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NEW ZEALAND.

POST OFFICE AND TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT

(REPORT OF THE) FOR THE YEAR 1892.

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

MY LORD,—

General Post Office, Wellington, 26th July, 1893.

I have the honour to submit to your Excellency the report on the Postal and Telegraph Department for the year 1892, with the customary statement of revenue and expenditure to the 31st March last.

I have the honour to be

Your Lordship's most obedient servant,

J. G. WARD,

Postmaster-General and Electric Telegraph Commissioner.

His Excellency the Governor of New Zealand.

REPORT.

THERE has been a large increase of business in nearly every branch of the department. The returns of the correspondence transmitted by post cover the first complete year's results under the regulations of the Postal Union, and they disclose a very decided increase of all classes of mail-matter, except that of parcels post. The increase in the number of books and packets posted and delivered is unprecedented, being no less than 85·24 per cent.—from 7,170,761 in 1891, to 13,283,387 in 1892. This is mainly to be attributed to the reduction of the book-postage from 8d. to 4d. per pound, and to the introduction of a halfpenny town paper post for trade accounts and general commercial papers, which were formerly subjected to letter rates of postage. The postage reductions, and the more liberal conditions of transmission conceded to the public, have been the means of attracting to the Post Office an entirely new class of business, without appreciably adding to the expense of the department. The revenue returns, notwithstanding the reductions of postage rates and of other charges, have been well maintained. The postal conveniences which followed the entry of the colony into the Postal Union have been fully appreciated by the public.

The revenue and expenditure for the financial year ended the 31st March, 1893, are given in the following statement:—

REVENUE.			EXPENDITURE.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Stamps used for postage (estimated) ..	187,000	0 0	Salaries	167,633	10 5
Money-order and postal-note commission collected in the colony	11,180	10 8	Conveyance of mails by sea	33,370	19 0
Money-order commission received from foreign offices	496	19 1	Conveyance of inland mails	26,020	18 1
Private box and bag fees	4,703	10 0	Conveyance of mails by railway	187	17 6
Postages from foreign offices	2,000	0 0	Money-order commission credited to foreign offices	1,170	4 5
Miscellaneous receipts (Postal)	8,621	4 3	Telegraph extension (Consolidated Fund)	1,073	4 0
Ordinary and Press telegrams	81,751	7 7	Maintenance and repairs to telegraph-lines, and miscellaneous	48,629	9 0
Telephone exchanges	19,155	11 5	Cable subsidies	308	6 8
Miscellaneous receipts (Telegraph)	3,849	7 4			
				278,394	9 1
			Balance of revenue over expenditure	40,364	1 3
	£318,758	10 4		£318,758	10 4

The revenue was £1,299 10s. 11d. less than the previous year's receipts. The item "Postages from Foreign Offices" (which was a balance of former years) was £1,949 16s. 9d. under the amount brought to charge in 1891-92. This item will disappear altogether as revenue, as the recoveries are now applied in reduction of the vote for conveyance of mails by sea. Receipts from telegrams fell off £3,490 16s. compared with the 1891-92 receipts, probably due to one of two causes. For several years past it was the practice to base the revenue from telegrams on the results of periodical countings. As the figures for 1892-93 represent actual amounts, it is probable that the previous year's receipts were overstated. And the change made last year, by which a telegram of eighteen words, including address and signature, is accepted at the initial rate, in lieu of ten words in the text and free address and signature up to ten words, has had the effect of decreasing the receipts from telegrams by about £4,200 for a year. Under the present tariff as many as fourteen and fifteen words are frequently written in the text of telegrams—four, and even three, words sufficing for address and signature. The effect of this has been to bring down the average value of a telegram (ordinary or delayed) by about 1·30d.

The expenditure was £10,051 8s., or 3·75 per cent. more than the expenditure of the previous year.

The balance of revenue over expenditure was £40,364 1s. 3d., compared with £51,715 0s. 2d. for the former year.

The combined Post Office and Telegraph revenue was equal to 9s. 11-12d. per head of the population, and the expenditure 8s. 8-03d.

The estimated value of the official correspondence was £62,996 1s. 11d., and that of Government telegrams £24,342 7s.—a total of £87,338 8s. 11d. for services performed for departments of the public service without payment. This sum, added to the revenue, gives £406,096 19s. 3d. as the value of the Post Office and Telegraph work for the year, which, on deducting the expenditure, leaves a balance of £127,702 10s. 2d. in favour of the department.

The estimated value of the official correspondence and Government telegrams was equal to 27-39 per cent. of the combined revenue.

25,530,804 letters were posted, and 25,079,938 delivered—an increase of 1,785,342 and 1,212,536 respectively.

143,513 inland parcels were posted, compared with 157,465 in 1891, a decrease of 13,952, due to numbers of the smaller-sized parcels having been sent by packet post, the rate for which was reduced from 8d. to 4d. per pound.

1,904,143 telegrams of all codes were forwarded—a decrease of 64,121, or 3-26 per cent. The system adopted of estimating the number of telegrams from periodical countings has been abandoned, and returns kept of the actual messages forwarded.

199,438 money-orders for £694,847 4s. 5d. were issued; and 160,423 orders for £612,312 5s. 10d. were paid.

240,019 postal-notes, representing a sum of £86,962 2s. 7d., were sold, being an increase of 25,685 in number and £8,153 12s. 5d. in amount.

39 post-offices were established, 5 reopened, and 12 closed.

The total number of post and telegraph or telephone offices open at the end of 1892 was 1,263.

The number of telephone exchange connections including bureau offices on the 31st March last was 3,811, and the subscriptions received for the year amounted to £19,155 11s. 5d., against £18,571 7s. 8d. in 1891.

Telephone exchanges were established at Palmerston North and Thames, and a sub-exchange at Winton.

The number of central telephone exchanges now open is 14, and also 8 sub-exchanges.

The inland mail-services in operation numbered 683, costing the department £25,341 18s. 2d.

130 miles of telegraph line were erected. At the close of the year the total mileage was: 5,479 miles of line, and 13,459 miles of wire.

The net expenditure out of loan on telegraph extension was £29,245 9s. 2d.; £1,073 4s. out of

Consolidated Fund was also expended.

The deposits in the Post-office Savings Bank during the calendar year amounted to £1,878,270 6s. 4d., and the withdrawals to £1,821,348 18s. 1d.

The total amount at the credit of depositors on the 31st December, 1892, was £2,863,670 12s. 10d.

The following table and return give the number of offices and officers of all classes on the 31st December last:—

Postal Districts.	Permanent Offices.								Country Offices.				Telephone Bureaux.	Clerks and Postal Cadets.*		Operators (including Cadets).†		Postmasters and Officers in Charge on Permanent Staff.	Letter-carriers.		Post-office Messengers (including those performing other duties).	Telegraph Messengers.		Linenmen (not performing other duties).	
	Post-offices (separate Telegraph in same town).	Telegraph Offices.	No Post-offices in same place.	Combined Post- and Telegraph-offices.	Combined Railway			Post-offices (no Telephone in same town).	Post and Telephone (combined or separate).	Telephone-offices (no Post-office in same town).	Telephone Exchanges.	Town.		Country.	Town.	Country.	Town.		Country.	Town.		Country.	Town.		Country.
					Post and Public Telephone.	And Post.	And Public Telegraph or Telephone.																		
Auckland ..	1	1	1	25	11	5	1	..	162	78	7	1	20	58	..	22	9	46	17	6	3	14	16	7	
Thames ..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	22	10	1	1	4	5	..	8	5	7	2	1	..	3	3	1
Gisborne ..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	9	12	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	1	1	..	3	..	1
Napier ..	1	1	..	8	4	3	..	1	29	17	2	1	..	19	..	25	7	18	4	2	1	6	4	4	
New Plymouth ..	..	..	..	3	2	..	..	..	16	8	..	..	..	2	..	6	1	5	2	..	..	2	3	2
Wanganui ..	..	..	..	7	5	2	..	..	27	9	1	1	2	7	..	15	7	14	3	2	2	4	7	3
Wellington ..	1	1	1	11	4	3	..	1	61	27	5	2	13	65	..	41	20	21	14	7	4	29	12	8	
Blenheim ..	..	..	1	6	..	..	..	..	22	5	1	1	5	2	..	43	2	7	2	1	..	2	2	3
Nelson ..	..	..	1	6	3	..	..	..	19	15	5	1	2	1	..	15	4	10	3	..	1	5	..	2
Westport ..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	11	12	..	..	..	1	..	5	..	5	1	..	..	3	3	1
Greymouth ..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	24	4	..	1	1	1	..	9	5	4	2	2	..	3	4	2
Hokitika ..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	22	10	..	..	..	1	..	4	1	2	1	1	..	2	..	1
Christchurch..	1	1	..	11	26	4	3	..	104	17	3	1	6	51	4	29	7	46	17	6	2	16	13	7	
Timaru ..	..	..	..	4	11	..	..	..	27	2	..	1	..	4	..	10	2	15	2	3	1	3	2	1
Oamaru ..	..	..	..	1	5	2	1	..	8	9	..	1	9	1	..	10	..	9	2	..	1	3	..	1
Dunedin ..	1	1	..	17	12	4	1	..	59	56	8	4	28	50	..	28	10	36	17	4	2	15	12	3	
Invercargill ..	..	..	..	7	10	3	..	..	76	19	8	5	15	11	..	10	6	20	3	1	2	4	4	2
Totals ..	5	5	4	125	93	26	6	2	698	310	41	21	105	279	4	285	86	266	93	36	19	117	85	49	

* Post-office clerks, telegraph counter clerks, telephone exchange clerks, cadets in post-office, cadets not principally engaged in telegraph operating, and telegraph despatch clerks and distributors.

† Telegraph operators, clerks and cadets principally engaged in telegraph operating..

COMPARATIVE RETURN of OFFICERS of the POST OFFICE and TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT for the Years 1892 and 1891.

	1892.	1891.		1892.	1891
Postmaster-General	1	1	Sorters in Clearing-room	13	14
Superintendent	1	1	Storekeeper and Assistants	5	5
Secretary	1	1	Chief Postmasters	16	16
Inspector of Post-offices	1	1	Postmasters and Officers in Charge on Permanent Staff	266	248
Assistant Inspector of Post-offices	1	1	Clerks and Cadets in Post-offices	283	242
Sub-Inspectors of Post-offices	2	..	Operators (including Cadets in Telegraph offices)	371	372
Controller of Money-orders and Savings-banks and Accountant	1	1	Country Postmasters and Telephonists	1,049	1,012
Telegraph Inspectors	3	3	Letter-carriers	129	119
Telegraph Sub-Inspectors	2	2	Messengers (Post Office)	19	19
Electrician	1	1	Linemen	52	51
Mechanicians and Cadet	4	4	Telegraph Message Boys	202	204
Clerks in General Post Office—			Nightwatchmen	2	2
Secretary's Branch	8	8			
Dead-letter Branch	5	4	Totals	2,458	2,349
Money-order and Savings-bank Branch	20	17			

The report of the proceedings of the Postal and Telegraph Conference, held at Brisbane in March last, has been laid before Parliament.

The business transacted was important, and among the principal resolutions adopted were the following:—

“That in the opinion of this Conference one representative should be sent from Australasia on behalf of all the colonies to represent them at the Postal Union Congress.

“That, in view of the necessity for speedy and regular communication between the United Kingdom and Australasia, this Conference is of opinion that the system of subsidies should be continued, and the mail service maintained by the United Kingdom and the colonies as at present. That the London Post Office be invited to call for tenders in Great Britain and Australasia for a weekly service, on conditions approved by the colonies, from *bona fide* British companies (to be performed by one or more companies running on alternate weeks as at present). Before any tenders are accepted, it be a request that they be submitted to the colonies for approval. [This refers to the Suez service, to which this colony declined to be a party. The contracts expire in January, 1895.]

“That this Conference considers it desirable to negotiate for a Canadian-Pacific Postal service.

“That this Conference directs that a communication be sent to the Postmaster-General, Washington, regretting the continued non-participation of the United States in the matter of the subsidy to the present San Francisco mail service, and also directs his attention to the excessive overland transit-rates between San Francisco and New York, and respectfully requests him to urge the Pacific Railway Company to give more favourable terms.

“That this Conference does not consider it desirable, after the recent arrangement as to rates, to give notice to the Eastern Extension Cable Company to terminate the existing guarantee.

“That it is the opinion of this Conference that the time has arrived when a second cable route should be established *via* the Pacific to Vancouver, touching at such places *en route* as may be hereafter agreed upon.

“That it is desirable in the interests of the public that the hour-zone system should be adopted in a modified form, so that there should be one time throughout Australia—namely, that on the 135th meridian, or nine hours east of Greenwich.” [New Zealand has since declined to give effect to the resolution.]

With reference to the Pacific cable question, it should be stated that a French company—the Société Française des Télégraphes Sous-Marins—under contract with the French Government, is about to lay a cable between Queensland and New Caledonia, and that the Governments of New South Wales and Queensland have each guaranteed £2,000 and the French Government £8,000 per annum for thirty years towards the cost and working-expenses of the cable. The company desires to make this the first link of a through Pacific cable to Vancouver; but the general feeling of the colonies and of others equally interested is that any Pacific-cable scheme should not be controlled by a foreign power or company, and should as far as practicable avoid passing through foreign territory. Correspondence in reference to the New Caledonia cable will be found in the cable papers F.-5. Under the original proposals of the Pacific Telegraph Cable Company the route indicated for the Pacific cable was—Queensland to a point near the North Cape of New Zealand; thence to Fiji, Fanning Island, Sandwich Islands, and Vancouver. If, however, the New Caledonia route is adopted, the cable would not be landed at New Zealand, and this would render the service of little direct advantage to the colony. The resolution of the Conference will probably hurry on the Pacific-cable question, inasmuch as the colonies hitherto have been by no means unanimous as to the need for an alternative cable service by way of the Pacific, a circumstance which deterred the original promoters from taking practical action.

Many other matters relating to the improvement of the post-office and telegraph services were dealt with by the Conference, including the adoption of uniform rates and regulations applicable to the whole of Australasia. This department, however, has been unable to give effect to the Conference decisions as a whole, as many of the proposals and conditions affecting the public are not so liberal as those already in force in this colony. It was unanimously decided that the next Conference should meet in New Zealand.

The reduced telegraph cable rates could not be brought into operation until the 1st of January last.

In August, last year, representatives from the Colonies of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia met in Melbourne to consider the question of cable rates, and the proposals which had been made by this colony to join in the cable-guarantee, conditionally on the contributing colonies

sharing with New Zealand the loss to be made good to the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company in the event of the proposed reduction of rates on the New Zealand-Sydney cable being adopted. As the loss on the international cable traffic bore somewhat heavily on the guaranteeing colonies, the Postmaster-General of New South Wales proposed that the rate for European ordinary messages between Adelaide and London should be raised from 4s. to 4s. 9d. per word; the 9d. to be apportioned—cable companies 7d., and South Australia 2d. This extra rate, which was estimated to produce an additional £37,429 a year, was agreed to, and New Zealand's proposals accepted.

The first accounting period under the agreement with the Cable Company closed on the 30th of April last, the date on which the company's year ends. The increase of New Zealand's cable business for the four months was far beyond the most favourable estimate. A comparison of our cable traffic from January to April last, compared with the corresponding four months of 1892, is shown in the following return:—

COMPARATIVE RETURN of NEW ZEALAND'S CABLE BUSINESS for the Four Months, January to April, of 1892 and 1893.

Year.	International.			Intercolonial.			Totals.					
	Number of Messages forwarded.	Value.		Number of Messages received.	Number of Messages forwarded.	Value.		Number of Messages forwarded.	Value.		Number of Messages received.	
		£	s. d.			£	s. d.		£	s. d.		
1892 ...	1,022	4,020	9 2	957	5,562	4,190	7 8	6,684	6,584	8,210	16 10	7,641
1893 ...	2,081	6,980	5 2	1,794	9,926	2,839	18 4	10,129	12,007	9,820	3 6	11,923

The increase in the number of international forwarded messages was 103·62 per cent., and 73·63 per cent. in value; and received messages 87·46 per cent. The intercolonial forwarded messages increased 78·46 per cent., but decreased 32·24 per cent. in value. The number of received messages increased 51·54 per cent.

The colony's liability on the cable traffic, under the guarantee agreements, for the four months ended 30th April last, is set out in the statements which follow:—

STATEMENT of TRAFFIC over the NEW ZEALAND-SYDNEY CABLE for the Four Months, 1st January to the 30th April, 1893.

Amount guaranteed to Cable Company for the year ...	...	£	s.	d.
		26,258	0	0
Guaranteed revenue for the four months ...	...	8,753	0	0
Actual receipts by the Cable Company during the above period ...	...	4,359	0	0
Or a loss to the Cable Company of ...	...	£4,394	0	0
Apportioned as follows:—				
Cable Company, one quarter ...	...	1,098	10	0
New Zealand, three-quarters ...	...	3,295	10	0
		£4,394	0	0
New Zealand's three-quarters share, divided thus:—				
New Zealand <i>solus</i> pays one-third (= one-quarter of total loss)...	...	1,098	10	0
The contributing colonies, including New Zealand, two-thirds (= half of total loss) ...	...	2,197	0	0
		£3,295	10	0

The contributing colonies' proportion, divided on the basis of population, therefore is:—

	Population (Census, April, 1891).	Amount.		
		£	s.	d.
Victoria ...	1,140,405	734	16	9
New South Wales ...	1,132,234	729	11	6
New Zealand ...	620,030	399	10	6
South Australia ...	320,431	206	9	6
Tasmania ...	146,667	94	10	2
Western Australia ...	49,782	32	1	7
	£3,409,549	£2,197	0	0

STATEMENT of the INTERNATIONAL TRAFFIC on the EASTERN EXTENSION COMPANY'S EUROPEAN LINES in respect of the Cable Guarantee Fund, for the Four Months ended 30th April, 1893.

Amount guaranteed for the year	...	...	...	...	£ 237,736
Guaranteed revenue for the four months	...	...	...	...	79,245
Actual revenue for the four months	...	...	...	...	70,280
Loss on the four months	...	...	...	...	£8,965
Half payable by colonies	...	...	...	...	£4,483

DISTRIBUTION of AMOUNT payable by COLONIES.

	Population (Census, 5th April, 1891).	Proportion of each Colony. £
Victoria ...	1,140,405	1,499
New South Wales ...	1,132,234	1,489
New Zealand ...	620,030	815
South Australia ...	320,431	421
Tasmania ...	146,667	193
Western Australia ...	49,782	66
Totals	3,409,549	£4,483

STATEMENT of the INTERNATIONAL TRAFFIC on the EASTERN EXTENSION COMPANY'S LINES in respect of the South Australian Guarantee Fund, for the Four Months ended 30th April, 1893.

Amount guaranteed for the year	...	...	...	...	£ 37,552
Guaranteed revenue for the four months	...	...	...	...	£12,517
Revenue in the four months	...	...	...	...	11,629
Loss on the four months	...	...	...	...	£888

Of which New Zealand's proportion is £162.

Summarising New Zealand's total liabilities for the four months, the position will be found to be,—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Payments by the colony—						
Intercolonial cable	3,295	10	0			
International messages	815	0	0			
South Australian land-line	162	0	0			
				4,272	10	0
Recoveries—						
From other colonies	1,797	9	6			
Under merchants' guarantee	825	0	0			
				2,622	9	6
Colony's net liability...				£1,650	0	6

or about £4,950 a year—a highly satisfactory result, when it is remembered that the colony has secured very material reductions indeed in its cable rates, as will at once be seen from the following comparison:—

	Old Rates.	New Rates.
International—		
Ordinary messages	10s. 2d. per word	5s. 2d. per word
Government messages	10s. 2d. "	3s. 10d. "
Intercolonial messages—		
To New South Wales	{ First ten words ... 9s. 6d.	3s. 0d.
	{ Each word after first ten ... 1s.	5d.

And a corresponding reduction of rates to all the other colonies except Queensland.

A special intercolonial cable-rate of 1d. per word for Press messages for individual newspapers was also secured; and since the 1st April last the charge for Press Association's messages has been reduced from 3d. to 1d. per word—the Telegraph Cable Company and the colonies sharing any loss arising from the reduction.

New Zealand's outward telegraph cable business for 1892, compared with the business for 1891, is shown by the following statement:—

Destination.	Ordinary.		Press.	
	No. of Messages.	Value.	No. of Messages.	Value.
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
International	2,930	11,279 10 9	...	...
Victoria	6,629	5,286 12 3	183	95 15 1
South Australia	772	536 15 0	...	...
New South Wales	6,626	4,410 7 3	608	802 8 8
Queensland	785	607 7 8	...	...
Tasmania	738	553 7 1	...	...
Western Australia	208	182 9 6	...	...
Total	18,688	22,856 9 6	791	898 3 9
Total for 1891	19,270	27,626 17 9	837	932 15 8

The employment of women in telephone-exchanges, which has now had an extended trial, has confirmed the opinion that women can satisfactorily overtake the duties. There have been occasional complaints, as might have been expected, but these probably would have been made even had a number of young men been placed in the exchanges under similar conditions. The employment of women as exchange clerks has been limited to the four principal exchanges; but, on the completion of the new offices at Invercargill, women will be appointed to the exchange there.

It is necessary to state that the applications from women for employment are far in excess of possible requirements. No fewer than 484 applications for employment from women have been recorded since the Classification Act of 1890 became law, in addition to numbers disposed of without being recorded; but up to the beginning of last month vacancies could be found for only 79. There is no prospect whatever of employment being found for any but a minimum number of the applicants whose names are now on the books. The exchange staffs are about at their maximum strength, and there are no other openings in the department for women at present.

A contract has been made with a business firm in Wellington for the right to advertise on the backs of postage stamps and telegram forms for a payment of £800 a year. The department had been repeatedly urged to agree to this method of advertising, and eventually decided to give it a trial. The contract, which is for three years, may be terminated by the contractors at the end of twelve months.

The Thames office is now lighted by electricity. The motive power is derived from the county water-race, at a reasonable rate, minimising the annual charge for maintenance. It is intended to light the General Post Office building throughout by electricity during the ensuing year.

Seven officers who attained the age of sixty years were retired on pension. Their pensions aggregate £1,003 per annum.

The work of inspection has been strengthened by the appointment of a Sub-Inspector for the Districts of Auckland and Thames, and another for the Dunedin and Invercargill Districts.

The promotions and transfers, consequent upon the retirements and the appointment of the Sub-Inspectors, involved no less than thirty-six changes—the first series of any importance since the introduction of classification.

A Bill has been introduced into Parliament to amend existing Post Office Acts in the direction of giving power to deal with newspapers, packets, or parcels containing anything of an immoral, indecent, or obscene nature; providing for the introduction of letter-cards; paying compensation, not exceeding £2, for the loss of a registered letter, on production of satisfactory evidence; relieving masters of vessels from personally attending post offices for the purpose of making declarations as to the delivery of mails; for varying the form of postal notes; and for determining that the currency of £1 and £5 postal notes shall not be limited.

POST OFFICE.

The number of letters, post-cards, books and pattern-packets, and newspapers, delivered and posted during the year, compared with the number dealt with in 1891, was as under:—

	1892.	1891.	Increase.
Letters—Delivered	25,079,938	23,867,402	
Posted	25,530,804	23,745,462	
	<u>50,610,742</u>	<u>47,612,864</u>	<u>2,997,878</u>
Post-cards—Delivered	1,224,938	1,097,788	
Posted	1,346,098	1,181,141	
	<u>2,571,036</u>	<u>2,278,929</u>	<u>292,107</u>
Books and Sample-packets—Delivered	6,508,463	3,342,781	
Posted	6,774,924	3,827,980	
	<u>13,283,387</u>	<u>7,170,761</u>	<u>6,112,626</u>
Newspapers—Delivered	9,538,945	9,768,226	
Posted	9,018,620	8,733,686	
	<u>18,557,565</u>	<u>18,501,912</u>	<u>55,653</u>

The letters increased 6·30, post-cards 12·82, books and sample-packets 85·24, and newspapers 0·30 per cent.

The increase in 1891 was—Letters 8·42, post-cards 13·35, books and sample-packets 16·42, and newspapers 3·29 per cent.

The average number of letters posted per head of population was estimated to be 39·75; in 1891 the average was 37·70.

The revenue for the financial year ended the 31st March last was £214,002 4s., compared with £209,894 7s. 4d. for 1891–92, an increase of £4,107 16s. 8d., or 1·96 per cent.

The expenditure was £161,341 4s. 11d., as against £153,698 5s. 4d. for the previous year, an increase of £7,642 19s. 7d., or 4·97 per cent.

The expenditure for the year was therefore £52,660 19s. 1d. less than the receipts.

The estimated value of the official free correspondence was £62,996 1s. 11d., compared with £63,579 16s. 4d. for the former year.

The estimated total value of the business was £276,998 5s. 11d., which, after deducting the expenditure, left a balance of £115,657 1s. in favour of the Post Office.

Fees amounting to £1,680 17s. 6d. for registration of births, deaths, and marriages were received.

For the inspection of machinery the fees collected amounted to £3,247 15s. 3d.

Under the Live-stock Acts the sum of £10,147 6s. 6d. was collected.

The number of payments on account of the property-tax was 3,548, for £91,945 4s. 3d.

9,884 land-tax payments, for £233,939 12s. 4d., were also collected.

Gratuities for the conveyance of mails by unsubsidised vessels amounted to £3,547 18s. 7d.

£4,703 10s. was received as fees for private boxes and bags.

Letter-carriers' deliveries were established at Feilding, Marton, and Whangarei. The delivery at Kaitangata was discontinued.

Letter-carriers' deliveries were extended at Gisborne, to include North Gisborne; Napier, to include the whole town twice daily; Wellington, to include Mitchelltown, Taitville, Wadestown, and Kaiwarawara; Christchurch, to include Windsor and part of St. Albans.

The delivery at Hastings was reduced from thrice to twice daily.

Fourteen receiving-boxes were established—at Auckland, 2; New Plymouth, 1; Momohaki, Wanganui, 1; Wellington, 1; Wadestown, 1; Otaki, 1; Christchurch, 1; Sydendam, 1; Temuka, 1; Oamaru, 1 (for telegrams only); Dunedin, 3. Two were closed at Auckland, and one at Pikerangi, on the road from Rotorua to Rotoiti.

There were 309 pillar, wall, and lamp-post receivers open at the end of the year.

8,959,759 letters, 388,799 post-cards, 1,365,323 books, circulars, &c., and 2,377,265 newspapers were delivered by letter-carriers.

Thirty-nine post-offices were first established, five reopened, and twelve closed during the year, as under:—

Opened.

Akuaku (reopened), Gisborne.	Makakahi, Wellington.	Pukioke, Wanganui.
Aramoho, Wanganui.	Makuri, Wellington.	Purangi, New Plymouth.
Atarau, Greymouth.	Mangamako, Wanganui.	Puysegur Point, Invercargill.
Awahou (reopened), Auckland.	Mareretu, Auckland.	Roslyn Bush (reopened), Invercargill.
Broadwood, Auckland.	Merrivale, Invercargill.	Ru Point, Auckland.
Dieffenbach, Blenheim.	Momohaki, Wanganui.	Sandon Block, Wanganui.
Granity Creek, Westport.	Motukaraka, Auckland.	Scarrott's, Auckland.
Grovetown (reopened), Blenheim.	Newborough, Oamaru.	Te Horo, Wellington.
Harewood Road, Christchurch.	Nuhaka, Napier.	Te Kaha, Thames.
Hautere Cross, Wellington.	Ohingaite, Wanganui.	Te Mata (reopened), Auckland.
Havelock (Suburban) Blenheim.	Omaio, Thames.	Toko, New Plymouth.
Hilderthorpe, Oamaru.	Omanaia, Auckland.	Tarukenga, Auckland.
Kaimanuka, Wanganui.	Onewhero, Auckland.	Waikawa Township, Invercargill.
Ketu Bay, Blenheim.	Oreti Plains, Invercargill.	Wharekuri, Oamaru.
Makairo, Wellington.	Puketutu, Auckland.	

Closed.

Awahou, Auckland.	Maryville, New Plymouth.	Tawhai, Greymouth.
Coal Island, Invercargill.	Mataahu, Gisborne.	Wadestown, Wellington.
Grovetown, Blenheim.	Porewa, Wanganui.	Waihemo, Dunedin.
Maitahi, Auckland.	Roslyn Bush, Invercargill.	Waipuna, Auckland.

The total number of post-offices open at the close of the year was 1,263.

The designations of offices were changed as follows: Fairlie Creek to Fairlie, Shag Point Junction to Shag Point, The Reefs to Bullendale, Lake Brunner to Jackson's.

Six Government Insurance agencies were opened at post-offices during the year.

Eleven newspapers were registered for transmission by post, and two newspapers ceased to be published during the year. The total number of newspapers on the General Post Office register at the close of the year was 243.

The debit and credit transactions of the Post Office for the year ended 31st December, 1892, exclusive of receipts and payments for other departments, were—Receipts, £4,155,207 2s. 4d.; payments, £4,194,374 15s. 5d.: a total of £8,349,581 17s. 9d. For other departments the transactions were—Receipts, £811,517 9s. 9d.; payments, £354,920 11s. 8d. to individual claimants, and £447,494 4s. 10d. to Government accounts—a total of £802,414 16s. 6d.: making in all £1,613,932 6s. 3d. received and paid for other departments. The gross receipts and payments through the Post Office for the year were therefore £9,963,514 4s. For 1891 they amounted to £7,816,864 19s. 7d.

The order for engraving a new series of postage-stamps for the Post Office, Tonga, has been executed, and the stamps are in use. The denominations are 1d., 2d., 4d., 8d., and 1s. The penny and fourpenny stamps have the Government coat-of-arms in centre, and are printed in rose and Indian-red respectively. The likeness of King George of Tonga appears on the twopenny, eightpenny, and shilling stamps. The respective colours are silver-grey, mauve, and green.

The Post Office, Rarotonga (Cook Island Federation), has also issued a new set of postage-stamps of the values of 1d., 1½d., 2½d., 5d., and 10d., to replace the original stamps, printed from ordinary printing-type. The likeness of Queen Makea appears on each stamp. The colours are brown, mauve, crimson-lake, silver-grey, and green.

PARCEL-POST.

The following table shows the total number and the weight of inland, intercolonial, United Kingdom, and foreign parcels posted during the years 1889, 1890, 1891, and 1892:—

Postal Districts.	1889.		1890.		1891.		1892.	
	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.
		lb. oz.		lb. oz.		lb. oz.		lb. oz.
Auckland	19,468	53,351 11	21,882	57,912 10	30,126	74,503 8	31,699	86,125 10
Thames	1,199	3,053 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	1,491	3,661 8	1,756	4,269 12	1,769	4,385 11
New Plymouth	878	2,341 14	1,007	2,674 3	1,630	3,745 13	1,463	4,903 12
Gisborne	770	1,969 0	938	2,570 6	1,149	2,990 10	1,103	3,310 6
Napier	5,354	13,802 2	6,265	17,075 14	7,707	20,917 7	6,675	20,779 2
Wanganui	3,344	7,862 8	4,035	9,563 8	5,497	12,528 12	4,892	13,352 15
Wellington	20,856	55,910 9	25,893	74,544 2	35,427	106,175 0	32,677	111,365 13
Nelson	3,767	11,013 13 $\frac{1}{2}$	4,723	13,370 7	5,892	15,366 2	4,574	14,282 5
Westport	868	1,859 14	1,077	2,332 4	1,464	3,268 6	1,276	3,086 13
Greymouth	1,630	4,024 11 $\frac{1}{2}$	2,509	6,243 13	2,998	7,252 12	2,634	6,710 10
Hokitika	1,182	3,394 5	1,413	3,924 5	1,776	4,622 7	1,705	4,593 12
Blenheim	1,785	4,008 15	1,846	4,357 11	2,058	5,128 15	2,108	5,151 1
Christchurch	17,370	48,403 14	19,383	58,708 4	26,312	74,162 2	23,804	76,804 0
Timaru	1,760	3,807 1	2,013	4,774 8	2,634	5,431 6	2,329	5,665 6
Oamaru	854	1,873 14	859	2,123 3	1,224	2,577 11	872	2,239 0
Dunedin	20,363	57,366 11	22,500	65,329 13	29,995	79,783 0	24,813	76,774 3
Invercargill	3,138	7,722 12 $\frac{1}{2}$	3,458	7,477 5	4,637	9,911 8	3,656	9,356 8 $\frac{1}{2}$
Totals	104,586	281,766 13	121,292	336,643 12	162,282	432,635 3	148,049	448,886 15 $\frac{1}{2}$

The postage collected amounted to £8,165 12s. 1d., compared with £8,267 3s. 11d. collected in 1891.

The number of inland parcels posted was 143,513, compared with 157,465 in 1891.

The decrease in the number of inland parcels posted against the number posted in 1891 was 13,952, or 8.86 per cent., compared with an increase of 33.88 per cent. in 1891 over 1890. This decrease is due to the diversion of lighter parcels to the packet-post, owing to the decrease of postage by the packet-post from 8d. to 4d. per lb.

The following table shows the number of parcels exchanged with the United Kingdom and foreign countries *via* London, and the Australian Colonies during the years 1891 and 1892:—

Country.	Number of Parcels.			
	Received.		Despatched.	
	1891.	1892.	1891.	1892.
United Kingdom and Foreign Offices, <i>via</i> London	17,115	13,988	3,253	2,961
Victoria	1,649	2,252	1,176	1,111
South Australia	113	156	107	94
Tasmania	76	120	250	278
Queensland .. .. .	...	125	...	47*
Western Australia	14	13	31	45
Totals	18,967	16,654	4,817	4,536

* From August, 1892.

