

Table No. 12.
REGISTERED ARTICLES.

The number of registered articles dealt with in 1919, compared with the number in 1890, 1900, 1910, and 1918, is as follows:—

	1890.	1900.	1910.	1918.	1919.
From places beyond the Dominion	26,374	52,343	132,493	162,910	179,989
Registered in the Dominion ...	169,321	464,036	993,675	1,659,135	2,296,827
Totals ...	195,695	516,379	1,126,168	1,822,045	2,476,816

DEAD LETTERS.				1918.	1919.
Opened and returned to writers	...	...	...	294,563	262,126
Returned unopened to other countries	...	...	...	38,940	36,269
Reissued ...	...	...	...	177,384*	212,368*
Destroyed ...	...	...	...	32,533	32,247
Returned unopened by Chief Postmasters	...	...	...	253,775	254,216
Returned unopened to other countries by Chief Postmasters	...	...	...	23,789	43,244
Totals ...	...	...	...	820,984	840,470

* 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, 1918, and 1919:—

—	1890.	1900.	1910.	1918.	1919.
Number ..	121,292	199,413	1,190,711	3,337,763	3,012,854
Weight ..	336,643 lb. 12 oz.	682,140 lb. 7 oz.	3,953,284 lb. 15 oz.	14,439,737 lb.	14,078,492 lb.

The following table shows the number and weight of parcels exchanged with the United Kingdom and the undermentioned places during the years 1918 and 1919:—

Country.	Received.				Despatched.			
	1918.		1919.		1918.		1919.	
	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.
		lb.		lb.		lb.		lb.
United Kingdom and foreign countries (via London)	140,453	718,107	114,256	637,400	84,583	525,076	33,025	164,031
United States of America ..	60,852	432,851	61,472	427,632	1,832	7,402	2,823	12,891
New Zealand Expeditionary Force	1,415	3,964	384	1,423	442,318	1,594,284	9,851	33,593
Canada ..	2,654	14,998	3,348	19,414	1,116	6,955	742	2,401
Victoria ..	12,303	56,688	15,889	83,397	3,253	9,697	3,262	9,728
New South Wales ..	20,869	92,452	27,462	138,939	6,010	17,482	6,033	19,233
South Australia ..	570	1,909	493	1,799	456	1,386	456	1,322
Queensland ..	1,061	3,515	873	3,089	874	2,479	729	2,331
Tasmania ..	235	571	215	573	511	1,373	487	1,197
Western Australia..	317	699	330	696	399	1,052	378	1,083
Fiji ..	423	1,014	329	747	1,145	3,539	1,265	4,255
Ceylon ..	336	1,614	282	1,342	177	707	79	326
Cape of Good Hope	714	1,654	1,067	3,860	69	175	60	204
Natal ..	..	..	..	..	251	769	261	834
India ..	1,375	6,702	1,544	7,383	675	3,058	592	3,061
Tonga ..	48	155	45	138	507	1,985	617	2,515
Tahiti ..	7	57	23	90	977	7,765	566	2,895
Hong Kong ..	2,682	23,840	1,273	10,826	207	1,012	259	1,247
Straits Settlements	119	397	142	431	130	499	175	881
Totals ..	246,433	1,361,187	229,427	1,339,179	545,490	2,186,695	61,660	265,028