	6 1/2	245,805	9	7	
" 1905	7,943 1/2	23,704	1,200	4,900,495	259,250	5,159,745	171,001	13	11 1/2	79,061	7	4	20,597	11	10	270,660	13	1 1/2	258,977	10	9	
" 1906	8,355	25,116	1,312	5,351,084	289,135	5,640,219	184,369	6	2	89,542	1	5	24,108	10	4	298,079	17	11	276,580	12	5	
" 1907	8,953	27,031	1,446	6,160,080	236,252	6,396,332	206,706	15	8 1/2	100,814	0	3	17,486	19	8	325,007	15	7 1/2	291,359	12	6	
" 1908	9,656	29,343	1,611	6,958,279	84,644	7,042,923	227,398	6	8	116,852	13	10	4,498	16	7 1/2	348,749	17	1 1/2	357,581	1	3	
" 1909	10,404	32,654	1,764	7,338,017	87,676	7,425,693	238,103	16	5	131,249	0	7	4,821	10	10	374,174	7	10	394,649	19	6	
" 1910	10,901	34,788	1,871	7,757,128	89,762	7,846,890	250,212	2	1	144,298	2	9	4,850	17	2	399,361	2	0	411,296	17	2	
" 1911	11,316	37,212	1,963	8,268,340	92,307	8,360,647	272,942	12	10 1/2	161,173	6	10	4,874	0	1 1/2	438,989	19	10 1/2	446,709	17	1	
" 1912	11,805	39,370	2,079	8,971,725	91,408	9,063,133	295,334	8	2	179,123	18	8	4,831	10	6	479,289	17	4	469,716	17	7	
" 1913	12,508	41,892	2,203	9,850,379	93,893	9,944,272	321,951	6	4	201,237	7	3	4,931	0	7	528,119	14	2	509,496	13	7	

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. 1906: For each additional word after first twelve, 4d.

Table No. 17.

TABLE showing the Cash Revenue derived from Paid Telegrams of all Codes, the Value of Franked Government Telegrams, and the Number of Telegrams transmitted in the several Postal Districts of New Zealand for the Twelve Months ended 31st March, 1913.

Postal District.	Revenue derived from Paid Telegrams of all Codes.			Value of Franked Government Telegrams.			Total Value of Telegrams of all Codes.			Number of Paid Telegrams.	Number of Franked Government Telegrams.	Total Number of Telegrams of all Codes.
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.			
Auckland .. .. .	65,151	9	9½	792	8	6½	65,943	18	4	2,053,839	15,032	2,068,871
Blenheim .. .. .	5,370	17	0½	287	13	0½	5,658	10	1	178,066	5,811	183,877
Christchurch .. .. .	32,733	13	5	528	17	4	33,262	10	9	1,009,208	9,693	1,018,901
Dunedin .. .. .	26,610	6	1	279	1	6½	26,889	7	7½	813,721	4,718	818,439
Gisborne .. .. .	10,188	9	9	141	2	1	10,329	11	10	265,804	2,928	268,732
Greymouth .. .. .	6,307	3	2½	203	7	7½	6,510	10	10	170,691	4,075	174,766
Hokitika .. .. .	2,370	4	8	8	1	3½	2,378	5	11½	69,522	141	69,663
Invercargill .. .. .	16,301	16	4	171	6	9	16,473	3	1	510,943	3,287	514,230
Napier .. .. .	21,930	15	7½	214	13	10	22,145	9	5½	719,532	4,101	723,633
Nelson .. .. .	7,387	16	6½	490	18	1½	7,878	14	8	295,960	9,640	305,600
New Plymouth .. .. .	8,773	5	4½	117	6	3	8,890	11	7½	275,016	2,338	277,354
Oamaru .. .. .	4,964	1	8½	35	13	9½	4,999	15	6	127,417	712	128,129
Thames .. .. .	8,977	8	6½	58	2	1	9,035	10	7½	293,145	1,437	294,582
Timaru .. .. .	9,683	1	9	87	9	5	9,770	11	2	295,667	1,680	297,347
Wanganui .. .. .	20,776	15	11½	92	15	8½	20,869	11	8	675,889	1,818	677,707
Wellington .. .. .	62,127	11	2½	1,141	12	1½	63,269	3	4	1,974,083	20,981	1,995,064
Westport .. .. .	4,305	8	1	280	11	0½	4,585	19	1½	121,876	5,501	127,377
Totals, 1912-13 .. .. .	313,960	5	1	4,931	0	7	318,891	5	8	9,850,379	93,893	9,944,272
Totals, 1911-12 .. .. .	288,431	16	6½	4,831	10	6	293,263	7	0½	8,971,725	91,408	9,063,133

Table No. 18.

TABLE showing the Paid Telegrams of all Codes forwarded during the Twelve Months ended 31st March, 1913, and the Revenue received therefrom.

Class of Telegrams.	June Quarter, 1912.		September Quarter, 1912.		December Quarter, 1912.		March Quarter, 1913.		Totals.	
	Number.	Revenue.	Number.	Revenue.	Number.	Revenue.	Number.	Revenue.	Number.	Revenue.
Ordinary ..	1,502,868	£ 65,800 7 5	1,414,124	£ 63,766 9 7	1,611,084	£ 68,716 11 5	1,649,771	£ 70,318 5 0	6,177,847	£ 268,601 13 5
Urgent ..	67,225	4,305 2 9	64,950	4,310 17 4	71,357	4,624 13 0	76,738	5,012 12 7	280,270	18,253 5 8
Press ..	113,144	6,255 16 11	122,738	6,954 15 11	110,901	6,316 3 1½	109,567	6,051 0 9½	456,350	25,577 16 9
Bureau ..	658,477	17,932 1 8½	706,539	18,814 8 8	772,093	20,630 18 7½	798,803	21,118 10 2	2,935,912	78,495 19 2
Gross totals	2,341,714	94,293 8 9½	2,308,351	93,846 11 6	2,565,435	100,288 6 2	2,634,879	102,500 8 6½	9,850,379	390,928 15 0
Less other lines and credits	..	19,113 7 5½	..	19,873 10 0	..	18,969 17 6½	..	19,011 14 11	..	76,968 9 11
Net totals, 1912-13	2,341,714	75,180 1 4	2,308,351	73,973 1 6	2,565,435	81,318 8 7½	2,634,879	83,488 13 7½	9,850,379	313,960 5 1
Net totals, 1911-12	2,099,745	66,808 8 2½	2,084,614	66,738 18 2½	2,353,496	76,480 3 5½	2,433,870	78,404 6 8	8,971,725	288,431 16 6½

Table No. 19.

TABLE showing the CLASS and NUMBER of INSTRUMENTS and BATTERIES in use at TELEGRAPH-OFFICES for the Year ended 31st March, 1913.

District.	Number of Morse Instruments in Use (Full Sets).		Number of Duplexes (Differential).		Number of Direct-sounder Sets.	Number of Quadruplex Sets.	Number of Automatic Sets.
	Intermittent Current.	Constant Current.	Single Current.	Double Current.			
Auckland .. .. .	58	54	17	4	..	21	..
Wellington .. .. .	79	153	19	12	13	29	..
Nelson .. .. .	30	..	3	5	2	2	..
Canterbury .. .. .	31	119	11	6	..	12	..
Otago .. .. .	85	57	1	1	..	9	..
Totals .. .. .	283	383	51	28	15	73	..

District.	Number of Quadruplex Translator Sets.	Number of Telephones not connected with Exchange.	Number of Cells.				
			Leclanche.	Gordon.	Daniell.	Bichromate.	Storage.
Auckland .. .. .	9	98	8,517	678	623	450	6
Wellington .. .. .	10	167	9,963	2,086	1,605	155	59
Nelson .. .. .	4	33	3,289	317	..	..	2
Canterbury .. .. .	2	55	2,544	322	1,022	696	2
Otago .. .. .	..	42	5,156	20	518	180	4
Totals .. .. .	25	390	29,469	3,423	3,768	1,481	73

Table No. 20.

TABLE SHOWING THE COST OF MAINTENANCE OF TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE LINES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1913.

District.	Miles of Wire.	Miles of Line.	Travelling expenses of Engineers and Linemen.	Extra Labour.	Material.	Upkeep of S.s. Tutanekai.	Rural Telephones: Assistance to Settlers.	Total Expenditure out of Vote Maintenance.	Salaries of Engineers and Linemen.	Total Cost of Maintenance.	Average Cost per Mile of Wire.	Average Cost per Mile of Line.
Auckland ..	10,626	3,473	£ s. d. 1,921 17 10	£ s. d. 2,320 9 6	£ s. d. 2,011 5 10	£ s. d. .. ..	£ s. d. .. ..	£ s. d. 6,253 13 2	£ s. d. 5,255 7 1	£ s. d. 11,509 0 3	£ s. d. 1 1 8	£ s. d. 3 6 13 -
Wellington ..	12,695	3,143	2,400 9 1	4,097 2 2	4,986 15 7	.. ..	.. ..	11,484 6 1	7,149 17 6	18,634 4 4	1 9 4	5 18 7
Nelson ..	2,785	1,036	994 4 1	1,601 14 11	1,150 5 6	.. ..	.. ..	3,746 4 6	2,528 13 5	6,274 17 11	2 5 1	6 1 1
Canterbury ..	8,008	2,142	1,209 8 11	2,016 13 10	2,993 1 1	.. ..	.. ..	6,219 3 10	3,900 13 6	10,119 17 4	1 5 3	4 14 6
Otago ..	7,778	2,714	780 13 3	832 4 6	1,010 19 2	.. ..	.. ..	2,623 16 11	4,370 19 2	6,994 16 1	0 18 0	2 11 7
Total ..	41,892	12,508	7,306 13 2	10,868 4 11	12,152 7 2	.. ..	.. ..	30,327 5 3	23,205 10 8	53,532 15 11	1 5 7	4 5 7
Cables ..	..	..	168 6 10	982 1 2	255 6 7	3,454 13 9	.. ..	4,860 8 4	.. ..	4,860 8 4	Per Knot. 12 19 11	.. ..
Stores ..	..	..	126 15 4	325 16 9	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	452 12 1	1,748 0 0	2,200 12 1	.. ..	.. ..
Rural telephones— Assistance to settlers	..	..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	1,059 5 0	1,059 5 0	.. ..	1,059 5 0	.. ..	.. ..
Laboratory, &c. ..	..	..	121 5 5	384 17 0	1,434 11 1	.. ..	.. ..	1,940 13 6	.. ..	1,940 13 6	.. ..	.. ..
Wireless stations ..	..	..	17 0 6	91 14 1	74 13 3	.. ..	.. ..	183 7 10	.. ..	183 7 10	.. ..	.. ..
Total telegraph-lines	..	..	7,740 1 3	12,652 13 11	13,916 18 1	3,454 13 9	1,059 5 0	38,823 12 0	24,953 10 8	63,777 2 8	.. ..	.. ..
Telephone exchanges	47,005	1,976	1,683 8 3	11,372 6 5	12,131 17 1	.. ..	.. ..	25,187 11 9	17,004 5 0	42,191 16 9	.. ..	.. ..
Grand total ..	..	..	9,423 9 6	24,025 0 4	26,048 15 2	3,454 13 9	1,059 5 0	64,011 3 9	41,957 15 8	105,968 19 5	.. ..	.. ..

Table No. 21.

TABLE SHOWING THE EXPENDITURE ON, AND THE COST OF, TELEGRAPH CONSTRUCTION DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1913.