The declared value of the parcels received from places outside the colony was £25,299 0s. 5d. The Customs duty collected amounted to £4,928 13s. 8d. In 1891 the declared value was £23,385 13s. 7d., and the duty collected £3,835 3s. 11d.

The declared value of parcels despatched to places beyond the colony was £4,296 7s. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ d., as against £4,193 9s. 11d. in 1891.

FREE OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

The estimated value of official or free correspondence for the year is given in the statement underneath:—

Postal Districts.	Letters.	Books.	Value.	Postal Districts.	Letters.	Books.	Value.
	lb. oz.	lb. oz.	£ s. d.		lb. oz.	lb. oz.	£ s. d.
Auckland	25,039 9	17,330 10	6,991 7 3	Hokitika	1,496 0	430 0	406 2 0
Thames	2,269 6	2,406 15	645 11 7	Blenheim	2,934 12	9,876 0	947 16 8
New Plymouth	4,460 14	7,000 0	1,306 5 1	Christchurch	12,558 4	11,136 2	3,534 9 4
Gisborne	1,587 8	16,320 0	695 6 8	Timaru	6,026 8	3,624 0	1,667 12 8
Napier	4,106 6	11,648 0	1,289 3 4	Oamaru	1,169 13	1,676 0	339 17 8
Wanganui	6,955 0	8,324 0	1,994 9 4	Dunedin	10,063 1	6,903 0	2,798 13 5
Wellington	126,513 13	213,300 0	37,664 5 5	Invercargill	3,263 0	4,970 8	954 6 2
Nelson	3,002 0	1,320 0	822 13 4				
Westport	1,492 0	906 0	412 19 4				
Greymouth	1,461 0	8,132 0	525 2 8	Totals	214,398 14	325,303 3	62,996 1 11

The estimated weight was over 240 tons. The estimated value of the free correspondence for 1891 was £63,579 16s. 4d.

REGISTERED LETTERS.

The number of registered letters dealt with in 1892, compared with the numbers in 1885, 1890, and 1891, is shown below:—

Postal Districts.	1885.			1890.			1891.			1892.		
	From Places beyond the Colony.	Registered in the Colony.	Totals.	From Places beyond the Colony.	Registered in the Colony.	Totals.	From Places beyond the Colony.	Registered in the Colony.	Totals.	From Places beyond the Colony.	Registered in the Colony.	Totals.
Auckland ..	5,890	22,124	28,014	7,119	34,398	41,517	7,797	40,807	48,604	9,346	50,348	59,694
Thames ..	205	2,879	3,084	130	4,781	4,911	165	4,552	4,717	179	5,314	5,498
New Plymouth ..	675	2,876	3,551	341	3,372	3,713	381	3,953	4,334	375	5,514	5,889
Gisborne ..	108	922	1,030	118	2,120	2,238	132	2,428	2,560	100	2,930	3,030
Napier ..	892	5,453	6,345	999	10,911	11,910	1,053	12,627	13,680	644	11,999	12,643
Wanganui ..	283	4,500	4,783	211	6,060	6,271	306	7,030	7,336	410	10,341	10,751
Wellington ..	4,757	19,218	23,975	6,129	30,369	36,498	7,492	36,491	43,983	6,924	44,413	51,337
Nelson ..	559	2,432	2,991	322	3,430	3,752	392	4,314	4,706	339	5,009	5,348
Westport ..	45	1,438	1,483	112	3,254	3,366	90	3,434	3,524	98	3,492	3,590
Greymouth ..	125	2,835	2,960	102	8,879	8,981	235	10,436	10,671	338	11,150	11,488
Hokitika ..	173	1,907	2,080	95	2,579	2,674	76	2,624	2,700	101	2,821	2,922
Blenheim ..	181	1,413	1,594	92	3,193	3,285	125	3,262	3,387	133	2,848	2,981
Christchurch ..	3,717	13,678	17,395	3,659	20,404	24,063	4,292	21,956	26,248	4,483	27,423	31,906
Timaru ..	440	3,153	3,593	312	3,551	3,363	380	3,740	4,120	263	3,961	4,224
Oamaru ..	316	1,947	2,263	278	2,505	2,783	293	2,048	2,341	219	2,638	2,857
Dunedin ..	5,645	12,737	18,382	4,615	19,636	24,311	4,782	19,762	24,544	4,140	26,088	30,228
Invercargill ..	1,614	6,661	8,275	1,740	9,819	11,559	2,031	10,708	12,739	2,770	13,240	16,010
Totals ..	25,625	106,173	131,798	26,374	169,321	195,695	30,022	190,172	220,194	30,862	229,529	260,391

DEAD LETTERS.

The number of unclaimed letters received and disposed of during the under-mentioned years is shown in the following table:—

Manner of Disposal.	1883.	1884.	1885.	1886.	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.	1891.	1892.
Opened and returned to the writers ..	69,452	68,942	66,592	66,729	62,847	55,118	62,654	60,540	60,245	63,483
Returned unopened to other countries ..	3,143	9,134	8,115	8,359	7,287	6,892	6,220	7,779	6,930	7,751
Reissued ..	67	107	185	251	96	88	92	141	158	128
Destroyed ..	3,302	3,986	2,872	6,600	5,974	5,246	4,340	2,660	2,090	2,092
Returned unopened by Chief Postmasters ..	15,833	17,593	19,187	21,144	20,185	19,963	21,164	21,931	18,713	19,909
Totals ..	96,797	99,762	96,951	103,083	96,389	87,307	94,470	93,051	88,136	93,363

The unclaimed letters dealt with show an increase of 5·93 per cent., compared with the number disposed of the previous year.

The proportion of dead or unclaimed letters to the total number of letters posted in the colony was 0·37 per cent.

The number of missing-letter inquiries to the total number of letters posted was in the proportion of 1 to 18,541.

29,806 book-packets and circulars were returned to foreign countries, 30,866 were returned to the senders through the Dead Letter Office, 4 were reissued, and 17,367 were returned by Chief Postmasters: a total of 78,043 book-packets and circulars, against 61,767 in 1891. 935 newspapers were returned to the publishers.

The under-mentioned articles of value were found in letters opened in the Dead Letter Office, and returned to the senders where practicable:—

170 post-office orders	...	...	...	...	...	£	s.	d.
30 bank drafts	...	...	...	...	...	3,034	9	6
131 cheques	...	...	...	...	...	904	0	10
2 dividend warrants	...	...	...	...	...	6	0	0
6 promissory notes	...	...	...	...	...	178	9	10
Postal-notes	...	...	...	...	...	40	6	0
Stamps	...	...	...	...	...	13	2	2
Bank-notes	...	...	...	...	...	109	0	0
Gold	...	...	...	...	...	15	0	0
Silver and copper	...	...	...	...	...	1	12	7

Representing a total of £4,740 3 1

In addition, 4 silver watches, 1 silver watch and steel chain, 1 silver watch chain, 1 silver stop-watch, 1 ladies' waterbury watch, 1 greenstone brooch, 2 gold brooches, 1 pair gold earrings, 1 gold locket, 1 gold safety-pin with pearls, 2 gold rings, 1 silver needle-case, 1 silver thimble, 1 shell necklace, 1 pair gold-mounted spectacles, 1 silver locket, 1 gold watch-key were received.

1,003 unclaimed registered letters were dealt with.

2,669 newspapers and 927 books and other articles without addresses were received, a considerable number of which were subsequently applied for and delivered. Of these 1,075 newspapers and 249 book-packets, &c., had been damaged by sea-water on the s.s. "Majestic" on the Atlantic.

174 letters were posted without addresses.

8 letters with libellous addresses were intercepted.

296 letters were wrongly addressed.

2,807 letters were refused by the addressees.

6 letters were discovered to have been posted with previously-used stamps.

BUILDINGS.

The new offices at Invercargill will be occupied next month. The clock-tower has been finished, and a tender for the manufacture and erection of the four-dial clock accepted. The clock should be in position about the end of the year.

The new offices at Waimate and Fortrose have been finished.

The extensive additions and alterations to the Chief Post-office, Christchurch, have also been completed, and have materially improved the public and office accommodation.

Offices are being erected at Danevirke and Kaikoura; and it has been decided to build at Pahiatua.

The Wellington Telephone Exchange has been enlarged, and the exchanges at Auckland, Christchurch, and Dunedin altered and improved.

Of the more principal works carried out during the year the following may be mentioned: Auckland—altering public lobby, Chief Post-office; drainage and gas services, and erecting fumigating-shed, Mechanics' Bay: Lyttelton, repairs; Maitai, raising building; Temuka, repairs and painting; Opunake, additions; Hokitika, repairs and painting; Huntly, additions; Cambridge, repairs; Te Puke, additions; Manaia, repairs and painting; Blenheim, alterations; Duvauchelle, additions; Gore, alterations and repairs; Longburn, additions; Masterton, repairs; Mount Somers, additions; New Plymouth, alterations; Reefton, repairs; Shag Point, additions; Sydenham, repairs.

The accommodation at Napier has been rearranged, and a public lobby for receipt of telegrams provided on ground-floor.

Additions and alterations to the Ashburton office are in hand.

The accommodation at the circulation branch, Wellington, is to be improved.

The Wanganui office is to be enlarged.

INLAND MAIL-SERVICES.

The following are the particulars of the several inland mail-services in operation during the year:—

Performed by coach and mail-cart	...	...	...	...	207
Performed on horseback	...	...	...	...	306
Performed on foot	...	...	...	...	50
Performed by water	...	...	...	...	40
Performed by railway	...	...	...	...	80
					683
					Total number of services
Aggregate mileage	...	...	...	...	10,296
Total number of miles travelled	...	...	...	...	3,689,946
Cost to the department	...	...	...	£25,341 18s. 2d.	
Average cost per mile	...	...	...	...	1.65d.
The total cost in 1891 was	...	...	...	£27,301 15s. 9d.	
And the cost per mile	...	...	...	...	1.66d.

The following services were established during the year:—

Auckland—

Weekly: Paparoa and Mareretu, Tuakau and Onewhero, Helena Bay and Wangaruru, Lichfield and Taupo (re-established), Rawene and Motukaraka, Takahue and Broadwood.

New Plymouth—

Weekly: Stratford and Toko, Tarata and Purangi.

Wanganui—

Twice weekly: Eltham and Kaponga, Manaia and Kapuni.

Weekly: Hunterville, Mangamako, Ohingaite and Sandon Block, Waitotara and Kaimanuka.

A weekly steam-service between Wanganui and Pipiriki was established in May, 1892. Although controlled by the Post Office, it is maintained by the Lands and Survey Department primarily for settlement purposes. It promises to develop a large passenger and cargo traffic; and when coaches can run through between Pipiriki and Tokaanu the route *via* the Wanganui River will no doubt become a favourite one with tourists travelling to and from the Hot Lakes.

Wellington—

Twice weekly: Pahiatua and Makuri.

Christchurch—

Thrice weekly: Hackthorne and Riverside.

Twice weekly to The Peaks.

Dunedin—
Twice weekly: Palmerston and Kyeburn.
Invercargill—
Monthly: Te Anau and Milford Sound.

The frequency of the following services was increased:—

Wanganui—
Thrice, instead of twice, weekly between Eltham and Kaponga.
Thrice, instead of once, weekly between Hunterville and Ohingaite.
Weekly, instead of fortnightly, between Wanganui, Jerusalem, and Pipiriki.
Wellington—
Five times, instead of twice, weekly between Halcombe and Stanway.
Thrice, instead of once, weekly between Fowler's and Pemberton.
Dunedin—
Five times, instead of four times, weekly between Dunedin and Middlemarch.
Twice, instead of once, daily between Dunedin, Burke's, and Glendernid.

The frequency of the following services was reduced:—

Greymouth—
Once, instead of twice, daily between Greymouth and Reefton.

The following services were abolished:—

Auckland—
Kamo Railway-station and Post-office.
Lichfield and Taupo (resumed at end of year).
Wanganui—
Manaia and Kaponga.

The inland mail-services have been relet for two years ending the 31st December, 1894. Generally, there has been an increase in cost compared with the tendering for 1891-92. A number of new services were established, many existing services extended to new settlements, and the frequency of others increased.

OCEAN MAIL-SERVICES.

The printed papers give the usual information relating to the services.

The Imperial authorities have declined to contribute to the cost of the San Francisco service any longer except on "strict Postal Union lines." In the place of crediting the colony 12s. per pound on the letter portion of their mails, for conveyance from San Francisco to Auckland, only 43·71d. per pound on the letters and 2·89d. per pound on the printed matter will be paid. This will diminish the receipts from the London Post Office by about £1,975 a year. The loss, however, will fall on the contractors, and not on the colony. The Home authorities were urged to reconsider their decision, and to continue to pay the higher rate, but they refused to do so.

The Government of New South Wales was then approached, and asked to increase its payment to £5,000 a year (its annual contribution at the time did not exceed £2,880), in order to prevent the possibility of the service being dropped by the contractors. The appeal resulted in the Government agreeing to make a fixed payment of £4,000 for one year. A twelvemonth's renewal of the service was then concluded with the contractors. This expires in November next; and a further renewal until November, 1894, will be arranged, which will exhaust the authority given by Parliament in the second session of 1891 for the continuance of the service for a further term of three years. It will be for the new Parliament to determine what shall be the future arrangements for the maintenance of mail-communication with Europe.

No further action has been taken by the United States Post Office towards establishing a fortnightly mail-service between San Francisco, New Zealand, and Australia, reference to which was made in the reports for 1890 and 1891; nor has it increased its contributions to the present service. The heavy American territorial transit-charges are still enforced, and it is now doubtful whether any reduction will be secured until the question is dealt with by the Postal Union Convention which is to meet at Washington in 1897. The opinion shared by the colonies as to the inadequate support accorded by the United States to the San Francisco service is indicated by the following resolution passed by the Postal Conference at Brisbane in March last: "That this Conference directs a communication to be sent to the Postmaster-General, Washington, regretting the continued non-participation of the United States in the matter of the subsidy to the present San Francisco mail-service, and also directs his attention to the excessive overland transit-rates between San Francisco and New York, and respectfully requests him to urge the Pacific Railway Company to give more favourable terms."

The colony having at its disposal only one contract service, the receipt and despatch of European mails by other routes than that of San Francisco have necessarily been irregular; but everything possible has been done to minimise the inconvenience to the public. The Direct passenger steamers timed to leave the colony the week following the arrival of the San Francisco mails at Auckland have afforded a fairly reliable service for replies to letters received *via* San Francisco, the mails on the average having reached London in forty-three days, or twelve days in advance of the mails *via* San Francisco leaving the colony three weeks later. The Suez services have also been used whenever it appeared that delivery in London would anticipate the receipt of mails by other routes.

In 1891 the despatch of the mails from the colony by the San Francisco service was put back five days, in order that the swiftest steamers on the Atlantic might be secured for the conveyance of the homeward mails. The inward mails were already being carried by the fastest vessels, and

the through transit-time each way was shortened by about two days. Under this alteration the outward mail was timed to leave Auckland two days after the arrival of the incoming one, and the interval between the steamer's arrival from San Francisco and her return was increased from twenty-three to thirty days. Auckland was enabled to answer incoming letters by the outgoing mail—an advantage not obtained by any other part of the colony. During the maintenance of the Direct contract service, and so long as the Direct steamers offered a reliable opportunity for answering letters received *via* San Francisco, this alteration made but little difference to the southern portion of the colony; but now, looking to the interests of the colony as a whole, a change is desirable. It has therefore been decided to put back the London despatch a week, which will reduce the time between the arrival of the mail-steamer at Auckland and her departure to about three weeks, and place all parts of the colony on an equal footing. A shorter interval, by despatching the mails from the colony a week earlier, would have been more suitable; but, as this would give the steamers only six lay-days in Sydney, and not allow sufficient time for docking and coaling, it was inadvisable to alter the despatch from this end.

The change of the despatch from London commences with the September mails.

The San Francisco service shows a loss of £7,485 19s. 2d. for the year, as against £3,454 11s. 11d. for 1891, the difference being almost entirely due to the increased payments for the transit of the homeward mails across America and the Atlantic. The rate for territorial transit is, approximately, 2s. 3½d. per pound for letters, and 8½d. per pound for other articles; and for Atlantic conveyance 1s. 9¾d. per pound for letters, and 2½d. per pound for other articles.

The interprovincial contract service for the collection and distribution of the San Francisco mails was also renewed for a year.

The increase in the quantity of mail-matter conveyed by the San Francisco steamers has necessitated an assistant mail agent being sent by each vessel.

The possibilities of a Canadian-Pacific mail-service have unexpectedly been practically solved by the inauguration of a monthly line of steamers between Sydney, Brisbane, and Vancouver in May last. The Brisbane Postal Conference affirmed that it was desirable to negotiate for a Pacific-Vancouver service, but the Conference was not aware at the time that the negotiations on the part of the Canadian Government for establishing a service were so far advanced. The service, which does not embrace New Zealand, is a calendar monthly one; and the time allowed between Brisbane and Vancouver about twenty days. Canada contributes £25,000, and New South Wales £10,000 per annum. The Imperial Government and the other Australian Colonies up to the present time have declined to subsidise the line. It is probable that the service will undergo certain changes before it can be regarded as on a permanent footing.

The average time within which mails were delivered by the San Francisco service was: From Auckland to London, 32·36 days, compared with 32·75 days in 1891; and from London to Auckland, 34·46, against 35 the previous year. The shortest delivery was made in 32 days.

The maximum, minimum, and average number of days within which the mails were delivered at and from London and Auckland, Wellington, Dunedin, and Bluff during 1892, by the San Francisco contract service, and by the Peninsular and Oriental and Orient lines, were:—

	San Francisco Service.			P. and O. Line.			Orient Line.		
London to Auckland	37	33	34·46	47	39	41·78	51	39	41·31
Auckland to London	35	32	32·36	48	39	42·79	45	35	39·85
London to Wellington	39	34	36·46	49	38	42·33	48	39	42·38
Wellington to London	37	34	34·36	46	38	43·00	46	37	41·83
London to Dunedin	40	37	37·77	48	38	41·90	47	39	42·29
Dunedin to London	38	35	35·36	48	39	44·19	47	36	43·75
London to Bluff	41	38	38·52	47	37	41·15	46	38	41·54
Bluff to London	39	36	36·11	47	38	43·44	46	35	43·00

RECEIPTS and PAYMENTS on account of the San Francisco and Peninsular and Oriental, and Orient Mail-services for the Year 1892.

San Francisco Service.

DR.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Payments by weight—									
On mails from New Zealand	7,166	10	0						
On mails from the United Kingdom	5,709	13	10						
On mails from the Australian Colonies, Fiji, &c.	4,449	10	2						
				17,325	14	0			
Interprovincial service, Mail Agents, &c....				3,414	10	9			
Transit costs { San Francisco to New York				4,551	17	3			
{ New York to Queenstown				1,878	14	6			
							27,170	16	6
CR.									
Postages collected in the colony				9,525	13	4			
Postages from London				5,709	13	10			
Contributions from non-contracting colonies				4,449	10	2			
							19,684	17	4
Net loss to the colony							£7,485	19	2

470,664 letters, 376,438 books, and 911,106 newspapers were received from, and 483,258 letters, 85,896 books, and 388,695 newspapers despatched to, the United Kingdom *via* San Francisco.

The letters received from the United Kingdom by this route increased 21·51 per cent., books 126·63 per cent., and newspapers 26·26 per cent., and the letters despatched to that country increased 7·43 per cent., books 44·34 per cent., and newspapers 7·56 per cent., over the numbers forwarded in 1891.

P. and O. and Orient Lines (Federal Mail-service).

DR.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Payments to P. and O. and Orient Lines	...	1,503	13	11			
Transit charges across Australia	...	46	18	11			
Transit charges across European Continent	...	266	17	11			
Gratuities (to and from Australia)	...	1,101	17	0			
					2,919	7	9
CR.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Postages collected in the colony	...	1,278	14	0			
Postages from London and foreign offices	...	756	11	3			
					2,035	5	3
Net loss to the colony					£884	2	6

The number of letters, books, and newspapers conveyed from and to the United Kingdom by the Peninsular and Oriental and the Orient packets were: Received—338,335 letters, 200,375 books, and 807,222 newspapers; despatched—62,891 letters, 7,308 books, and 31,255 newspapers.

RETURN showing the several Subsidised Mail Steam Services, the Subsidy Payments for the Year 1892, the Dates when established, and the Date on which each terminates.

Service.	Subsidy or Payment.	Duration of Service.		Number of Voyages per Annum.	Mileage for Complete Voyage.	Cost per Mile.
		When established.	When terminated or when terminable.			
	£ s. d.					s. d.
Auckland and San Francisco ..	7,166 10 0	Nov., 1885	Nov., 1893	13	11,916	0 11·10
Auckland and Fiji ..	1,690 0 0	June, 1880	*	13	2,334	1 1·87
New Zealand and South Pacific Islands ..	1,200 0 0	June, 1885	*	12	6,992	0 3·43
New Zealand and Chatham Islands	200 0 0	..	March, 1893	4	1,050	0 11·43
Auckland and Great Barrier ..	200 0 0	Oct., 1891	Dec., 1894	36	56	1 11·81
Helensville and Matakoho ..	450 0 0	Jan., 1881	Dec., 1892	52	118	0 4·53
Helensville and Dargaville ..				104	170	
Rawene and Omapere ..	200 0 0	Jan., 1889	Dec., 1892	52	34	1 0·15
Rawene and Horeke ..				52	12	
Omapere and Waitapu ..				52	30	
Russell and Opuia ..	90 0 0	Jan., 1889	Dec., 1892	156	8	1 5·31
Wellington, Ketu Bay, Maud Island, Maori Bay, Homewood, and Havelock ..	180 0 0	Dec., 1891	Nov., 1892	26	183	0 9·08
Nelson and Golden Bay ..	150 0 0	..	Dec., 1892	72	130	0 3·85
Hokitika, Bruce Bay, Paringa, Haast River, Okuru, Okarito, and Jackson's Bay ..	400 0 0	Jan., 1886	Dec., 1892	6	280	4 9·14
Westport and Karamea ..	120 0 0	June, 1886	Dec., 1892	13	102	1 9·72
Bluff and Stewart Island ..	179 15 0	July, 1886	Dec., 1892	52	40	1 8·74
Bluff and Coal Island ..	310 0 0	Sept., 1891	March, 1893	12	80	6 5·50
Paterson's Inlet and Half-moon Bay	18 15 0	April, 1892	Dec., 1892	52	12	0 7·21
Interprovincial Service in connection with San Francisco Line ..	3,000 0 0	Nov., 1886	Nov., 1893	13	..	..

* On three months' notice.

MONEY ORDERS.

Twelve money-order offices were opened during the year—namely, Kaponga, Levin, Manukau, Mount Somers, Oxford North, Puerua, Shannon, Te Kuiti, Waihi, Waikoikoi, Waitaki, Waitekauri. The offices at Babylon, Blackstone Hill, Lichfield, Taupiri, and Waharoa were closed.

The total number of money-order offices open at the end of the year was 329.

199,438 money-orders, representing £694,847 4s. 5d., were issued, compared with 195,239 orders for £651,939 19s. 6d. issued in 1891, an increase of 4,199 in number and £42,857 4s. 11d. in amount.

The orders paid numbered 160,423 of the value of £612,312 5s. 10d., as against 160,279 orders for £582,661 16s. 7d. paid in 1891, an increase of 144 orders and £29,650 9s. 3d. in amount. The disproportion between the increase in number and amount is accounted for by the fact that from the 1st May, 1892, orders were issued up to £20, instead of £10, as before.

The money-orders issued on the Australian Colonies, the United Kingdom, the United States of America, and Canada, and on foreign countries through the medium of the London Post Office, numbered 58,766, for £154,033 9s. 5d.

The number of orders drawn abroad and paid in the colony during the year was 19,443, of the value of £70,414 1s. 1d.

The balance against the colony on foreign money-order account was £83,669 8s. 4d., compared with £69,935 19s. 3d. in 1891.

The telegraph money-orders issued numbered 18,543 for sums amounting to £65,621 4s. 9d., as against 18,800 orders for £62,407 6s. 5d. issued in 1891.

The amount received as money-order commission was £9,452. In 1891 the amount was £9,649 14s. 9d. It should be explained that while the value of the orders issued increased by £42,857 4s. 11d., the commission decreased £197 14s. 9d., a reduction due to the commission on orders drawn on the Australian Colonies for sums up to £2 and between £5 and £7, being reduced at the time the maximum amount for a single order was raised to £20.

A direct exchange of money-orders has been established between the colony and the Straits Settlements.

POSTAL NOTES.

Postal-note facilities have been extended to a number of post-offices where the business did not appear to justify establishing money-order branches.

The increase in the postal-note transactions continues.

During the year 240,019 notes of the value of £86,962 2s. 7d. were sold, compared with 214,334 notes for £78,808 10s. 1d. sold in 1891—an increase of 25,685 in number and £8,153 12s. 5d. in amount.

238,383 postal-notes for £84,800 6s. 6d. were paid.

£1,680 19s. 1d. was received as commission against £1,518 0s. 1d. in 1891—an increase of £162 18s. 11d.

SAVINGS-BANKS.

Eleven savings-bank offices were opened—namely, Fortrose, Kaponga, Levin, Manukau, Mount Somers, Oxford North, Shannon, Te Kuiti, Waihi, Waitaki, and Waitekauri.

The offices at Babylon, Lichfield, Taupiri, and Waharoa were closed.

The number of post-offices open for the transaction of savings-bank business at the end of 1892 was 318.

The number of new accounts opened was 26,232, compared with 25,131 opened in 1891—an increase of 1,101.

The accounts closed numbered 18,171, against 17,872 in 1891—an increase of 299.

The total number of post-office savings-bank accounts open on the 31st December, 1892, with classified balances, and the number open at the end of 1891, are given in the table below:—

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.	Total.
Auckland	9,748	1,458	979	791	266	81	43	34	13,400
Blenheim	2,031	250	162	115	37	9	11	6	2,621
Christchurch	16,750	2,915	1,695	1,015	283	109	33	40	22,840
Dunedin	13,098	2,068	1,137	905	327	94	37	25	17,691
Gisborne	997	162	100	65	8	7	5	1	1,345
Greymouth	1,621	245	164	157	31	11	3	3	2,235
Hokitika	725	132	89	70	19	9	4	1	1,049
Invercargill	3,344	632	356	206	62	12	5	2	4,619
Napier	3,876	655	405	262	64	25	15	6	5,308
Nelson	2,745	367	221	197	55	17	6	3	3,611
New Plymouth	2,012	350	212	122	39	13	4	3	2,755
Oamaru	1,351	258	173	120	19	11	6	2	1,940
Thames	2,428	314	191	157	41	14	7	4	3,156
Timaru	2,535	418	250	190	44	16	9	9	3,471
Wanganui	3,882	574	337	234	65	21	11	7	5,131
Wellington	12,891	3,840	1,833	940	290	107	59	37	19,997
Westport	965	157	119	86	23	5	4	..	1,359
Totals, 1892	80,999	14,795	8,423	5,632	1,673	561	262	183	112,528
Totals, 1891	76,077	13,157	7,504	5,170	1,640	489	261	169	104,467

The number of accounts with balances not exceeding £20 increased by 4,922; with balances not exceeding £200 by 3,019; and those with balances in excess of £200 by 120.

There were 112,528 open accounts at the end of the year—1 account to every 5·78 of the population. In 1891 the proportion was 1 to every 6·07.

186,945 deposits for £1,878,270 6s. 4d. were made during the year—an increase of 9,974 in number, and £35,282 11s. 2d. in amount, over the deposits in 1891.

The average amount of each deposit was £10 0s. 11d., against £10 8s. 3d. in 1891.

There were 120,628 withdrawals, amounting to £1,821,348 18s. 1d.—an increase of 9,025 in number, and £127,833 8s. 10d. in amount, over the withdrawals in 1891.

The average amount of each withdrawal was £15 2s., compared with £15 3s. 5d. in 1891.

The amount deposited during the year exceeded the withdrawals by £56,921 8s. 3d. In 1891 the excess of deposits was £149,472 5s. 11d.

The interest credited to depositors for the year amounted to £111,301 13s. 1d., compared with £104,098 17s. in 1891.

The total amount of interest credited to depositors since the Post Office Savings Banks were established in 1867 has been £1,155,115 10s. 9d.

At the end of the year the balance to the credit of depositors was £2,863,670 12 10d.—equal to £4 8s. 1d. per head of the population, compared with £4 5s. for 1891.

The abnormal number of large deposits made during the first few months of this year indicated that the rates of interest and the facilities afforded by the Post Office Savings Bank were attracting a class of business which was never anticipated. The Colonial Treasurer determined, therefore, from the 1st June ultimo, to reduce the rate of interest paid from 4½ per cent. for sums not exceeding £200, to 4 per cent., and from 4 per cent. for sums exceeding £200 and up to £500, to 3½ per cent.

The average cost of each savings-bank transaction, deposit or withdrawal, for the year was 4.29d., and for the period of the existence of the Post Office Savings Banks 4.94d.

The number of accounts opened during 1892 by means of stamps affixed to cards, the total number of such accounts open, and the amount at credit, on the 31st December last, are given in the following table :—

Postal District.	No. of Accounts opened during 1892.		No. of Accounts open on 31st Dec., 1892.		Amount at Credit of Accounts open on 31st Dec., 1892.		
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s.	d.
Auckland	12	...	124	...	85 0 6
Blenheim	4	...	105	...	159 4 7
Christchurch	9	...	586	...	714 3 9
Dunedin	7	...	354	...	119 6 8
Gisborne	7	...	21	...	2 7 6
Greymouth	8	...	11 5 10
Hokitika	2	...	0 14 0
Invercargill	22	...	13 12 8
Napier	1	...	65	...	38 8 4
Nelson	12	...	305	...	613 15 0
New Plymouth	96	...	25 9 1
Oamarn	1	...	64	...	149 8 2
Thames	3	...	114	...	96 9 2
Timaru	10	...	127	...	176 11 1
Wanganui	37	...	101 14 9
Wellington	5	...	179	...	80 5 9
Westport	14	...	13 18 9
Totals, 1892	71	...	2,223	...	£2,401 15 7
Totals, 1891	119	...	2,301	...	£2,451 7 4

TELEGRAPHS.

1,904,143 telegrams of all codes were forwarded, a decrease of 64,121 on the number forwarded in 1891. It should be explained that the figures for 1892 are actual results, while the returns for 1891 were based on periodical countings. It may fairly be assumed that there was an over-estimate for 1891.

The proportion of forwarded telegrams per head of population was 2.96.

1,511,010 ordinary and delayed telegrams were forwarded of the value of £72,732 7s. 7d. In 1891 the number was 1,558,492 for £77,954 6s. 5d.

The press telegrams numbered 175,054 of the value of £8,309 11s.—a decrease of 12,569 in number, and £1,280 14s. 6d. in value, compared with the press business of 1891. The proportion of press to ordinary and delayed telegrams was as 1 to 8.63. The average value of each press telegram was 11.39d., against 1s. 0.27d. in 1891.

The number and value of telegrams of all codes forwarded during the calendar years 1892 and 1891 were as follow :—

	Ordinary and Delayed Telegrams.			Press Telegrams.			Government Telegrams.		
	Number.	£	s. d.	Number.	£	s. d.	Number.	£	s. d.
1892	1,511,010	72,732	7 7	175,054	8,309	11 0	218,079	24,342	7 0
1891	1,558,492	77,954	6 5	187,623	9,590	5 6	222,149	24,840	5 7

The telegraph receipts for the financial year ended the 31st March last, including telephone exchange subscriptions, private-wire rents, &c., amounted to £104,756 6s. 4d., compared with £110,163 13s. 11d. in 1891-92.

The expenditure was £117,053 4s. 2d., compared with £114,644 15s. 9d. in 1891-92.

The total value of the services performed by telegraph for the year, inclusive of £24,342 7s. for Government telegrams, and £927 3s., fees collected on money-order telegrams, was £128,155 15s. 6d.

The credit balance was therefore £11,102 11s. 4d. on the year's transactions, equal to a return of 1.57 per cent. on the capital cost.

35,078 urgent telegrams, of the value of £4,542 10s. 10d. were forwarded—an increase of 4,293 in number, and £363 19s. 4d. in amount, compared with the figures for 1891.

518,049 delayed telegrams were forwarded, against 562,927 in 1891—a decrease of 44,878, or 7.97 per cent.

The proportion of delayed to ordinary telegrams was equal to 52.17 per cent., compared with 56.54 per cent. in 1891.

218,079 Government telegrams, of the value of £24,342 7s., were forwarded—a decrease of 4,070 in number, and £497 18s. 7d. in amount, compared with 1891. Table No. 22 shows the value of telegrams forwarded by Government departments in the different postal districts.

The number of forwarded telegrams to each hundred letters posted in the colony for delivery within the colony was 7.46, compared with 8.29 in 1891, and 9.12 in 1890.

The number of money-order telegrams transmitted was 18,543, and the value £65,621 4s. 9d., compared with 18,800 for £62,407 6s. 5d. in 1891. The telegraph fees on these orders amounted to £927 3s. Table No. 21 shows the number and value of money-order telegrams for each postal district. The maximum telegraph money-order was raised from £10 to £20.

