B.—7.

Appropriations for Consolidated Fund Services.

CLASS V.—POST AND TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT—continued. No. of Officers. 1897-98. Item. 1897-98. POSTAL AND TELEGRAPH SALARIES-£ £ continued. VOTE No. 31—continued. NON-CLEBICAL DIVISION—continued. 2710 Post Office Messengers, Second Grade.-From £50 to £80, by Two Annual Increments of £10 each and Two of £5 each. 2 at £80, 3 at £75, 1 at £70, 2 at £60, 2 at  $\pounds 50$ 675 . . .  $\mathbf{28}$ 4 Counter Clerks (Telegraph) --- From £110 to £150, by Four Annual Increments of £10 each. 3 at £130, 1 at £120 510. . .  $\mathbf{29}$ 3 Assistant Counter Clerks (Telegraph) - From £50 to £100, by Two Annual Increments of £10 each and Šix of £5 each. 1 at £100, 1 at £95, 1 at £90 .... 28530 3 Assistant Exchange Clerks.—From £130 to £150, by Two Annual Increments of £10 each. 2 at £150, 1 at £140 440. . . 3130 Junior Exchange Clerks.—From £60 to £120, by Four Annual Increments of £10 each and Four of £5 each. 6 at £120, 4 at £115, 3 at £110, 4 at £105, 4 at £100, 2 at £90, 1 at £80, 4 at £70, 2 at £50 2,970  $\mathbf{32}$ 18 Despatch Clerks.-From £50 to £100, by Two Annual Increments of £10 each and Six of £5 each. 1 at £130, 1 at £120, 2 at £110, 1 at £105, 1 at £95, 3 at £90, 1 at £85, 2 at £80, 2 at £75, 2 at £70, 2 at £60 1,59533  $\mathbf{24}$ Distributors.-From £50 to £80, by One Annual Increment of £10 and Four of £5 each. 2 at £80, 2 at £75, 1 at £70, 3 at £65, 16 at £60 1.535 $\mathbf{34}$  $\mathbf{2}$ Post-office Boy Messengers - From £25 to £36, by One Annual Increment of £5, One of  $\pounds$ 3, and One of  $\pounds$ 2. 1 at £40, 1 at £31 ... 7135 6 Telegraph Message Boys, Supernumerary Class.-From £41 to £56, by Three. Annual Increments of £5 each. 2 at £46, 4 at £41 256. . . 36 267 Telegraph Message Boys - From £26 to £36, by Increments of £5, £3, and £2. Message Boys 8,888 ... 37 Contribution to Railway Department for com-. . . bined Post-Telegraph-Railway Offices 8,700