Line.	Expenditure.	Material from Stores.	Total Cost during the Year.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Telephone exchanges—			
Ashburton .. .. .	245 1 2	929 3 0	1,174 4 2
Auckland .. .. .	16,285 12 10	21,982 16 10	38,268 9 8
Blenheim .. .. .	2,591 19 3	1,815 0 4	4,406 19 7
Christchurch .. .. .	6,417 11 7	4,285 3 11	10,702 15 6
Dannevirke .. .. .	139 12 1	228 3 2	367 15 3
Dunedin .. .. .	4,168 15 4	5,757 11 1	9,926 6 5
Feilding .. .. .	940 2 4	584 10 7	1,524 12 11
Gisborne .. .. .	1,748 9 10	3,163 19 6	4,912 9 4
Greymouth .. .. .	115 17 0	234 12 2	350 9 2
Hamilton .. .. .	377 3 2	762 11 5	1,139 14 7
Hawera .. .. .	708 0 3	1,186 8 11	1,894 9 2
Hokitika .. .. .	19 6 11	221 17 8	241 4 7
Invercargill .. .. .	3,069 6 7	1,898 16 1	4,968 2 8
Levin .. .. .	73 11 9	34 0 6	107 12 3
Masterton .. .. .	2,394 5 6	3,708 17 5	6,103 2 11
Napier .. .. .	2,695 15 1	5,042 8 5	7,738 3 6
Nelson .. .. .	570 15 4	529 17 8	1,100 13 0
New Plymouth .. .. .	505 15 7	1,104 1 6	1,609 17 1
Oamaru .. .. .	77 17 0	614 6 9	692 3 9
Pahiatua .. .. .	224 17 0	337 19 9	562 16 9
Palmerston North .. .. .	597 12 8	1,155 6 8	1,752 19 4
Rotorua .. .. .	62 14 9	155 19 7	218 14 4
Stratford .. .. .	224 17 2	167 2 5	391 19 7
Thames .. .. .	347 6 3	784 13 2	1,131 19 5
Timaru .. .. .	1,962 19 3	2,237 2 11	4,200 2 2
Wanganui .. .. .	2,419 17 0	3,255 0 3	5,674 17 3
Wellington .. .. .	8,478 14 4	4,488 2 11	12,966 17 3
Westport .. .. .	15 16 10	170 13 11	186 10 9
Whangarei .. .. .	266 11 11	433 5 0	699 16 11
Total exchanges .. .. .	57,746 5 9	67,269 13 6	125,015 19 3
Upper Oruaiti Extension .. .. .	38 6 0	11 2 9	49 8 9
Lake Ohia Extension .. .. .	59 1 9	..	59 1 9
Awanui-Waipapakauri-Waiharara-Kaimaumuau .. .. .	107 9 6	21 19 9	129 9 3
Awanui Wireless .. .. .	12,775 10 8	..	12,775 10 8
Awanui-Kaitaia (metallic circuit) .. .. .	..	6 6 0	6 6 0
Mangatangirau Extension .. .. .	59 17 3	12 9 11	72 7 2
Mangonui-Awanui .. .. .	200 7 1	19 19 8	220 6 9
Kaurinui Telephone Extension .. .. .	..	4 2 11	4 2 11
Kohumaru Extension .. .. .	51 1 9	..	51 1 9
Matauri Bay - Otoroa Extension .. .. .	179 12 6	36 4 9	215 17 3
Auckland-Pupuke .. .. .	33 17 6	..	33 17 6
Kerikeri-Purerua Extension .. .. .	152 4 11	..	152 4 11
Broadwood-Whakarapa .. .. .	107 12 8	40 14 6	148 7 2
Paponga Telephone-office .. .. .	..	1 0 1	1 0 1
Haruru Telephone-office .. .. .	0 6 6	..	0 6 6
Taikawhana Telephone-line .. .. .	..	32 6 11	32 6 11
Puketona Telephone-office .. .. .	1 14 0	..	1 14 0
Kawakawa-Ohaeawai .. .. .	35 5 4	36 5 8	71 11 0
Tanekaka Extension .. .. .	156 18 11	..	156 18 11
Whangarei-Kawakawa .. .. .	2 17 2	..	2 17 2
Otonga Telephone-office .. .. .	..	3 14 11	3 14 11
Dargaville-Whangarei .. .. .	1,201 8 5	604 11 9	1,806 0 2
Rukawai-Taraunui-Waiparera .. .. .	1 10 11	..	1 10 11
Mangapai Wharf Telephone Extension .. .. .	1 1 6	..	1 1 6
Dargaville-Tekopuru-Tatarariki (metallic circuit) .. .. .	92 4 7	3 16 0	96 0 7
Okonga Telegraph-office .. .. .	4 0 3	..	4 0 3
Puka Puka - Warkworth (metallic circuit) .. .. .	70 16 0	..	70 16 0
Warkworth - Mullet Point - Tekapa Extension .. .. .	29 19 6	..	29 19 6
Pohuehue Telegraph-office .. .. .	7 11 0	..	7 11 0
Mangakura-Glorit .. .. .	45 2 4	..	45 2 4
Auckland-Waiwera .. .. .	174 16 6	11 18 10	186 15 4
Dairy Flat Telephone Extension .. .. .	69 16 7	49 4 1	119 0 8
Glenfield Extension .. .. .	15 14 0	4 1 10	19 15 10

Table No. 21—continued.

TABLE SHOWING THE EXPENDITURE ON, AND THE COST OF, TELEGRAPH CONSTRUCTION DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1913—continued.

Line.	Expenditure.	Material from Stores..	Total Cost during the Year.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Kennedy's Bay Telephone Extension ..	1 13 6	23 9 0	25 2 6
Wireless, Auckland Post-office ..	142 9 3	..	142 9 3
St. Heliers, Wireless ..	19 9 2	..	19 9 2
Te Atatu Telephone Extension ..	88 12 9	4 1 7	92 14 4
Edendale North Telephone Extension ..	16 4 0	31 5 1	47 9 1
Mount Albert—Waikumete (metallic circuit)..	9 8 2	27 10 7	36 18 9
Waikumete—Karekare ..	552 10 7	..	552 10 7
Reweti Telephone-office ..	..	4 3 2	4 3 2
Ruahau—Piha ..	29 5 4	..	29 5 4
Pahitua Telephone Extension ..	2 3 0	4 2 5	6 5 5
Muriwai Beach Extension ..	64 17 3	4 2 6	68 19 9
Huia Telegraph Extension ..	195 19 7	12 12 7	208 12 2
Otahuhu—Papakura (metallic circuit) ..	..	38 16 9	38 16 9
Auckland—Pukekohe ..	122 17 3	67 6 7	190 3 10
Pukekohe East Extension ..	27 5 6	..	27 5 6
Pukekohe—Mercer ..	1 5 1	..	1 5 1
Tuketuke Telephone Extension ..	0 15 4	..	0 15 4
Thames—Wharehoe ..	3 16 0	..	3 16 0
Tairua—Hikuai Line ..	..	17 5 4	17 5 4
Ngatea Telephone-office ..	1 10 0	..	1 10 0
Parawai Telephone Extension ..	0 10 2	4 2 10	4 13 0
Kerepehi—Waitakaruru Extension ..	..	7 19 0	7 19 0
Pokeno—Pokeno Valley and Bombay—Paparata Valley Extension ..	67 6 4	..	67 6 4
Pokeno—Mercer (metallic circuit) ..	..	1 9 2	1 9 2
Mangataupiri Valley—Miranda—Mercer ..	5 9 0	..	5 9 0
Te Aroha New Office ..	..	9 6 3	9 6 3
Whangamarino Extension ..	32 1 3	11 10 6	43 11 9
Waipuna Telephone Extension ..	2 19 3	3 19 9	6 19 0
Waiterimu Extension ..	81 13 4	..	81 13 4
Pukewhau Telephone Extension ..	0 13 5	4 0 10	4 14 3
Te Hoe Telephone Extension ..	0 19 0	16 8 11	17 7 11
Pukemiro Telephone Extension ..	35 6 10	7 13 9	43 0 7
Ngaruawahia—Mercer ..	0 5 4	..	0 5 4
Raglan—Te Akau ..	56 1 9	57 11 6	113 13 3
Taihoa Telephone Extension ..	0 17 6	9 3 7	10 1 1
Hamilton—Morrinsville Telephone-wire ..	41 5 5	136 15 6	178 0 11
Horsham Downs Extension ..	..	4 1 11	4 1 11
Hamilton—Cambridge (metallic circuit) ..	5 11 11	..	5 11 11
Kaipaki Line ..	47 2 1	53 13 0	100 15 1
Ngaroto Telephone Extension ..	0 2 6	4 2 2	4 4 8
Cambridge—Rotorua (metallic circuit) ..	1 11 2	..	1 11 2
Putaruru Loop Line ..	13 3 10	..	13 3 10
Miranui Extension ..	4 3 4	..	4 3 4
Rotoiti Telephone-office ..	..	4 7 7	4 7 7
Te Pu Telephone-office ..	..	5 1 11	5 1 11
Rotorua—Ngongotaha—Tauranga (metallic circuit)	842 19 10	606 13 6	1,449 13 4
Oropi Telephone-office ..	..	4 6 8	4 6 8
Kaharoa Extension ..	9 4 6	4 8 2	13 12 8
Ngawaro Telephone-office ..	..	4 8 3	4 8 3
Rotorua—Te Teko ..	2 1 9	188 7 8	190 9 5
Matahi ..	..	4 5 11	4 5 11
Te Teroa ..	..	4 6 11	4 6 11
Gate Pa New Office ..	..	4 1 0	4 1 0
Matahanāe—Oponāe Telephone Extension ..	5 13 10	29 19 7	35 13 5
Okioire New Office ..	..	4 1 6	4 1 6
Wharepapa Telephone Extension ..	92 10 4	13 15 8	106 6 0
Muripara—Te Houhi ..	24 4 6	74 6 3	98 10 9
Pukeatua Extension ..	138 0 9	..	138 0 9
Auckland—Hamilton—Taumarunui (metallic circuit)	418 15 5	2,798 19 11	3,217 15 4
Otorohanga—Te Awamutu ..	24 5 10	14 0 0	38 5 10
Otorohanga—Hangatiki ..	12 12 8	106 2 6	118 15 2
Kirikau Telephone-office ..	..	4 9 7	4 9 7
Kokakoriki ..	..	4 9 5	4 9 5