Telephone offices were established during the year at the following places:—

Bald Hill Flat	Khandallah	Puerua
Blackburn	Kingsland	Romahapa
Burke's	Le Bon's Bay	Shag Point
Bunnythorpe	Little Akaloa	Stanley Brook
Cheltenham	Mauriceville Railway	Taipo
Colac Bay	Mount Albert	Thorpe
Creighton	Ngatimoti	Toko
Drummond	Ngahauranga	Trentham
Five Rivers	O'Kains Bay	Tuparoa
Fowlers	Oreti Plains	Wairoa Pilot-station
Granity Creek	Otiake	Waitapu Wharf
Hillgrove	Otira Gorge	Waitepeka
Jackson's	Pomahaka	Whakarewarewa.
Kakapuaka	Port Awanui	

The telephone office at Ramarama was closed.

At the close of the year there were 375 offices connected by telephone.

The total number of telegraph and telephone offices open at the end of the year was 615.

There were 5,479 miles of line at the end of the year, an increase of 130 miles, compared with the mileage for 1891.

The cost of maintenance per mile averaged £5 8s., against £5 12s. 7d. the previous year.

The net expenditure out of loan for telegraph extension was £29,245 9s. 2d., compared with £27,772 16s. in 1891.

The number of private wires was 130, against 114 in 1891; and the amount received by way of rental, maintenance, &c., was £1,008 18s. 6d., against £670 6s. 9d. in 1891.

TELEPHONE EXCHANGES.

The business of this branch has expanded in a marked degree since the reduction of the rates in October, 1891.

A brief reference to the initiation and progress of the telephone-exchange system will be of interest.

The initial telephone exchange was established at Christchurch on the 1st October, 1881, with 27 subscribers. The next exchange was opened at Auckland, on the 24th of the same month, with 26 subscribers. Dunedin followed, on the 26th April, 1882, with 56 subscribers; and Wellington, on the 1st March, 1883, with 31 subscribers. On the 31st March last, Christchurch had 639 subscribers; Auckland, 659; Dunedin, 763; and Wellington, 768. On the same date there were 14 exchanges and 8 sub-exchanges, with a total of 3,811 subscribers, or connections.

The subscriptions originally were—for a first connection, £17 10s. per annum, and for every additional connection to the same subscriber, £15.

On the 1st January, 1883, the rates were reduced to £12 for the first year, and £10 for the second and following years, the reductions dating back to the commencement of the system.

A further reduction was made on the 1st July, 1885, from £12 to £10 for the first year, and £8 for every succeeding year. On the 1st October, 1891, the subscription was again reduced, this time to £5 a year with an entrance-fee of £1.

The increase in the number of subscribers from the 1st October, 1891, to the 31st March last, was 1,109, or 41·04 per cent. of the total number of subscribers secured from the initiation of the system in 1881, to the 30th September, 1891.

Telephone exchanges have been established at Palmerston North and Thames, and a sub-exchange at Winton. The following table gives the number of subscribers for 1891-92 and 1892-93:—

Exchange.	No. of Subscribers or Connections	
	Mar. 31, 1893.	Mar. 31, 1892.
Auckland	659	560
Blenheim	60	48
Christchurch	639	524
Dunedin	763	679
Balclutha	16	13
Milton	11	8
Port Chalmers	11	10
Greymouth	64	51
Invercargill	137	100
Bluff	21	13
Gore	40	15
Riversdale	8	5
Winton	6	...
Napier	175	143
Nelson	58	53
Oamaru	66	58
Palmerston North	74	...
Thames	85	...
Timaru	67	67
Wanganui	81	74
Wellington	768	660
Hutt	2	2
Totals	3,811	3,083

Of the 3,811 connections, 358 are free, including bureaux.

Forty-five bureau-offices were established during the year, and the total number open at the end of the year was 105.

£19,155 11s. 5d. was received during the financial year for telephone-exchange subscriptions, compared with £18,571 7s. 8d. the previous year. The number of subscribers, as shown in the table, increased 23·61 per cent. over the number in 1892.

The working expenses, maintenance, interest on capital cost, and allowance for depreciation, amounted to £19,734 1s. 1d. for the year.

The total expenditure in connection with the telephone-exchange system up to the 31st March last was £107,254 1s. 3d.

The following information is extracted from the annual reports of District Inspectors of Telegraphs:—

AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

Construction.—The lines constructed in this district during the year have been—Kingsland, 3 miles of wire; Mount Albert, 5 miles of wire; Mititai, 1 mile of wire and 70 chains of submarine cable.

Maintenance.—498 miles of lines in various parts of the district have received a thorough overhaul. Over a thousand poles have either been renewed, stumped, or rebuttet. 11½ miles of line were entirely reconstructed.

Provision has been made for the lighting of the Thames office by means of the electric light, the motive-power being obtained from the county water-race.

The lines generally in the district are in good order.

NAPIER DISTRICT.

Construction.—Under this head are comprised the following lines—namely: Blackburn, 3 miles; Wairoa Pilot-station, 2½ miles; Whakarewarewa, 3½ miles. Five new offices have been opened during the year.

Reconstruction.—Between Taupo and Oruanui 6 miles of poles have been renewed. Tarawera and Taupo, 160 butts have been fixed, and in the Town of Napier 20 new 35ft. poles have been erected on main line. The various sections throughout the district have undergone repairs.

Overhauling.—The principal sections overhauled were those between Waipukurau and Tenui, Napier and Taupo, and Wairoa and Napier. The Taupo and Cambridge Section is in progress of overhaul, and special attention will be required shortly to the portion between Katikati and Thames, and Otuparehuki and Rotorua.

Generally the lines in this district are in good working-order.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

The lines in this district, which extend from Wellington to New Plymouth on the west coast of the North Island, and from Wellington to Castlepoint on the east side, have given little or no trouble during the past twelve months.

On the 8th November the line from Feilding to Birmingham (Fowler's) was commenced, and was completed on the 16th December following.

On the 27th April the single-core cable across the Strait parted during a heavy southerly gale, and the three-core cable also broke down on the 15th May following, thereby throwing the whole of the telegraphic work between the two Islands on the single-core cable lying between Wanganui and Wakapuaka.

The telegraph staff showed themselves equal to the occasion, and gave evidence of great expertness, the average number of messages passed on the duplexed cable exceeding two a minute. At the suggestion of the Hon. Mr. Ward, Postmaster-General, negotiations for the purchase of a steamer were commenced, and the p.s. "Terranora" was purchased and fitted-up, and the repairs to the two broken cables were completed on the evening of the 2nd August. Since then both cables have remained in satisfactory condition. The insulation tests of the three cables will be found in the tables attached to the report.

NELSON DISTRICT.

Overhauls and Repairs.—A short length of line at Arahura has been shifted to the new railway bridge. The Hokitika-Stafford line has also been rewired. The wires have been raised on the Greymouth and Brunnerton Section (8 miles). Portions of the Motueka-Richmond Section have been rebuttet. Necessary poles and butts for repairs between Belgrove and Westport are on the ground, and work will commence immediately.

No work of any magnitude has been necessary during the past year, and all lines in the district have worked satisfactorily.

CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

Christchurch-Kaikoura.—This section has been repoled to a distance of 4 miles from Christchurch. The line as far as Kaiapoi will require some attention during the coming year, and in all probability strengthening through to Amberley. The remainder of this section is in good order.

Christchurch to Waitaki.—Addington to Hornby has been repoled, and the overhauling and strengthening the other portion of this section is now in hand.

Rolleston to Loopline.—This line, between Darfield and Old John's, has been thoroughly overhauled. No further expenditure will be required this year.

Amberley to Waiiau.—This line will require an overhaul this year. Many poles require rebutting, crossings raised, &c.

Christchurch—Lyttelton.—This line is becoming too heavy, and will in all probability be repoled shortly.

Christchurch—Southbridge.—Beyond rebutting a few poles, nothing will be required this year.

Christchurch—Akaroa.—This line, beyond rebutting a few poles, is in good order.

The lines are otherwise in good working-order.

OTAGO DISTRICT.

The following new lines have been erected: Palmerston to Shag Point, 6 miles; Lumsden to Five Rivers, 5 miles.

Reconstruction.—Twenty-three miles of main line between Dunedin and Palmerston, and 3 miles of branch to Port Chalmers. The reconstruction of the line, Clinton to Kelso, has been completed. Sections Clyde to Queenstown, Clyde to Naseby, and Clyde to Roxburgh have been repaired, and iron-rail poles put in. Other sections have been seen to and overhauled.

The main requirements for maintenance at present are—Reconstruction of about 10 miles between Oamaru and Waitaki, and the erection of new line, Riversdale to Waikaia, 14 miles.

Otherwise the district is in very good order.

The usual telegraph circuit plans, and a post-office and telegraph map, corrected up to the 1st April last, accompany the report.

Table No. 1.

TABLE showing the Money Orders issued in New Zealand on Offices beyond the Colony during the Years 1891 and 1892.

Where payable.	1891.		1892.	
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
United Kingdom	23,694	£ 68,513 0 5	23,957	£ 68,676 17 8
Foreign Offices through London	1,053	4,675 1 8	1,246	5,146 12 1
United States of America	1,701	3,787 6 4	2,107	4,497 1 9
Canada	142	505 14 4	141	527 10 1
Hongkong .. .. .	..	..	12	41 17 6
Victoria	7,106	22,753 2 4	8,246	26,758 4 2
South Australia	457	1,499 13 10	467	1,531 18 4
New South Wales	21,308	41,109 19 3	20,992	41,369 11 0
Queensland	418	1,343 6 0	456	1,720 5 4
Tasmania	711	2,628 1 2	1,018	3,192 19 3
Western Australia	94	343 17 5	124	611 12 3
Totals	56,684	147,155 2 9	58,766	154,083 9 5

TABLE showing the Money Orders issued at Offices beyond the Colony on New Zealand during the Years 1891 and 1892.

Where issued.	1891.		1892.	
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
United Kingdom and Foreign Offices	7,171	£ 25,204 11 6	7,357	£ 25,548 13 11
United States of America	625	2,728 18 2	670	3,286 13 9
Canada	114	585 4 4	125	514 6 11
Hongkong .. .. .	..	..	5	12 15 3
Victoria	5,345	17,100 15 1	3,959	13,625 13 3
South Australia	420	1,327 2 3	354	1,202 18 7
New South Wales	5,191	18,719 15 6	4,687	16,525 19 7
Queensland	776	3,420 12 5	710	2,988 15 4
Tasmania	1,771	7,733 17 5	1,358	5,812 0 11
Western Australia	101	398 6 10	218	896 3 7
Totals	21,514	77,219 3 6	19,443	70,414 1 1

Table No. 2.

TABLE showing the Number and Amount of Money Orders issued and of Money Orders made payable in New Zealand, Year by Year, since the Year 1870.

MONEY ORDERS ISSUED IN THE COLONY.

Year.	Commission received.	Where payable.						Total.	
		In the Colony.		United Kingdom and Foreign Offices.		Australian and other Colonies.			
		No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.
1870	£ 2,367 3 6	16,821	£ 73,344 11 9	9,624	£ 41,472 3 7	5,419	£ 25,637 12 7	31,864	£ 140,454 7 11
1871	2,608 3 6	20,514	88,546 9 7	10,407	44,197 18 3	5,370	24,653 5 9	36,291	157,397 13 7
1872	3,068 17 6	28,156	120,125 14 8	10,619	44,535 9 9	5,885	26,347 17 7	44,660	191,009 2 0
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
1874	4,393 2 3	40,968	171,683 6 1	14,379	57,821 2 6	7,365	33,659 19 2	62,712	263,164 7 9
1875	4,950 19 4	48,611	193,551 13 9	16,949	66,332 14 9	7,497	33,592 2 3	73,027	293,481 10 9
1876	5,261 19 2	55,748	212,089 1 6	17,331	66,977 4 2	7,176	31,202 0 3	80,255	310,268 5 11
1877	5,714 18 4	64,000	233,804 15 10	18,309	69,670 11 10	8,303	31,498 0 1	90,672	334,973 7 9
1878	6,288 13 0	70,531	250,861 6 0	21,169	80,681 15 8	9,317	36,711 15 2	101,017	368,254 16 10
1879	7,285 1 5	83,479	297,290 13 8	24,461	91,665 4 0	10,059	39,717 2 4	117,999	428,673 0 0
1880	7,943 15 4	97,275	320,260 19 11	27,587	104,149 5 10	10,786	40,994 15 4	135,648	465,495 1 1
1881	7,582 8 5	99,523	321,635 3 3	25,376	90,229 5 3	10,657	40,317 19 2	135,556	452,182 7 8
1882	8,267 9 8	108,916	360,196 4 9	25,898	91,530 17 9	13,348	47,641 7 5	148,162	499,368 9 11
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
1884	9,525 3 8	144,227	430,446 18 10	28,712	96,901 14 0	13,113	45,317 12 4	186,052	572,666 5 2
1885	9,553 0 7	146,406	439,870 3 9	28,722	95,920 9 10	13,494	45,604 15 2	188,622	581,395 8 9
1886	8,541 7 10	113,598	412,276 3 0	27,389	87,904 9 10	14,693	47,574 9 11	155,680	547,755 2 9
1887	8,532 10 5	119,091	426,194 13 9	26,057	84,264 12 9	14,431	45,285 6 11	159,579	555,744 13 5
1888	8,377 6 4	122,042	432,056 6 2	26,636	81,488 10 3	13,709	42,451 4 4	162,387	555,996 0 9
1889	8,696 13 5	127,323	458,469 7 7	26,206	79,167 0 4	18,547	51,909 6 10	172,076	589,545 14 9
1890	8,823 10 0	130,641	472,967 4 7	25,053	74,566 13 9	20,733	54,543 3 7	176,427	602,977 1 11
1891	9,649 14 9	138,555	504,834 16 9	26,590	77,481 2 9	30,094	69,674 0 0	195,239	651,989 19 6
1892	9,452 0 0	140,672	540,763 15 0	27,451	78,848 1 7	31,315	75,235 7 10	199,438	694,847 4 5

MONEY ORDERS DRAWN ON THE COLONY.

Year.	Where issued.						Total.	
	In the Colony.		United Kingdom & Foreign Offices.		Australian and other Colonies.			
	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.
1870	16,821	£ 73,344 11 9	1,156	£ 5,523 4 4	1,267	£ 6,055 6 11	19,244	£ 84,923 3 0
1871	20,514	88,546 9 7	1,396	6,217 11 5	1,318	5,914 18 7	23,228	100,678 19 7
1872	28,156	120,125 14 8	1,504	7,078 8 6	1,459	6,803 15 3	31,119	134,007 18 5
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
1874	40,968	171,683 6 1	1,603	7,284 10 7	1,800	8,316 17 7	44,371	187,284 14 1
1875	48,611	193,551 13 9	1,969	9,262 9 7	1,995	9,340 19 11	52,575	212,155 3 3
1876	55,748	212,089 1 6	2,243	10,202 13 6	2,385	10,838 16 8	60,376	233,130 11 8
1877	64,000	233,804 15 10	2,258	9,744 8 8	2,568	11,056 2 7	68,826	254,605 7 1
1878	70,531	250,861 6 0	2,260	9,833 18 6	2,528	10,698 14 3	75,319	271,393 18 9
1879	83,479	297,290 13 8	2,544	10,673 3 11	2,942	12,295 5 4	88,965	320,259 2 11
1880	97,275	320,260 19 11	3,466	14,811 14 3	3,913	15,829 0 3	104,654	350,901 14 10
1881	99,523	321,635 3 3	3,466	14,078 17 8	4,649	18,863 4 2	107,638	354,577 4 8
1882	108,916	360,196 4 9	3,421	13,416 1 9	5,076	21,090 4 10	117,413	394,702 11 4
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
1884	144,227	430,446 18 10	4,535	17,679 0 6	6,755	27,429 18 6	155,517	475,555 17 10
1885	146,406	439,870 3 9	5,204	20,091 17 4	7,725	30,724 6 4	159,335	490,686 7 5
1886	113,598	412,276 3 0	5,824	22,650 1 10	9,545	36,513 3 11	129,242	471,185 7 0
1887	119,091	426,194 13 9	6,334	23,423 16 2	8,963	33,254 2 3	133,910	482,437 17 4
1888	122,042	432,056 6 2	7,336	26,262 14 5	15,365	56,141 4 1	144,450	513,728 8 2
1889	127,323	458,469 7 7	7,469	26,887 17 9	15,859	56,402 1 4	150,651	541,759 6 8
1890	130,641	472,967 4 7	7,775	27,975 15 5	13,331	47,890 2 6	151,747	548,833 2 6
1891	138,555	504,834 16 9	7,910	28,518 14 0	13,604	48,700 9 6	160,069	582,054 0 3
1892	140,672	540,763 15 0	8,152	29,349 14 7	11,291	41,064 6 6	160,115	611,177 16 1

Table No. 3.

TABLE showing the Number and Amount of Transactions at the several Money Order and Savings Bank Offices in the Colony of New Zealand during the Year 1892.

Office.	Money Orders.					Savings Banks.						
	Issued.			Paid.		New Accounts opened.	Deposits.		Accounts closed.	Withdrawals.		
	No.	Commission.	Amount.	No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.	
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
AUCKLAND ..	12,175	745 15 6	45,236 6 3	25,131	90,610 12 4	1,433	8,703	155,330 5 9	1,521	10,277	179,584 14 1	
Alexandra ..	115	4 13 6	352 11 5	44	135 6 8	4	32	226 14 8	4	36	148 15 8	
Aratapu ..	622	24 1 2	1,853 14 1	101	462 8 1	33	309	1,438 13 0	17	82	1,022 15 7	
Avondale ..	23	1 5 6	45 1 2	58	254 9 2	4	24	133 11 0	2	8	50 18 9	
Babylon ..	21	0 19 6	90 14 6	8	4 1 0	1	20	133 9 0	1	3	15 15 11	
Bombay ..	143	4 9 6	383 6 7	58	340 9 8	11	54	871 19 6	6	26	310 6 1	
Cambridge ..	620	25 6 3	1,852 7 2	346	1,346 2 8	68	398	3,390 15 3	26	170	2,120 13 10	
Clevedon ..	120	3 14 6	304 4 11	47	172 13 6	4	74	338 17 0	3	12	239 18 9	
Coromandel ..	561	25 4 2	1,659 7 10	159	586 2 6	22	245	1,798 2 5	11	110	1,626 19 7	
Dargaville ..	785	39 12 1	2,679 1 9	134	500 7 0	116	554	6,488 0 5	29	123	2,499 3 6	
Devonport ..	244	11 8 4	596 5 10	263	946 13 7	20	266	1,086 13 0	10	52	301 13 4	
Drury ..	136	4 13 6	393 4 0	128	674 1 5	9	63	752 3 3	3	18	96 8 0	
Hamilton ..	835	33 3 0	2,746 16 2	635	2,288 0 10	79	600	4,374 11 8	38	195	2,963 18 6	
Helensville ..	597	21 1 7	1,701 18 2	236	726 4 5	30	223	1,540 17 0	16	103	927 2 4	
Huntly ..	585	21 16 3	1,989 19 1	133	538 17 2	23	166	1,409 5 0	13	115	1,506 4 10	
Kaeo ..	287	14 5 10	903 4 10	45	156 15 0	17	106	606 4 0	5	29	485 15 7	
Kaitia ..	442	18 18 8	1,527 0 2	70	469 4 0	18	143	806 8 0	2	22	245 2 6	
Kamo ..	821	29 7 10	2,521 3 8	145	695 8 1	42	538	3,647 7 1	23	144	2,115 19 9	
Kaukapakapa ..	89	3 13 5	352 3 3	14	46 14 11	12	105	428 12 0	7	25	203 6 7	
Kawakawa ..	714	26 2 1	2,072 12 11	193	749 14 3	62	512	3,804 10 0	21	101	1,806 6 5	
Kihikihi ..	196	7 3 4	532 10 1	119	417 2 0	13	109	847 15 4	11	67	390 6 3	
Kohukohu ..	146	8 8 9	491 15 5	41	219 7 0	10	42	490 5 6	4	44	301 3 7	
Kuatotunu ..	424	19 13 8	1,513 18 5	81	470 5 11	37	143	1,342 0 11	7	66	593 12 6	
Lichfield ..	69	3 7 10	278 0 10	19	88 14 9	8	47	281 16 0	2	7	65 19 7	
Mangapai ..	318	10 6 6	1,311 11 0	75	368 16 3	7	36	455 2 0	2	23	347 3 3	
Mangawai ..	136	4 18 6	286 13 11	19	80 11 6	21	134	1,318 6 4	2	23	287 8 7	
Mangawhare ..	231	10 2 3	799 13 7	41	170 1 9	24	149	1,567 16 0	6	27	645 11 3	
Matakana ..	111	3 11 0	279 9 10	20	108 17 1	8	45	384 7 0	1	13	200 5 0	
Mauku ..	48	1 7 6	137 0 7	42	213 13 10	5	47	217 1 0	1	10	88 6 3	
Maungaturoto ..	109	3 19 11	340 9 4	62	187 0 11	7	32	667 5 0	5	16	156 1 5	
Mercer ..	263	9 4 0	826 3 8	120	536 14 9	20	116	1,215 15 10	12	66	936 14 1	
Mititai ..	156	5 3 0	545 7 4	19	139 12 0	8	46	487 17 0	5	38	647 16 5	
Mongonui ..	543	20 11 2	2,183 11 8	107	387 1 11	25	149	2,362 7 0	12	65	1,908 4 7	
Morrinsville ..	98	3 18 11	336 17 7	42	176 4 6	15	98	563 9 9	4	20	372 12 3	
Mount Eden ..	8	0 7 0	11 7 10	107	347 11 3	2	5	17 9 7	1	3	19 10 4	
Newmarket ..	283	13 2 7	1,018 3 9	273	859 10 5	6	58	143 10 11	1	9	49 8 0	
Newton ..	609	36 8 11	1,849 8 3	1,011	3,321 7 8	56	478	2,286 3 5	12	77	638 8 8	
Ngaruawahia ..	322	13 11 3	1,001 14 1	184	720 9 3	33	182	966 17 0	15	74	919 12 3	
Ohaeawai ..	417	26 5 1	1,657 2 9	64	286 5 5	67	275	3,195 2 0	12	55	690 4 11	
Ohaupo ..	97	3 8 6	300 5 1	70	329 7 8	6	50	213 12 10	3	9	92 9 11	
Omapere ..	195	7 3 2	461 17 8	34	126 15 6	7	75	377 14 0	3	12	208 19 5	
Onehunga ..	416	23 2 2	1,421 8 6	760	2,480 16 6	29	149	1,617 19 9	16	84	781 13 5	
Otahuhu ..	248	9 17 11	738 10 11	282	1,008 4 1	27	246	1,255 16 0	11	100	1,010 6 7	
Otorohanga ..	285	14 5 5	963 0 7	67	273 5 7	11	47	886 7 11	4	26	567 12 0	
Oxford N. ..	20	1 7 9	79 4 9	2	6 14 8	3	23	169 2 0	..	4	101 0 0	
Pahi ..	194	7 9 1	547 3 1	51	253 18 5	14	67	573 5 0	3	31	168 19 7	
Papakura ..	165	5 7 10	515 19 7	172	842 2 3	15	88	843 9 4	11	64	619 11 9	
Paparoa ..	222	7 12 11	622 16 6	54	212 11 6	9	93	915 8 0	5	47	442 19 4	
Parnell ..	276	13 11 11	858 15 1	515	1,635 12 2	43	396	475 6 5	18	44	82 3 4	
Parua Bay ..	162	5 5 9	466 2 2	37	184 7 6	9	32	147 7 3	1	24	130 17 1	
Pokeno ..	72	2 14 0	318 15 9	56	330 10 6	6	71	843 19 1	6	29	439 7 6	
Ponsonby ..	189	8 6 2	468 9 11	564	1,873 13 6	7	94	127 11 0	10	17	13 8 0	
Port Albert ..	222	7 17 10	696 11 9	113	624 18 7	22	119	1,216 11 0	4	60	741 18 9	
Pukekohe ..	309	11 10 3	1,127 7 0	203	882 9 2	29	192	1,418 13 1	11	58	584 6 4	
Raglan ..	209	9 7 11	847 5 5	58	199 10 6	39	143	751 5 3	9	39	364 1 4	
Rangiriri ..	192	6 3 0	595 3 8	35	166 6 7	5	22	144 13 0	..	5	78 0 0	
Rawene ..	186	9 12 8	752 3 5	114	510 10 4	11	36	888 16 0	5	27	342 7 10	
Rotorua ..	596	31 13 9	2,521 11 11	340	2,234 4 4	62	238	2,563 13 8	25	115	1,412 17 5	
Russell ..	277	10 11 4	890 4 3	135	737 17 5	10	67	1,021 5 0	6	32	399 5 8	
Tairua ..	244	14 13 0	768 16 4	23	128 6 6	21	124	619 9 0	4	30	219 12 2	
Taupiri ..	57	2 9 9	250 16 11	40	185 16 3	7	40	257 9 0	6	21	187 10 10	
Te Awamutu ..	201	9 10 10	596 7 1	184	799 12 9	34	250	2,040 12 0	11	88	2,360 18 4	
Te Kopuru ..	590	24 3 6	1,853 10 0	138	780 4 2	32	169	1,422 0 0	12	80	853 11 2	
Te Kuiti ..	1	0 0 6	3 11 10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tuakau ..	239	7 13 0	842 5 4	111	420 2 7	19	57	362 13 4	6	22	266 4 1	
Upper Symonds Street ..	115	7 8 2	357 6 10	60	244 11 9	2	40	160 19 0	1	10	25 9 11	
Wade ..	124	3 17 9	231 16 2	37	154 4 10	25	76	478 16 0	8	26	365 8 2	
Waharoa ..	85	2 17 6	293 12 4	7	42 6 6	15	84	433 13 3	10	28	304 12 11	
Waipu ..	482	15 6 5	1,461 4 6	126	645 17 1	17	116	1,579 11 0	14	56	961 13 4	
Waiuku ..	375	13 17 10	1,326 1 9	178	830 18 3	40	141	942 5 0	16	90	706 0 0	
Waiwera ..	64	2 18 7	284 18 2	35	135 3 1	3	66	590 18 0	3	20	182 0 0	
Wangarei ..	1,622	55 12 7	4,753 10 0	514	2,014 5 7	112	629	6,167 11 2	72	317	4,544 17 9	
Wangaroa ..	135	6 14 1	438 8 8	53	155 17 3	14	124	1,346 10 0	5	27	721 13 2	
Waotu ..	77	3 18 11	193 11 11	13	57 11 0	..	6	48 0 0	..	2	20 16 0	
Warkworth ..	256	10 3 1	951 16 8	201	855 15 0	14	145	1,042 12 0	11	82	686 9 9	
Wellsford ..	83	2 12 9	226 11 4	26	83 18 8	5	36	449 16 0	..	8	470 15 11	

Table No. 3—continued.

TABLE showing the Number and Amount of Transactions at the several Money Order and Savings Bank Offices in the Colony of New Zealand during the Year 1892—continued.

Office.	Money Orders.					Savings Banks.					
	Issued.			Paid.		New Accounts opened.	Deposits.		Accounts closed.	Withdrawals.	
	No.	Commission.	Amount.	No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.
AUCKLAND—cont'd.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.			£ s. d.		£ s. d.		
Whangapoua ..	108	5 0 10	390 11 7	9	15 17 6	6	23	106 7 0	..	6	61 10 0
Whitianga ..	625	23 3 7	1,922 7 3	110	566 14 0	49	257	1,709 17 7	12	77	1,179 4 0
BLENHEIM	2,123	101 5 0	7,327 13 11	1,149	4,406 15 6	320	2,206	26,337 1 11	281	1,820	28,492 10 7
Cullensville ..	240	10 14 10	702 9 0	64	243 6 9	25	106	823 18 10	21	91	1,127 5 2
Havelock ..	459	17 17 10	2,007 7 4	127	450 19 0	44	275	1,885 12 7	23	103	1,831 15 5
Kaikoura ..	411	20 10 0	1,306 11 1	195	716 2 4	57	276	1,867 7 8	26	70	1,375 3 5
Kekerangu ..	100	4 1 8	270 0 10	4	36 1 0	3	59	319 1 7	..	5	38 0 0
Picton ..	798	32 9 4	2,372 13 11	372	1,357 13 10	59	542	3,959 0 3	15	164	3,172 13 1
Renwicktown ..	45	2 18 6	182 11 0	37	108 18 1	9	114	327 6 2	5	9	44 13 10
Spring Creek ..	140	7 16 11	375 16 2	42	226 6 10	15	82	502 8 7	1	20	137 2 7
CHRISTCHURCH	11,356	640 12 6	38,214 19 0	16,562	58,256 11 1	2,942	25,844	297,418 10 9	2,231	20,681	313,837 3 1
Akaroa ..	399	19 18 6	1,485 8 6	169	649 7 11	46	341	1,902 1 5	26	74	1,519 18 10
Alford Forest ..	84	2 3 6	230 8 2	10	39 5 7	..	..	..	..	..	..
Amberley ..	267	11 8 6	820 4 2	150	539 11 9	34	211	1,664 9 11	28	83	1,698 11 7
Ashburton ..	2,156	91 9 2	7,475 0 0	808	2,997 9 4	262	1,764	15,247 10 11	113	658	12,119 8 1
Bealey ..	74	2 11 11	212 11 8	7	29 14 4	5	43	275 3 0	1	3	195 1 10
Belfast ..	92	2 10 6	198 4 11	30	101 19 1	9	57	530 7 7	..	24	198 16 0
Chertsey ..	84	2 3 2	230 3 2	20	61 2 0	6	32	224 1 2	2	17	139 4 3
Cheviot ..	135	7 13 5	514 15 9	11	42 8 5	7	54	830 18 11	2	15	465 3 4
Coalgate ..	121	5 19 3	424 4 2	42	144 2 4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Culverden ..	150	8 5 7	727 12 0	46	186 8 0	20	122	993 19 0	5	19	476 13 11
Darfield ..	110	4 10 0	356 15 8	13	32 7 1	15	55	632 12 4	2	19	410 7 3
Dunsandel ..	97	4 0 6	315 9 5	23	79 19 0	9	68	708 15 0	3	17	183 6 2
Duvauchelle ..	148	5 12 0	535 1 2	31	98 14 1	20	46	575 8 0	8	21	383 7 8
Ellesmere ..	12	0 8 0	18 8 8	9	27 0 0	2	26	196 14 0	..	2	40 0 0
Hammer Plains ..	88	3 11 6	399 0 7	20	121 9 11	..	..	..	..	..	..
Hinds ..	59	2 3 9	191 18 11	22	104 19 10	4	17	251 18 0	2	11	145 1 8
Hororata ..	119	4 11 8	447 10 1	17	50 16 4	6	95	796 16 0	..	20	483 12 6
Kaipoi ..	492	23 13 4	1,737 16 6	328	1,247 19 4	110	813	6,529 19 0	57	261	4,629 14 3
Kirwee ..	134	7 15 8	649 15 3	41	163 12 10	5	31	356 14 3	1	10	237 11 3
Leeston ..	240	10 7 3	855 7 2	214	783 9 11	53	303	2,276 8 5	13	76	1,287 6 5
Lincoln ..	99	4 4 4	269 6 10	108	498 12 5	9	50	274 3 6	2	17	110 7 7
Little River ..	293	11 12 2	859 15 5	79	305 7 4	16	72	1,028 5 3	2	46	530 19 8
Lyttelton ..	1,785	98 17 10	7,501 6 6	817	2,835 8 2	158	1,520	11,708 10 2	92	562	10,407 17 3
Methven ..	195	8 3 11	723 12 2	45	135 1 9	118	331	1,814 10 1	10	62	504 13 9
Mount Somers ..	64	2 14 0	184 8 2	7	25 12 0	11	26	150 13 0	1	1	5 2 3
Oxford ..	391	14 7 11	1,210 10 11	196	755 12 2	34	273	2,550 1 0	20	105	2,691 17 4
Papanui ..	63	2 14 4	161 17 0	85	360 7 10	14	130	565 9 0	6	35	229 9 5
Pigeon Bay ..	116	5 13 0	510 19 9	32	106 14 3	7	45	208 16 0	3	14	264 8 6
Rakaia ..	357	11 18 3	1,036 13 0	74	210 7 3	41	250	1,686 6 1	14	90	1,117 2 3
Rangiora ..	847	38 4 10	2,797 18 1	513	2,020 15 3	170	1,031	9,968 16 8	86	428	6,954 4 9
Rolleston ..	14	0 10 2	42 7 6	10	58 1 6	..	27	174 11 0	1	12	207 6 10
Sheffield ..	216	8 11 9	860 6 7	51	189 6 11	15	110	997 5 0	6	32	955 2 0
Southbridge ..	253	10 8 3	908 13 6	180	721 15 9	26	190	1,346 8 0	26	84	1,552 11 2
Springfield ..	294	11 4 7	1,138 10 10	69	258 2 11	23	139	1,067 5 0	12	55	785 17 0
Sydenham ..	368	17 13 11	1,074 18 8	671	2,034 1 7	111	1,210	4,975 17 0	24	127	661 7 7
Tinwald ..	80	3 0 0	260 6 8	20	38 2 0	14	80	733 18 7	7	40	864 17 10
Waiau ..	168	7 7 8	552 18 0	37	157 3 9	22	185	1,578 12 0	6	53	927 18 4
Waikari ..	173	9 8 3	717 5 4	57	178 9 8	25	96	808 4 0	14	37	717 7 9
Whitecliffs ..	160	5 4 11	443 19 0	10	61 8 0	13	122	568 3 0	6	30	300 4 9
Woolston ..	39	1 12 0	89 15 6	26	91 11 9	4	67	414 17 0	1	4	43 4 0
DUNEDIN	9,722	543 9 9	34,955 6 10	20,809	74,832 12 4	2,133	18,657	194,561 3 0	2,047	16,450	223,741 11 4
Alexandra South ..	532	21 6 7	1,949 13 10	94	351 14 2	11	78	831 5 0	10	44	650 13 5
Balclutha ..	967	36 6 8	2,841 12 5	377	1,426 8 9	73	447	3,500 16 7	43	186	3,715 14 10
Caversham ..	97	5 11 9	398 13 5	391	1,336 12 3	66	608	1,385 2 4	11	41	336 9 5
Clinton ..	431	15 4 0	1,233 17 2	107	420 19 8	28	208	1,772 15 8	21	58	1,428 1 11
Clyde ..	319	13 2 3	1,083 8 8	135	407 5 4	15	90	567 7 0	3	37	520 3 0
Cromwell ..	604	24 10 1	1,829 16 2	271	1,714 15 5	16	118	766 1 9	12	26	350 17 0
Dunback ..	188	7 4 6	743 8 5	36	128 12 1	10	37	172 18 0	1	22	125 16 5
Dunedin North ..	1,276	64 2 2	3,535 7 7	773	3,075 13 10	375	3,851	17,418 18 11	143	912	6,683 19 7
Green Island ..	122	6 19 6	411 13 10	150	543 5 10	31	207	1,780 16 7	26	73	1,254 12 10
Greytown South ..	74	3 1 0	390 9 1	22	132 4 0	5	20	178 16 6	3	10	160 14 3
Hamilton South ..	249	9 2 2	916 4 8	24	122 2 6	1	29	178 18 0	4	11	197 16 7
Heriot ..	153	4 18 0	451 7 8	40	131 8 4	4	48	164 0 0	3	9	130 7 7
Hyde ..	339	22 1 11	1,710 15 6	57	550 19 7	4	46	128 10 0	2	4	20 6 4
Kaitangata ..	533	20 4 3	1,602 9 7	129	445 18 2	48	328	1,777 4 6	37	84	837 12 10
Kelso ..	235	8 13 9	733 11 1	29	121 10 1	15	78	673 19 1	4	13	580 5 10
Lawrence ..	914	35 2 5	2,546 17 8	571	2,088 10 6	65	467	3,315 3 11	35	122	3,184 9 6
Macrae's Flat ..	511	18 3 9	1,954 0 11	42	195 2 4	4	12	61 14 11	1	4	59 1 6
Middlemarch ..	317	12 9 5	1,556 11 1	52	231 17 6	13	51	319 13 0	2	9	70 10 8
Milton ..	684	29 14 5	2,416 11 8	393	1,496 2 7	82	546	5,061 9 7	51	192	2,564 7 11
Mosgiel ..	289	11 19 11	714 4 6	225	798 3 5	38	284	2,018 8 0	18	64	1,420 3 0
Naseby ..	679	25 16 8	1,962 0 4	255	842 5 6	46	275	1,126 13 0	11	51	1,086 14 11
Nenthorn ..	100	4 1 0	396 2 4	18	82 6 5	5	62	145 7 0	..	3	52 0 0
Ophir ..	501	20 1 0	1,395 17 8	55	185 7 8	14	76	242 12 0	8	16	152 12 8
Outram ..	217	9 9 0	689 18 8	128	534 0 3	33	112	870 14 4	16	48	647 16 5
Owake ..	734	25 11 2	2,702 15 9	132	601 15 4	33	131	1,362 10 6	7	77	858 9 1

