

1907.
NEW ZEALAND.

POST AND TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT

(REPORT OF THE) FOR THE YEAR 1906.

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

MY LORD,—

General Post Office, Wellington, 1st July, 1907.

I have the honour to submit to Your Excellency the Report of the Post and Telegraph Department for the year 1906, with the usual 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 Minister of Telegraphs.

His Excellency the Governor of New Zealand.

REVIEW.

The year has been one of uninterrupted prosperity. The revenue of the Department and the excess of revenue over expenditure were the highest yet attained. For the first time the revenue of the telegraph branch has exceeded the expenditure, and this by the substantial sum of £16,161. This is mainly due to the rapid expansion of the telephone exchange revenue and the reduction of telegraph rates. The results of the large reductions in postage and telegram rates which were made as from the 1st November last have been most gratifying to the public and the Department. The reduction in parcel rates, which was made on the 1st January last may be particularly referred to as having resulted in a great increase of the parcel-post business, which will probably reach 100 per cent. within the next few months. The expansion of the business has necessitated large additions to the staff, and it is a matter for serious consideration whether additional avenues for promotion should not be made by improving the position of many of the postal and telegraph officers.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

The revenue and expenditure of the Department for the year 1906-7 are shown in the following table:—

Item.	Postal.			Telegraph.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Receipts.</i>									
Stamps for postage	397,458	17	3½	..	..	..	397,458	17	3½
Money-order and postal-note commission	25,465	17	2½	..	..	..	25,465	17	2½
Money-order commission received from foreign offices	620	8	2	..	..	..	620	8	2
Private box and bag fees	9,289	18	9	..	..	..	9,289	18	9
Miscellaneous receipts	5,894	3	8	4,405	15	3	10,299	18	11
Paid telegrams .. .. .	..	..	..	202,301	0	5½	202,301	0	5½
Telephone exchanges .. .. .	..	..	..	100,814	0	3	100,814	0	3
Totals	438,729	0	1	307,520	15	11½	746,249	16	0½
<i>Expenditure.</i>									
Salaries (classified officers)	119,030	0	0	210,190	0	0	329,220	0	0
Salaries (country Postmasters and telephonists, and contributions to Railway officers)	19,652	0	0	24,836	0	0	44,488	0	0
Conveyance of mails by sea	60,610	19	9	..	..	..	60,610	19	9
Conveyance of inland mails	53,981	9	10	..	..	..	53,981	9	10
Conveyance of mails by railway	33,665	2	9	..	..	..	33,665	2	9
Money-order commission credited to foreign offices	1,852	1	4	..	..	..	1,852	1	4
Maintenance of telegraph-lines .. .. .	..	..	..	24,521	2	4	24,521	2	4
Miscellaneous	38,969	14	7	31,812	10	2	70,782	4	9
Totals	327,761	8	3	291,959	12	6	619,121	0	9
Balance of revenue over expenditure	110,967	11	10	16,161	3	5½	127,128	15	3½
Totals	438,729	0	1	307,520	15	11½	746,249	16	0½

The total revenue exceeded that of 1905-6 by £61,371, and the expenditure by £40,394.

If to the balance of revenue over expenditure there be added the value of free official postal correspondence (£64,872 1s. 4d.) and official telegrams (£17,486 19s. 8d.) dealt with during the first nine months of the financial year, the net balance on the year's transactions will be found to be £209,487 16s. 3½d.

The money-order business still shows a relatively small rate of increase. The issues numbered 439,020 for £1,686,231 1s. 11d., and 332,560 for £1,434,038 6s. 5d. were paid. The increase in the number of orders issued as compared with last year was 21,579, of which 14,256, or 66 per cent., was due to orders issued for payment within the colony, while 7,323, or 34 per cent., was on account of orders issued for payment beyond the colony. Of the increase in the number of orders issued for payment beyond the colony, those drawn on the United Kingdom increased by 3,391, New South Wales by 3,193, Tasmania by 502, and Victoria by 498, as compared with those issued for the preceding year.

New Zealand postal-note business continues to increase. During the past year 981,642 postal notes for £314,053 6s. were sold, being an increase of 12.15 per cent. in number and 13.67 in amount as compared with the preceding year.

The number of British postal orders sold increased from 27,369 for £13,581 18s. to 31,698 valued at £16,229 15s. 6d., and 9,461 orders for £6,426 4s. were paid as against 7,364 for £5,052 7s. 6d. paid during the previous year.

The number of parcels insured during the year was 1,508, valued at £20,969 17s. 5d., upon which premiums amounting to £49 3s. 2d. were received.

The increase in the amount standing to the credit of savings-bank depositors has been considerable. The deposits (£7,907,154 12s. 5d.) exceeded the withdrawals (£6,907,103 17s. 7d.) by £1,000,050 14s. 10d. To this there has been added £291,191 19s. 1d. as interest, making a total increase of £1,291,242 14s. 10d., and bringing the whole amount of savings up to £9,953,265 11s., an amount which equals £10 19s. 1d. per head of the population.

The number of old-age pension payments was 152,502, as compared with 141,018 in the previous year, an increase of 11,484, or 8.14 per cent. The total amount of the payments was £314,204 15s. 9d., as against £254,360 16s. 6d. paid out in the preceding year, an increase of £59,843 19s. 3d.

The total number of telegrams forwarded was 6,396,332, an increase of 756,113, or 13.41 per cent., as compared with the business of the previous year.

Of the increase it is estimated that 12.41 per cent. was due to ordinary expansion of business, while the International Exhibition held at Christchurch was probably responsible for the remaining 1 per cent.