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Line.	Expenditure.	Material from Stores.	Total Cost during the Year.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Taihaia Telephone Extension .. ..	2 0 3	11 7 3	13 7 6
Hikumutu Telephone-office .. ..	.. ..	4 8 8	4 8 8
Kirikiri-Wharepuhunga .. ..	459 17 2	.. ..	459 17 2
Matapara Telephone Extension .. ..	26 14 6	16 2 10	42 17 4
Patunga Telephone-office .. ..	.. ..	4 9 5	4 9 5
Ranginui Telephone Extension .. ..	23 15 9	16 11 11	40 7 8
Otewa Telephone-office .. ..	.. ..	4 12 7	4 12 7
Rangiatea Telephone Extension .. ..	5 8 0	66 2 1	71 10 1
Te Araroa Morse (metallic circuit) .. ..	100 0 9	196 13 7	296 14 4
Te Araroa—Whangaparoa .. ..	.. ..	183 15 2	183 15 2
Otoko-Tekaraka .. ..	132 14 8	2 10 6	135 5 2
Port Awanui—Te Araroa .. ..	.. ..	75 9 4	75 9 4
Tolaga Bay Extension .. ..	.. ..	95 4 6	95 4 6
Auckland—New Plymouth Line Deviation .. ..	230 7 11	0 11 9	230 19 8
Mairoa-Marakopa Extension .. ..	210 2 5	3 9 7	213 12 0
Arapae Telephone Extension .. ..	4 0 0	4 7 6	8 7 6
Taumatawaenga Extension .. ..	0 18 6	4 12 10	5 11 4
Taupo-Wairakei .. ..	21 7 0	.. ..	21 7 0
Maraekowhai Telephone Extension .. ..	747 15 0	99 1 2	846 16 2
Ongarue-Tangitu .. ..	118 5 4	.. ..	118 5 4
Waitewhena Extension .. ..	101 17 6	.. ..	101 17 6
Waitaanga Extension .. ..	169 9 1	27 15 4	197 4 5
Ongarue-Taumarunui (metallic circuit) .. ..	135 10 6	.. ..	135 10 6
Taringamotu Extension .. ..	3 5 8	.. ..	3 5 8
Hukapapa Telephone Extension .. ..	23 10 2	4 2 2	27 12 4
Roto Extension .. ..	26 16 6	.. ..	26 16 6
Manunui-Kakahi (metallic circuit) .. ..	31 14 3	47 4 10	78 19 1
Auckland-Wellington New Line—			
Auckland Section .. ..	£3,438 4 5		
Wellington Section .. ..	66 11 10		
	3,504 16 3	131 12 1	3,636 8 4
Taumarunui-Raurimu (metallic circuit) .. ..	97 19 1	34 8 11	132 8 0
Tangitere Telephone Extension .. ..	36 12 6	157 1 4	193 13 10
Whakaki Extension .. ..	2 3 0	8 5 2	10 8 2
Waitara-Urenui (metallic circuit) .. ..	129 15 10	74 3 3	203 19 1
Whakawhiti .. ..	.. ..	15 7 1	15 7 1
Ngatimiro Telephone Extension .. ..	1 2 6	.. ..	1 2 6
Ohakune-Raurimu (metallic circuit) .. ..	209 11 9	433 7 7	642 19 4
Ohakune-Horopito (metallic circuit) .. ..	.. ..	128 1 3	128 1 3
Tarurutangi Telephone-office .. ..	44 17 4	34 8 11	79 6 3
Kent Road Telephone-office .. ..	.. ..	4 12 10	4 12 10
Hillsborough Telephone Extension .. ..	43 10 3	78 13 3	122 3 6
Mangoiei Telephone Extension .. ..	1 8 11	.. ..	1 8 11
Potaema Telephone Extension .. ..	1 0 0	.. ..	1 0 0
Korito Telephone Extension .. ..	45 16 6	118 13 1	164 9 7
Ratapiko Telephone Extension .. ..	38 9 3	114 9 6	152 18 9
Stratford-Whangamomona (metallic circuit) .. ..	292 9 4	18 0 11	310 10 3
Karioi Telephone Extension .. ..	40 5 11	12 11 9	52 17 8
Waiouru-Karioi .. ..	28 6 8	125 13 11	154 0 7
Hawera-Manutahi (metallic circuit) .. ..	35 6 7	142 18 0	178 4 7
Rautiti Extension .. ..	203 12 9	70 19 9	274 12 6
Maungakaretu Extension .. ..	166 1 10	176 1 2	342 3 0
Te Ohu Telephone Extension .. ..	.. ..	46 3 11	46 3 11
Napier-Waipawa (metallic circuit) .. ..	451 17 10	321 14 7	773 12 5
Hastings-Taradale (metallic circuit) .. ..	.. ..	269 0 7	269 0 7
Wanganui-Raetihi (Oruakukuri and Ore Ore) .. ..	67 6 2	84 14 11	152 1 1
Orangimea-Rangitautau-Puao Extension .. ..	1 10 0	.. ..	1 10 0
Makahiwai Telephone-office .. ..	.. ..	4 9 5	4 9 5
Waverley-Waitotara (metallic circuit) .. ..	46 2 4	170 6 7	216 8 11
Nukuhau Extension .. ..	0 16 11	.. ..	0 16 11
Mangarimu Telephone-office .. ..	1 0 0	4 11 4	5 11 4
Ruaroa Extension .. ..	6 7 0	.. ..	6 7 0
Matatera Extension .. ..	2 7 6	40 19 8	43 7 2
Ohakea Extension .. ..	22 0 4	19 2 11	41 3 3
Whakaronga Extension .. ..	4 12 6	15 18 5	20 10 11



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Line.	Expenditure.	Material from Stores.	Total Cost during the Year.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Palmerston North – Wanganui .. ..	256 0 5	..	256 0 5
Wellington – Palmerston North (metallic circuit) ..	471 16 7	110 19 11	582 16 6
Foxton–Levin (metallic circuit) .. ..	18 8 8	..	18 8 8
Masterton–Alfredton (metallic circuit) .. ..	333 11 9	870 4 6	1,203 16 3
Carterton–Gladstone .. ..	..	26 18 10	26 18 10
Wellington–Porirua Extension .. ..	27 19 0	179 4 0	207 3 0
Wellington–Kaiwarra (metallic circuit) .. ..	..	13 5 7	13 5 7
Hukinga Telephone Extension .. ..	0 2 6	..	0 2 6
Karamata Office .. ..	..	3 18 3	3 18 3
Telegraph-office, New G.P.O., Wellington .. ..	167 6 2	..	167 6 2
Wellington–Hataitai .. ..	..	3 12 5	3 12 5
Wellington Wireless Station .. ..	5,581 17 0	..	5,581 17 0
Karori East Bureau .. ..	..	3 16 4	3 16 4
Chatham Islands, Wireless .. ..	239 17 6	..	239 17 6
Port Hardy Telephone Extension .. ..	52 15 1	179 15 0	232 10 1
Te Puru Extension .. ..	14 12 9	9 19 0	24 11 9
Onakaka Telephone Extension .. ..	12 16 6	26 11 11	39 8 5
Mariri Telephone Extension .. ..	3 14 0	4 8 7	8 2 7
Tasman Telephone Extension .. ..	51 3 3	78 4 10	129 8 1
Picton–Mahakipawa–Havelock and Mahakipawa–Manaroa (metallic circuit) ..	83 15 8	339 4 9	423 0 5
Havelock–Timatangi .. ..	175 6 0	368 9 3	543 15 3
Ward–Kekerangu .. ..	132 8 5	0 11 5	132 19 10
Fabian's Valley Extension .. ..	..	4 7 2	4 7 2
Kawatiri–Glenhope .. ..	2 1 2	0 1 3	2 2 5
Horopai Telephone-office .. ..	..	4 7 4	4 7 4
Mangatina Telephone Extension .. ..	48 13 1	35 5 7	83 18 8
Aweko Telephone Extension .. ..	6 6 0	8 19 8	15 5 8
Berlin's Extension .. ..	163 0 8	155 4 2	318 4 10
Charleston–Tiromoana Extension .. ..	116 7 4	1 7 7	117 14 11
Waikowhai Telephone Extension .. ..	29 8 5	..	29 8 5
Hapuku – Clarence Bridge (metallic circuit) ..	106 3 1	71 1 11	177 5 0
Kaikoura–Hapuku (metallic circuit) .. ..	9 15 3	146 7 10	156 3 1
Greymouth–Stillwater .. ..	7 13 0	92 6 3	99 19 3
Hokitika–Kumara Telephone-wire .. ..	..	86 12 5	86 12 5
Mahinapua Telephone-office .. ..	9 16 3	..	9 16 3
Hokitika – Kanieri Forks – Ruatapu (metallic circuit) ..	..	67 3 10	67 3 10
Herepo Extension .. ..	..	0 13 11	0 13 11
Harihari Extension .. ..	0 11 8	..	0 11 8
Lower Cook River Settlement .. ..	..	12 9 5	12 9 5
Tokama Telephone Extension .. ..	30 12 10	18 4 1	48 16 11
Christchurch–Kaikoura (metallic circuit) .. ..	..	1,035 3 10	1,035 3 10
Mason River Deviation .. ..	1 5 0	..	1 5 0
Amberley–Waipara (metallic circuit) .. ..	..	21 12 5	21 12 5
Sheffield–Springfield (metallic circuit) .. ..	40 1 0	34 14 5	74 15 5
Kirwee–Courtenay .. ..	..	0 6 6	0 6 6
Whakahua Extension .. ..	138 13 6	1 4 11	139 18 5
Kirwee–Darfield .. ..	..	1 15 0	1 15 0
Sheffield–Darfield (metallic circuit) .. ..	84 10 2	59 11 11	144 2 1
Darfield–Christchurch .. ..	..	61 19 7	61 19 7
Breeze's Road Extension .. ..	..	4 5 8	4 5 8
New Brighton and North New Brighton .. ..	39 4 6	10 16 1	50 0 7
South Brighton Telephone-office .. ..	..	11 10 0	11 10 0
New Brighton Wireless Station .. ..	0 2 0	..	0 2 0
St. Martin's Line .. ..	..	5 15 1	5 15 1
Hororata–Whitecliffs (metallic circuit) .. ..	82 11 2	15 9 9	98 0 11
Cashmere Hills .. ..	..	3 7 7	3 7 7
Burnham School Telephone Extension .. ..	2 14 2	8 13 0	11 7 2
East Oxford .. ..	..	146 10 6	146 10 6
Ladbrook's Extension .. ..	14 14 0	34 15 7	49 9 7
Lyndhurst–Methven (metallic circuit) .. ..	42 18 8	..	42 18 8
Glentunnel Bureau .. ..	..	3 2 0	3 2 0
Irwell Telephone Extension .. ..	10 2 0	17 13 9	27 15 9

Table No. 21—continued.

TABLE SHOWING THE EXPENDITURE ON, AND THE COST OF, TELEGRAPH CONSTRUCTION DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1913—continued.