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Office.	Money Orders.					Savings Banks.					
	Issued.			Paid.		New Accounts opened.	Deposits.		Accounts closed.	Withdrawals.	
	No.	Commission.	Amount.	No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.
DUNEDIN—cont'd.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.			£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Palmerston ..	781	28 2 10	2,477 17 3	519	2,361 8 7	52	680	1,615 11 0	20	63	1,100 2 0
Pembroke ..	337	32 1 7	1,993 12 1	37	155 13 4	9	29	343 7 0	1	12	97 1 6
Port Chalmers ..	869	49 19 11	3,062 3 8	877	3,277 5 3	185	1,681	8,864 12 1	91	495	5,333 16 7
Puerua ..	34	1 4 0	97 15 4	7	17 9 11	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh ..	603	22 12 9	2,141 11 2	198	830 15 0	40	230	1,943 14 0	18	66	837 8 7
St. Bathans ..	318	12 5 5	938 5 10	52	204 7 4	13	92	319 3 2	7	15	183 9 3
Seacliff ..	193	6 10 3	559 0 3	154	608 19 7	12	83	373 14 5	2	17	183 8 5
South Dunedin ..	283	13 10 7	780 13 8	418	1,708 7 8	80	824	3,600 3 10	31	134	1,692 9 5
Stirling ..	126	4 11 9	405 6 8	58	202 6 4	22	91	661 7 0	8	36	615 15 7
Tapanui ..	660	21 12 10	2,062 14 1	174	676 9 10	48	321	1,605 2 1	21	76	948 3 10
Waihoia ..	107	3 11 7	388 10 10	18	72 3 3	6	58	470 12 7	2	20	302 4 9
Waikaia ..	526	18 8 0	1,531 9 0	48	195 15 9	20	135	939 7 5	16	49	769 9 4
Waikoiko ..	31	1 1 0	70 18 0	1	10 0 0	..	..	..	..	..	..
Waikouaiti ..	412	13 2 6	1,115 10 6	209	614 13 10	23	191	1,741 8 1	4	46	1,051 19 6
Waipoua ..	110	4 0 7	318 2 2	18	85 6 7	..	..	..	..	..	..
Waitahuna ..	165	5 8 3	453 8 9	56	155 14 9	11	60	306 4 0	4	13	268 2 0
Waitai ..	111	4 7 6	376 19 3	79	333 11 4	16	68	1,041 5 9	14	39	560 17 11
GISBORNE ..	2,786	160 5 6	9,955 10 3	777	3,215 17 2	577	2,918	29,106 3 5	325	2,196	24,825 1 1
Waipiro Bay ..	181	10 7 11	662 7 7	44	224 12 0	45	125	1,360 7 0	3	21	310 4 0
GREYMOUTH ..	2,496	127 15 5	8,238 16 3	1,880	7,039 13 11	243	1,891	25,880 0 3	285	1,621	27,957 9 8
Ahaura ..	402	16 10 0	1,587 2 3	52	206 10 3	10	55	636 15 0	7	37	195 4 11
Brunnerton ..	866	45 3 0	2,636 15 2	208	738 3 6	81	656	5,511 18 8	15	104	1,675 17 5
Kaimata ..	45	1 12 6	190 7 10	8	24 17 0	9	34	295 8 0	1	1	5 0 0
Nelson Creek ..	163	6 12 11	769 9 7	19	90 12 0	5	44	340 18 0	..	15	95 3 10
Reefton ..	1,754	103 6 2	5,943 15 3	904	2,687 4 9	64	366	3,107 15 9	57	176	2,529 7 7
Stillwater ..	143	6 13 0	528 19 9	23	97 6 0	8	41	355 6 0	..	10	149 18 10
Totara Flat ..	133	4 14 11	345 16 0	29	130 3 9	7	34	294 4 0	..	11	137 14 0
HOKITIKA ..	1,230	60 5 6	3,783 5 6	819	2,848 11 6	108	707	9,122 12 10	101	437	7,561 8 4
Goldsborough ..	111	4 1 6	263 16 10	31	133 1 6	5	24	293 13 0	7	11	91 1 0
Kumara ..	1,166	51 17 2	3,502 7 1	269	890 5 4	57	371	3,209 18 2	41	143	2,766 8 11
Ross ..	341	15 14 11	949 15 1	127	523 9 8	25	129	1,167 16 5	14	49	851 15 3
Stafford ..	334	12 10 8	1,030 2 0	43	158 2 11	12	76	594 4 9	6	29	523 11 0
INVERCARGILL ..	3,205	152 11 3	10,820 8 6	4,068	15,250 0 10	628	4,042	40,857 11 3	469	2,491	44,932 3 2
Arrowtown ..	524	21 11 3	1,651 6 7	81	343 0 2	19	110	888 10 7	11	32	834 0 4
Balfour ..	62	4 7 4	213 17 11	13	33 11 0	15	68	496 18 10	1	17	219 11 10
Bluff ..	632	31 2 7	2,706 3 7	251	681 4 3	46	279	2,343 16 7	16	90	1,306 11 5
Dipton ..	184	6 14 5	642 7 3	34	116 5 11	6	53	209 14 0	7	20	411 2 7
Edendale ..	195	7 8 10	635 11 5	37	133 7 0	13	108	1,216 13 0	9	27	760 18 7
Fortrose ..	281	10 2 2	1,127 5 6	36	157 15 5	7	20	203 14 3	..	1	5 0 0
Gore ..	1,677	65 2 6	5,219 2 6	524	1,753 16 3	146	847	5,346 5 1	80	292	4,467 2 4
Half-Moon Bay ..	70	2 18 6	399 16 2	153	1,281 14 6	1	10	18 19 0	2	5	28 15 0
Kingston ..	104	3 15 2	375 4 11	20	134 10 6	2	22	101 13 8	1	4	44 1 1
Lumsden ..	266	10 9 11	857 14 9	67	224 4 6	40	172	1,367 4 5	18	51	695 8 0
Mataura ..	591	20 14 10	1,779 17 3	152	421 19 7	47	238	1,291 15 1	15	68	1,051 13 7
Orepuki ..	328	10 12 9	1,104 14 11	37	221 8 11	15	74	640 19 0	8	35	647 0 11
Otautau ..	237	10 1 5	855 11 0	48	182 8 9	9	86	707 18 0	6	29	299 15 1
Pukerau ..	92	3 11 1	288 19 7	33	82 15 4	11	55	271 13 0	1	18	161 3 4
Queenstown ..	603	24 6 6	1,796 7 5	262	944 4 3	35	277	1,799 15 3	10	52	1,015 8 4
Riversdale ..	370	14 12 5	1,252 9 2	67	278 17 8	21	143	932 6 2	5	29	528 0 10
Riverton ..	428	17 9 6	1,277 5 3	315	995 5 2	63	356	2,506 19 6	25	125	2,209 16 4
Thornbury ..	84	3 6 6	252 4 11	23	63 13 1	7	45	215 3 0	6	11	13 19 1
Waipahi ..	167	5 3 6	455 11 9	44	160 1 10	6	26	477 10 8	..	12	282 10 0
Wairoa ..	120	4 16 11	486 0 4	36	162 16 5	9	49	894 13 0	4	12	149 2 5
Winton ..	393	14 17 1	1,248 2 6	152	580 12 11	37	155	1,244 16 4	17	57	844 12 10
Woodlands ..	114	4 16 3	451 6 10	62	213 2 9	9	56	419 11 1	7	17	216 8 10
Wyndham ..	361	12 7 2	1,023 14 0	100	341 0 0	37	255	1,459 8 4	9	57	956 6 0
NAPIER ..	4,883	285 6 5	17,649 12 1	4,339	16,609 16 9	790	5,515	57,315 19 3	777	4,687	65,433 14 6
Danevirke ..	897	33 2 6	2,832 8 6	287	1,021 11 4	63	273	2,453 16 3	38	137	1,641 7 6
Hastings ..	1,722	91 9 5	5,181 11 11	696	3,099 12 10	228	1,021	10,001 18 0	83	396	4,897 0 8
Herbertville ..	200	9 14 11	705 17 10	35	157 3 3	11	65	398 14 0	2	14	159 4 6
Kaikora North ..	264	13 9 11	918 18 6	57	191 19 6	24	93	788 4 9	12	51	781 4 7
Kumeroa ..	116	3 9 8	409 7 4	30	125 9 8	..	..	..	..	..	..
Makaretu ..	168	4 16 6	587 18 0	18	135 14 3	14	27	315 11 2	2	36	721 2 7
Makotuku ..	184	5 19 7	561 13 4	64	204 13 7	17	103	985 13 0	2	32	416 4 3
Mohaka ..	109	5 8 5	288 16 1	36	209 13 6	3	18	203 7 0	..	5	37 0 0
Norsewood ..	466	17 3 8	1,834 4 7	59	244 18 4	15	62	719 0 9	10	33	502 12 4
Ongaonga ..	168	6 0 0	588 2 8	17	48 19 8	7	36	224 15 0	4	17	186 0 1
Ormondville ..	255	8 0 5	789 19 11	81	272 2 6	16	75	878 15 8	11	76	990 5 9
Porangahau ..	243	20 5 0	1,323 6 5	38	130 15 6	3	43	815 11 0	2	14	215 18 10
Port Ahuriri ..	620	34 3 11	2,239 13 10	155	463 19 8	56	506	2,591 18 10	9	88	746 10 10
Takapau ..	267	10 6 0	873 13 4	59	197 12 11	20	80	1,431 18 9	11	42	608 19 8
Taupo ..	326	18 2 10	2,531 15 8	65	471 7 11	4	34	370 3 0	..	13	429 19 0
Tikokino ..	81	4 1 8	292 18 7	19	87 17 0	7	24	266 3 0	1	5	91 1 2
Waipawa ..	942	44 18 2	3,166 14 7	638	1,800 7 2	76	414	3,391 12 7	41	198	3,094 17 5
Waipukurau ..	644	31 10 11	2,155 17 0	197	717 14 6	72	425	5,155 5 11	37	183	3,367 14 5
Wairoa ..	668	37 1 4	2,563 4 9	275	1,125 10 8	60	352	2,825 1 3	22	119	1,599 18 7
NELSON ..	2,430	118 18 3	8,168 12 1	3,837	15,546 5 10	384	2,887	34,963 5 0	328	2,225	43,472 2 10
Belgrove ..	265	13 7 8	970 5 1	55	268 13 0	38	211	2,905 17 3	5	33	543 6 7
Brightwater ..	114	4 13 4	323 6 1	71	246 12 7	6	33	293 4 0	2	24	177 12 5

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	No.	Commission.	Amount.	No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.
NELSON—continued.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Collingwood ..	500	17 15 0	2,251 12 10	144	734 2 5	28	154 2,325 17 0	7	46 1,282 8 10		
Motueka ..	474	17 18 7	1,647 2 10	262	1,238 17 3	43	341 3,259 0 4	35	123 2,204 1 5		
Richmond ..	116	6 5 0	526 3 2	126	463 4 2	25	185 1,428 11 9	7	56 1,269 10 9		
Takaka ..	356	14 18 0	1,421 4 7	120	533 11 4	33	129 1,504 14 11	..	61 1,128 13 8		
The Port ..	237	13 15 6	813 16 11	94	274 7 8	15	131 722 11 0	2	31 276 18 0		
Wakefield ..	147	6 14 7	539 19 0	96	412 2 2	26	213 2,215 7 7	6	42 1,119 18 6		
NEW PLYMOUTH ..	2,657	130 6 9	9,237 1 2	3,048	15,241 18 9	453	3,028 40,055 12 0	344	2,357 48,475 4 8		
Inglewood ..	712	27 11 2	2,716 11 7	249	1,233 17 2	117	649 6,356 10 4	40	222 3,333 10 0		
Opunake ..	398	13 15 0	1,545 3 2	136	731 7 5	36	216 1,623 9 11	5	51 756 5 9		
Pungarehu ..	92	4 18 10	447 8 5	64	420 10 10	14	55 1,332 0 11	1	16 131 14 9		
Stratford ..	1,085	41 12 11	4,132 8 6	314	1,466 16 3	165	510 7,086 6 8	50	237 4,178 8 4		
Waitara ..	455	20 14 7	1,616 12 9	248	963 13 2	51	312 3,396 0 10	28	144 2,444 5 1		
OAMARU ..	2,685	116 12 7	8,907 17 4	1,735	6,684 14 1	383	2,574 25,532 17 7	372	1,906 28,141 5 6		
Dunroon ..	129	4 18 3	568 0 2	42	167 18 1	13	83 490 1 0	8	27 419 7 10		
Hampden ..	300	10 17 3	1,215 16 7	356	1,110 16 11	7	51 448 2 0	1	17 331 10 7		
Herbert ..	208	6 14 3	657 16 7	37	150 9 7	7	69 509 14 0	2	18 201 9 11		
Kakanui ..	43	1 13 10	158 9 11	34	138 4 3	6	18 202 3 10	2	9 127 8 7		
Kuroo ..	240	10 8 6	1,195 15 4	124	614 6 0	21	136 1,056 14 6	3	32 439 5 9		
Maheno ..	128	5 8 1	427 2 6	57	268 5 10	17	87 447 16 8	6	28 217 0 0		
Ngapara ..	139	5 3 2	428 3 8	22	56 11 11	12	39 339 10 10	3	15 285 16 8		
THAMES ..	1,916	83 8 5	5,890 19 6	1,460	5,745 14 0	316	2,323 23,429 15 7	299	2,233 24,907 15 11		
Katikati ..	161	6 9 2	438 3 6	75	309 15 2	7	82 337 3 0	4	31 372 9 2		
Maketu ..	98	3 5 5	245 8 10	31	129 2 4	11	50 338 13 0	2	12 251 3 4		
Miranda ..	31	1 7 2	68 9 3	7	39 18 6	..	.. ..	..	.. ..
Opotiki ..	519	22 1 0	1,584 3 4	178	734 17 5	39	182 1,713 1 2	26	69 1,594 17 3		
Paeroa ..	556	25 0 4	1,993 3 8	129	592 4 5	30	160 1,370 14 10	13	59 959 9 8		
Tapu ..	11	0 10 2	29 2 0	23	98 15 11	..	.. ..	..	.. ..
Tauranga ..	561	24 15 3	1,720 2 3	544	1,860 15 8	69	428 3,702 9 6	37	168 3,515 1 4		
Te Aroha ..	785	29 16 4	2,884 4 0	258	1,096 3 10	71	403 3,111 5 8	29	148 1,947 12 11		
Te Puke ..	184	10 6 5	526 1 3	77	218 7 6	11	59 472 12 9	2	34 459 2 6		
Waihi ..	191	7 12 9	892 10 3	11	44 0 10	21	66 621 10 0	6	16 203 11 6		
Waiorongomai ..	76	2 16 11	257 10 7	29	103 5 0	..	.. ..	..	.. ..
Waitekauri ..	49	1 17 6	247 4 10	3	7 10 0	11	28 178 15 7	..	.. ..
Whakatane ..	252	10 5 6	707 10 11	95	533 6 6	13	59 752 12 5	7	27 993 1 9		
TIMARU ..	2,758	136 2 3	9,341 12 5	1,775	6,395 13 10	517	3,949 34,937 13 4	481	2,547 36,546 16 8		
Fairlie ..	173	7 10 11	718 4 6	52	287 3 6	19	106 1,119 13 2	5	23 856 0 7		
Geraldine ..	737	25 5 10	2,424 19 11	210	812 1 9	86	523 3,675 16 0	33	179 3,243 16 1		
Makikihi ..	51	1 19 9	144 15 7	14	69 0 3	3	12 142 13 8	3	11 126 18 3		
Pleasant Point ..	140	6 6 8	404 6 9	33	175 1 9	20	74 366 19 0	9	31 286 15 3		
St. Andrew ..	135	5 11 10	452 11 5	69	356 13 3	5	51 406 6 0	3	20 194 4 9		
Temuka ..	551	20 14 9	1,737 3 6	261	968 2 4	78	404 3,769 11 9	38	135 1,854 10 8		
Waimate ..	903	35 13 9	3,525 14 7	343	1,493 15 2	111	637 5,597 5 10	58	239 5,577 7 0		
Waitaki ..	26	1 3 6	142 4 1	7	40 2 10	4	5 22 6 0	..	.. ..
Winchester ..	92	2 15 3	252 10 11	15	38 17 6	11	96 399 3 11	7	25 190 2 0		
WANGANUI ..	4,465	205 3 0	16,594 17 6	2,759	9,934 4 0	704	4,839 57,424 6 6	654	3,855 64,163 6 8		
Bull's ..	457	21 3 5	1,701 1 6	153	541 6 3	7	511 2,866 1 0	41	185 3,132 2 2		
Eltham ..	345	12 10 9	1,255 11 10	114	595 14 10	58	161 1,984 8 0	28	86 1,314 18 0		
Fordell ..	151	6 9 0	695 15 10	52	165 11 6	9	58 732 12 0	2	18 552 19 5		
Hawera ..	1,554	59 12 3	6,576 19 3	614	2,386 5 11	160	931 8,503 5 10	67	276 6,410 13 0		
Hunterville ..	1,005	45 3 7	3,780 12 8	126	558 7 11	124	324 3,968 0 3	38	124 2,209 9 7		
Kaponga ..	19	0 14 6	72 19 9	1	9 0 0	2	2 25 14 0	..	3 40 0 0		
Manaia ..	697	22 9 3	3,019 7 10	178	802 19 0	60	313 2,107 19 10	27	118 2,572 17 8		
Manutahi ..	45	1 14 6	151 6 6	16	98 6 6	2	13 117 3 0	1	8 145 4 6		
Marion ..	1,194	46 5 2	4,879 16 1	504	1,724 16 1	126	758 5,581 10 6	44	284 5,771 12 0		
Normanby ..	226	8 9 3	916 7 10	108	520 10 9	29	112 798 12 6	10	50 1,036 2 9		
Patea ..	632	25 7 4	2,263 5 11	263	1,002 17 10	65	468 3,214 19 3	32	189 2,668 19 6		
Turakina ..	162	6 14 7	610 13 4	62	290 9 2	10	91 521 2 0	3	30 407 10 9		
Waitotara ..	136	6 13 9	594 19 2	56	359 9 8	6	35 439 17 6	4	12 178 13 8		
Waverley ..	461	20 9 1	1,583 19 11	125	476 16 1	38	267 2,175 15 8	21	99 1,092 0 0		
WELLINGTON ..	14,184	809 11 6	52,074 16 1	22,226	90,659 16 4	2,821	22,225 257,397 2 7	2,609	19,741 274,091 14 2		
Ashurst ..	396	12 18 2	1,354 5 4	176	944 3 11	27	97 649 1 10	19	78 1,261 5 10		
Campbelltown ..	199	6 12 10	627 17 6	22	107 14 3	10	61 277 17 0	9	22 263 4 3		
Carterton ..	788	36 11 7	2,537 0 4	292	1,109 4 2	107	763 5,028 7 9	41	268 5,050 4 2		
Castlepoint ..	18	0 14 6	58 15 4	3	9 15 6	..	6 22 5 0	..	1 8 0 0		
Chatham Islands ..	83	3 4 6	371 14 4	27	244 4 10	..	.. ..	..	.. ..
Eketahuna ..	730	24 15 10	3,453 15 2	259	1,651 7 2	43	182 2,607 2 4	11	202 3,085 17 7		
Featherston ..	472	21 7 0	1,574 14 6	156	555 0 9	51	318 2,463 3 3	24	96 1,526 17 10		
Feilding ..	1,575	58 10 7	7,214 17 11	613	2,591 14 0	149	899 7,901 4 7	87	358 6,359 4 0		
Fowler's ..	344	5 16 6	1,892 17 1	35	163 11 10	6	18 150 9 10	2	23 394 17 3		
Foxton ..	781	31 11 3	2,674 15 2	312	1,194 18 0	87	578 4,765 4 2	33	265 3,862 3 5		
Greytown North ..	681	33 1 6	2,469 15 11	272	1,034 10 4	68	495 4,974 2 8	43	211 4,125 10 3		
Halcombe ..	271	11 5 3	1,017 11 11	83	315 18 6	31	144 1,355 8 7	23	94 1,273 17 10		
Hutt ..	250	12 0 7	784 12 4	179	579 7 0	73	465 3,917 14 9	44	147 2,308 8 11		
Johnsonville ..	109	4 7 11	342 8 4	72	232 8 0	30	398 1,693 6 6	10	86 746 15 6		
Kaitoke ..	76	2 12 3	256 17 11	16	83 3 8	3	103 363 2 10	2	6 50 15 8		
Kaiwarawara ..	87	4 16 11	310 17 10	18	49 16 5	6	173 564 19 0	7	58 335 4 9		
Levin ..	48	1 11 0	151 0 1	19	76 5 0	6	16 75 2 0	3	7 87 5 2		

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WELLINGTON— <i>continued.</i>		£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
Manukau ...	48	1 12 6	142 9 3	5	18 15 6	10	19 171 6 0	1	20	152 18 5		
Martinborough	274	15 6 11	937 13 2	58	207 0 3	38	113 921 4 0	3	36	336 2 4		
Masterton	2,054	90 10 7	7,469 11 5	1,205	4,861 15 9	307	1,597 15,322 8 4	153	737	11,244 17 11		
Mauriceville ..	294	9 3 9	1,121 8 7	19	48 3 0	15	101 1,118 13 0	2	59	893 12 6		
Ngahauranga ..	90	3 14 0	387 3 3	33	127 3 0	7	49 313 13 0	..	21	166 1 0		
Otaki ..	638	29 2 3	2,101 6 8	306	1,209 7 11	55	309 2,544 18 2	24	134	1,865 17 5		
Pahiatua ..	1,553	53 6 1	6,361 5 11	411	2,063 15 7	130	426 6,473 17 8	65	330	5,036 14 3		
Palmerston North	3,591	151 13 0	11,694 8 11	2,179	8,510 9 2	491	2,525 27,062 17 2	232	1,332	20,666 7 2		
Petone ..	422	18 9 0	1,154 8 9	282	1,013 1 4	86	812 4,604 17 1	26	205	2,548 3 10		
Sanson ..	292	11 6 4	1,196 11 4	77	231 1 11	27	132 1,678 7 1	13	59	1,583 5 6		
Shannon ..	47	1 10 6	128 12 5	16	104 5 2	7	21 151 19 0	..	4	31 19 0		
Te Aro ..	1,495	70 5 0	4,127 12 3	121	492 4 1	364	3,980 14,872 0 4	95	413	2,684 18 6		
Te Nui ..	215	9 15 6	707 7 5	51	277 11 9	33	139 1,347 13 0	4	38	652 12 5		
Upper Hutt ..	166	6 18 2	584 13 4	66	307 11 7	12	164 1,528 14 0	21	64	651 19 4		
Wellington South	112	5 2 1	369 11 5	61	172 15 8	33	276 920 15 0	8	45	643 11 4		
Woodville ..	1,857	64 13 0	6,220 6 6	441	1,663 18 9	127	574 6,206 4 7	94	348	6,512 5 10		
WESTPORT ..	1,972	100 18 8	6,697 2 6	1,049	3,739 12 7	214	1,446 17,136 12 1	285	1,262	22,930 5 11		
Cape Foulwind	116	4 15 2	318 6 0	13	48 2 2	8	58 448 18 0	4	12	56 16 6		
Capleston ..	84	4 8 3	341 15 9	20	90 19 4	4	56 358 3 0	14	39	1,013 7 8		
Charleston ..	240	10 18 5	612 4 1	54	209 15 6	17	125 747 2 8	6	57	822 6 0		
Denniston ..	1,289	70 19 10	4,864 17 0	81	350 6 1	104	1,031 6,179 13 0	15	119	1,414 11 2		
Longford ..	205	8 18 10	800 6 1	41	258 0 3	8	54 862 3 6	1	7	171 16 7		
Lyell ..	683	25 4 8	2,061 17 3	57	246 10 7	27	154 1,447 8 9	9	36	440 8 10		
Waimangaroa ..	143	6 2 6	408 15 10	74	299 9 2	4	67 186 15 0	5	19	81 12 10		

SUMMARY.

POSTAL DISTRICT OF—		£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
Auckland ..	34,437	1,669 15 4	117,002 5 4	35,921	133,834 14 0	3,159	19,957 243,628 1 6	2,215	14,172	230,231 1 6
Blenheim ..	4,316	197 14 1	14,545 3 3	1,990	7,546 3 4	532	3,660 36,021 17 7	372	2,282	36,219 4 1
Christchurch ..	22,383	1,135 2 0	77,386 4 4	21,660	76,800 10 5	4,386	35,876 374,032 19 0	2,833	23,845	368,282 9 1
Dunedin ..	26,453	1,240 18 5	89,896 15 0	28,238	104,308 2 2	3,705	31,409 264,208 11 7	2,758	19,647	264,775 17 6
Gisborne ..	2,967	170 13 5	10,617 17 10	821	3,440 9 2	622	3,043 30,466 10 5	328	2,217	25,135 5 1
Greymouth ..	6,002	312 7 11	20,241 2 1	3,123	11,014 11 2	427	3,121 36,422 5 8	365	1,975	32,745 16 3
Hokitika ..	3,182	144 9 9	9,529 6 6	1,289	4,553 10 11	207	1,307 14,388 5 2	169	669	11,794 4 6
Invercargill ..	11,088	462 19 10	36,911 4 0	6,615	24,757 17 0	1,229	7,546 65,913 9 1	729	3,552	62,080 11 11
Napier ..	13,223	684 11 3	47,495 14 11	7,165	27,317 0 6	1,486	9,166 91,133 9 2	1,064	6,146	85,915 16 8
Nelson ..	4,639	214 5 11	16,662 2 7	4,805	19,717 16 5	598	4,284 49,618 8 10	392	2,641	51,474 13 0
New Plymouth ..	5,399	238 19 3	19,695 5 7	4,059	20,058 3 7	836	4,770 59,849 19 10	468	3,027	59,319 8 7
Oamaru ..	3,872	161 15 11	13,559 2 1	2,407	9,191 6 8	466	3,057 28,847 0 5	397	2,052	30,163 4 10
Thames ..	5,390	229 12 4	17,484 14 2	2,920	11,513 17 1	599	3,840 36,028 13 6	425	2,797	35,204 5 4
Timaru ..	5,566	243 4 6	19,144 3 8	2,779	10,636 12 2	854	5,857 50,437 8 8	637	3,210	48,876 11 3
Wanganui ..	11,549	489 5 5	44,697 14 11	5,131	19,466 15 6	1,480	8,883 90,461 7 10	972	5,337	91,696 9 8
Wellington ..	34,240	1,623 18 4	123,873 3 8	30,111	122,912 0 1	5,260	38,178 379,445 2 1	3,708	25,508	360,502 13 4
Westport ..	4,732	232 6 4	16,105 4 6	1,389	5,242 15 8	386	2,991 27,366 16 0	339	1,551	26,931 5 6
Totals ..	199,438	9,452 0 0	694,847 4 5	160,423	612,312 5 10	26,232	186,945 1,878,270 6 4	18,171	120,628	1,821,348 18 1

Table No. 4. 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, 1892.

