Table No. 7.

Number and Value of Postage Stamps Printed during the Years 1869, 1870, 1871, 1872, and 1873.

_	1869.		1870.		1871.		1872.		1873.	
Rates.	Number.	Number. Value.		Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.
At One Shilling	119,280	£ 5,964	480	£ 24	109,920	£ 5,496	*	* £		£ 3,000
At Sixpence	165,360	4,134	742,320	18,558	770,400	19,260	366,240	9,156	282,000	7,050
At Fourpence	*		*		84,000	1,400	48,000	800	79,200	1,320
At Threepence	9,360	117	480,000	6,000	246,240	3,078	474,000	5,925	90,000	1,125
At Twopence	1,212,960	10,108	2,556,000	21,300	1,620,000	13,500	2,898,000	24,150	3,064,800	25,540
At One Penny	1,616,160	6,734	2,070,000	8,625	3,172,320	13,218	2,046,000	8,525	1,868,400	7,785
At One Halfpenny							717,600	1,495	688,080	1,433
Totals	3,123,120	27,057	5,848,800	54,507	6,002,880	55,952	6,549,840	50,051	6,132,480	47,253

^{*} A large number of these Postage Stamps were in stock at the close of the previous year.

Table No. 8.

Return of Intercolonial Mail Steam Subsidies, 1873.

6	Annual	Con	tract.	How often.	Mileage	Cost per Mile,	
Service.	Subsidy.	Commence.	Terminate.	How one	Month.		
Melbourne and New Zealand	£ 5,000	August, 1873	August, 1876	Once every four weeks.	3,440	£ s. d.	

Table No. 9.

Table showing the Number of Officers employed in the respective Post Office Establishments in the Colony.

	1873.						1872.							
Post Offices.			Postmasters.	Clerks.	Letter Carriers.	Messengers.	Shipping Officers.	Totals.	Postmasters.	Clerks.	Letter Carriers.	Messengers.	Shipping Officers.	Totals.
Auckland Thames New Plymouth Napier Wellington Wanganui Nelson Westport Charleston Blenheim Picton Christchurch Lyttelton Timaru Kaiapoi Dunedin Port Chalmers Oamaru Invercargill Hokitika Greymouth				11 2 1 2 2 10 1 1 11 1 2 2 1	4 2 1 2 1 4 1 1 1 1 1 1	1 1	 	17 6 2 4 11 4 5 1 3 2 16 3 3 2 17 3 3 4 5 3		11 2 1 1 5 1 2 1 10 1 11 1 2 2 1	4 2 2 1 2 4 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I	I	18 6 2 2 9 3 5 2 1 3 2 16 3 2 2 17 3 3 4 5 3
Chatham Islands Totals	•••		22	56	29	7	2	116	22	53	28	6	3	112