Line.	Expenditure.	Material from Stores.	Total Cost during the Year.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Te Pirita (metallic circuit) ..	..	4 4 2	4 4 2
Christchurch—Rakaia (metallic circuit) ..	183 8 10	564 9 11	747 18 9
Bankside Telephone Extension ..	..	29 13 11	29 13 11
Huhuka — Turnbull River Extension ..	52 3 4	0 3 3	52 6 7
Sherwood Downs Extension ..	29 8 0	19 0 3	48 8 3
Tripp Telephone Extension ..	62 3 8	18 9 9	80 13 5
Hinds (metallic circuit) ..	6 4 11	..	6 4 11
Lynnford Extension ..	1 7 7	14 8 6	15 16 1
Maronan Extension ..	15 2 0	12 12 8	27 14 8
Christchurch—Timaru (metallic circuit) ..	580 17 3	1,528 16 9	2,109 14 0
Peel Forest Bureau ..	..	0 7 0	0 7 0
Pleasant Valley — Te Moana Extension ..	110 7 8	40 17 6	151 5 2
Rangitata Island Extension ..	0 11 6	30 16 9	31 8 3
Pleasant Point New Office ..	..	11 6 1	11 6 1
Chamberlain Extension ..	4 0 6	..	4 0 6
Esk Valley Extension ..	185 15 9	31 2 5	216 18 2
Lyalldale — Esk Valley ..	..	24 13 0	24 13 0
Pareora — St. Andrew's (metallic circuit) ..	12 12 0	12 15 2	25 7 2
St. Andrew's — Makikihi ..	19 13 8	32 9 3	52 2 11
Makikihi Toll Line ..	..	2 6 8	2 6 8
Willowbridge—Waimate ..	7 2 10	2 6 8	9 9 6
Timaru—Glenavy—Oamaru Trunk ..	..	11 17 3	11 17 3
Kuriheka Telephone Extension ..	1 11 0	..	1 11 0
Green Island Morse ..	..	0 11 0	0 11 0
Bendigo Extension ..	..	0 5 3	0 5 3
Lindis Pass Telephone Extension ..	384 0 4	49 8 2	433 8 6
Roslyn Telephone-office ..	..	6 6 7	6 6 7
Pukehiki Telephone-office ..	..	5 8 1	5 8 1
Kyeburn Diggings Telephone Extension ..	198 3 5	34 11 0	232 14 5
Newborough Telephone Bureau ..	11 9 0	10 2 7	21 11 7
Middlemarch — Mt. Stoker Telephone Extension ..	323 0 5	..	323 0 5
Heathfield Telephone-office ..	0 10 0	3 0 3	3 10 3
Parkhill Telephone Extension ..	..	0 10 0	0 10 0
Poatiri Telephone Extension ..	10 0 0	8 19 5	18 19 5
Glenleith Telephone Bureau ..	9 7 3	16 2 5	25 9 8
Pararahi Extension ..	99 6 0	0 17 3	100 3 3
North Chatton Telephone Extension ..	43 5 6	20 18 6	64 4 0
Otautau—Nightcaps (metallic circuit) ..	126 13 9	130 12 10	257 6 7
Invercargill—Lumsden (metallic circuit) ..	272 4 9	646 9 5	918 14 2
Manuka Creek Telephone-office ..	0 1 8	..	0 1 8
Te Houka Telephone Extension ..	61 7 4	27 12 11	89 0 3
Glencoe Telephone Extension ..	259 11 11	36 19 4	296 11 3
Parawa Telephone-office ..	..	6 5 1	6 5 1
Mabel Bush Telephone Extension ..	19 4 3	14 10 3	33 14 6
Bluff (metallic circuit) ..	..	509 13 9	509 13 9
Dacre Extension ..	79 11 1	15 9 3	95 0 4
Winton (metallic circuit) ..	..	12 0 8	12 0 8
Menzies Ferry Telephone Extension ..	33 15 8	1 19 7	35 15 3
Owaka—Balclutha Trunk Wire ..	258 8 6	180 9 4	438 17 10
Hinahina Telephone Extension ..	30 14 1	8 19 5	39 13 6
Invercargill—Riverton (metallic circuit) ..	73 4 8	198 3 0	271 7 8
Awarua Wireless ..	6,085 1 2	..	6,085 1 2
Etal Creek Telephone Extension ..	256 16 10	29 4 3	286 1 1
Turi Telephone Extension ..	1 13 0	..	1 13 0
Purchase of material ..	103,294 0 5 148,080 13 3	85,112 16 3	188,406 16 8
Total expenditure, 1912-13 ..	251,374 13 8		
Total expenditure to 31st March, 1912 ..	2,025,750 11 0		
Total expenditure out of Public Works Fund to 31st March, 1913 ..	£2,277,125 4 8	Total cost of lines during the year ..	£188,406 16 8

Table No. 22.  
TABLE SHOWING THE CAPITAL COST, WORKING-EXPENSES, AND REVENUE OF THE TELEPHONE EXCHANGES, YEAR BY YEAR, FROM THE DATE OF THEIR ESTABLISHMENT.

Year.	Number of Direct Connections.	Capital Cost for Instruments, Wire, Poles, Labour, Freight, Superintendence, &c.		Revenue.		Working-expenses.					Balance of Revenue over Working-expenses.	Annual Rate per Cent. yielded on Capital Cost.	
		Average Cost of each Connection.	Total for all Connections.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	Salaries and Allowances of Clerks, &c.	Materials and Linemen.	Wear-and-tear, &c.*			Rent, Fuel, Light, Paper, Printing, Binding, &c.
Total for the year ended 31st March,—													
1882	116	21 16 6	2,531 14 0	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
1883	379	21 16 6	8,271 13 6	613 5 2	285 0 0	275 0 0	263 0 0	595 0 0	595 0 0	827 0 0	150 0 0	207 16 0	8 17
1884	715	21 16 6	15,604 17 6	5,014 9 2	595 0 0	770 0 0	1,560 0 0	770 0 0	770 0 0	827 0 0	300 0 0	4,492 8 8	54 31
1885	1,075	21 18 6	23,461 17 6	7,746 16 7	695 0 0	1,590 0 0	1,560 0 0	1,770 0 0	1,590 0 0	2,346 0 0	475 0 0	3,653 7 4	23 41
1886	1,710	20 8 6	37,319 12 1	10,908 3 6	1,770 0 0	1,704 0 0	3,731 19 2	2,849 1 3	1,704 0 0	3,731 19 2	700 0 0	3,937 3 6	16 31
1887	2,088	19 19 5	40,686 3 1	12,294 1 2	2,849 1 3	1,580 10 0	4,068 12 2	2,873 0 0	1,580 10 0	4,068 12 2	320 0 0	5,011 19 7	13 42
1888	2,153	22 19 0	49,407 5 0	15,477 16 2	2,873 0 0	2,252 0 0	4,940 14 6	3,119 10 0	2,252 0 0	4,940 14 6	330 0 0	6,635 14 0	16 30
1889	2,249	23 18 10	53,849 11 6	16,881 8 6	3,119 10 0	2,249 7 0	5,344 9 2	3,315 10 0	2,249 7 0	5,344 9 2	335 0 0	6,239 4 1	12 63
1890	2,402	24 4 1	58,229 3 0	17,613 4 0	3,315 10 0	2,206 10 0	5,823 0 1	3,790 0 0	2,206 10 0	5,823 0 1	375 0 0	6,368 17 10	11 82
1891	2,587	24 17 1	64,294 4 4	18,581 11 7	3,790 0 0	2,345 2 9	6,429 8 5	4,192 0 0	2,345 2 9	6,429 8 5	394 3 9	6,695 13 7	10 43
1892	3,080	24 16 11	76,579 1 8	19,961 4 2	4,530 0 0	2,695 19 10	9,168 15 1	4,630 0 0	2,695 19 10	9,168 15 1	393 1 6	8,544 15 6	4 63
1893	3,690	24 16 11	91,687 11 1	21,771 4 4	7,405 0 0	2,695 19 10	9,168 15 1	7,405 0 0	2,695 19 10	9,168 15 1	464 6 2	19,734 1 1	578 9 8
1894	4,244	24 12 1	104,425 3 0	21,771 4 4	7,720 0 0	3,313 1 1	10,442 10 4	7,720 0 0	3,313 1 1	10,442 10 4	741 18 9	22,217 10 2	446 5 10
1895	4,616	25 6 3	116,845 10 4	21,552 12 10	9,285 0 0	4,253 11 4	11,684 11 0	9,285 0 0	4,253 11 4	11,684 11 0	817 19 5	26,041 1 9	3,420 1 9
1896	5,143	24 6 6	125,108 4 1	25,933 12 9	9,386 0 10	5,303 11 9	12,510 16 5	9,386 0 10	5,303 11 9	12,510 16 5	1,952 8 3	29,452 17 3	3,519 4 6
1897	5,747	23 7 4	134,299 11 4	29,248 19 5	12,306 9 7	7,398 0 10	13,429 19 1	12,306 9 7	7,398 0 10	13,429 19 1	1,856 13 2	34,991 2 8	5,742 3 3
1898	5,787	24 11 6	142,218 11 8	36,422 6 8	14,181 18 0	11,834 2 11	17,110 18 7	14,181 18 0	11,834 2 11	17,110 18 7	1,881 11 11	35,008 11 5	1,413 15 3
1899	6,203	24 5 3	150,490 18 9	39,718 7 15	15,030 7 1	16,190 4 0	7,524 10 11	15,030 7 1	16,190 4 0	7,524 10 11	1,861 2 3	40,606 4 3	887 16 8
1900	7,150	22 14 1	162,833 1 2	43,303 2 10	15,710 13 2	20,847 13 6	8,116 13 0	15,710 13 2	20,847 13 6	8,116 13 0	1,892 10 4	46,567 10 4	3,264 7 6
1901	8,210	21 9 7	176,349 1 8	49,117 0 8	16,304 6 3	18,225 18 9	9,817 9 0	16,304 6 3	18,225 18 9	9,817 9 0	2,000 15 0	45,348 9 10	3,768 10 10
1902	9,260	20 18 0	193,511 6 2	55,542 4 9	18,448 3 5	20,570 0 9	9,675 11 9	18,448 3 5	20,570 0 9	9,675 11 9	2,078 12 10	50,772 8 9	4,769 16 0
1903	10,633	20 2 6	213,966 10 8	62,151 8 11	20,885 13 3	22,078 4 11	10,698 6 6	20,885 13 3	22,078 4 11	10,698 6 6	2,614 15 0	56,276 19 8	5,874 9 3
1904	12,105	19 19 8	241,908 2 6	71,928 6 3	23,359 8 3	22,507 9 10	9,675 11 9	23,359 8 3	22,507 9 10	9,675 11 9	2,986 6 2	60,948 4 10	10,080 1 5
1905	14,423	21 19 7	295,029 7 2	79,061 7 4	25,121 16 1	26,781 19 6	14,751 9 4	25,121 16 1	26,781 19 6	14,751 9 4	4,447 18 4	71,103 3 3	7,958 4 1
1906	15,933	23 13 9	363,192 6 9	89,542 1 5	26,506 16 5	32,576 6 8	18,159 12 4	26,506 16 5	32,576 6 8	18,159 12 4	5,270 0 9	72,512 16 2	17,029 5 3
1907	17,403	24 2 2	420,088 12 1	100,814 1 3	32,913 16 8	26,145 3 4	21,004 8 7	32,913 16 8	26,145 3 4	21,004 8 7	6,162 18 1	86,226 6 8	14,587 14 7
1908	20,402†	24 18 4	508,408 7 8	116,852 13 10	38,107 12 8	36,813 9 6	25,420 8 5	38,107 12 8	36,813 9 6	25,420 8 5	6,902 8 6	107,243 19 1	9,608 14 9
1909	22,815†	25 18 9	591,760 0 7	131,249 2 7	47,224 7 0	32,995 2 4	29,588 0 0	47,224 7 0	32,995 2 4	29,588 0 0	7,264 18 5	117,072 7 9	14,176 12 10
1910	25,212†	27 2 7	683,986 11 1	144,298 2 9	52,315 1 8	28,755 11 11	34,199 6 7	52,315 1 8	28,755 11 11	34,199 6 7	7,740 18 1	123,010 18 3	21,287 4 6
1911	28,093	27 17 8	783,382 15 4	161,173 6 10	54,818 13 10	39,814 5 4	39,169 2 9	54,818 13 10	39,814 5 4	39,169 2 9	8,031 0 7	141,833 2 6	19,340 4 4
1912	31,475	27 18 0	878,133 8 7	179,123 18 8	62,588 11 10	33,791 4 1	43,906 13 5	62,588 11 10	33,791 4 1	43,906 13 5	8,724 19 2	149,011 8 6	30,112 10 2
1913	36,374	27 11 7	1,003,131 5 4	201,237 7 3	69,078 1 1	42,191 16 9	50,156 11 3	69,078 1 1	42,191 16 9	50,156 11 3	9,763 15 2	171,190 4 3	30,047 3 0

\* This column includes 5 per cent. for wear-and-tear and 5 per cent. for debenture capital, except in 1897-98 and following years, which only 5 per cent. for debenture capital is included.  
† In former returns extensions were included for these three years.