Postal Districts.	Number of 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 Closed during the Year.	Number of Remains- ing at Close of the Year.	Total Amount standing to the Credit of all open Accounts, inclusive of Interest to the Close of the Year.	Amount standing to the Credit of each open Account at Close of the Year.
			£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.				£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland	76	19,957	243,628	1 6 12	14,172	239,231	16 4 11	13,397	0 0	...	4 29	14,065	3,159	2,215	13,400	386,696	28 17 2
Blenheim	8	3,600	36,021	7 9 10	2,282	36,219	15 17 5	...	...	...	4 16	2,401	532	372	2,621	61,756	0 3 23
Christchurch	38	35,876	374,932	10 8 6	23,845	368,282	15 8 11	5,750	9 11	...	4 45	23,210	4,386	2,833	20,240	594,446	18 7 26
Dunedin	40	31,409	264,208	8 8 3	19,647	264,775	13 9 6	...	...	...	3 79	18,584	3,795	2,758	17,691	466,861	3 11 26
Gisborne	2	3,043	39,466	10 0 3	2,217	25,135	11 11 6	5,331	5 4	...	6 22	1,000	622	328	1,345	31,400	7 23 6
Grey mouth	5	3,121	36,422	11 13 5	1,975	32,745	16 11 7	3,676	9 5	...	10 47	2,252	427	395	59,371	59,371	0 11 26
Hokitika	8	1,307	14,388	2 11 0	669	11,704	17 12 7	2,591	0 8	...	7 27	1,216	169	109	1,049	32,038	3 30 10
Luvercargill	24	7,546	65,913	9 2 8	3,552	62,080	11 11 7	3,832	17 2	...	6 3	4,402	729	729	4,619	110,133	8 23 16
Napier	19	9,166	91,133	9 2 9	6,146	85,915	16 8 13	5,217	12 6	...	10 6	5,134	1,486	1,004	13,178	131,780	2 11 24
Nelson	0	4,284	49,618	10 11 8	2,641	51,474	19 11 11	...	...	...	10 3	3,495	598	302	3,611	87,293	9 8 24
New Plymouth	6	4,770	59,849	12 10 11	3,027	59,319	14 14 0	530	11 3	...	9 9	2,533	836	468	2,755	66,418	4 24 2
Oamaru	11	3,057	28,547	9 8 9	2,952	30,163	12 11 9	...	...	...	8 5	2,231	466	397	1,940	54,651	4 3 28
Thames	8	3,840	36,028	13 6 9	2,797	35,204	14 11 0	824	8 2	...	8 2	2,787	599	425	3,156	71,153	18 4 22
Timaru	10	5,857	59,437	8 12 3	3,210	48,876	11 3 15	1,560	17 5	...	4 4	3,526	854	637	3,471	90,532	6 26 1
Wanganui	15	8,883	99,461	7 10 10	5,337	91,696	8 17 3	...	...	...	1 10	4,591	1,480	972	5,131	117,177	6 11 22
Wellington	33	38,178	379,445	9 18 9	25,508	360,502	14 2 8	18,942	8 9	...	...	17,747	5,260	3,768	19,997	465,095	16 4 23
Westport	8	2,991	27,306	9 3 0	1,351	26,931	14 7 3	433	10 6	...	...	1,470	386	339	1,359	36,862	15 6 27
Totals for Colony in 1862	320	186,945	1,878,270	6 4 10	120,628	1,821,348	18 1 15	56,921	8 3	...	4 29	111,301	26,232	18,171	112,528	2,863,670	12 10 25
"	1891	311	176,991	1,845,987	15 2 3	1,093,355	9 3 15	149,472	5 11	...	4 16	104,098	25,131	17,872	104,467	2,695,447	11 6 25
"	1890	296	162,938	1,658,543	3 5 10	1,068,608	15 9 5	158,105	14 0	...	5 00	92,319	23,719	17,256	97,208	2,441,876	8 7 23
"	1889	294	153,920	1,515,281	11 3 9	99,185	14 13 9	58,200	6 3	...	4 00	84,800	21,778	15,521	90,745	2,191,451	14 1 24
"	1888	209	145,355	1,544,747	7 11 10	96,204	14 8 5	157,276	6 1	...	4 00	78,080	21,307	10,543	84,488	2,048,441	10 9 24
"	1887	283	136,197	1,312,151	1 5 9	89,962	14 10 8	129,741	13 11	...	4 00	67,363	20,368	15,515	79,724	1,813,084	18 8 22
"	1886	271	137,989	1,248,405	6 11 9	89,182	14 18 0	...	...	...	4 23	65,825	21,671	16,757	74,871	1,615,979	9 6 21
"	1885	256	131,373	1,341,001	3 2 10	84,832	14 18 0	76,695	14 11	...	4 44	62,228	20,601	16,421	69,957	1,638,035	19 5 23
"	1884	243	129,279	1,227,909	11 4 9	80,800	14 16 0	31,978	10 5	...	4 00	57,381	20,228	16,447	65,717	1,499,112	0 7 21
"	1883	222	127,609	1,178,474	4 1 9	78,405	16 10 6	...	...	...	4 66	56,046	20,386	15,967	61,936	1,409,751	16 7 22
"	1882	207	129,952	1,325,852	2 11 10	69,308	16 9 8	183,253	2 10	...	4 82	54,909	21,014	14,505	57,517	1,479,950	13 6 25
"	1881	190	125,855	1,189,012	2 7 9	60,137	16 9 8	286,817	0 11	...	5 00	42,204	25,059	12,718	51,008	1,232,787	16 2 31
"	1880	178	81,660	864,441	18 10 10	57,446	13 11 8	83,937	5 6	...	3 50	32,822	16,137	12,217	38,967	903,765	16 10 23
"	1879	165	71,865	812,399	11 11 6	42,698	16 0 4	...	...	...	5 69	31,715	15,401	12,786	34,747	787,005	19 0 22
"	1878	147	69,908	762,084	12 0 18	47,176	17 7 2	20,030	17 9	...	3 00	17,164	13,005	9,634	32,132	819,071	8 2 25
"	1877	138	69,953	681,294	13 2 11	39,363	16 18 10	14,271	5 9	...	2 50	28,702	11,235	9,472	28,761	767,375	17 8 26
"	1876	124	57,295	664,134	12 6 11	39,486	17 12 8	...	...	...	2 50	26,702	11,255	9,472	26,117	723,910	17 5 27
"	1875	119	56,129	657,653	4 0 11	36,977	17 9 14	...	...	...	3 00	17,164	11,273	8,681	24,334	727,295	7 8 29
"	1874	103	53,627	609,249	14 3 13	29,778	20 16 5	79,094	5 6	...	2 50	26,935	10,346	5,736	21,742	776,836	18 0 35
"	1873	97	39,223	580,542	5 0 13	21,268	20 0 5	154,634	2 0	...	1 86	14,711	6,205	3,188	17,132	664,807	5 10 38
"	1872	92	31,681	430,877	0 13 12	17,254	18 3 0	117,700	12 1	...	1 56	10,360	6,205	3,188	13,566	499,066	7 0 30
"	1871	81	24,642	312,338	18 4 12	14,773	17 13 9	50,991	2 1	...	1 35	11,291	4,615	2,383	10,549	357,954	14 6 33
"	1870	70	29,489	264,328	5 9 14	11,934	17 11 1	54,818	12 5	...	1 64	9,242	4,304	2,277	8,317	295,372	1 7 35
"	1869	59	17,133	240,898	5 9 14	9,202	19 8 7	60,380	1 8	...	1 86	10,777	3,839	1,801	6,290	231,311	5 7 35
"	1868	55	13,014	194,535	11 6 14	6,365	16 16 6	87,440	14 3	...	7 89	4,880	3,282	1,186	4,352	163,518	15 7 38
Totals for Colony from 1st Feb. to 31st Dec., 1867	46	6,977	96,372	7 10 13	1,919	26,415	18 9 13	69,956	9 1	...	8 22	1,241	2,520	364	2,156	71,197	14 1 33

Table No. 5.

BALANCE-SHEET of the New Zealand Post Office Account for the Year ended 31st December, 1892.

	Balances on 1st January, 1892.		Transactions.				Balances on 31st December, 1892.	
	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.	Dr.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
MONEY ORDER ACCOUNTS:—								
Money orders	17,612 16 4	.. .. .	765,865 18 0	766,971 19 0	16,506 15 4	.. .. .	.. .. .
United Kingdom, &c. .. .. .	.. .. .	15,542 6 3	89,921 11 0	72,614 16 10	1,764 7 11	.. .. .	.. .. .
United States of America, &c.	791 14 3	.. .. .	5,070 2 1	4,873 19 8	987 16 8	.. .. .	.. .. .
Hongkong .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	42 5 10	12 17 9	29 8 1	.. .. .	.. .. .
Victoria	1,565 6 9	.. .. .	26,941 14 0	25,835 7 9	2,671 13 0	.. .. .	.. .. .
South Australia	256 5 3	.. .. .	1,541 1 2	1,227 2 3	570 4 2	.. .. .	.. .. .
New South Wales	219 4 1	.. .. .	41,755 12 4	39,320 3 11	2,054 12 6	.. .. .	.. .. .
Queensland .. .. .	.. .. .	205 10 0	3,183 14 7	3,013 14 8	.. .. .	35 10 1	.. .. .
Tasmania .. .. .	.. .. .	2,094 10 10	7,211 15 5	5,870 7 8	.. .. .	753 3 1	.. .. .
Western Australia .. .. .	.. .. .	37 15 9	615 10 8	901 2 7	.. .. .	323 7 8	.. .. .
Commission .. .. .	.. .. .	129 17 11	1,128 9 3	1,241 17 3	.. .. .	243 5 11	.. .. .
SAVINGS-BANK ACCOUNTS:—								
Deposits and withdrawals	2,695,447 11 6	.. .. .	1,989,571 19 5	1,821,348 18 1	2,863,670 12 10	.. .. .	.. .. .
Transfers	941 5 9	.. .. .	123,903 5 6	123,313 9 10	1,531 1 5	.. .. .	.. .. .
TELEGRAPH ACCOUNTS:—								
Receipts	1,320 4 5	.. .. .	128,387 7 9	127,540 4 11½	2,167 7 2½	.. .. .	.. .. .
New South Wales	423 19 7	.. .. .	11,487 3 0	11,493 13 4	417 9 3	.. .. .	.. .. .
New Zealand & Australian Cable	506 7 7	.. .. .	13,197 10 7	12,912 1 11	791 16 3	.. .. .	.. .. .
POSTAL REVENUE ACCOUNTS:—								
Stamps	111,745 4 11	.. .. .	275,879 6 10	273,001 9 7½	114,623 2 1½	.. .. .	.. .. .
Postal Guides .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	361 8 6	361 7 0	0 1 6	.. .. .	.. .. .
Private box and bag rents .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	4,703 10 0	4,703 10 0	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
Miscellaneous revenue .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	430 3 4	430 3 4	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
Money-order commission .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	9,452 0 0	9,452 0 0	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
Total revenue	7,324 16 4½	.. .. .	192,124 4 8	197,727 18 0	1,721 3 0½	.. .. .	.. .. .
GENERAL ACCOUNTS:—								
Post Office Account .. .. .	.. .. .	70,902 3 5	2,043,659 5 10	2,024,896 18 9	.. .. .	52,139 16 4	.. .. .
Postmasters and Telegraphists .. .. .	.. .. .	186,899 15 7	4,093,026 4 9½	4,107,052 10 7½	.. .. .	200,926 1 5	.. .. .
Investments .. .. .	.. .. .	2,609,137 7 8	801,546 0 0	1,013,600 0 0	.. .. .	2,821,191 7 8	.. .. .
Accrued interest on investments .. .. .	.. .. .	20,645 9 5	20,645 9 5	21,284 11 2	.. .. .	21,284 11 2	.. .. .
Postal notes	38,023 8 3	.. .. .	87,913 6 8	86,490 8 2	39,446 6 9	.. .. .	.. .. .
Maintenance of private wires .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	1,008 18 6	1,008 18 6	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
Foreign postage	1,348 4 3	.. .. .	13,862 11 8	11,839 9 6	3,371 6 5	.. .. .	.. .. .
Miscellaneous expenses	11,936 12 2	.. .. .	350,553 16 3	354,920 11 8	7,569 16 9	.. .. .	.. .. .
Customs duty	652 2 10½	.. .. .	5,340 17 10	5,434 14 7	558 6 1½	.. .. .	.. .. .
Game-license fees .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	1,503 10 0	1,503 10 0	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
Goldfields revenue	5 1 6	.. .. .	239 12 2	238 16 8	5 17 0	.. .. .	.. .. .
Goldminers' Guides .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	3 10 6	.. .. .	3 10 6	.. .. .	.. .. .
Government Insurance	890 3 5	.. .. .	21,755 9 4	21,176 13 6	1,468 19 3	.. .. .	.. .. .
Gum licenses .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	600 0 0	6 0 0	594 0 0	.. .. .	.. .. .
Hospital and charitable aid	3 6 1	.. .. .	12 19 4	16 2 6	0 2 11	.. .. .	.. .. .
Land-tax .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	233,939 12 4	231,000 0 0	2,939 12 4	.. .. .	.. .. .
Live-stock .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	10,147 6 6	10,147 6 6	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
Machinery fees	67 15 0	.. .. .	3,247 15 3	3,091 0 3	224 10 0	.. .. .	.. .. .
Mining Act .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	3,361 16 0	619 6 0	2,742 10 0	.. .. .	.. .. .
Native lands .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
Oyster licenses .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	1 0 0	1 0 0	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
Property-tax	432 7 5	.. .. .	91,945 4 3	92,367 0 0	10 11 8	.. .. .	.. .. .
Public baths .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	225 19 2	195 8 2	30 11 0	.. .. .	.. .. .
Registration of births, &c.	97 4 6	.. .. .	1,680 17 6	1,648 14 0	129 8 0	.. .. .	.. .. .
Rents .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	56 13 6	56 3 6	0 10 0	.. .. .	.. .. .
Advances to Treasury for payments to London office on Money Order Account .. .. .	.. .. .	5,794 9 11	5,794 9 11	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
Public Trust	152 10 0	.. .. .	86,901 9 10½	79,992 9 2½	7,061 10 8	.. .. .	.. .. .
General Post Office Fine Fund .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	3 0 0	3 0 0	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
Profit and loss	19,625 14 6	.. .. .	145,453 10 8	144,447 2 6	20,632 2 8	.. .. .	.. .. .
Totals	2,911,389 6 9	2,911,389 6 9	11,717,206 1 2	11,717,206 1 2	3,096,897 3 4	3,096,897 3 4		

Table No. 6.

SECURITIES, &c., standing in the Name of the Postmaster-General on Account of the Post-Office Savings-Bank Fund on the 31st December, 1892.

Description of Securities, &c.	Nominal Value.		Value at Cost Price.		Interest accrued but not received at Close of Year.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Consolidated Loan 1867 Debentures, 4 per cent.	13,000	0 0	12,480	0 0	109	13 11
"Consolidated Stock Act 1884" Debentures, 4½ per cent. ..	992,793	0 0	992,881	0 0	4,038	17 4
"Consolidated Stock Act 1884" Debentures, 5 per cent. ..	250,000	0 0	250,000	0 0	1,130	2 10
Defence Loan 1870 Debentures, 4 per cent.	75,000	0 0	72,000	0 0	632	17 6
Defence Loan 1870 Debentures, 4½ per cent.	5,000	0 0	5,000	0 0	..	
District Railways Purchasing Act Debentures, 4 per cent. ..	42,000	0 0	36,076	17 8	418	17 0
District Railways Purchasing Act Scrip, 4 per cent.	34,100	0 0	34,100	0 0	340	1 3
General Purposes Loan 1873 Debentures, 4 per cent.	5,200	0 0	4,342	0 0	43	17 7
"Government Loans to Local Bodies Act 1886" Debentures, 4½ per cent.	65,000	0 0	65,000	0 0	977	13 5
Greymouth Harbour Board Debentures, 5 per cent.	69,000	0 0	69,080	0 0	1,685	15 1
Hamilton Borough Debentures, 5½ per cent.	3,000	0 0	3,000	0 0	68	14 3
Hokitika Harbour Board Debentures, 5 per cent.	10,000	0 0	10,000	0 0	68	9 10
Immigration and Public Works Loan 1870 Debentures, 4 per cent.	173,200	0 0	166,272	0 0	1,461	10 4
Immigration and Public Works Loan 1870 Debentures, 4½ per cent.	14,900	0 0	14,527	10 0	141	8 11
Imperial Immigration and Public Works Loan 1870 Guaranteed Debentures, 4 per cent.	324,000	0 0	324,000	0 0	1,065	4 0
"Native Land Purchases Act 1892" Debentures, 4½ per cent. ..	20,000	0 0	20,000	0 0	147	18 11
North Rakaia River Board Debentures, 5 per cent.	3,500	0 0	3,500	0 0	72	17 6
Oamaru Borough Debentures, 5 per cent.	5,000	0 0	5,000	0 0	94	10 5
Oamaru Gas Bonds, 5 per cent.	8,800	0 0	8,800	0 0	36	3 3
Oamaru Harbour Mortgages, 5½ per cent.	33,000	0 0	33,000	0 0	760	16 1
Oamaru Harbour Mortgages, 5 per cent.	30,000	0 0	30,000	0 0	628	15 4
Patea Harbour Board Mortgages, 5 per cent.	10,000	0 0	10,000	0 0	72	12 1
Thames Borough Debentures, 6 per cent.	6,500	0 0	6,500	0 0	190	3 9
Thames Harbour Board Debentures, 5 per cent.	10,000	0 0	10,000	0 0	124	13 2
Treasury Bills, 4½ per cent.	366,500	0 0	366,500	0 0	..	
Westport Harbour Board Debentures, 5 per cent.	268,500	0 0	269,132	0 0	6,514	2 10
Post Office Account .. ..	..	..	..	..	458	14 7
Totals	2,837,993	0 0	2,821,191	7 8	21,284	11 2

Table No. 7.
POST-OFFICE SAVINGS-BANKS.

BALANCE-SHEET for the Year ended 31st December, 1892.

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Table No. 8.—SAN FRANCISCO MAIL SERVICE.

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

FROM LONDON VIA SAN FRANCISCO.

AUCKLAND.			WELLINGTON.			DUNEDIN.			SYDNEY.			MELBOURNE.		
Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Auckland.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Wellington.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Dunedin.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Sydney.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Melbourne.	No. of Days.
1892. January 23	1892. February 27	35	1892. January 23	1892. February 29	37	1892. January 23	1892. March 1	38	1892. January 23	1892. March 3	40	1892. January 23	1892. March 4	41
February 20	March 25	34	February 20	March 27	36	February 20	March 28	37	February 20	March 31	40	February 20	March 1	41
March 19	April 22	34	March 19	April 24	36	March 19	April 25	37	March 19	April 26	38	March 19	April 27	39
April 16	May 21	35	April 16	May 23	37	April 16	May 25	39	April 16	May 25	39	April 16	May 26	40
May 14	June 18	35	May 14	June 20	37	May 14	June 21	38	May 14	June 24	41	May 14	June 25	42
June 11	July 14	33	June 11	July 17	36	June 11	July 18	37	June 11	July 19	38	June 11	July 20	39
July 9	August 12	34	July 9	August 14	36	July 9	August 15	37	July 9	August 17	39	July 9	August 18	40
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November 26	December 30	34	November 26	January 1	36	November 26	January 2	37	November 26	January 4	39	November 26	January 5	40
December 24	January 30	37	December 24	February 1	39	December 24	February 2	40	December 24	February 4	42	December 24	February 6	44
Maximum	...	37	39	40	42	44
Minimum	...	33	34	37	37	38
Average	...	34.46	36.46	37.77	39.38	40.54

TO LONDON VIA SAN FRANCISCO.

MELBOURNE.			SYDNEY.			DUNEDIN.			WELLINGTON.			AUCKLAND.		
Date of Despatch from Melbourne.	Date of Arrival in London.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from Sydney.	Date of Arrival in London.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from Dunedin.	Date of Arrival in London.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from Wellington.	Date of Arrival in London.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from Auckland.	Date of Arrival in London.	No. of Days.
1891. December 26	1892. February 3	39	1891. December 28	1892. February 3	37	1891. December 30	1892. February 3	35	1891. December 31	1892. February 3	34	1892. January 2	1892. February 3	32
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Maximum	...	42	40	38	37	35
Minimum	...	39	37	35	34	32
Average	...	39.36	37.36	35.36	34.36	32.36

Table No. 9.—PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL MAIL SERVICE.

STATEMENT showing the Number of Days occupied in the Delivery of Mails between London and the under-mentioned Places by the Packets of the Peninsular and Oriental Line.

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

MELBOURNE.			SYDNEY.			BLUFF.			CHRISTCHURCH.			WELLINGTON.			AUCKLAND.		
Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Melbourne.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Sydney.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival at Bluff.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Christchurch.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Wellington.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Auckland.	No. of Days.
1892. Jan. 1	1892. Feb. 1	31	1892. Jan. 1	1892. Feb. 1	31	1892. Jan. 1	1892. Feb. 1	31	1892. Jan. 1	1892. Feb. 1	31	1892. Jan. 1	1892. Feb. 1	31	1892. Jan. 1	1892. Feb. 1	31
15	16	32	15	17	33	15	25	41	15	25	41	15	24	40	15	23	39
29	3	34	29	4	35	29	14	45	29	15	46	29	17	48	29	14	45
12	14	31	12	15	32	12	21	38	12	22	39	12	22	39	12	22	39
26	31	34	26	1	35	26	11	45	26	13	47	26	7	41	26	7	41
11	15	35	11	16	36	11	26	46	11	27	47	11	29	49	11	22	42
25	23	29	25	1	31	25	5	38	25	3	39	25	2	38	25	4	40
8	12	34	8	13	35	8	23	45	8	24	46	8	27	49	8	20	42
22	24	32	22	25	33	22	31	39	22	31	40	22	1	40	22	1	40
6	6	31	6	7	32	6	13	38	6	14	39	6	13	38	6	15	40
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23	25	32	23	26	33	23	31	38	23	31	39	23	31	38	23	5	43
7	6	30	7	8	32	7	13	37	7	15	39	7	14	38	7	16	40
21	21	31	21	22	32	21	28	38	21	29	39	21	21	40	21	21	42
4	7	33	4	8	34	4	16	42	4	17	43	4	15	41	4	13	39
18	22	34	18	23	35	18	29	41	18	31	43	18	1	44	18	29	41
Dec. 2	Dec. 31	29	Dec. 2	Jan. 10	39	Dec. 2	10	39	Dec. 2	11	40	Dec. 2	13	42	Dec. 2	12	41
16	20	35	16	21	36	16	26	41	16	27	42	16	29	44	16	26	41
30	29	30	30	31	32	30	9	41	30	11	43	30	9	41	30	8	40
Maximum	...	35	...	...	36	...	...	47	...	...	49	...	...	49	...	...	47
Minimum	...	29	...	...	31	...	...	37	...	...	39	...	...	38	...	...	39
Average	...	32.37	...	...	33.52	...	...	41.15	...	...	42.33	...	...	42.33	...	...	41.78

Table No. 10.—ORIENT MAIL SERVICE.

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

FROM LONDON VIA NAPLES (ORIENT PACKETS).

MELBOURNE.			SYDNEY.			BLUFF.			CHRISTCHURCH.			WELLINGTON.			AUCKLAND.		
Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Melbourne.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Sydney.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival at Bluff.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Christchurch.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Wellington.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Auckland.	No. of Days.
1892. Jan. 8	1892. Feb. 10	33	1892. Jan. 8	1892. Feb. 11	34	1892. Jan. 8	1892. Feb. 16	39	1892. Jan. 8	1892. Feb. 17	40	1892. Jan. 8	1892. Feb. 19	42	1892. Jan. 8	1892. Feb. 16	39
Jan. 22	Feb. 24	33	Jan. 22	Feb. 25	34	Jan. 22	March 7	45	Jan. 22	March 8	46	Jan. 22	March 5	43	Jan. 22	March 2	40
Feb. 5	March 10	34	Feb. 5	March 11	35	Feb. 5	March 21	48	Feb. 5	March 22	46	Feb. 5	March 22	46	Feb. 5	March 22	46
Feb. 19	March 22	32	Feb. 19	March 23	33	Feb. 19	March 28	38	Feb. 19	March 29	39	Feb. 19	March 31	41	Feb. 19	March 30	40
March 4	April 6	33	March 4	April 7	34	March 4	April 18	45	March 4	April 19	46	March 4	April 15	42	March 4	April 12	39
March 18	April 19	32	March 18	April 20	33	March 18	April 26	39	March 18	April 27	40	March 18	May 1	44	March 18	April 26	39
April 1	May 3	32	April 1	May 4	33	April 1	May 9	38	April 1	May 10	39	April 1	May 11	40	April 1	May 11	40
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April 29	June 1	33	April 29	June 2	34	April 29	June 13	45	April 29	June 14	46	April 29	June 13	45	April 29	June 9	41
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Sept. 30	Nov. 1	32	Sept. 30	Nov. 2	33	Sept. 30	Nov. 8	39	Sept. 30	Nov. 10	41	Sept. 30	Nov. 13	44	Sept. 30	Nov. 8	39
October 14	Nov. 16	33	October 14	Nov. 17	34	October 14	Nov. 28	45	October 14	Nov. 29	46	October 14	Nov. 25	43	October 14	Nov. 22	39
October 28	Nov. 30	33	October 28	Dec. 1	34	October 28	Dec. 11	44	October 28	Dec. 13	46	October 28	Dec. 10	43	October 28	Dec. 6	39
Nov. 11	Dec. 14	33	Nov. 11	Dec. 15	34	Nov. 11	Dec. 19	38	Nov. 11	Dec. 21	40	Nov. 11	Dec. 20	39	Nov. 11	Dec. 21	40
Nov. 25	Dec. 27	32	Nov. 25	Dec. 28	33	Nov. 25	Jan. 3	39	Nov. 25	Jan. 4	40	Nov. 25	Jan. 4	40	Nov. 25	Jan. 5	41
Dec. 9	1893. Jan. 12	34	Dec. 9	1893. Jan. 13	35	Dec. 9	Jan. 17	39	Dec. 9	Jan. 19	41	Dec. 9	Jan. 19	41	Dec. 9	Jan. 18	40
Dec. 23	Jan. 26	34	Dec. 23	Jan. 27	35	Dec. 23	Feb. 2	41	Dec. 23	Feb. 3	42	Dec. 23	Feb. 4	43	Dec. 23	Feb. 2	41
Maximum	...	35	36	46	47	48	51
Minimum	...	29	31	38	39	39	39
Average	...	32.77	33.85	41.54	42.73	42.38	41.31

Table No. 10.—ORIENT MAIL SERVICE—continued.

STATEMENT showing the Number of Days occupied in the Delivery of Mails between London and the under-mentioned Places by the Packets of the Orient Line—continued.

TO LONDON VIA NAPLES (ORIENT PACKETS).

AUCKLAND.			WELLINGTON.			BLUFF.			SYDNEY.			MELBOURNE.		
Date of Despatch from Auckland.	Date of Arrival in London.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from Wellington.	Date of Arrival in London.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from Bluff.	Date of Arrival in London.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from Sydney.	Date of Arrival in London.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from Melbourne.	Date of Arrival in London.	No. of Days.
1892. January 19	1892. February 27	39	1892. ..	1892. ..	..	1892. January 15	1892. February 27	43	1892. January 25	1892. February 27	33	1892. January 26	1892. February 27	32
February 2	March 13	40	..	March 13	43	February 30	March 13	43	February 8	March 13	34	February 9	March 13	33
February 16	March 28	41	..	March 28	44	February 13	March 28	44	February 22	March 28	35	February 23	March 28	34
March 1	April 9	39	..	April 9	43	February 26	April 9	43	March 7	April 9	33	March 8	April 9	32
March 16	April 23	38	..	April 23	43	March 11	April 23	43	March 21	April 23	33	March 22	April 23	32
March 29	May 9	41	..	May 9	44	March 26	May 9	44	April 4	May 9	35	April 5	May 9	34
April 12	May 21	39	..	May 21	42	April 8	May 21	42	April 18	May 21	33	April 19	May 21	32
April 26	June 4	39	..	June 4	42	April 23	June 4	42	May 2	June 4	33	May 3	June 4	32
May 11	June 18	38	..	June 18	43	May 6	June 18	43	May 16	June 18	33	May 17	June 18	32
May 21	July 2	42	..	July 2	43	May 20	July 2	43	May 30	July 2	33	May 31	July 2	32
..	..	..	..	..	..	June 3	July 16	44	June 13	July 16	33	June 14	July 16	32
June 21	August 1	41	..	August 1	44	June 18	August 1	44	June 27	August 1	35	June 28	August 1	34
..	..	..	..	..	..	July 1	August 15	45	July 11	August 15	35	July 12	August 15	34
July 20	August 27	38	..	August 15	42	July 16	August 27	42	July 25	August 27	33	July 26	August 27	32
August 3	Sept. 13	41	..	Sept. 13	45	July 30	Sept. 13	45	August 8	Sept. 13	36	August 9	Sept. 13	35
August 16	Sept. 24	39	..	Sept. 24	43	August 12	Sept. 24	43	August 22	Sept. 24	33	August 23	Sept. 24	32
..	..	..	..	..	..	August 26	October 8	43	Sept. 5	October 8	33	Sept. 6	October 8	32
..	..	..	..	..	..	Sept. 10	October 23	43	Sept. 19	October 23	34	Sept. 20	October 23	33
..	..	..	..	..	..	Sept. 23	November 6	44	Oct. 19	November 6	34	Oct. 20	November 6	33
October 11	November 21	41	..	November 6	44	October 23	November 21	44	Oct. 30	November 21	35	Oct. 31	November 21	34
October 26	November 30	35	..	November 21	40	October 26	November 30	35	October 17	November 30	30	November 1	November 30	29
November 8	December 17	39	..	December 17	43	November 4	December 17	43	November 14	December 17	33	November 15	December 17	32
November 22	December 30	38	..	December 17	41	November 18	December 30	42	November 28	December 30	32	November 29	December 30	31
..	..	..	..	..	..	December 2	1893. January 17	46	December 12	1893. January 17	36	December 13	1893. January 17	35
December 4	1893. January 28	45	..	1893. January 28	43	December 16	February 10	43	December 26	1893. January 28	33	December 27	1893. January 28	32
December 14	..	..	..	February 10	42	December 30	February 10	42	January 9	February 10	32	January 10	February 10	31
..
Maximum	..	45	..	..	46	..	..	46	..	..	36	..	..	35
Minimum	..	35	..	..	35	..	..	35	..	..	30	..	..	29
Average	..	39.85	..	..	41.83	..	..	43.00	..	..	33.54	..	..	32.54

Table No. 11.

TABLE showing the estimated Number of Letters, Post-cards, Book-packets, and Newspapers delivered and posted, within the several Postal Districts of New Zealand, during the Year ended 31st December, 1892.

Postal Districts.	Delivered.				Posted.			
	Letters.	Post-cards.	Books, &c.	Newspapers.	Letters.	Post-cards.	Books, &c.	Newspapers.
Auckland	5,685,550	224,679	1,600,807	2,400,671	5,039,528	355,225	1,222,078	2,528,825
Thames	399,763	16,094	81,497	232,765	356,317	10,907	43,888	104,403
New Plymouth ..	467,142	37,505	81,874	259,480	481,052	32,734	56,836	145,197
Gisborne	252,148	11,960	54,210	210,041	214,942	3,315	33,696	70,473
Napier	1,243,541	62,075	238,914	511,537	1,270,646	54,548	309,868	353,288
Wanganui	1,246,089	79,092	395,980	578,409	1,331,850	99,281	370,916	302,627
Wellington	4,565,119	177,138	826,215	1,462,422	4,575,584	172,224	1,203,813	1,209,962
Nelson	497,367	19,916	151,190	193,999	605,280	27,924	178,581	142,753
Westport	167,700	5,551	45,136	142,584	178,425	3,198	16,887	80,691
Greymouth	307,840	8,060	95,810	197,015	367,081	7,020	72,462	159,198
Hokitika	205,530	7,176	66,963	148,343	169,637	4,316	30,927	79,040
Blenheim	371,410	13,767	85,930	221,806	340,483	9,256	77,259	109,044
Christchurch ..	3,659,383	206,219	809,549	831,493	4,026,607	205,361	1,120,951	1,723,267
Timaru	809,510	55,445	165,672	261,183	872,274	46,267	178,841	150,150
Oamaru	516,165	29,198	121,836	176,306	488,631	23,478	91,962	104,767
Dunedin	3,335,163	183,950	1,393,249	1,097,135	3,783,429	212,238	1,351,493	1,321,346
Invercargill ..	1,350,518	87,113	293,631	613,756	1,429,038	78,806	414,466	433,589
Totals	25,079,938	1,224,938	6,508,463	9,538,945	25,530,804	1,346,098	6,774,924	9,018,620
Previous year ..	23,867,402	1,097,788	3,342,781	9,768,226	23,745,462	1,181,141	3,827,980	8,733,686

Table No. 12.

TABLE showing the Number of Letters, Book-packets, and Newspapers received from and despatched to Places outside the Colony during the Year ended 31st December, 1892.

	Received.			Despatched.		
	Letters.	Books, &c.	Newspapers.	Letters.	Books, &c.	Newspapers.
United Kingdom—						
<i>Viâ</i> San Francisco	470,664	376,438	911,106	483,258	85,896	388,695
<i>Viâ</i> Direct packets	30,406	4,082	19,132	134,683	19,134	86,570
<i>Viâ</i> P. and O. and Orient lines ..	338,335	200,375	807,222	62,891	7,308	31,255
Australian Colonies	741,754	1,094,204	996,861	641,259	71,337	507,241
Other places	113,114	154,185	274,641	118,165	20,314	115,618
Totals	1,694,273	1,829,284	3,008,962	1,440,256	203,989	1,129,379
Totals for previous year ..	1,610,942	1,211,893	2,578,514	1,407,803	181,389	1,129,799

Table No. 13.

TABLE showing the Number of Letters, Post-cards, Book-packets, and Newspapers delivered by the Letter-carriers from the Post Offices within the several Postal Districts during the Year ended 31st December, 1892.

Postal Districts.	Letters.	Post-cards.	Books, Circulars, &c.	Newspapers.
Auckland	2,327,365	66,250	234,845	438,269
Thames	177,429	13,980	15,150	60,748
New Plymouth ..	163,960	16,335	25,476	92,872
Gisborne	60,256	3,116	9,502	27,444
Napier	364,122	12,827	54,735	59,201
Wanganui	298,186	17,833	52,973	115,201
Wellington	1,467,760	49,693	164,836	334,334
Nelson	186,056	8,193	21,767	76,256
Westport	41,613	1,877	9,767	17,638
Greymouth	124,772	4,623	22,757	51,334
Hokitika	76,109	3,417	13,463	55,217
Blenheim	77,479	5,208	23,032	56,958
Christchurch ..	1,770,658	82,273	269,679	477,027
Timaru	195,715	17,478	34,474	56,321
Oamaru	127,636	11,425	32,926	25,781
Dunedin	1,182,449	46,649	287,221	315,230
Invercargill ..	318,194	27,622	92,720	117,434
Totals	8,959,759	388,799	1,365,323	2,377,265

Table No. 14.

TABLE showing the Estimated Postal Revenue, and the Estimated Number of Letters, Post-cards, Books, and Newspapers delivered and posted, within the several Postal Districts, during the Years 1885, 1890, 1891, and 1892.

