

Table No. 12.

REGISTERED ARTICLES.

The number of registered articles dealt with in 1916, compared with the number in 1890, 1900, 1910, and 1915, is as follows:—

	1890.	1900.	1910.	1915.	1916.
From places beyond the Dominion	26,374	52,343	132,493	118,416	136,919
Registered in the Dominion	169,321	464,036	993,675	1,323,708	1,362,559
Totals	195,695	516,379	1,126,168	1,442,124	1,499,478

DEAD LETTERS.

	1915.	1916.
Opened and returned to writers	282,102	292,266
Returned unopened to other countries	44,609	47,800
Reissued	1,452	23,046*
Destroyed	45,636	46,213
Returned unopened to writers by Chief Postmasters	204,376	198,174
Returned unopened to other countries by Chief Postmasters	18,185	22,515
Totals	596,360	630,014

* Includes letters addressed to soldiers.

Table No. 13.

PARCEL-POST.

The following shows the number and weight of parcels posted during the years 1890, 1900, 1910, 1915, and 1916:—

—	1890.	1900.	1910.	1915.	1916.
Number	121,292	199,413	1,190,711	2,838,537	3,103,711
Weight	336,643 lb. 12 oz.	682,140 lb. 7 oz.	3,953,284 lb. 15 oz.	10,886,709 lb. 11 oz.	12,504,648 lb.

The following table shows the number and weight of parcels exchanged with the United Kingdom and the undermentioned places during the years 1915 and 1916:—

Country.	Received.				Despatched.			
	1915.		1916.		1915.		1916.	
	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.
		lb. oz.		lb. oz.		lb. oz.		lb. oz.
United Kingdom and foreign countries (via London)	115,639	737,261 0	116,432	763,764 0	34,517	104,692 15	23,964	90,154 0
United States of America ..	14,995	63,702 13	23,236	127,358 0	2,032	6,624 0	2,087	7,447 0
New Zealand Expeditionary Force	2,128	5,295 0	2,516	6,108 0	60,214	215,084 0	251,164	960,841 0
Canada	1,499	5,904 0	1,864	9,857 0	714	2,318 1	785	2,690 0
Victoria	8,574	30,042 12	8,525	30,766 0	3,802	9,630 5	3,572	9,615 0
New South Wales ..	15,990	45,321 0	18,446	55,624 0	9,209	26,146 12	12,814	40,675 0
South Australia ..	524	1,305 1	566	1,515 0	560	1,451 9	487	1,258 0
Queensland	837	2,036 0	982	2,667 0	1,093	2,762 11	1,034	2,448 0
Tasmania	390	881 0	418	1,079 0	819	1,966 2	711	1,692 0
Western Australia..	463	1,004 15	438	945 0	568	1,482 4	496	1,462 0
Fiji	244	698 10	311	705 0	1,112	3,768 11	1,054	3,493 0
Ceylon	566	2,211 11	524	2,635 0	357	1,933 12	629*	3,280 0
Uruguay	..	..	..	..	114	383 7	66	278 0
Cape of Good Hope	484	790 15	889	1,206 0	83	212 0	74	246 0
Natal	..	..	..	..	309	785 4	337	897 0
India	1,090	5,062 0	2,500	4,742 0	498	2,818 11	1,108	5,062 0
Tonga	31	114 8	41	153 0	294	1,184 8	344	1,328 0
Tahiti	..	..	..	..	260	1,439 15	214	1,118 0
Hong Kong	694	4,068 0	1,048	7,326 0	113	405 6	154	708 0
Straits Settlements	103	350 3	117	387 0	79	320 13	78	323 0
Totals	164,251	906,049 8	178,853	1,016,837 0	116,747	385,411 2	301,172	1,135,005 0

* Including parcels for His Majesty's ships.