Table No. 23.

TABLE SHOWING THE NUMBER OF CONNECTIONS AT EACH TELEPHONE EXCHANGE.

Exchange.				Number of Connections on 31st March.					
				1913.			1912.		
				Direct Connections.	Extensions.	Total.	Direct Connections.	Extensions.	Total.
Ashburton .. ..	..	..	..	272	33	305	241	26	267
Auckland .. ..	..	..	..	4,536	1,356	5,892	3,906	1,149	5,055
Devonport .. ..	..	..	..	104	4	108	83	4	87
Helensville .. ..	..	..	..	31	1	32	31	1	32
Manurewa .. ..	..	..	..	22	..	22	*	*	*
Northcote .. ..	..	..	..	10	..	10	10	..	10
Papatoetoe .. ..	..	..	..	23	..	23	*	*	*
Onehunga .. ..	..	..	..	66	3	69	59	4	63
Pukekohe .. ..	..	..	..	88	2	90	54	1	55
Takapuna .. ..	..	..	..	43	..	43	37	..	37
Waiuku .. ..	..	..	..	33	..	33	32	..	32
Balclutha .. ..	..	..	..	118	7	125	100	6	106
Clinton .. ..	..	..	..	16	..	16	16	..	16
Kaitangata .. ..	..	..	..	13	..	13	12	..	12
Owaka .. ..	..	..	..	32	..	32	*	*	*
Blenheim .. ..	..	..	..	355	37	392	352	32	384
Havelock .. ..	..	..	..	34	..	34	*	*	*
Picton .. ..	..	..	..	102	3	105	98	2	100
Renwicktown .. ..	..	..	..	17	..	17	*	*	*
Seddon .. ..	..	..	..	94	2	96	*	*	*
Carterton .. ..	..	..	..	180	12	192	120	9	129
Greytown .. ..	..	..	..	85	3	88	81	2	83
Cheviot .. ..	..	..	..	41	..	41	40	..	40
Christchurch .. ..	..	..	..	3,490	1,021	4,511	3,182	924	4,106
Akaroa .. ..	..	..	..	51	5	56	42	4	46
Coalgate .. ..	..	..	..	22	1	23	*	*	*
Darfield .. ..	..	..	..	41	..	41	*	*	*
Doyleston .. ..	..	..	..	12	..	12	11	..	11
Duvauchelle .. ..	..	..	..	19	..	19	20	..	20
East Oxford .. ..	..	..	..	14	..	14	*	*	*
Kaiapoi .. ..	..	..	..	49	..	49	44	..	44
Kirwee .. ..	..	..	..	11	..	11	10	..	10
Leeston .. ..	..	..	..	20	1	21	20	1	21
Lincoln .. ..	..	..	..	12	2	14	12	2	14
Little River .. ..	..	..	..	15	..	15	15	..	15
Lyttelton .. ..	..	..	..	23	..	23	22	1	23
New Brighton .. ..	..	..	..	9	..	9	6	..	6
Southbridge .. ..	..	..	..	12	..	12	12	..	12
Sumner .. ..	..	..	..	11	..	11	15	..	15
Cromwell .. ..	..	..	..	31	..	31	31	..	31
Clyde .. ..	..	..	..	12	1	13	12	1	13
Dannevirke .. ..	..	..	..	271	26	297	250	22	272
Ormondville .. ..	..	..	..	30	..	30	29	..	29
Takapau .. ..	..	..	..	66	..	66	34	..	34
Weber .. ..	..	..	..	28	1	29	19	..	19
Dargaville .. ..	..	..	..	119	5	124	94	5	99
Aratapu .. ..	..	..	..	22	..	22	15	..	15
Tangowahine .. ..	..	..	..	12	..	12	13	..	13
Te Kopuru .. ..	..	..	..	40	..	40	37	..	37

\* Opened during the year.

Table No. 23—continued.

TABLE SHOWING THE NUMBER OF CONNECTIONS AT EACH TELEPHONE EXCHANGE—continued.

Exchange.	Number of Connections on 31st March.					
	1913.			1912.		
	Direct Connections.	Extensions.	Total.	Direct Connections.	Extensions.	Total.
Dunedin .. .. .	3,177	876	4,053	2,940	821	3,761
Lawrence .. .. .	49	1	50	51	1	52
Middlemarch .. .. .	28	..	28	23	..	23
Milton .. .. .	89	1	90	52	1	53
Mosgiel .. .. .	40	1	41	38	1	39
Outram .. .. .	31	..	31	29	..	29
Palmerston .. .. .	42	4	46	32	4	36
Port Chalmers .. .. .	48	2	50	43	1	44
Waikouaiti .. .. .	16	..	16	11	..	11
Eketahuna .. .. .	179	1	180	89	1	90
Alfredton .. .. .	19	..	19	19	..	19
Eltham .. .. .	105	11	116	91	8	99
Kaponga .. .. .	26	..	26	19	..	19
Featherston .. .. .	101	8	109	88	9	97
Martinborough .. .. .	104	2	106	83	2	85
Feilding .. .. .	317	28	345	286	27	313
Cheltenham .. .. .	16	..	16	16	..	16
Halcombe .. .. .	16	..	16	14	..	14
Kiwitea .. .. .	24	..	24	16	1	17
Rongotea .. .. .	30	1	31	27	..	27
Sanson .. .. .	29	..	29	17	..	17
Gisborne .. .. .	1,135	100	1,235	981	92	1,073
Gore .. .. .	245	36	281	218	27	245
Balfour .. .. .	10	..	10	10	..	10
Mataura .. .. .	35	3	38	24	3	27
Riversdale .. .. .	31	..	31	30	..	30
Waikaia .. .. .	13	..	13	12	..	12
Waikaka .. .. .	13	..	13	12	..	12
Waipahi .. .. .	8	..	8	8	..	8
Greymouth .. .. .	393	44	437	387	43	430
Reefton .. .. .	76	6	82	74	4	78
Hamilton .. .. .	474	61	535	398	39	437
Cambridge .. .. .	152	5	157	111	3	114
Huntly .. .. .	30	1	31	24	1	25
Mercer .. .. .	22	..	22	*	*	*
Morrinsville .. .. .	87	3	90	68	1	69
Ngaruawahia .. .. .	41	..	41	36	..	36
Raglan .. .. .	21	..	21	*	*	*
Te Awamutu .. .. .	132	7	139	71	6	77
Hastings .. .. .	797	94	891	657	71	728
Hawera .. .. .	301	30	331	256	25	281
Manaia .. .. .	98	2	100	32	2	34
Okaiawa .. .. .	7	..	7	7	..	7
Opunake .. .. .	38	1	39	38	1	39
Otakeho .. .. .	5	..	5	5	..	5

\* Opened during the year.

Table No. 23—continued.

TABLE SHOWING THE NUMBER OF CONNECTIONS AT EACH TELEPHONE EXCHANGE—continued.

Exchange.	Number of Connections on 31st March.					
	1913.			1912.		
	Direct Connections.	Extensions.	Total.	Direct Connections.	Extensions.	Total.
Hokitika .. ..	168	10	178	160	6	166
Kumara .. ..	34	..	34	33	..	33
Ross .. ..	• 36	..	36	35	..	35
Invercargill .. ..	925	230	1,155	815	195	1,010
Bluff .. ..	73	7	80	75	7	82
Edendale .. ..	16	3	19	15	3	18
Lumsden .. ..	26	..	26	24	..	24
Nightcaps .. ..	14	..	14	7	..	7
Orepuki .. ..	9	..	9	8	..	8
Otautau .. ..	74	1	75	63	1	64
Riverton .. ..	44	1	45	39	..	39
Thornbury .. ..	13	..	13	*	*	*
Tuatapere .. ..	14	..	14	12	..	12
Waimahaka .. ..	25	1	26	23	..	23
Winton .. ..	67	1	68	58	1	59
Woodlands .. ..	13	..	13	10	..	10
Wyndham .. ..	37	3	40	33	3	36
Kaikoura .. ..	38	1	39	34	1	35
Kimbolton .. ..	33	..	33	29	..	29
Apiti .. ..	13	..	13	14	..	14
Kohukohu .. ..	28	..	28	23	..	23
Rawene .. ..	32	..	32	29	..	29
Levin .. ..	67	6	73	61	5	66
Otaki .. ..	55	3	58	55	3	58
Shannon .. ..	28	..	28	28	..	28
Mangonui .. ..	51	..	51	41	..	41
Marton .. ..	213	11	224	176	8	184
Bull's .. ..	48	..	48	43	..	43
Hunterville .. ..	77	2	79	48	1	49
Masterton .. ..	628	63	691	531	54	585
Napier .. ..	954	237	1,191	860	203	1,063
Greenmeadows .. ..	18	..	18	12	..	12
Nelson .. ..	526	51	577	466	43	509
Motueka .. ..	79	6	85	63	2	65
Richmond .. ..	27	..	27	28	..	28
Takaka .. ..	57	1	58	51	..	51
Wakefield .. ..	39	..	39	27	..	27
New Plymouth .. ..	502	63	565	445	58	503
Inglewood .. ..	80	1	81	61	1	62
Urenui .. ..	21	..	21	*	*	*
Waitara .. ..	68	3	71	59	2	61
Oamaru .. ..	407	35	442	389	35	424
Duntroon .. ..	19	1	20	19	1	20
Kurow .. ..	26	..	26	27	..	27
Ngapara .. ..	19	..	19	18	..	18
Opotiki .. ..	77	6	83	64	4	68
Whakatane .. ..	47	..	47	42	..	42

\* Opened during the year.

Table No. 23—continued.

TABLE SHOWING THE NUMBER OF CONNECTIONS AT EACH TELEPHONE EXCHANGE—continued.

Exchange.	Number of Connections on 31st March.					
	1913.			1912.		
	Direct Connections.	Extensions.	Total.	Direct Connections.	Extensions.	Total.
Paeroa .. ..	77	11	88	67	8	75
Te Aroha .. ..	87	1	88	74	2	76
Pahiatua .. ..	149	9	158	135	9	144
Makuri .. ..	15	..	15	6	..	6
Pongaroa .. ..	28	..	28	28	..	28
Woodville .. ..	66	3	69	65	3	68
Palmerston North .. ..	766	123	889	685	100	785
Ashhurst .. ..	23	..	23	22	..	22
Foxton .. ..	99	2	101	95	2	97
Longburn .. ..	9	..	9	13	..	13
Tokomaru .. ..	16	1	17	13	..	13
Patea .. ..	68	1	69	57	1	58
Queenstown .. ..	40	..	40	41	..	41
Arrowtown .. ..	24	..	24	21	..	21
Glenorchy .. ..	8	..	8	8	..	8
Rakaia .. ..	58	1	59	47	1	48
Chertsey .. ..	10	..	10	10	..	10
Methven .. ..	66	..	66	45	..	45
Rangiora .. ..	60	6	66	49	4	53
Amberley .. ..	20	2	22	17	2	19
Cust .. ..	13	..	13	12	..	12
Rotorua .. ..	209	26	235	187	15	202
Putaruru .. ..	23	1	24	*	*	*
Stratford .. ..	232	20	252	219	18	237
Taihape .. ..	181	13	194	130	8	138
Mangaweka .. ..	49	..	49	35	..	35
Mataroa .. ..	15	..	15	14	..	14
Ohakune .. ..	81	1	82	69	1	70
Raetihi .. ..	33	..	33	32	..	32
Rangataua .. ..	20	..	20	*	*	*
Utiku .. ..	24	..	24	21	..	21
Tapanui .. ..	22	2	24	21	1	22
Heriot .. ..	9	..	9	10	..	10
Kelso .. ..	6	..	6	5	..	5
Taumarunui .. ..	94	2	96	47	..	47
Tauranga .. ..	77	3	80	70	2	72
Te Puke .. ..	19	..	19	18	..	18
Te Kuiti .. ..	174	12	186	124	10	134
Otorohanga .. ..	43	2	45	32	1	33
Piopia .. ..	25	..	25	*	*	*
Thames .. ..	186	25	211	175	18	193
Timaru .. ..	646	131	777	584	107	691
Albury .. ..	21	..	21	*	*	*
Fairlie .. ..	93	4	97	70	2	72
Geraldine .. ..	94	4	98	92	3	95
St. Andrew's .. ..	25	..	25	13	..	13
Temuka .. ..	100	6	106	83	4	87

\* Opened during the year.