Postal Districts.	Revenue.			Letters.		Post-cards.		Books.		Newspapers.		
				Delivered.	Posted.	Delivered.	Posted.	Delivered.	Posted.	Delivered.	Posted.	
Auckland—	1885	£ 37,636	s. 12	d. 5	3,776,630	3,206,294	126,646	127,946	277,927	176,150	1,400,906	1,339,468
	1890	50,005	16	1	5,083,429	4,286,499	208,780	233,845	620,217	660,281	2,152,878	2,155,040
	1891	51,440	11	3	5,705,466	4,682,483	232,362	273,533	814,099	753,558	2,543,905	2,294,890
	1892	56,346	14	8	5,685,550	5,039,528	224,679	355,225	1,600,807	1,222,078	2,400,671	2,528,825
Thames—	1885	3,887	11	3	369,100	359,550	10,374	11,310	24,674	18,681	240,569	187,317
	1890	3,920	5	7	435,656	347,538	15,041	10,701	56,680	24,330	224,939	111,172
	1891	3,980	1	0	446,693	377,117	17,550	9,737	55,458	30,641	247,962	104,455
	1892	3,755	15	10	399,763	356,317	16,094	10,907	81,497	43,888	232,765	104,403
New Plymouth—	1885	3,210	16	4	261,426	225,966	23,179	24,037	34,545	26,676	168,844	98,280
	1890	3,812	1	7	323,492	308,016	24,154	29,083	48,490	20,076	208,819	107,141
	1891	5,261	15	3	415,714	382,551	28,028	23,595	43,706	29,848	208,403	134,680
	1892	5,533	14	1	467,142	481,052	37,595	32,734	81,874	56,836	259,480	145,197
Gisborne—	1885	1,545	13	0	153,998	132,210	1,846	2,990	10,699	12,870	115,089	71,682
	1890	2,353	9	8	198,744	180,656	4,810	2,560	33,232	34,991	107,193	71,151
	1891	2,266	4	2	215,852	184,587	5,395	5,564	45,292	24,531	169,052	65,663
	1892	2,626	0	7	252,148	214,942	11,960	3,315	54,210	33,696	210,041	70,473
Napier—	1885	7,953	16	0	795,236	711,282	21,203	21,437	75,283	52,286	354,159	309,985
	1890	10,953	18	2	1,039,036	998,733	38,675	33,521	121,212	165,202	474,591	338,990
	1891	12,365	8	8	1,060,553	1,191,918	44,746	43,836	129,155	205,491	436,137	331,958
	1892	13,001	14	5	1,243,541	1,270,646	62,075	54,548	238,914	309,868	511,537	353,288
Wanganui—	1885	8,219	18	7	872,430	710,775	34,658	36,504	137,956	52,871	441,792	193,700
	1890	11,955	4	7	1,038,882	1,078,236	63,089	65,440	109,850	146,583	469,352	220,893
	1891	13,210	11	9	1,148,667	1,189,084	66,911	101,686	148,161	207,857	527,046	266,591
	1892	14,340	0	11	1,246,089	1,331,850	79,002	99,281	395,980	370,916	578,409	302,627
Wellington—	1885	68,085	14	7	2,813,460	2,375,529	66,443	65,104	241,020	387,140	848,601	897,728
	1890	76,912	9	9	3,766,685	3,711,877	134,498	115,971	524,589	750,905	1,327,664	1,340,232
	1891	76,153	4	9	4,068,402	4,072,614	138,645	126,204	597,311	635,783	1,434,979	1,196,286
	1892	78,244	15	1	4,565,119	4,575,584	177,138	172,224	826,215	1,203,819	1,462,422	1,209,962
Nelson—	1885	4,667	18	1	456,222	411,934	10,543	13,234	55,536	35,526	203,346	117,923
	1890	5,103	6	0	464,477	443,755	22,334	21,848	62,517	62,840	234,767	124,341
	1891	5,625	15	11	510,471	519,662	31,317	25,155	63,089	52,573	212,095	119,379
	1892	6,633	8	10	497,367	605,280	19,916	27,924	151,190	178,581	193,999	142,753
Westport—	1885	1,432	19	2	121,589	114,699	3,718	2,730	10,634	5,547	83,772	45,119
	1890	1,967	2	1	190,879	169,889	5,642	5,541	21,164	9,112	156,936	73,686
	1891	2,193	8	0	201,201	199,355	9,399	4,316	29,276	12,350	153,270	70,752
	1892	2,020	13	7	167,700	178,425	5,551	3,198	45,136	16,887	142,584	80,691
Greymouth—	1885	2,920	0	8	266,682	227,929	6,240	5,330	26,546	14,690	190,554	136,552
	1890	3,973	1	10	368,108	347,354	9,165	8,548	52,975	37,079	253,474	130,106
	1891	3,761	0	8	317,629	338,429	12,571	9,399	53,222	53,573	211,107	147,004
	1892	3,982	2	9	307,840	367,081	8,060	7,020	95,810	72,462	197,015	159,198
Hokitika—	1885	2,154	3	1	208,975	169,065	6,214	6,071	21,615	10,361	168,766	85,003
	1890	1,996	5	4	187,889	158,755	8,333	5,003	31,356	16,675	141,193	65,781
	1891	1,998	11	11	175,864	168,311	7,709	3,458	30,108	18,928	128,245	71,916
	1892	2,057	17	7	205,530	169,637	7,176	4,316	66,963	30,927	148,343	79,040
Blenheim—	1885	2,952	6	0	308,529	242,619	11,479	4,173	31,525	13,936	154,544	78,520
	1890	3,908	14	7	334,815	317,523	10,608	9,007	49,452	41,176	204,711	89,323
	1891	4,121	9	7	344,643	347,880	12,184	8,242	52,247	42,627	210,483	103,740
	1892	4,036	0	0	371,410	340,483	13,767	9,256	85,930	77,259	221,806	109,044
Christchurch—	1885	31,836	10	0	3,212,638	2,848,443	129,549	145,954	266,223	269,438	1,051,934	1,195,558
	1890	36,226	7	6	3,398,291	3,398,556	186,329	181,128	384,475	595,820	949,806	1,260,362
	1891	39,720	10	7	3,442,140	3,723,590	178,789	228,345	454,519	576,953	935,688	1,651,910
	1892	42,369	8	2	3,659,383	4,026,607	206,219	205,361	809,549	1,120,951	831,493	1,723,267
Timaru—	1885	6,454	6	2	783,900	607,516	33,670	33,553	69,593	35,204	234,260	127,036
	1890	8,783	14	4	782,184	771,361	50,037	45,745	97,786	99,251	274,001	148,566
	1891	9,761	18	7	801,034	896,610	54,951	50,284	128,531	135,057	298,610	161,317
	1892	9,372	19	4	809,510	872,274	55,445	46,267	165,672	178,841	261,183	150,150
Oamaru—	1885	3,998	7	6	569,101	379,721	15,587	15,990	52,156	26,403	271,180	106,444
	1890	4,355	19	6	447,213	409,695	30,615	26,247	59,423	49,815	134,355	85,713
	1891	4,865	16	11	463,242	472,355	30,342	25,298	67,912	66,690	150,371	92,365
	1892	4,620	6	3	516,165	488,631	29,198	23,478	121,836	91,962	176,306	104,767
Dunedin—	1885	32,468	19	10	3,231,124	2,820,025	97,812	119,119	240,409	373,935	1,168,778	1,284,114
	1890	36,908	12	2	3,147,690	3,406,250	138,320	136,841	396,162	495,592	1,233,895	1,954,939
	1891	38,355	1	8	3,272,386	3,631,979	145,288	155,259	444,132	690,911	1,222,442	1,477,777
	1892	40,119	15	7	3,335,163	3,783,429	183,950	212,238	1,393,249	1,351,493	1,097,135	1,321,346
Invercargill—	1885	9,873	14	10	1,170,338	924,820	54,561	31,629	94,367	87,438	588,276	274,979
	1890	12,296	1	2	1,207,193	1,167,244	69,004	60,936	138,749	201,073	612,638	399,086
	1891	13,690	18	4	1,277,445	1,366,937	81,601	87,230	186,563	200,603	678,431	438,503
	1892	14,027	12	8	1,350,518	1,429,938	87,113	78,806	293,631	414,466	613,756	433,589
Totals—	1885	229,299	7	6	19,371,378	16,458,477	653,722	666,211	1,670,708	1,595,252	7,685,370	6,548,508
	1890	275,432	9	11	22,415,263	21,501,937	1,019,434	991,065	2,338,329	3,320,801	9,221,212	8,691,522
	1891	288,772	9	0	23,867,402	23,745,462	1,097,788	1,181,141	3,342,781	3,827,980	9,768,226	8,733,686
	1892	303,089	0	4	25,079,938	25,530,804	1,224,938	1,346,098	6,508,463	6,774,924	9,538,945	9,018,620

Table No. 15.

TABLE showing the Estimated Correspondence posted and delivered, and the Estimated Expenditure and Revenue for the several Postal Districts and of the General Post Office, for the Year 1892.

Postal Districts.	No. of Offices.	Total Estimated Correspondence posted and delivered.							Estimated Expenditure.					Estimated Revenue.		
		Letters.	Post-cards.	Books and Samples.	Parcels.	Newspapers.	Cost of Conveyance of Mails.	Salaries.	Contingencies.	Total.	From Stamps, &c.	Official Postage.	Total.			
NORTH ISLAND.																
Auckland ..	283	10,725,078	579,904	2,822,885	65,999	4,929,496	4,730 13 10	12,265 18 0	2,237 3 5	19,233 15 3	49,335 7 5	6,991 7 3	56,346 14 8			
Thames ..	39	756,080	27,001	125,385	3,678	337,168	1,426 16 0	2,288 7 9	359 17 3	4,066 1 0	3,110 4 3	645 11 7	3,755 15 10			
New Plymouth ..	29	948,194	70,239	138,710	3,041	404,077	433 3 4	1,484 0 0	191 19 11	2,109 3 3	4,227 9 0	1,306 5 1	5,533 14 1			
Gisborne ..	22	467,090	15,297	87,906	2,297	280,514	538 0 0	799 10 0	79 0 10	1,416 10 10	1,930 13 11	695 6 8	2,626 0 7			
Napier ..	62	2,514,187	116,623	548,782	13,893	864,825	1,747 17 0	4,207 10 0	475 9 11	6,430 16 11	11,712 11 1	1,289 3 4	13,001 14 5			
Wanganui ..	50	2,577,939	178,373	766,896	10,179	881,036	770 11 5	3,011 3 11	157 13 9	3,939 9 1	12,345 11 7	1,994 9 4	14,340 0 11			
Wellington ..	107	9,140,703	349,302	2,030,028	68,037	2,672,384	1,879 11 3	10,049 1 5½	3,748 19 10	15,077 12 6½	40,580 9 8	37,664 5 5	78,244 15 1			
Totals for North Island	592	27,129,271	1,336,777	6,520,592	167,124	10,370,100	11,526 12 10	34,105 11 1½	7,241 4 11	52,873 8 10½	123,262 6 11	50,586 8 8	173,848 15 7			
MIDDLE ISLAND.																
Nelson ..	43	1,102,647	47,840	329,771	9,518	336,752	1,057 10 0	2,034 10 0	431 3 1	3,523 3 1	5,810 15 6	822 13 4	6,633 8 10			
Westport ..	28	346,125	8,749	62,023	2,051	223,275	383 1 0	1,105 0 0	167 10 6	1,655 11 6	1,607 14 3	412 19 4	2,020 13 7			
Greymouth ..	32	674,921	15,080	168,272	5,482	356,213	494 13 4	1,989 0 0	133 5 3	2,616 18 7	3,457 0 1	525 2 8	3,982 2 9			
Hokitika ..	34	375,167	11,492	97,800	3,550	227,383	515 14 0	979 5 2	120 17 11	1,615 17 1	1,651 15 7	406 2 0	2,057 17 7			
Blenheim ..	33	711,893	23,023	163,189	4,389	330,850	972 5 0	1,457 0 0	147 17 4	2,577 2 4	3,088 3 4	947 16 8	4,036 0 0			
Christchurch ..	166	7,685,990	411,580	1,930,500	49,567	2,554,760	2,651 2 6	9,646 8 2	993 3 9	13,290 14 5	38,834 18 10	3,534 9 4	42,309 8 2			
Timaru ..	44	1,681,784	101,712	344,513	4,847	411,333	479 13 8	2,122 10 0	164 3 9	2,766 7 5	7,795 6 8	1,667 12 8	9,372 19 4			
Oamaru ..	26	1,004,796	52,676	213,798	1,813	281,073	151 0 0	1,448 15 0	76 0 5	1,675 15 5	4,280 8 7	339 17 8	4,620 6 3			
Dunedin ..	150	7,116,592	396,188	2,744,742	51,667	2,418,481	5,006 1 6	10,187 14 10	1,959 3 3	17,152 19 7	37,321 2 2	2,798 13 5	40,119 15 7			
Invercargill ..	115	2,779,556	165,919	768,097	7,668	1,047,345	2,104 4 4	3,423 4 2	571 10 2	6,098 18 8	13,073 6 6	954 6 2	14,027 12 8			
Totals for Middle Island	671	23,481,471	1,234,259	6,762,795	141,092	8,187,465	13,815 5 4	34,393 7 4	4,764 15 5	52,973 8 1	116,830 11 6	12,409 13 3	129,240 4 9			
General Post Office	..	..	..	..	..	..	35,173 11 2	5,814 10 0	759 19 3	41,748 0 5	12,400 14 7	..	12,400 14 7
Totals for the Colony	1,263	50,610,742	2,571,036	13,283,387	308,216	18,557,565	60,515 9 4	74,313 8 5½	12,765 19 7	147,594 17 4½	252,493 13 0	62,996 1 11	315,489 14 11			

Table No. 16.

TABLE showing the Area and Population of Countries belonging to, and the respective Dates of their Entry into, the Postal Union.

Country.	Area in Square Miles.	Population.	Date of Entry into the Union.	Country.	Area in Square Miles.	Population.	Date of Entry into the Union.
America (United States of)	3,557,019	62,982,244	1 July, 1875.	British Colonies— <i>contd.</i>			
Argentine Republic ..	1,077,033	3,793,800	1 April, 1878.	Lagos	1,069	85,607	1 Jan., 1879.
Austria-Hungary ..	241,599	41,394,072	1 July, 1875.	Malta	125	177,225	1 July, 1875.
Belgium	11,374	6,136,444	1 July, 1875.	Mauritius and Dependencies ..	1,086	397,637	1 April, 1877.
Bolivia	515,156	1,434,800	1 April, 1886.	Montserrat ..	32	11,762	1 July, 1879.
Bosnia-Herzegovina ..	19,734	1,336,091	1 July, 1892.	Natal and Zululand ..	26,314	686,465	1 July, 1892.
Brazil	3,219,136	14,002,335	1 July, 1877.	Nevis	45	13,087	1 July, 1879.
Bulgaria	37,322	3,154,375	1 July, 1879.	Newfoundland ..	42,731	202,100	1 Jan., 1879.
Canada	3,385,351	4,829,411	1 July, 1878.	St. Christopher ..	68	30,876	1 July, 1879.
Chili	290,829	2,817,552	1 April, 1881.	St. Lucia	237	41,713	1 Feb., 1881.
Colombia	513,873	3,320,530	1 July, 1881.	St. Vincent ..	147	41,054	1 Sept., 1881.
Congo (Independent State of)	865,383	14,000,000	1 Jan., 1886.	Sierre Leone ..	3,000	74,835	1 Jan., 1879.
Costa Rica	23,001	243,205	1 Jan., 1883.	Straits Settlements ..	1,544	506,984	1 April, 1877.
Denmark	89,771	2,266,778	1 July, 1875.	Tobago	114	18,335	1 Feb., 1881.
Danish Antilles	139	32,786	1 Sept., 1877.	Trinity	1,754	203,030	1 April, 1877.
Dominican Republic ..	18,756	417,000	1 Oct., 1880.	Turk's Island ..	222	4,744	1 Feb., 1881.
Egypt	383,915	6,848,000	1 July, 1875.	Virgin Islands ..	64	4,639	1 July, 1879.
Equador	118,632	1,204,600	1 July, 1880.	Greece	25,143	2,187,208	1 July, 1875.
France and Algeria ..	461,794	42,531,196	1 Jan., 1876.	Guatemala	48,303	1,452,003	1 Aug., 1881.
French Colonies ..	525,807	27,053,130	1 July, 1876.	Hayti	11,072	960,000	1 July, 1881.
Germany	208,665	49,428,470	1 July, 1875.	Hawaiian Islands ..	6,543	89,990	1 Jan., 1882.
German Protectorates—				Holland	12,742	4,564,565	1 July, 1875.
Africa East	363,826	2,900,000	1 April, 1891.	Dutch Colonies—			
Africa South-west ..	322,446	200,000	1 July, 1888.	Dutch Antilles ..	436	45,162	1 May, 1877.
Camerouns	10,039	480,500	1 June, 1887.	Dutch Guiana ..	49,848	68,873	1 May, 1877.
Marshall Islands ..	160	16,000	1 Oct., 1888.	Dutch East India ..	723,219	32,174,600	1 May, 1877.
New Guinea	96,917	387,000	1 Jan., 1888.	Honduras (Republic of) ..	46,264	381,938	1 April, 1879.
Togo Territory	23,167	2,250,000	1 June, 1888.	India (British) ..	1,876,255	291,351,000	1 July, 1876.
Great Britain	121,483	37,879,285	1 July, 1875.	Italy	110,679	30,355,491	1 July, 1875.
British Colonies—				Japan	147,657	40,353,461	1 June, 1877.
Australasia—				Liberia	14,363	2,000,000	1 April, 1879.
Fiji	8,046	121,180	1 Oct., 1891.	Luxembourg	999	211,088	1 July, 1875.
New Guinea ..	88,460	489,000	1 Oct., 1891.	Mexico	751,584	11,885,607	1 April, 1879.
New South Wales	308,536	1,133,153	1 Oct., 1891.	Montenegro	3,506	200,000	1 July, 1875.
New Zealand ..	104,640	668,353	1 Oct., 1891.	Nicaragua	47,859	312,845	1 May, 1882.
Queensland ..	668,260	393,938	1 Oct., 1891.	Norway	124,559	1,988,664	1 July, 1875.
South Australia ..	380,603	315,048	1 Oct., 1891.	Paraguay	97,726	330,000	1 July, 1881.
Tasmania	26,215	146,667	1 Oct., 1891.	Persia	635,161	7,500,000	1 Sept., 1877.
Victoria	88,451	1,140,405	1 Oct., 1891.	Peru	439,014	2,980,000	1 April, 1879.
Western Australia	975,825	49,835	1 Oct., 1891.	Portugal	35,745	4,708,178	1 July, 1875.
Antigua	170	36,699	1 July, 1879.	Portuguese Colonies ..	850,738	14,213,000	1 July, 1877.
Bahamas	5,390	47,565	1 July, 1880.	Roumania	50,589	5,038,342	1 July, 1875.
Barbadoes	166	182,306	1 Sept., 1881.	Russia	8,660,590	112,915,520	1 July, 1875.
Bermuda	19	15,013	1 April, 1877.	Salvador	8,135	777,895	1 April, 1879.
British North Borneo	31,005	120,000	1 Feb., 1891.	Servia	18,761	2,161,961	1 July, 1875.
Ceylon	24,702	3,008,239	1 April, 1877.	Siam	308,893	9,000,000	1 July, 1885.
Cyprus	3,707	209,291	1 July, 1875.	South African Republic	113,634	768,700	1 Jan., 1893.
Dominica	67	26,841	1 July, 1879.	Spain	194,990	17,571,432	1 July, 1875.
Falkland Islands ..	4,839	1,789	1 Jan., 1879.	Spanish Colonies ..	165,644	9,490,000	1 May, 1877.
Gambia	69	14,266	1 Jan., 1879.	Sweden	173,974	4,784,981	1 July, 1875.
Gibraltar	2	25,775	1 Jan., 1876.	Switzerland	15,964	2,917,754	1 July, 1875.
Gold Coast	38,685	1,500,000	1 Jan., 1879.	Tunis	44,905	1,500,000	1 July, 1888.
Grenada and Grenadines ..	166	53,209	1 Feb., 1881.	Turkey	1,150,511	22,075,000	1 July, 1875.
Guiana (British) ..	88,652	284,887	1 April, 1877.	Uruguay	72,173	706,524	1 July, 1880.
Honduras (British) ..	8,292	31,471	1 Jan., 1879.	Venezuela (United States of) ..	403,067	2,323,527	1 Jan., 1880.
Hong Kong	31	121,441	1 April, 1877.				
Jamaica	4,193	639,491	1 April, 1877.				
Labuan	30	5,853	1 April, 1877.				
				Totals	36,886,395	988,976,721	..

Table No. 17.

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, 1892.

Year ended	Number of Miles of Line.	Number of Miles of Wire.	Number of Stations	Number of Telegrams forwarded during the Year.		Revenue derived from Private and Money-order Telegrams, and Incidental Receipts.	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.						
30th June, 1866	699	1,390	13	24,761	2,746	27,407	483	3	2	6,045	2	4	3,934	3	4	2,443	2	11	6,377	6	3	3	9	10	Mileage tariff. Mileage tariff in operation up to 1st Sept., 1869; uniform 2s. od. tariff from 1st Sept., 1869, to 31st March, 1870; and 1s. tariff from 1st April, 1870. From 1st November, 1873, address and signature given in free. From 1st Jan., 1886, delayed telegrams posted to addressees immediately after their receipt at offices of destination.	
" 1867	757	1,498	21	55,621	15,331	70,952	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	6,672	0	3	18,324	3	10	9,489	17	10	5,406	7	3	14,806	5	1	4	17	4		
" 1869	1,329	2,495	45	106,070	50,097	156,167	13,430	11	9	31,951	2	1	14,266	12	7	8,547	4	9	22,813	17	4	6	8	6		
" 1870	1,661	2,897	56	122,545	62,878	185,423	17,218	1	4	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	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	39,164	13	9	23,593	9	9	8,858	19	7	32,452	9	4	4	2	3		
" 1873	2,350	4,574	93	485,597	83,453	568,960	39,680	18	9	50,786	0	9	27,040	18	10	9,479	5	4	30,520	4	2	4	1	11		
" 1874	2,530	5,782	105	645,667	107,832	752,899	46,568	18	10	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	55,391	12	3	68,981	3	0	45,814	11	4	14,240	19	7	60,955	10	11	4	16	4		
" 1876	3,154	7,247	142	890,382	160,704	1,051,086	62,715	10	4	78,869	10	4	61,690	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	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	92,432	14	2	69,340	1	8	18,259	4	9	87,599	6	5	10	0	9		
" 1879	3,512	8,117	195	1,201,982	246,961	1,448,943	85,402	0	2	112,351	2	4	79,502	0	5	17,299	7	10	96,801	8	3	5	0	9		
31st March, 1880	3,938	9,333	214	824,734	183,675	1,008,409	58,120	3	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	8	100,023	5	8	78,224	1	8	23,154	8	3	101,378	9	11	6	7	4		
" 1882	3,824	9,653	234	1,215,849	222,923	1,438,772	78,828	19	8	101,566	16	0	69,165	5	0	18,292	13	4	87,457	18	4	4	17	4		
31st Dec., 1882	3,974	9,843	204	1,361,817	208,372	1,570,189	90,633	11	2	111,242	3	1	73,554	9	1	22,451	6	3	90,095	15	4	5	17	5		
" 1883	4,074	10,477	302	1,379,483	219,917	1,599,400	93,624	3	3	115,378	2	5	73,054	4	6	19,210	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	2	126,517	5	0	70,036	6	2	20,041	15	10	99,078	2	0	4	15	9		
" 1885	4,463	10,931	375	1,533,406	240,867	1,774,273	101,652	8	0	126,517	7	0	77,082	4	4	20,900	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	2	133,919	16	11	77,473	10	7	21,402	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	0	136,753	15	10	76,580	10	0	21,321	2	9	97,901	12	9	4	13	9		
" 1888	4,790	11,617	473	1,548,233	217,630	1,765,863	106,311	11	6	129,470	5	5	72,201	13	5	23,262	1	0	95,463	14	5	5	0	1		
" 1889	4,874	11,827	489	1,589,157	213,830	1,802,987	100,462	18	4	130,681	7	7	75,426	9	7	26,007	1	5	101,433	11	0	5	8	7		
" 1890	5,148	12,812	520	1,734,381	226,780	1,961,161	110,696	17	8	136,767	10	3	76,845	1	10	27,546	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	142,474	1	4	85,658	4	11	28,986	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	128,155	15	6	87,472	13	3	29,580	10	11	117,053	4	2	5	8	0		

* The cost of maintenance per mile is calculated upon the number of miles of line open (after deducting "dismantled") at the close of each previous year.

Table No. 18.

TABLE showing the CASH REVENUE derived from PRIVATE and PRESS MESSAGES, the VALUE of GOVERNMENT MESSAGES, and the NUMBER of MESSAGES, transmitted in the several Postal Districts of New Zealand, for the Year ended 31st December, 1892.

Postal Districts.	Revenue derived from Private and Press Messages.			Value of Government Messages.			Total Value of Messages of all Codes.		Number of Private and Press Messages.	Number of Govt. Messages.	Total Number of Messages of all Codes.	
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.				d.
Auckland	12,960	11	10½	3,574	10	2	15,535	2	0½	269,271	33,859	303,130
Blenheim	1,669	14	5	499	8	7	2,169	3	0	30,457	5,018	35,475
Christchurch	10,098	16	10	1,722	10	7	12,821	7	5	180,344	15,316	195,660
Dunedin	10,706	15	4	2,282	13	10	12,989	9	2	224,837	20,323	245,160
Gisborne	1,876	6	0	437	9	2	2,313	15	2	33,308	3,542	36,850
Greymouth	2,655	1	8½	675	7	9	3,330	9	5½	48,434	5,710	54,144
Hokitika	1,037	11	7	367	13	0	1,405	4	7	19,374	2,984	22,358
Invercargill	4,546	13	6½	886	7	1	5,433	0	7½	100,948	8,187	109,135
Napier	5,757	2	3	1,186	5	3	6,943	7	6	101,451	11,912	113,363
Nelson	2,423	13	0	558	15	0	2,982	8	0	53,349	5,841	59,190
New Plymouth	1,985	3	6	688	14	9	2,673	18	3	38,111	6,681	44,792
Oamaru	1,515	19	2½	188	15	0	1,704	14	2½	24,369	1,711	26,080
Thames	2,243	10	11½	353	4	9	2,596	15	8½	43,688	4,172	47,860
Timaru	2,368	10	5½	324	13	9	2,693	4	2½	40,078	3,302	43,380
Wanganui	4,202	1	8	966	0	8	5,168	2	4	80,305	9,869	90,174
Wellington	13,375	2	4	8,954	10	3	22,329	12	7	367,496	74,068	441,564
Westport	1,619	3	11½	675	7	5	2,294	11	4½	30,244	5,584	35,828
Totals, 1892	81,041	18	7½	24,342	7	0	105,384	5	7½	1,686,064	218,079	1,904,143
Totals, 1891	87,544	11	11	24,840	5	7	112,384	17	6	1,746,115	222,149	1,968,264

Table No. 19.

NUMBER OF LETTERS posted and NUMBER of TELEGRAMS forwarded in each Postal District during the Year ended 31st December, 1892; and the Proportion of Telegrams to every 100 Letters; together with a similar Return from 1867-68.

Districts.	1891.			1892.		
	Number of Letters.	Number of Telegrams.	Proportion of Telegrams to every 100 Letters.	Number of Letters.	Number of Telegrams.	Proportion of Telegrams to every 100 Letters.
Auckland	4,682,483	313,870	6.70	5,039,528	303,130	6.01
Blenheim	347,880	42,709	12.28	340,483	35,475	10.42
Christchurch	3,723,590	204,353	5.49	4,026,607	195,660	4.86
Dunedin	3,631,979	260,831	7.18	3,783,429	245,160	6.48
Gisborne	184,587	36,965	20.03	214,942	36,850	17.14
Greymouth	338,429	63,982	18.91	367,081	54,144	14.75
Hokitika	168,311	23,141	13.75	169,637	22,358	13.18
Invercargill	1,366,937	101,579	7.43	1,429,038	109,135	7.64
Napier	1,191,918	109,111	9.15	1,270,646	113,363	8.92
Nelson	519,662	64,181	12.36	605,280	59,190	9.78
New Plymouth	382,551	43,256	11.31	481,052	44,792	9.31
Oamaru	472,355	26,482	5.61	488,631	26,080	5.34
Thames	377,117	56,652	15.02	356,317	47,860	13.43
Timaru	896,610	44,618	4.98	872,274	43,380	4.97
Wanganui	1,189,084	92,311	7.76	1,331,850	90,174	6.77
Wellington	4,072,614	441,115	10.83	4,575,584	441,564	9.65
Westport	199,355	43,108	21.62	178,425	35,828	20.08

Year.	Number of Letters.	Number of Telegrams.	Proportion of Telegrams sent to every 100 Letters.
1892	25,530,804	1,904,143	7.46
1891	23,745,462	1,968,264	8.29
1890	21,501,937	1,961,161	9.12
1889	21,026,837	1,802,988	8.57
1888	19,502,704	1,765,863	9.05
1887	18,711,329	1,835,394	9.8
1886	18,188,144	1,836,266	10.09
1885	16,458,477	1,774,273	10.78
1884	16,020,056	1,654,305	10.32
1883	14,834,217	1,599,400	10.78
1882	14,546,748	1,570,189	10.79
1881-82	11,059,677	1,438,772	13.00
1880-81	10,895,998	1,304,712	11.97
1879-80 (for nine months only)	7,065,510	1,008,409	14.27
1878-79	7,374,786	1,448,943	19.64
1877-78	6,078,384	1,260,324	20.71
1876-77	5,540,920	1,124,432	20.29
1875-76	4,731,873	1,051,086	22.21
1874-75	4,059,517	917,218	22.59
1873-74	3,209,837	752,899	23.45
1872-73	2,828,372	568,960	19.76
1871-72	2,418,021	411,677	17.02
1870-71	2,626,947	312,874	11.91
1869-70	2,374,060	185,423	7.81
1868-69	2,749,488	146,167	5.32
1867-68	1,938,578	106,104	5.47

Table No. 20.

ORDINARY and PRESS TELEGRAMS forwarded during the Four Quarters ended 31st December, 1892, also for each Quarter of the Year ended 31st December, 1891, and the REVENUE derived therefrom.

Class.	March Quarter.		June Quarter.		September Quarter.		December Quarter.		Totals for Year.	
	Number.	Revenue.	Number.	Revenue.	Number.	Revenue.	Number.	Revenue.	Number.	Revenue.
1892.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Ordinary ..	410,992	20,112 19 3	357,190	17,552 2 8	346,685	16,319 1 4	396,143	18,748 4 4	1,511,010	72,732 7 7½
Press ..	45,396	2,174 3 6	37,611	1,670 10 6	48,806	2,526 6 8	43,241	1,938 10 4	175,054	8,309 11 0
Totals ..	456,388	22,287 2 9	394,801	19,222 13 2	395,491	18,845 8 0½	439,384	20,686 14 8	1,686,064	81,041 18 7½
1891.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Ordinary ..	426,231	21,873 7 4	396,536	20,272 18 8	358,358	17,117 19 6	377,367	18,690 0 11	1,558,492	77,954 6 5
Press ..	53,040	2,716 3 9	39,312	1,689 17 2	56,042	3,382 10 4	39,229	1,801 14 3	187,623	9,590 5 6
Totals ..	479,271	24,589 11 1	435,848	21,962 15 10	414,400	20,500 9 10	416,596	20,491 15 2	1,746,115	87,544 11 11

Table No. 21.

RETURN of the NUMBER and AMOUNT of TELEGRAPH MONEY ORDERS issued within the several Postal Districts during the Year ended 31st December, 1892.

Districts.	Number.	Commission.	Amount.
Auckland ..	3,209	£ s. d. 160 9 0	£ s. d. 11,688 16 11
Blenheim ..	536	26 16 0	1,686 19 11
Christchurch ..	1,289	64 9 0	4,558 17 2
Dunedin ..	1,597	79 17 0	6,595 9 4
Gisborne ..	728	36 8 0	2,383 19 4
Greymouth ..	1,138	56 18 0	3,894 19 4
Hokitika ..	292	14 12 0	1,096 3 10
Invercargill ..	601	30 1 0	1,881 7 7
Napier ..	1,723	86 3 0	6,811 11 10
Nelson ..	448	22 8 0	1,422 0 10
New Plymouth ..	618	30 18 0	2,073 0 6
Oamaru ..	158	7 18 0	425 6 10
Thames ..	549	27 9 0	1,751 13 8
Timaru ..	256	12 16 0	864 2 2
Wanganui ..	1,191	59 11 0	3,743 11 9
Wellington ..	3,379	168 19 0	11,772 14 9
Westport ..	831	41 11 0	2,970 9 0
Totals ..	18,543	927 3 0	65,621 4 9
Totals for 1891 ..	18,800	940 0 0	62,407 6 5

Table No. 22.

VALUE of SHIPPING, WEATHER, and GOVERNMENT TELEGRAMS transmitted during the Year ended 31st December, 1892.

Districts.	No.	Amount.
Auckland ..	33,859	£ s. d. 3,574 10 2
Blenheim ..	5,018	499 8 7
Christchurch ..	15,316	1,722 10 7
Dunedin ..	20,323	2,282 13 10
Gisborne ..	3,542	437 9 2
Greymouth ..	5,710	675 7 9
Hokitika ..	2,984	367 13 0
Invercargill ..	8,187	886 7 1
Napier ..	11,912	1,186 5 3
Nelson ..	5,841	558 15 0
New Plymouth ..	6,681	688 14 9
Oamaru ..	1,711	188 15 0
Thames ..	4,172	353 4 9
Timaru ..	3,302	324 13 9
Wanganui ..	9,869	966 0 8
Wellington ..	74,068	8,954 10 3
Westport ..	5,584	675 7 5
Totals ..	218,079	24,342 7 0
Totals for 1891 ..	222,149	24,840 5 7

Table No. 23.

INSULATION TESTS of the FIRST and SECOND COOK STRAIT CABLES for the Year ended 31st December, 1892, showing the Resistance per Knot after Two Minutes' Electrification in Megohms (British Association Units of Resistance).

