

Hereunder is a return showing automatic-exchange equipment installed and in use in the Dominion on the 31st March, 1925:—

| Exchange.                   | Number of Individual Lines installed. | Number of Party Lines installed. |             | Number of Individual Line Stations. | Number of Party-line Stations. | Total Number of Main Stations. | Number of Extension Stations. | Total Number of Automatic Telephone Stations. |  |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|--|
|                             |                                       | Two-party.                       | Four-party. |                                     |                                |                                |                               |                                               |  |
| Auckland Exchange Area—     |                                       |                                  |             |                                     |                                |                                |                               |                                               |  |
| Wellesley Street .. ..      | 7,300                                 | ..                               | ..          | 5,033                               | ..                             | 5,033                          | 1,682                         | 6,715                                         |  |
| Remuera .. ..               | 1,600                                 | ..                               | 100         | 990                                 | ..                             | 990                            | 101                           | 1,091                                         |  |
| Mount Eden .. ..            | 1,600                                 | ..                               | 100         | 1,280                               | ..                             | 1,280                          | 68                            | 1,348                                         |  |
| Ponsonby .. ..              | 1,200                                 | ..                               | 100         | 888                                 | ..                             | 888                            | 73                            | 961                                           |  |
| Onehunga .. ..              | 400                                   | ..                               | ..          | 259                                 | ..                             | 259                            | 18                            | 277                                           |  |
| Christchurch Exchange Area— |                                       |                                  |             |                                     |                                |                                |                               |                                               |  |
| Hereford Street* .. ..      | 1,500                                 | ..                               | ..          | 1,497                               | ..                             | 1,497                          | 146                           | 1,643                                         |  |
| St. Albans* .. ..           | 500                                   | ..                               | ..          | 500                                 | ..                             | 500                            | 54                            | 554                                           |  |
| Sydenham* .. ..             | 300                                   | ..                               | ..          | 300                                 | ..                             | 300                            | 33                            | 333                                           |  |
| Wellington Exchange Area—   |                                       |                                  |             |                                     |                                |                                |                               |                                               |  |
| Courtenay Place .. ..       | 3,400                                 | 100                              | 100         | 3,310                               | 156                            | 3,466                          | 831                           | 4,297                                         |  |
| Wellington South .. ..      | 1,400                                 | 100                              | 100         | 1,134                               | 406                            | 1,540                          | 97                            | 1,637                                         |  |
| Kelburn .. ..               | 1,200                                 | ..                               | ..          | 871                                 | ..                             | 871                            | 57                            | 928                                           |  |
| Khandallah .. ..            | ..                                    | 100                              | 100         | 76†                                 | 240                            | 316                            | 7                             | 323                                           |  |
| Single-office exchanges—    |                                       |                                  |             |                                     |                                |                                |                               |                                               |  |
| Blenheim.. ..               | 700                                   | ..                               | 100         | 660                                 | 119                            | 779                            | 86                            | 865                                           |  |
| Hamilton.. ..               | 1,400                                 | ..                               | 100         | 1,395                               | 309                            | 1,704                          | 261                           | 1,965                                         |  |
| Masterton .. ..             | 1,000                                 | ..                               | 100         | 900                                 | 200                            | 1,100                          | 173                           | 1,273                                         |  |
| Oamaru .. ..                | 700                                   | ..                               | 100         | 641                                 | 80                             | 721                            | 91                            | 812                                           |  |
| Palmerston North .. ..      | 1,800                                 | ..                               | 100         | 1,680                               | 199                            | 1,879                          | 214                           | 2,093                                         |  |
| Wanganui .. ..              | 2,000                                 | ..                               | 100         | 1,915                               | 279                            | 2,194                          | 441                           | 2,635                                         |  |
| Totals .. ..                | 28,000                                | 300                              | 1,200       | 23,329                              | 1,988                          | 25,317                         | 4,433                         | 29,750                                        |  |

\* Auxiliary apparatus.

† 76 lines used for individual stations.