Table No. 23—continued.

TABLE SHOWING THE NUMBER OF CONNECTIONS AT EACH TELEPHONE EXCHANGE—continued.

Exchange.	Number of Connections on 31st March.					
	1913.			1912.		
	Direct Connections.	Extensions.	Total.	Direct Connections.	Extensions.	Total.
Waihi .. .. .	101	10	111	104	9	113
Waimate .. .. .	148	12	160	131	10	141
Studholme Junction .. .. .	10	..	10	8	..	8
Waipawa .. .. .	193	9	202	148	6	154
Otane .. .. .	41	1	42	29	..	29
Waipukurau .. .. .	164	2	166	126	..	126
Wairoa .. .. .	202	16	218	179	13	192
Mohaka .. .. .	18	1	19	18	1	19
Nuhaka .. .. .	22	..	22	22	..	22
Wanganui .. .. .	982	178	1,160	891	148	1,039
Fordell .. .. .	10	..	10	*	*	*
Waitotara .. .. .	35	..	35	34	..	34
Waverley .. .. .	48	1	49	37	1	38
Warkworth .. .. .	51	..	51	38	..	38
Waiwera .. .. .	18	..	18	*	*	*
Wellington .. .. .	4,122	1,276	5,398	3,740	1,214	4,954
Johnsonville .. .. .	6	..	6	6	..	6
Lower Hutt .. .. .	65	..	65	54	..	54
Petone .. .. .	13	..	13	12	..	12
Upper Hutt .. .. .	46	2	48	39	1	40
Westport .. .. .	225	17	242	210	15	225
Whangarei .. .. .	275	19	294	204	13	217
Kawakawa .. .. .	46	2	48	48	1	49
Ohaeawai .. .. .	32	..	32	*	*	*
Russell .. .. .	26	..	26	23	..	23
Totals .. .. .	36,374	6,560	42,934	31,475	5,782	37,257

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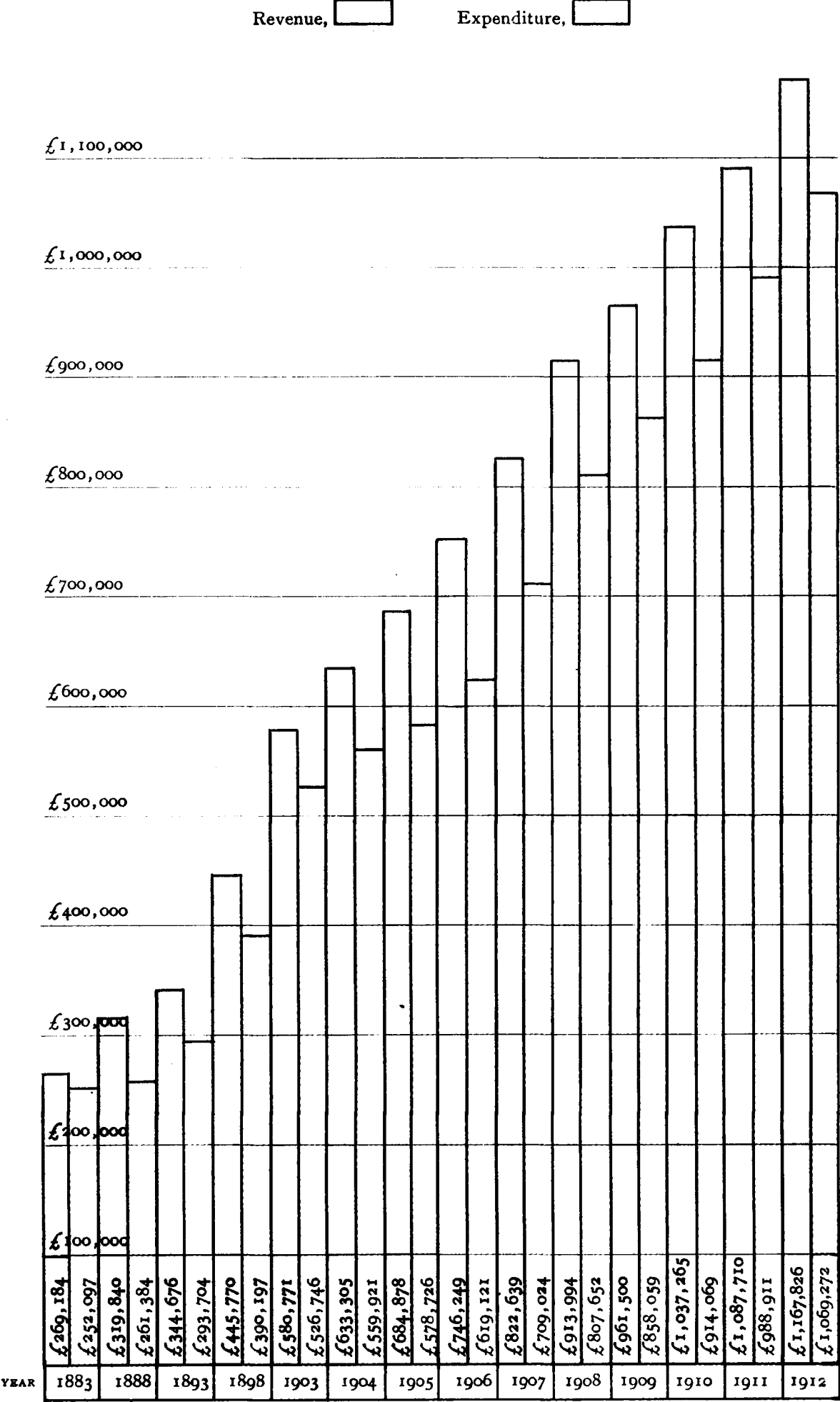
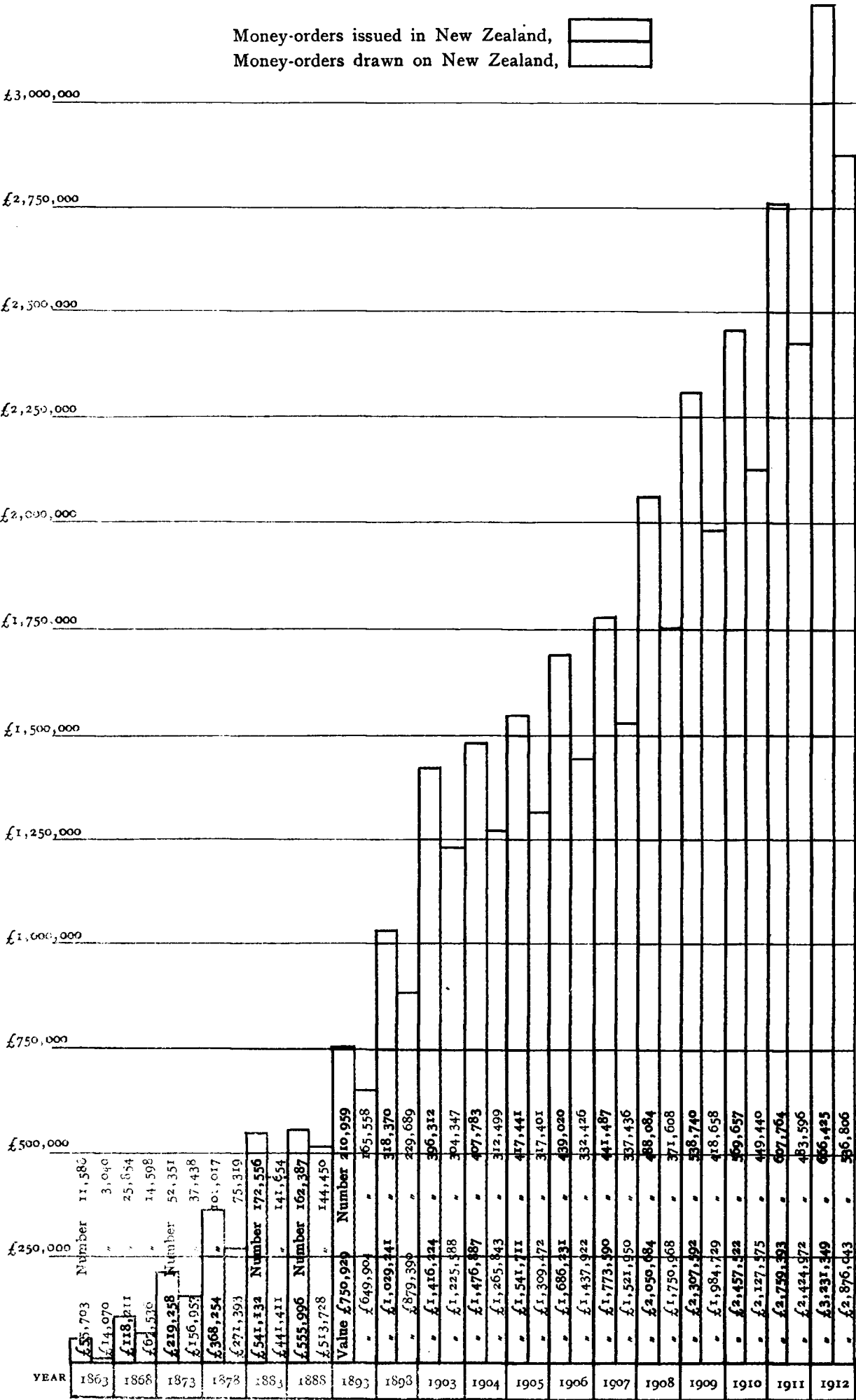




Diagram 2.—Illustrating Value of Money-order Business for Years between 1863 and 1912 (see Table 1).