First Cook Strait Cable.	Dielectric Resistance per Knot.			Second Cook Strait Cable.	Dielectric Resistance per Knot.
	No. 1 Wire.	No. 2 Wire.	No. 3 Wire.		
January	89	127	260	January	953
February	86	127	266	February	779
March	87	124	241	March	838
April	83	126	253	April	703
May	Broken.			May	Broken.
June					
July					
August (after repair)	116	170	332	August (after repair)	781
August	101	173	291	August	21'40
September	101	180	302	September	1,142
October	100	181	313	October	802
November	87	160	282	November	22'7
December	99'9	187	299	December	1,498

Table No. 24.

INSULATION TESTS of the WANGANUI and WAKAPUKA CABLE for the Year ended 31st December, 1892, showing the Resistance per Knot after Ten Minutes' Electrification in Megohms (British Association Units of Resistance). Length of Cable laid, 108'69 Knots.

Date.	Dielectric Resistance per Knot.	Copper Resistance per Knot in Ohms.	Mean Temperature of Sea-bottom, calculated from the Observed C.R.
	Twenty Cells.		Deg. Fahr.
January	5,279	11'02	60
February	4,621	10'997	59
March	5,782	11'408	76
April	4,250	11'128	64'5
May	6,040	11'042	60'5
June	3,316	11	59
July	6,929	10'996	59
August	6,670	10'912	55
September	5,685	10'93	56
October	6,179	10'873	53'6
November	6,024	10'979	58
December	5,593	10'97	57'7

Table No. 25.

MAINTENANCE.

Section.	No. of Miles.	Travelling Expenses of Linemen and Inspectors.	Extra Labour.	Cost of Material used for Repairs.	Salaries of Linemen and Inspectors.	Total Cost of Maintenance.	Average Cost per Mile.
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Riverton to Balclutha ..	461	152 8 10	583 16 2	1,013 11 11	278 0 0	1,977 16 11	4 5 10
Tokomairiro to Queenstown ..	323	201 14 5	165 1 6	284 6 10	240 0 0	891 2 9	2 15 2
Balclutha to Waitaki ..	553	373 10 0	1,090 12 11	1,962 9 1	550 0 0	3,976 12 0	7 3 10
Waitaki to Christchurch ..	400	189 13 9	367 5 6	2,013 19 7	558 0 0	3,128 18 10	7 16 5
Christchurch to Kumara ..	204	305 19 5	560 19 2	572 14 10	502 0 0	1,941 13 5	9 10 4
Kumara to Lyell ..	165	203 14 8	208 18 1	120 7 6	425 0 0	958 0 3	5 16 1
Lyell to Nelson ..	265	153 15 5	155 2 0	175 0 10	205 0 0	688 18 3	2 12 0
Nelson to Blenheim, including Tophouse Line	140	101 5 6	121 6 10	273 5 5	320 0 0	815 17 9	5 16 7
Blenheim to Kaikoura ..	100	155 5 0	283 9 9	275 16 10	288 0 0	1,002 11 7	10 0 6
Kaikoura to Christchurch ..	216	61 0 11	304 9 1	285 19 11	400 0 0	1,051 9 11	4 17 4
Wellington to New Plymouth ..	576	423 12 4	516 15 3	1,284 15 1	1,166 0 0	3,391 2 8	5 17 9
Wellington to Te Nui ..	172	198 4 8	130 2 1	238 19 2	735 0 0	1,302 5 11	7 11 5
Te Nui to Napier ..	186	184 1 3	475 8 3	438 2 9	220 0 0	1,317 12 3	7 1 8
Napier to Tauranga ..	547	462 13 5	689 9 1	492 6 6	690 0 0	2,334 9 0	4 5 4
Tauranga to Thames ..	76	56 17 0	163 15 0	96 10 6	153 0 0	470 2 6	6 3 9
Auckland South ..	527	514 0 3	722 9 1	665 3 5	380 0 0	2,281 12 9	4 6 7
Auckland North ..	568	303 13 8	650 19 3	565 11 3	530 0 0	2,050 4 2	3 12 2
Totals	5,479	4,041 10 6	7,139 19 0	10,759 1 5	7,640 0 0	29,580 10 11	*5 8 0

* Average per mile of total cost.

Table No. 26.
RETURN showing the CAPITAL COST, WORKING-EXPENSES, INCOME, and REVENUE of the TELEPHONE EXCHANGES, Year by Year, from the Date of their Establishment.

Year.	Number of Connections.	Revenue.			Capital Cost for Instruments, Wire, Poles, Labour, Freight, Superintendence, &c.			Working expenses.						Net Revenue— <i>i.e.</i> , Balance of Revenue over Working expenses.	Annual Rate per Cent. Yielded by Net Revenue on Capital Cost.																	
		Received during Year.		Annual Rate at Close of Year.	Average Cost of each Connection.	Total for all Connections.	Salaries and Allowances of Clerks, &c.	Linemen and Battery Materials.	Repairs, Wear-and-tear, &c. Ten per Cent.	Rent, Fuel, Light, Paper, Printing, Binding, &c.	Total.																					
		£	s.	d.							£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.														
Total for the year ended 31st March,—		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.													
1882	116	613	5	2	1,170	16	0	21	16	6	2,531	14	0	285	0	0	275	0	0	253	0	0	150	0	0	963	0	0	207	16	0	8.17
1883	379	5,014	9	2	6,809	8	8	21	16	6	8,271	13	6	595	0	0	595	0	0	827	0	0	300	0	0	2,317	0	0	4,432	8	8	54.31
1884	715	7,746	16	7	7,098	7	4	21	16	6	15,604	17	6	695	0	0	770	0	0	1,560	0	0	350	0	0	3,375	0	0	3,653	7	4	23.41
1885	1,075	10,008	3	6	10,008	3	6	21	18	6	23,461	17	6	1,770	0	0	1,590	0	0	2,346	0	0	475	0	0	6,181	0	0	3,827	3	6	16.31
1886	1,710	12,294	1	2	13,997	0	0	20	8	6	37,319	12	1	2,849	1	3	1,704	0	0	3,731	19	2	700	0	0	8,985	0	5	5,011	19	7	13.42
1887	2,038	15,477	16	2	15,477	16	2	19	19	5	40,686	3	1	2,878	0	0	1,580	10	0	4,068	12	2	320	0	0	8,842	2	2	6,635	14	0	16.30
1888	2,153	16,881	8	6	16,881	8	6	22	19	0	49,407	5	0	3,119	10	0	2,252	0	0	4,940	14	6	330	0	0	10,642	4	6	6,239	4	1	12.63
1889	2,249	17,613	4	0	17,613	4	0	23	18	10	53,849	11	6	3,315	10	0	2,249	7	0	5,344	9	2	335	0	0	11,244	6	2	6,368	17	10	11.82
1890	2,402	18,581	11	7	18,581	11	7	24	4	1	58,229	3	0	3,790	0	0	2,206	10	0	5,823	0	1	375	0	0	12,194	10	1	6,387	1	6	11.0
1891	3,587	19,961	4	2	19,961	4	2	24	17	1	64,294	4	4	4,192	0	0	2,249	18	5	6,429	8	5	394	3	9	13,265	10	7	6,695	13	7	10.43
1892	3,080	18,571	7	8	18,571	7	8	24	16	11	76,579	1	8	4,630	0	0	2,345	2	9	7,658	7	11	393	1	6	15,026	12	2	3,544	15	6	4.63
1893	3,690	19,155	11	5	19,155	11	5	24	16	11	91,687	11	1	7,405	0	0	2,695	19	10	9,168	15	1	464	6	2	19,734	1	1	-578	9	8	Loss.

* This column includes 5 per cent. for wear-and-tear, and 5 per cent. for debenture capital.

Table No. 27.

COST OF TELEGRAPH LINES, TELEPHONE EXCHANGES, and CABLES throughout the Colony.

Section of Line.	Number of Miles of Line.	Total Cost of Section.	Cost per Mile.
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
NORTH ISLAND.			
Total, North Island, to 31st December, 1891	2,566	253,311 14 11	..
Expenditure on sundry lines constructed during 1891	42	2,099 15 10	49 19 11
Totals	2,608	255,411 10 9	..
SOUTH ISLAND.			
Total, South Island, to 31st December, 1891	2,804	251,214 5 0	..
Expenditure on sundry lines constructed during 1891	88	2,298 18 1	26 2 6
Total for South Island	2,892	253,513 3 1	..
Total for North Island	2,608	255,411 10 9	..
Total for colony	5,500	508,924 13 10	..
Cook Strait cables		89,905 2 4	
Telephone exchanges		107,254 1 3	
Grand Total		£706,083 17 5	

Approximate Cost of Paper.—Preparation, not given; printing (not including plans) 1,850 copies, £43 15s.

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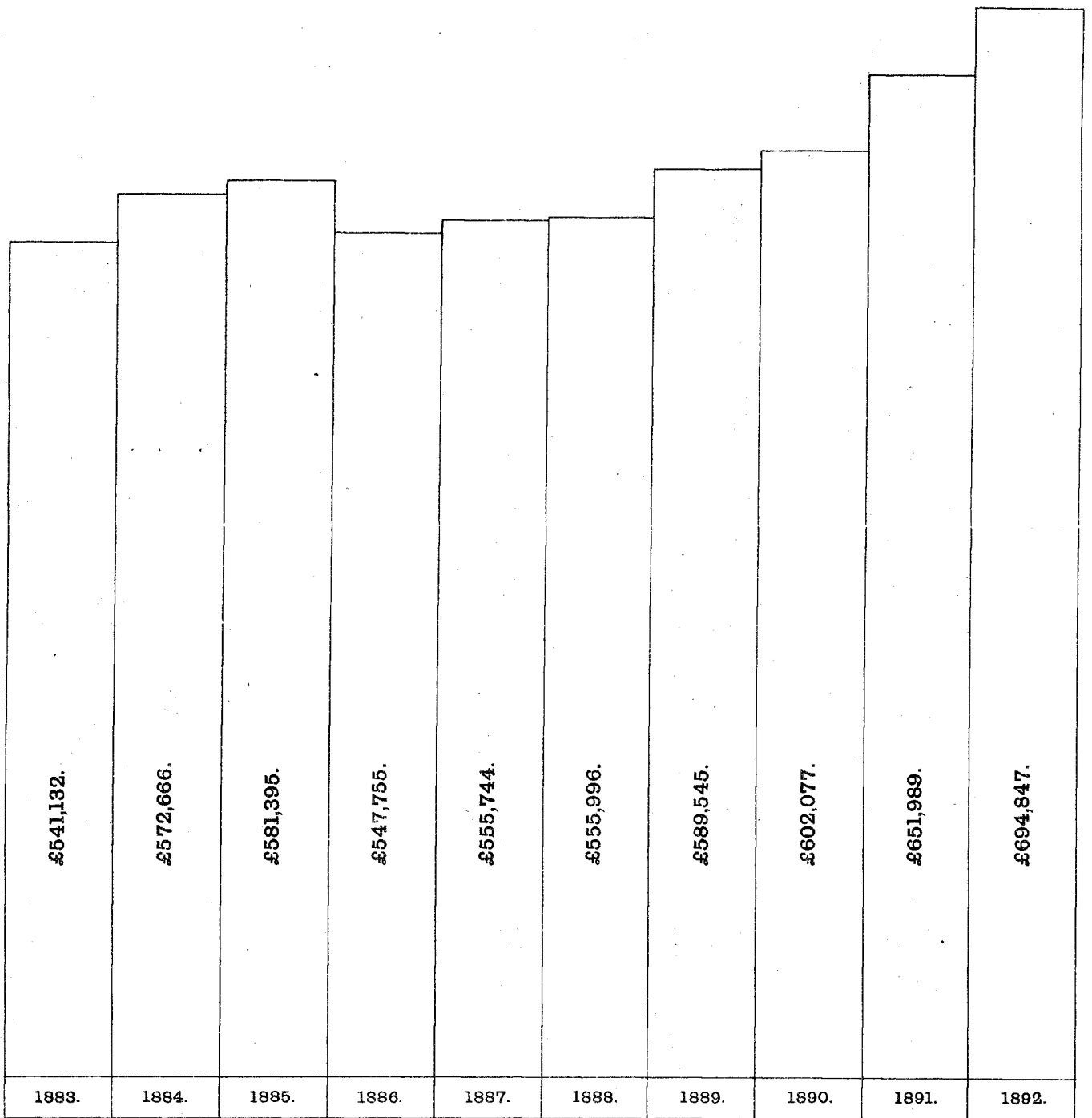
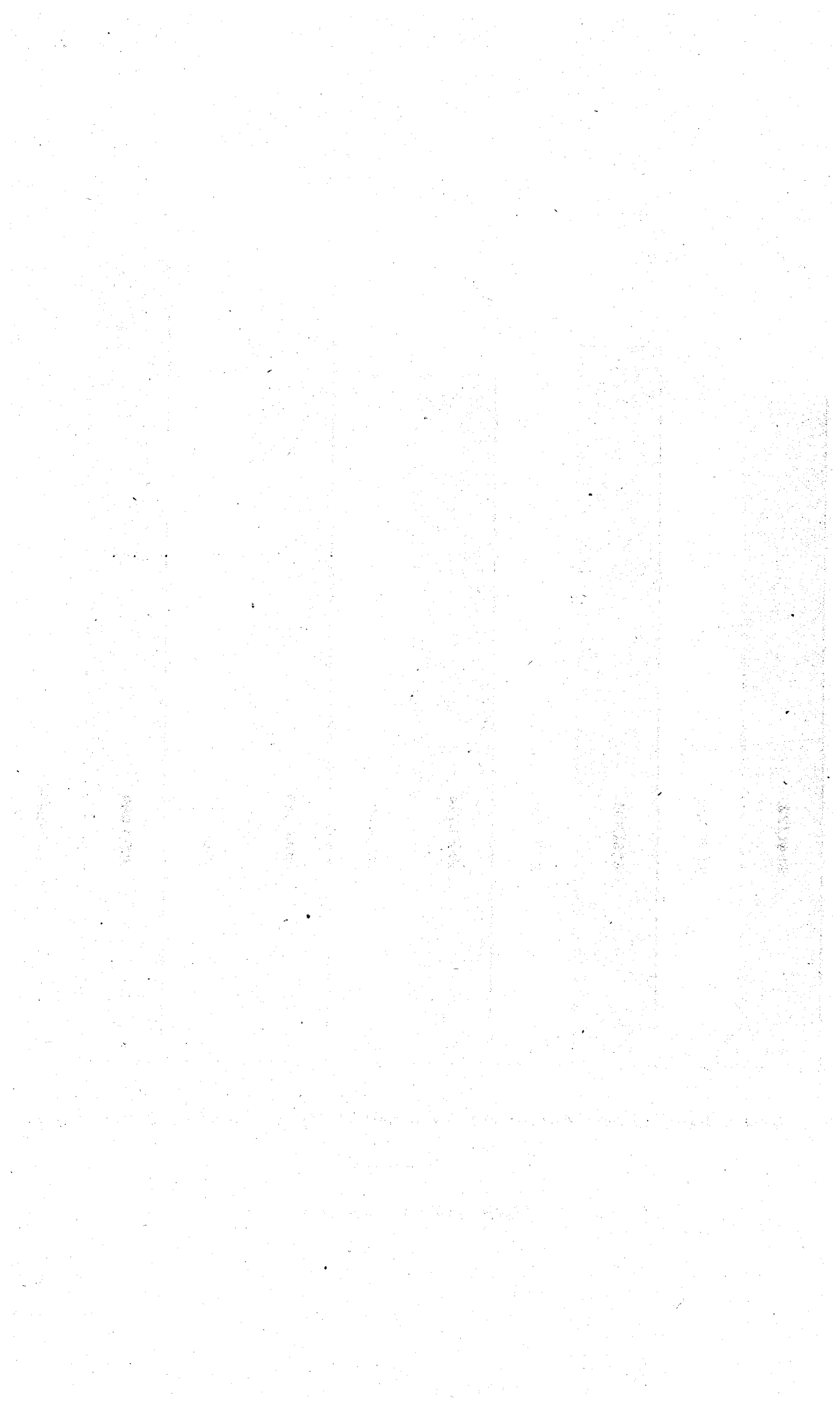


Diagram illustrating the Money Orders Issued Business during the Decennial Period ended 1892.

Scale: £100,000 to the Inch.



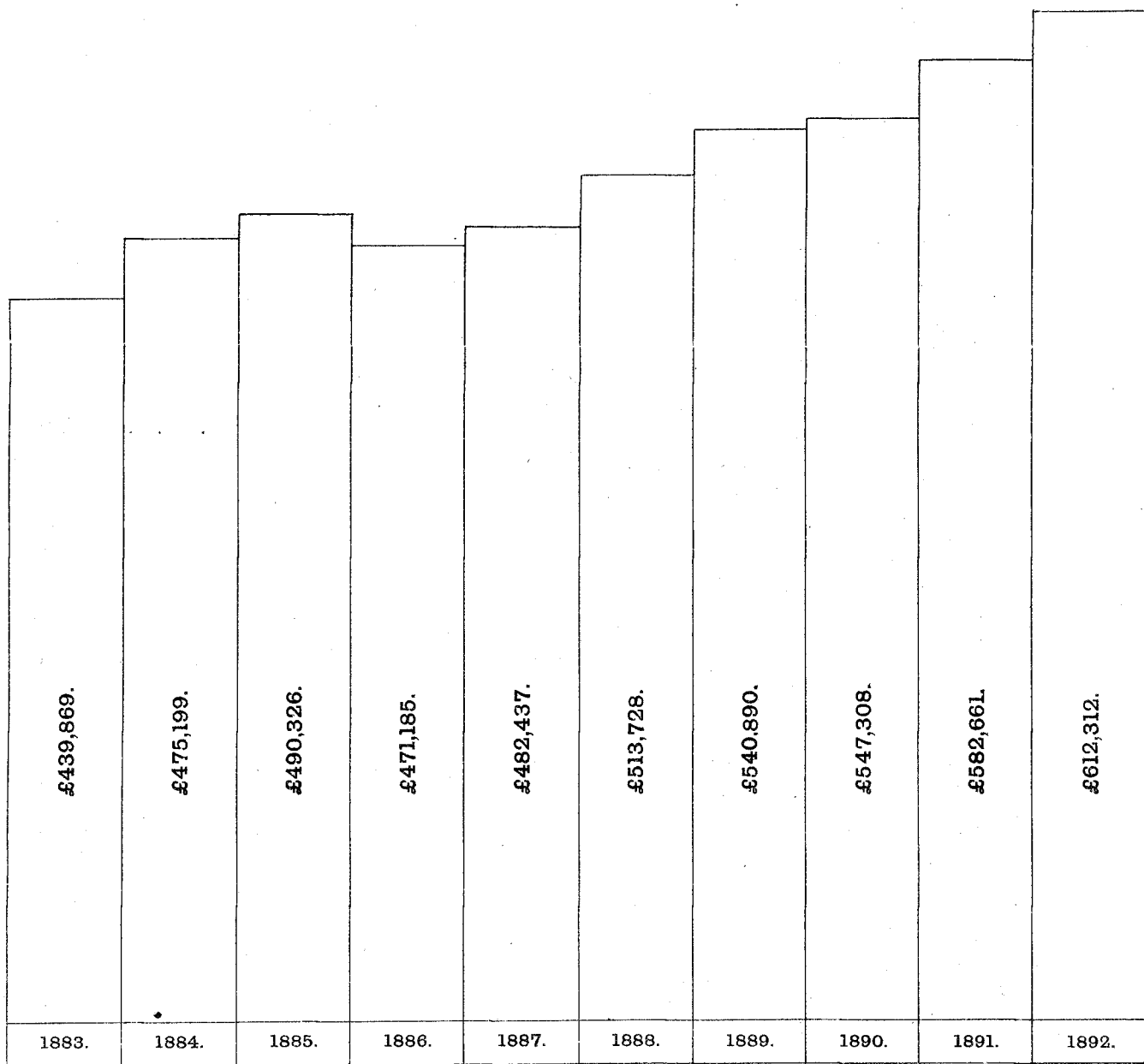


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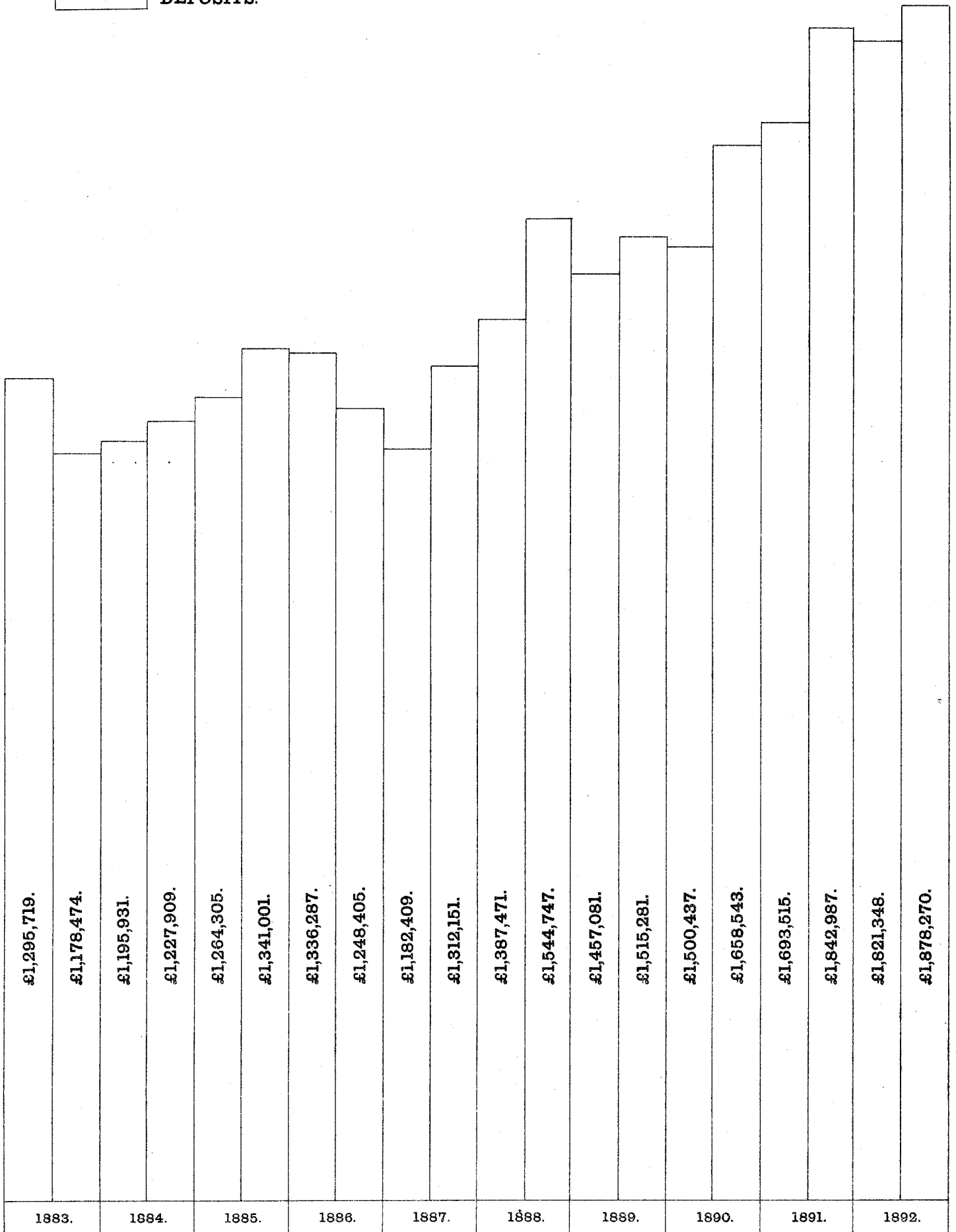
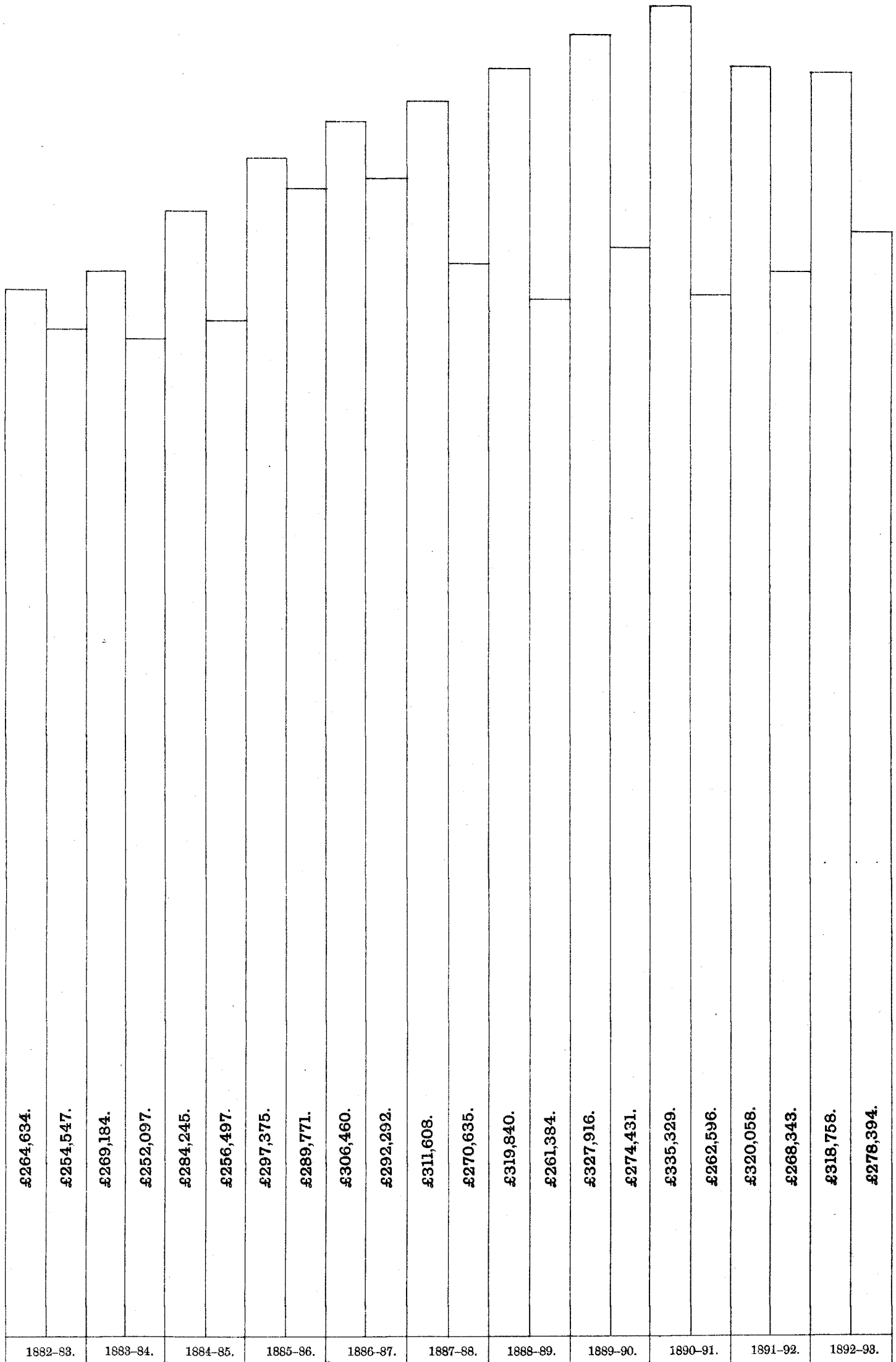


Diagram illustrating the Progress of the Post Office Savings Bank Business for the Decennial Period ended 1892.

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DIAGRAM ILLUSTRATING THE COMBINED POSTAL AND TELEGRAPH
REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE PAST ELEVEN YEARS.

REVENUE COLOURED RED EXPENDITURE COLOURED BLUE



Scale: £30,000 to the Inch.

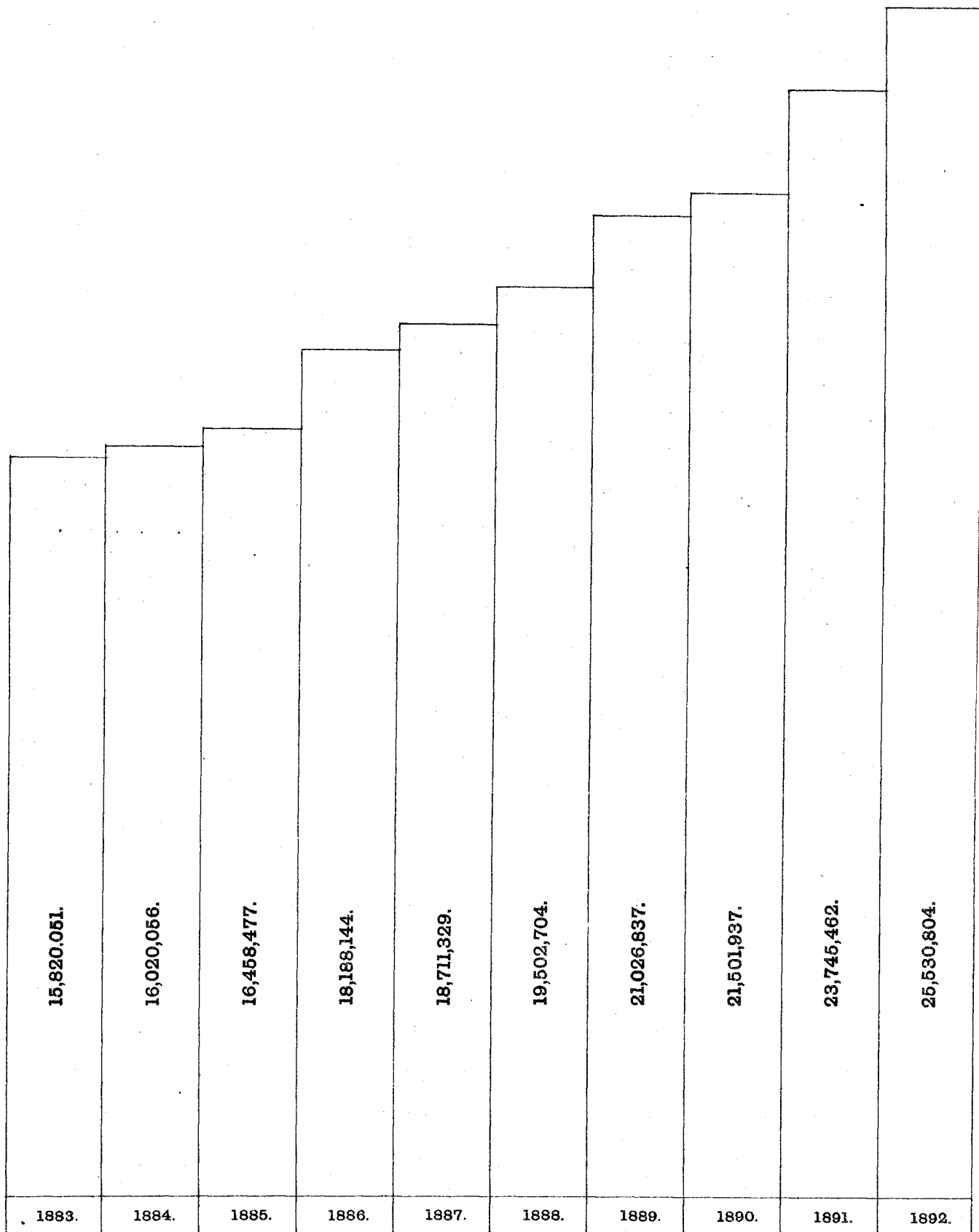


Diagram illustrating the Increase in the Number of Letters Posted during the Decennial Period ended 1892.