**Diagram 3.**—Illustrating the Value of Postal Notes sold for Years between 1886 and 1912 (see Table 3).

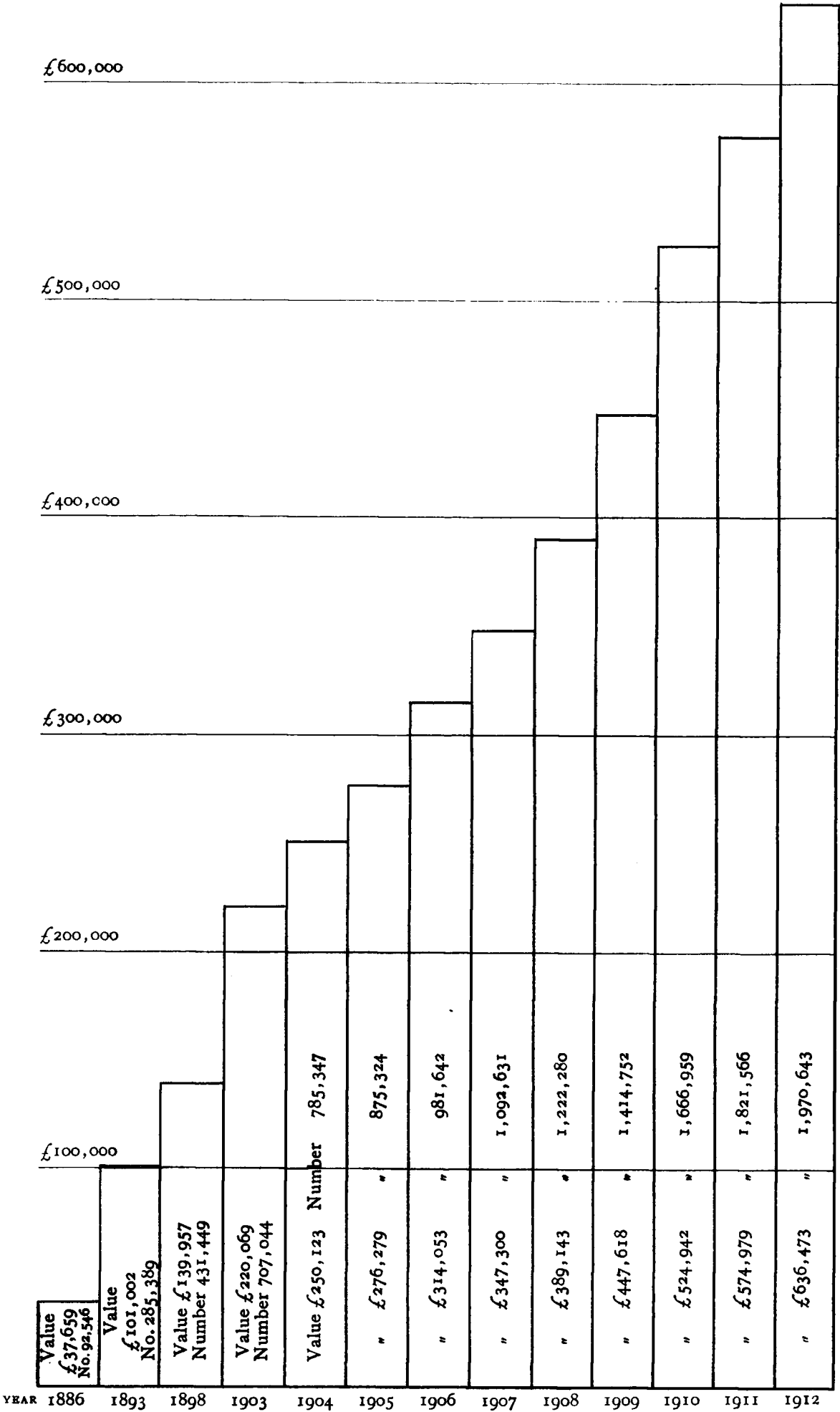
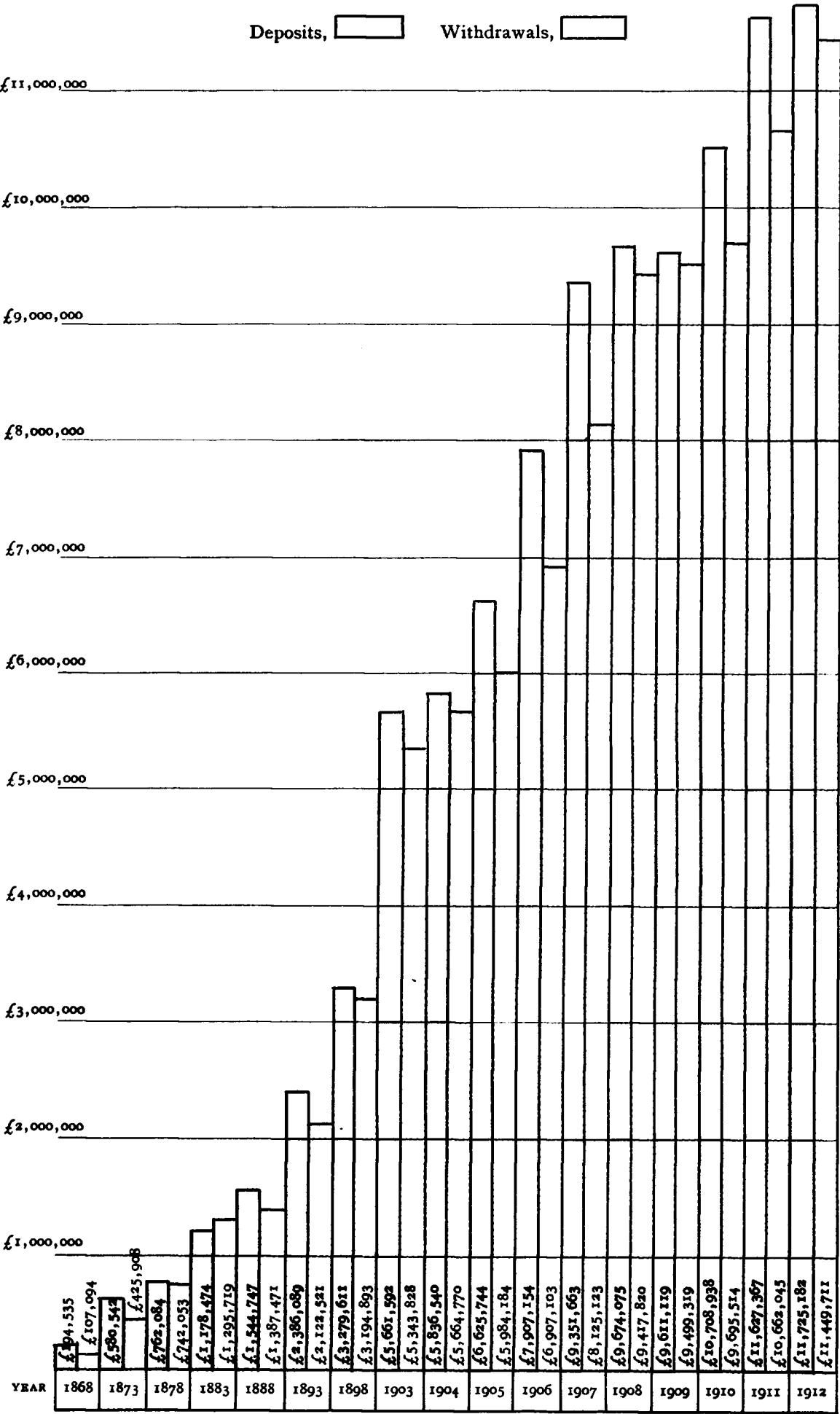




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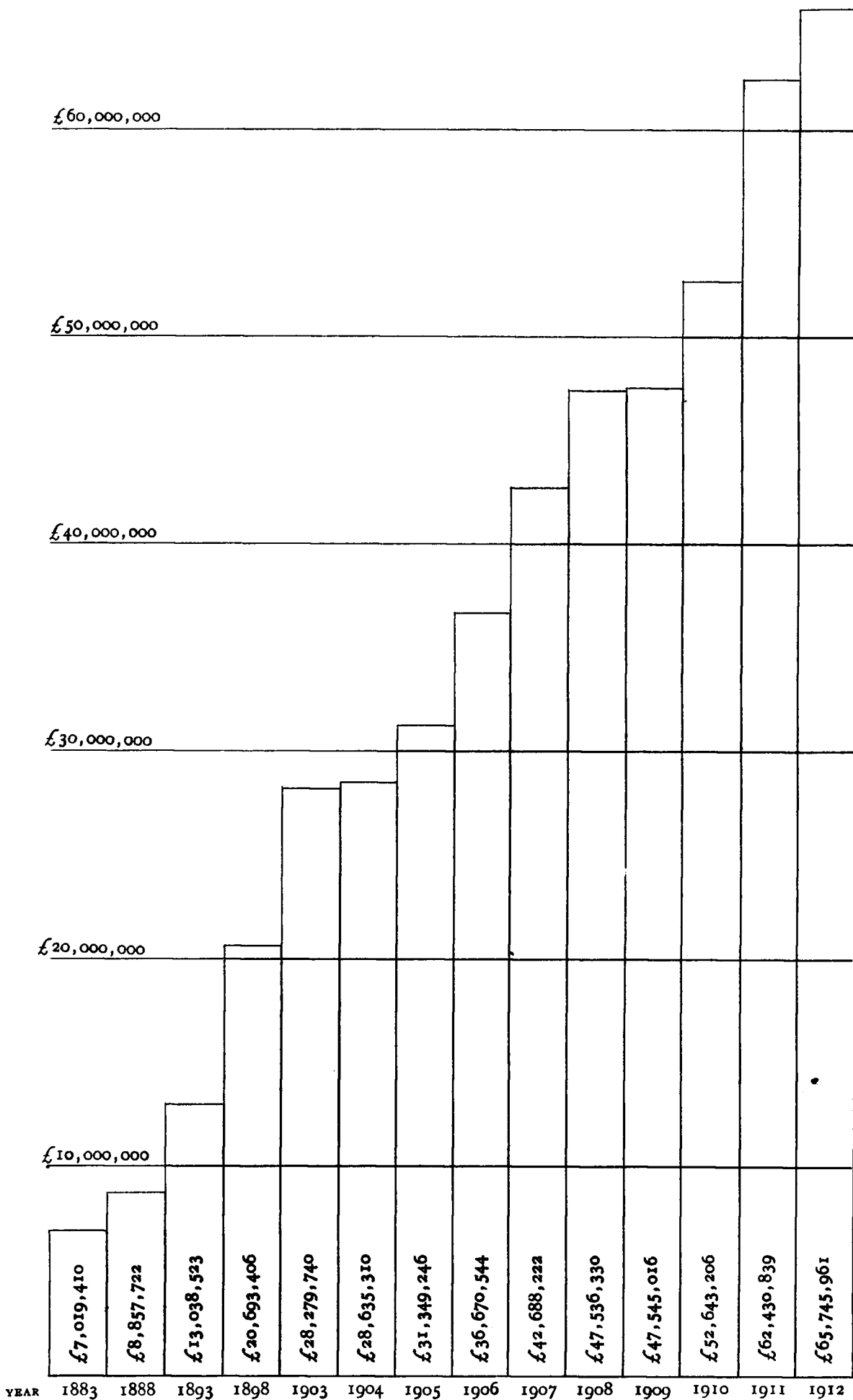






**Diagram 5.**--Illustrating Credits in Balance-sheets of Post Office Account  
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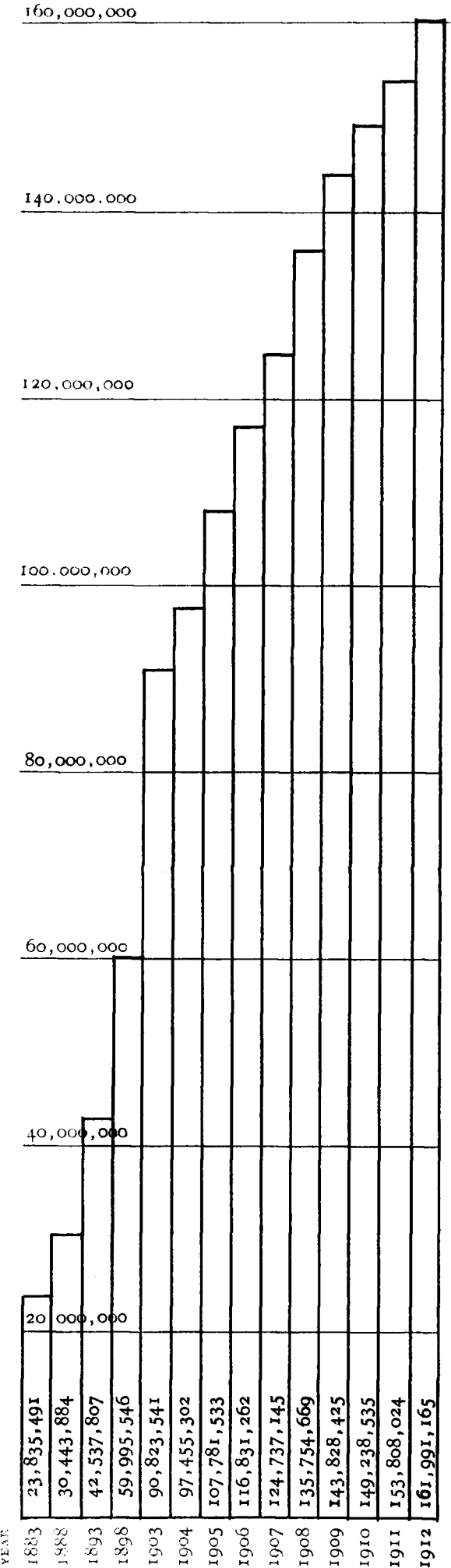
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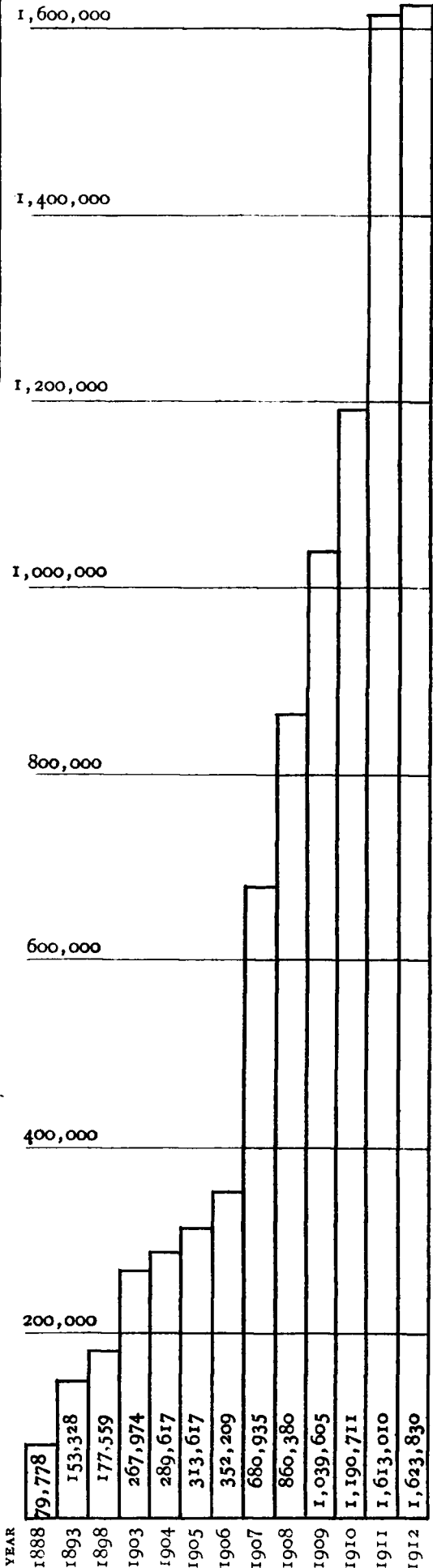
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**Diagram 6.**—Illustrating Number of Articles posted for Years between 1883 and 1912 (see Table 12).



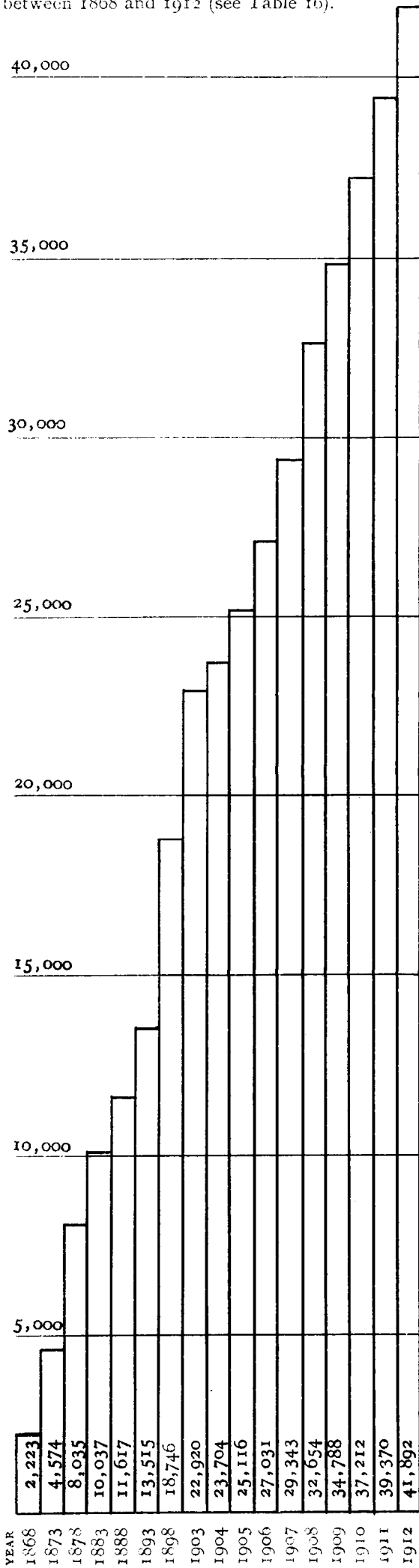
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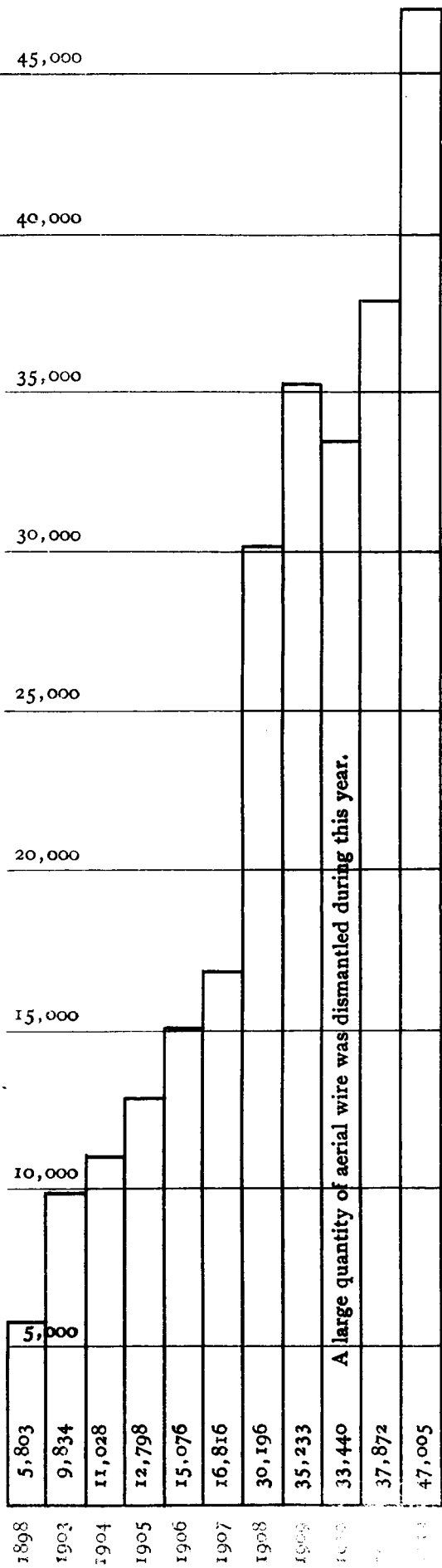
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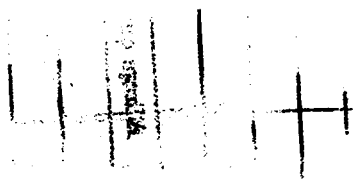
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**Diagram 8.**—Illustrating Number of Miles of Telegraph Wire in operation for Years between 1868 and 1912 (see Table 16).



**Diagram 9.**—Showing the Number of Miles of Telephone (Exchange) Wire in operation for Years between 1898 and 1912 (see Table 20.)





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Diagram 10.—Illustrating Number of paid Telegrams forwarded for Years between 1868 and 1912 (see Table 18).

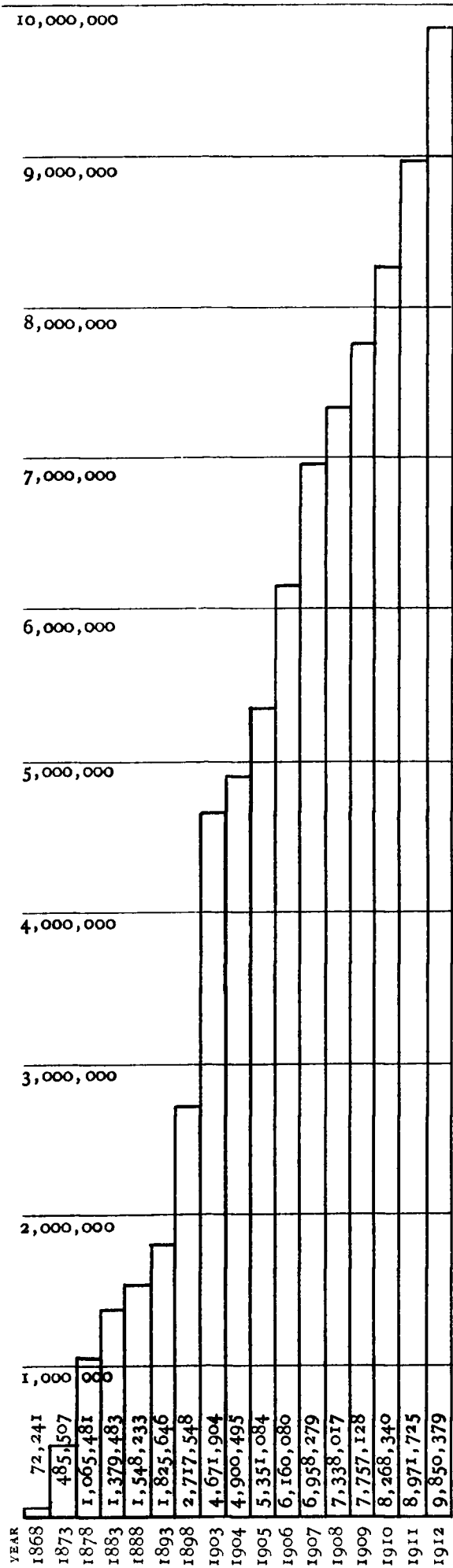


Diagram 11.—Showing Number of Telephone-exchange Connections for Years between 1888 and 1912 (see Table 22).