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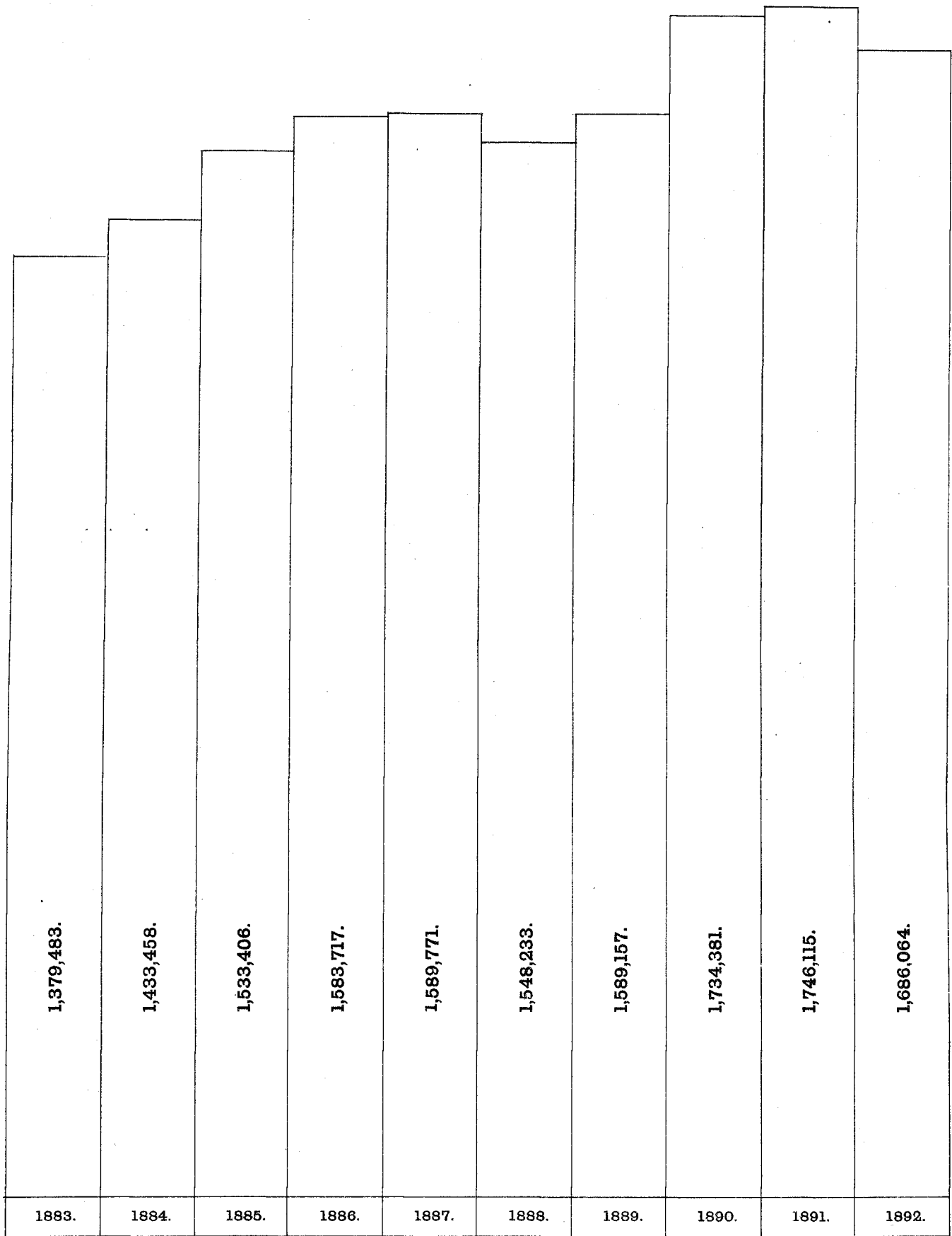


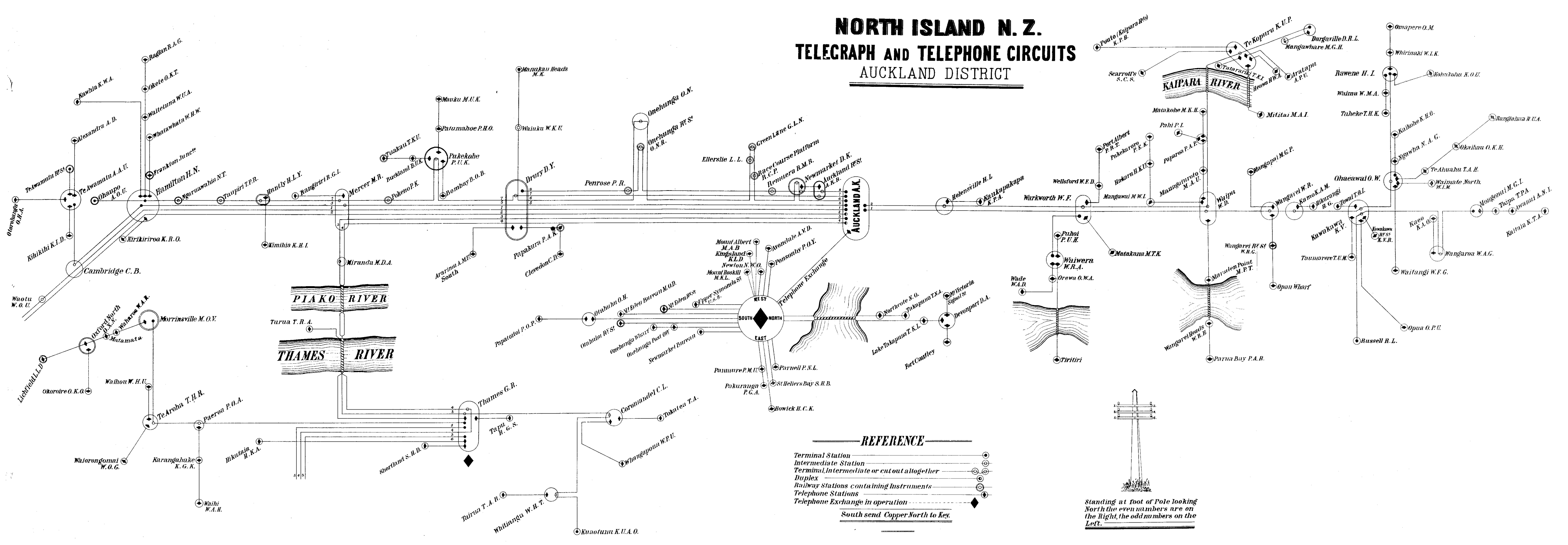
Diagram illustrating the Number of Ordinary and Press Telegrams Forwarded during the Decennial Period ended 1892.

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TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CIRCUITS

AUCKLAND DISTRICT



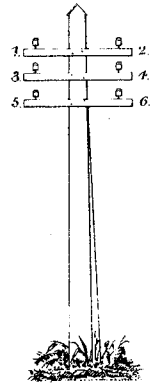
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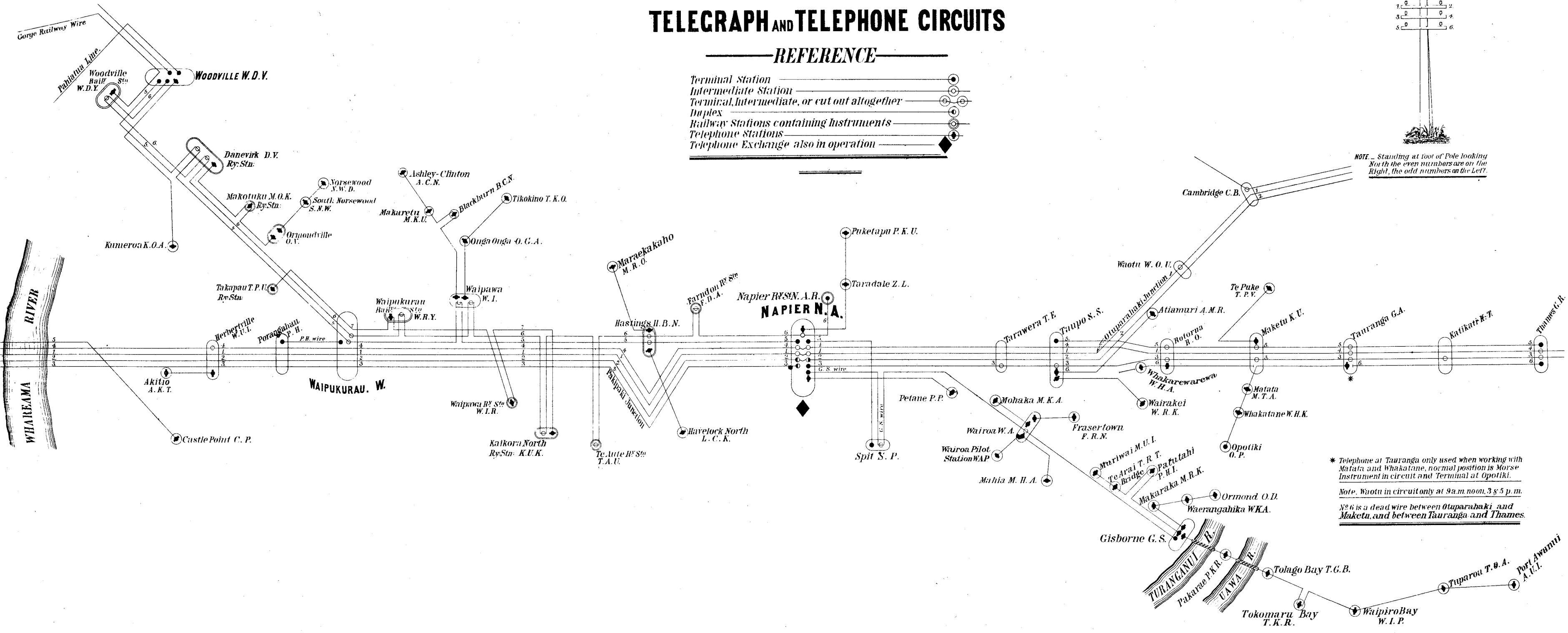
TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CIRCUITS

REFERENCE

- Terminal Station ○
- Intermediate Station ○
- Terminal, Intermediate, or cut out altogether ○
- Duplex ○
- Railway Stations containing Instruments ○
- Telephone Stations ○
- Telephone Exchange also in operation ◆



NOTE - Standing at foot of Pole looking North the even numbers are on the Right, the odd numbers on the Left.



* Telephone at Tauranga only used when working with Matata and Whakatane, normal position is Morse Instrument in circuit and Terminal at Opoitiki.

Note. Waotu in circuit only at 9 a.m. noon, 3 & 5 p.m.

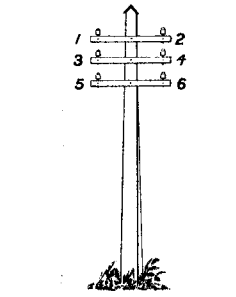
No 6 is a dead wire between Otuparahaki and Maketu, and between Tauranga and Thames.

NORTH ISLAND N.Z. TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CIRCUITS

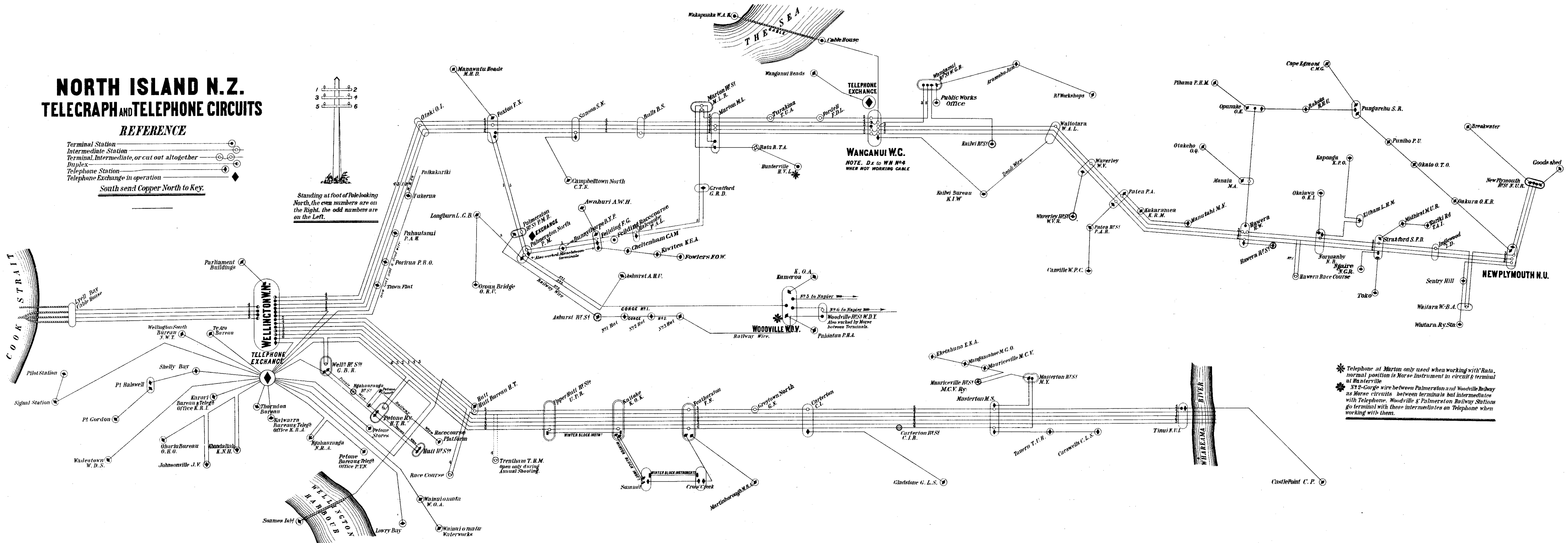
REFERENCE

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- Telephone Station
- Telephone Exchange in operation

South send Copper North to Key.



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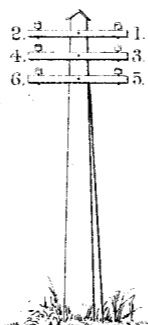
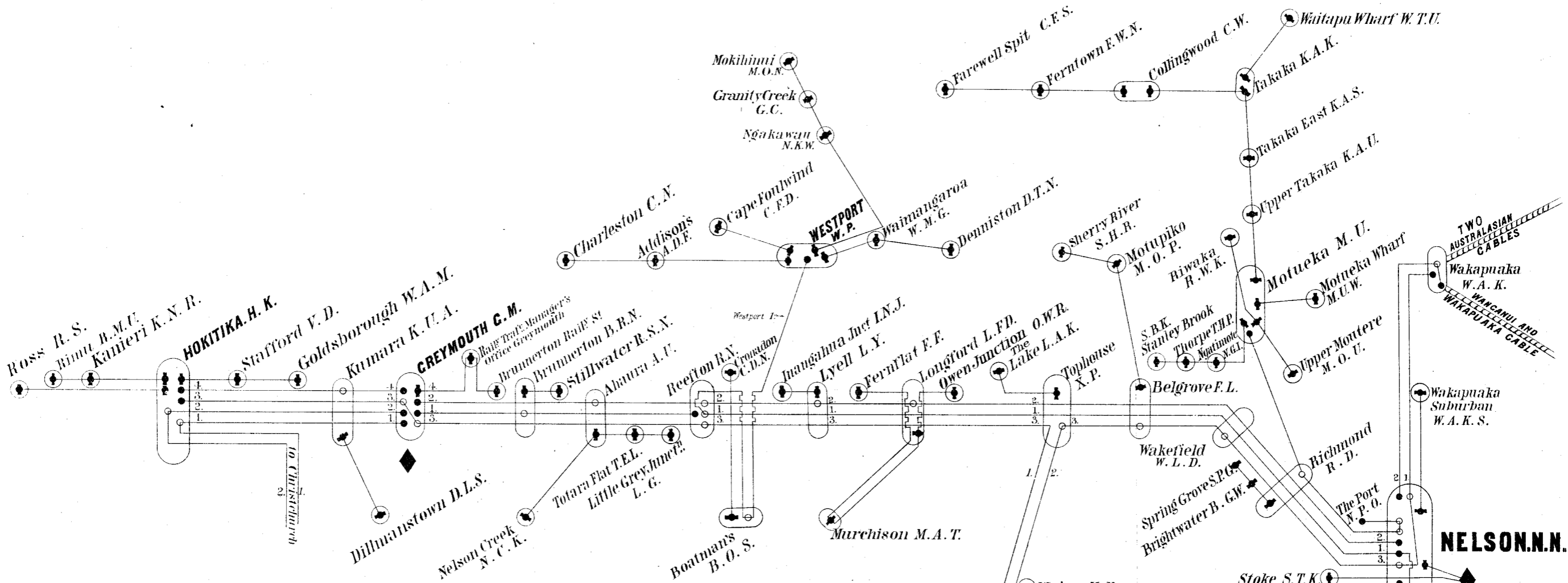
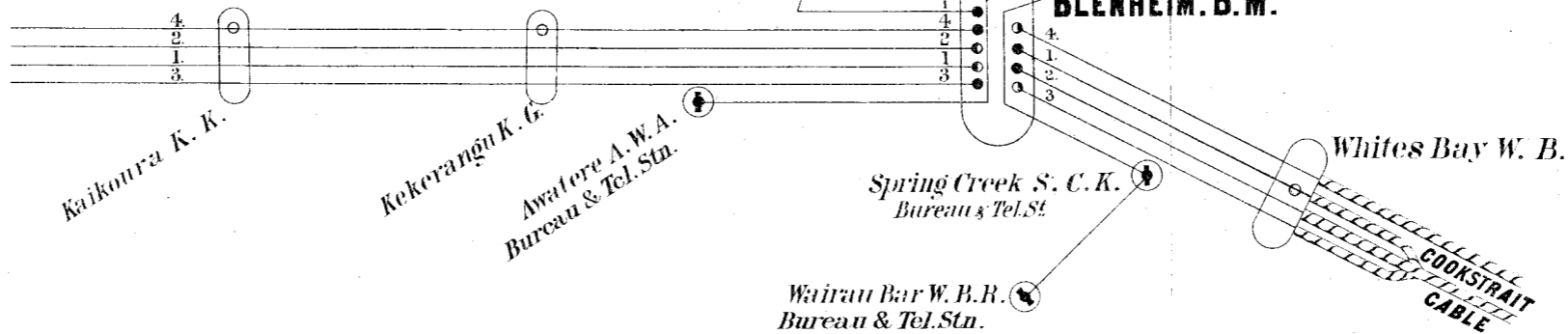
* Telephone at Marton only used when working with Rata, normal position is Morse instrument in circuit & terminal at Huntville
 * No 2-Gorge wire between Palmerston and Woodville Railway as Morse circuits between terminals but intermediates with Telephone. Woodville & Palmerston Railway Stations go terminal with these intermediates on Telephone when working with them.

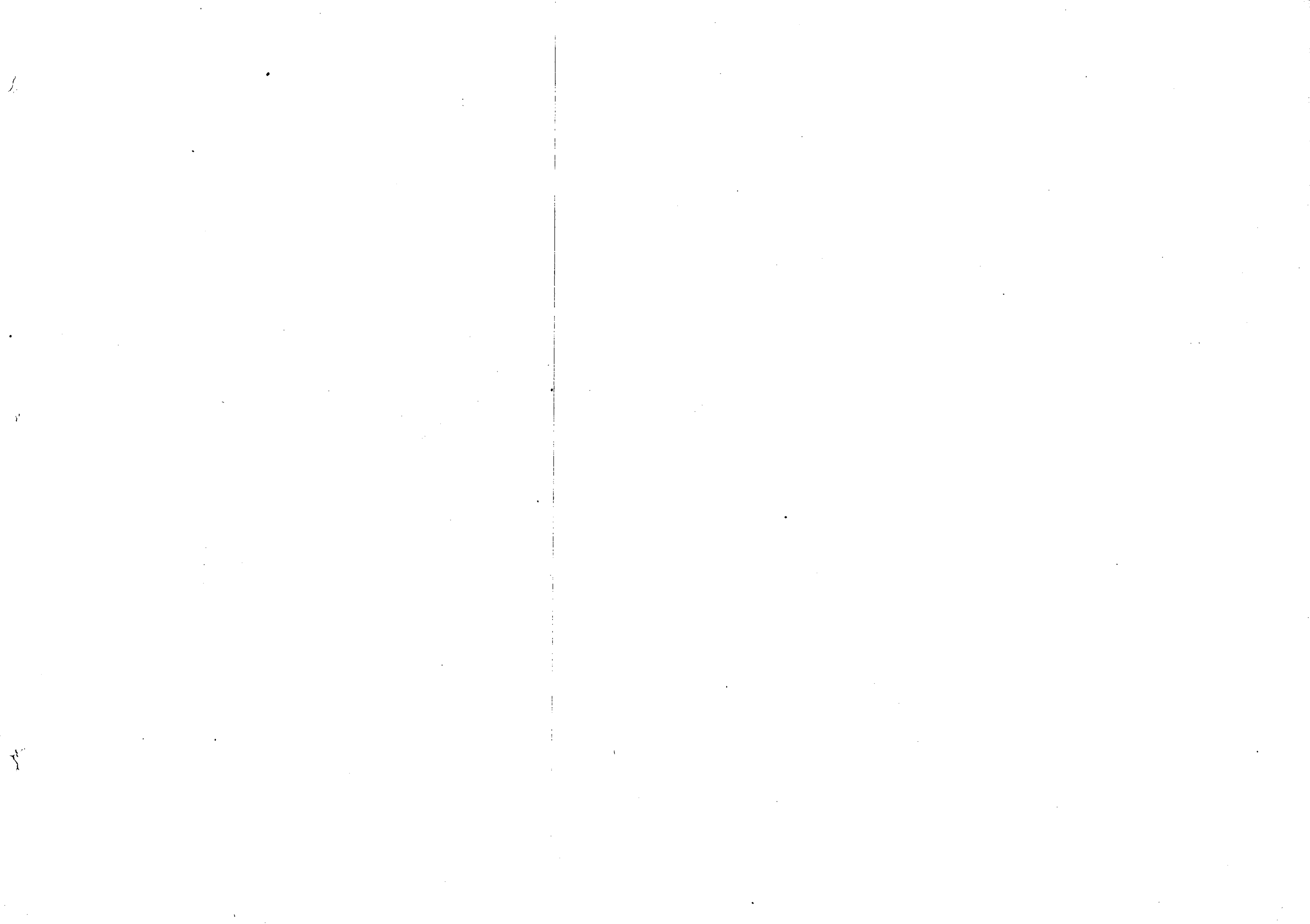
SOUTH ISLAND N. Z. TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CIRCUITS

REFERENCE.

- Terminal Station
- Intermediate Station
- Terminal, Intermediate, or cut out altogether
- Duplex
- Railway Stations containing Instruments
- Telephone Stations
- Telephone Exchange in operation

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SOUTH ISLAND N. Z. TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CIRCUITS

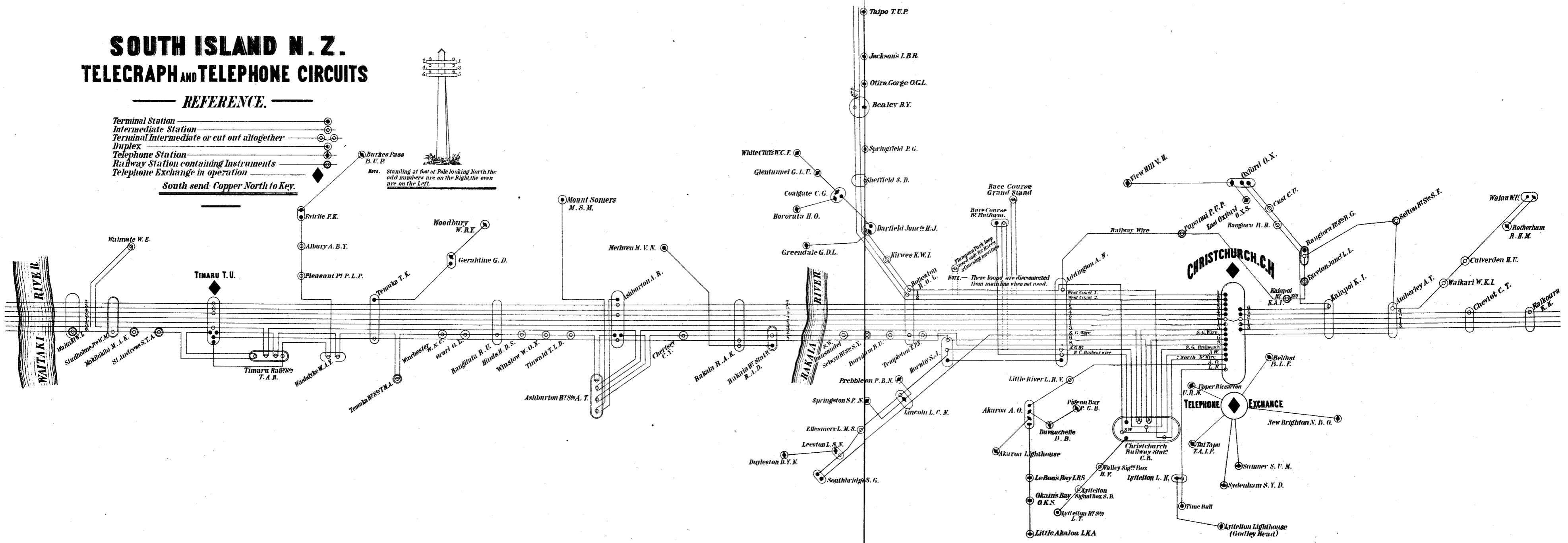
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- Intermediate Station
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- Duplex
- Telephone Station
- Railway Station containing Instruments
- Telephone Exchange in operation



Burkes Pass B.U.P.
 Note. Standing at foot of Pole looking North the odd numbers are on the Right, the even are on the Left.

South send. Copper North to Key.



WAITAKI RIVER

RAKAI RIVER

CHRISTCHURCH C.H.

TELEPHONE EXCHANGE

TIMARU T. U.

Upper Riccarton U.R.N.

Christchurch Railway Station C.R.

Valley Signal Box V.S.B.

Lyttelton L. N.

Time Ball

Lyttelton Lighthouse (Godley Head)

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Le Bons Bay L.B.S.

Okains Bay O.K.S.

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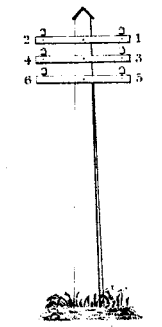
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SOUTH ISLAND N. Z. TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CIRCUITS

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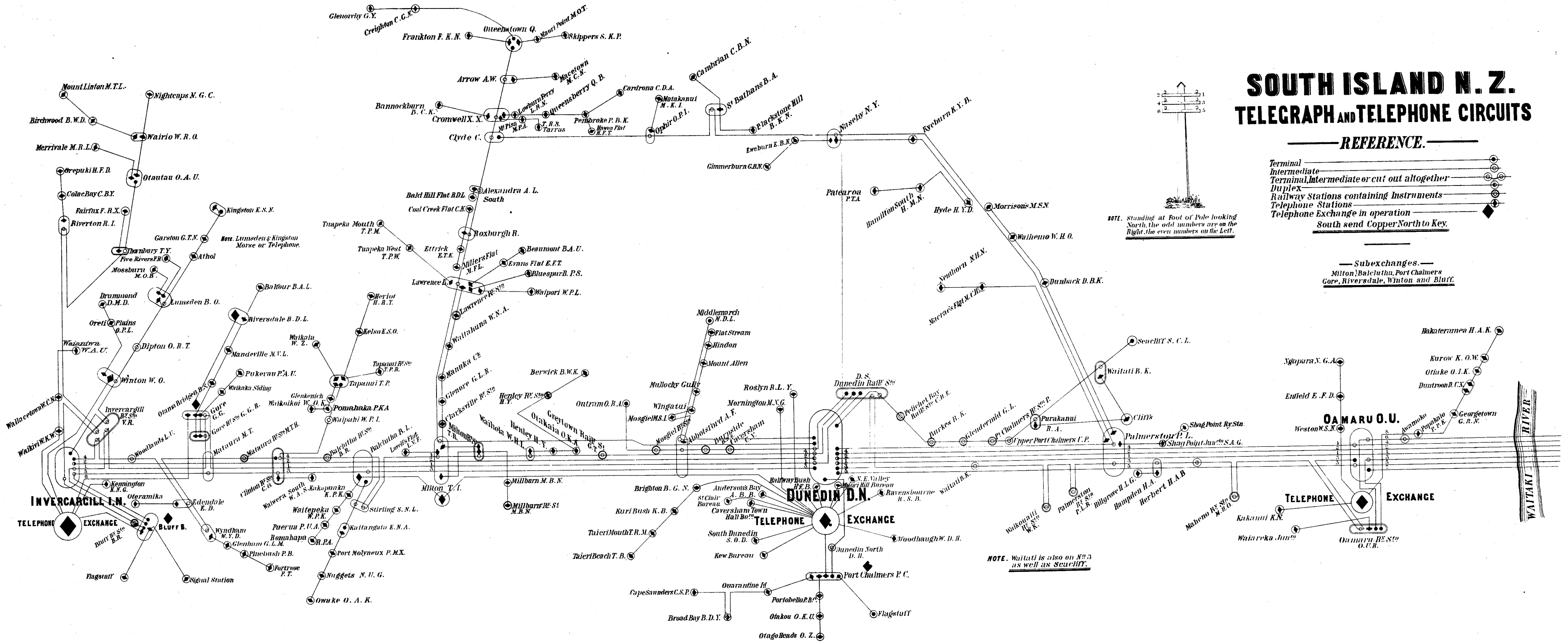
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 - Terminal, Intermediate or cut out altogether 
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 - Telephone Stations 
 - Telephone Exchange in operation 
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NOTE. Standing at Foot of Pole looking North, the odd numbers are on the Right, the even numbers on the Left.

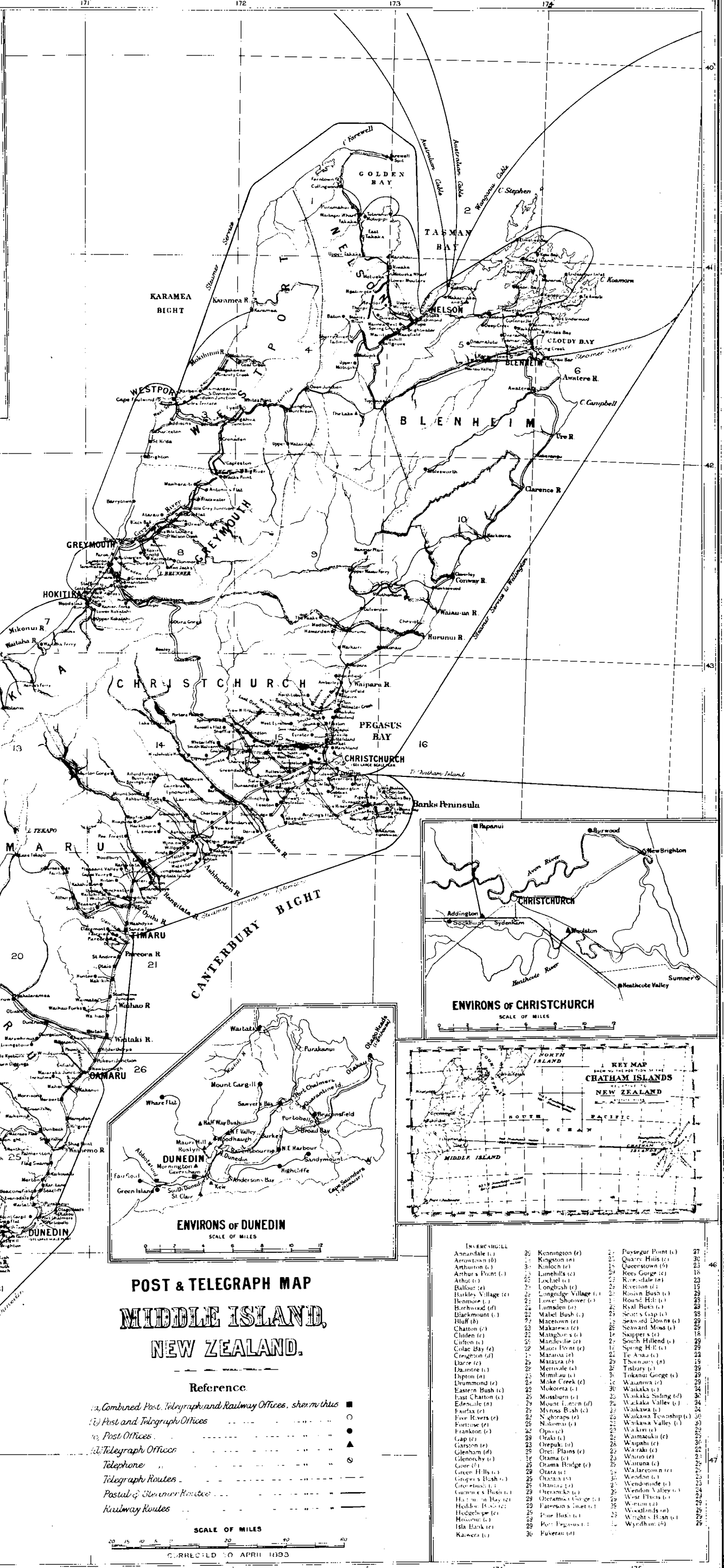
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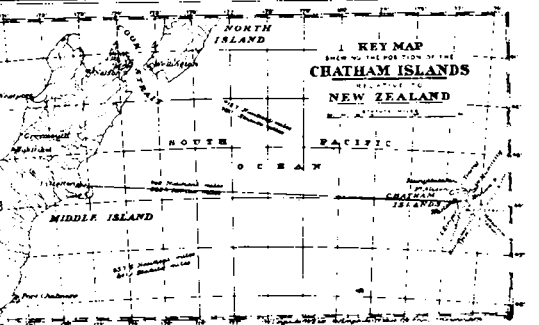
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**POST & TELEGRAPH MAP
MIDDLE ISLAND,
NEW ZEALAND.**

Reference
 (a) Combined Post, Telegraph and Railway Office, shown thus ■
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 (c) Post Offices ●
 (d) Telegraph Office ▲
 (e) Telephone
 (f) Telegraph Routes
 (g) Postal & Steam Routes
 (h) Railway Routes

SCALE OF MILES
 CORRECTED 10 APRIL 1903



20	Keenings (c)	25	Pasque Point (c)	30	Wairarapa (c)
21	Kingston (c)	26	Quarry Hills (c)	31	Wairarapa (c)
22	Rimlock (c)	27	Queerston (c)	32	Wairarapa (c)
23	Arhu (c)	28	Ree's Gorge (c)	33	Wairarapa (c)
24	Laxfield (c)	29	Ree's Gorge (c)	34	Wairarapa (c)
25	Ballour (c)	30	Riverton (c)	35	Wairarapa (c)
26	Harold's Village (c)	31	Ross's Bay (c)	36	Wairarapa (c)
27	Lower Shotover (c)	32	Ross's Bay (c)	37	Wairarapa (c)
28	Lumsden (c)	33	Royal Bush (c)	38	Wairarapa (c)
29	Mallett Bush (c)	34	Scott's Cape (c)	39	Wairarapa (c)
30	Seaton (c)	35	Seaton Downs (c)	40	Wairarapa (c)
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33	Maori Point (c)	38	Spring Hill (c)	43	Wairarapa (c)
34	Matara (c)	39	Stanger's Gorge (c)	44	Wairarapa (c)
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