The amount expended on telegraph extension was £114,068, but there are liabilities amounting to £75,110 on account of works for which the authority of Parliament was granted too late for the necessary expenditure to be brought within the financial year.

On the 31st March, 1907, there were 8,953 miles of telegraph-line and 27,031 miles of wire. The length of submarine cables within the colony was 289 knots.

The number of telephone-exchange subscribers still continues to increase in a very rapid manner, having risen from 15,333 to 17,403, while the subscriptions amounted to £100,814 0s. 3d., or £21,272 more than the previous year.

STATEMENT showing REVENUE and EXPENDITURE of the POST and TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT for the Ten Years ended 31st March, 1907, and for the Years 1881-82 and 1891-92.

Year.	Revenue.			Expenditure.			Balance of Revenue over Expenditure.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
1881-82	234,529	8	0	233,291	10	4	1,237	17	8
1891-92	320,058	1	3	268,343	1	1	51,715	0	2
1897-98	408,383	15	3	364,403	3	1	43,980	12	2
1898-99	445,770	7	1	390,197	8	6	55,572	18	7
1899-1900	488,245	16	4	390,448	1	7	97,797	14	9
1900-1901	503,835	19	5½	418,271	16	11	85,564	2	6½
1901-1902	488,573	1	11½	465,756	9	5	22,816	12	6½
1902-1903	525,098	17	3½	487,814	10	0	37,284	7	3½
1903-1904	580,771	4	5½	526,746	14	5	54,024	10	0½
1904-1905	633,305	12	7½	559,921	1	5	73,384	11	2½
1905-1906	684,878	11	2	578,726	11	7	106,151	19	7
1906-1907	746,249	16	0½	619,121	0	9	127,128	15	3½
Total for ten years	...	...	...	...	...	...	£703,706	4	0

TITLE OF ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH COMMISSIONER ALTERED TO "MINISTER OF TELEGRAPHS."

Under section 14 of "The Statute Law Amendment Act, 1906," the title of the Electric Telegraph Commissioner was altered to that of "Minister of Telegraphs."

ABSENCE OF POSTMASTER-GENERAL IN LONDON.

During the visit of the Prime Minister to London to represent the colony at the Imperial Conference, his portfolios of Postmaster-General and Minister of Telegraphs were held by the Attorney-General, the Hon. Dr. J. G. Findlay.

STAFF.

Severe loss has been visited upon the Department during the past year in the deaths of Mr. Thomas Rose, Assistant Secretary, and Mr. William Gray, I.S.O., Secretary, on the 6th October, 1906, and the 22nd March, 1907, respectively. Mr. Gray joined the service on the 1st February, 1864. He had been Secretary of the Post Office since the 1st May, 1874, and Secretary of the combined Post and Telegraph Department since the 1st January, 1881. Mr. Rose entered the service on the 29th November, 1873, filling the responsible position of Inspector. He was appointed Assistant Secretary in addition from the 1st January, 1894. To fill the consequent vacancies Mr. Donald Robertson, Chief Clerk of the Post and Telegraph Department, was promoted to be Assistant Secretary and Inspector from the 7th October, 1906, and was subsequently appointed Secretary as from the 23rd March, 1907. The Assistant Secretaryship has been filled by the promotion of Mr. W. R. Morris.

Mr. J. W. Wilkin, Chief Postmaster, Dunedin, and the officer of longest service in the Department, died on the 19th November, 1906, after a protracted illness. The late Mr. Wilkin had to his credit over forty-four years' unbroken service, having joined the Post Office on the 1st April, 1862.

On the 31st March, 1907, Mr. George Gray, who had filled the position of Controller of Money-orders and Savings-Banks and Accountant since the 1st July, 1891, retired on pension after over thirty-nine years' service. Mr. W. R. Morris, Assistant Controller and Accountant, was promoted to be Controller and Accountant in succession to Mr. Gray.

Mr. Duncan Cumming was promoted from the Chief Postmastership of Auckland to be Inspector of Post-offices on the 1st January, 1907, and has since been promoted to be Controller of Money-orders and Savings-Banks and Accountant.

The Superintendent of Electric Lines, Mr. J. K. Logan, left for Australia on the 3rd November, 1906, en route to England to inquire into the telegraph and telephone systems of the principal parts of the world. Mr. Logan visited Great Britain, Europe, and America, and returned to the colony on the 26th June. During Mr. Logan's absence Mr. W. G. Meddings, Inspector of Telegraphs, Auckland, acted as Superintendent of Electric Lines.

The total number of officers on the staff on the 31st March was as under:—

	31st March, 1907.
Postmaster-General	1
Classified staff:—	
First Division	2
Clerical Division	2,025
Non-clerical Division	538
Telegraph message-boys	581
Total, classified staff	3,147

Employees not on permanent staff:—		31st March, 1907.
Country Postmasters and Postmistresses	...	1,870
Night-watchman	...	1
Mail-cart drivers	...	7
Postmasters and telegraphists or telephonists who are Railway officers	...	167
Total	...	5,192

Comparative Return of Officers of the Post and Telegraph Department for the Years ended 31st March, 1906, and 31st March, 1907.

	Mar. 31, 1906.	Mar. 31, 1907.		Mar. 31, 1906.	Mar. 31, 1907.
Postmaster-General	1	1	Brought forward	140	152
Secretary	1	1	Sub-Inspector of Telegraphs	..	1
Superintendent of Electric Lines	1	1	Assistant Inspectors of Post-offices	4	4
Assistant Secretary and Inspector	1	..	Chief Postmasters	17	17
Inspector of Post-offices	..	1	Postmasters and Officers in Charge on permanent staff	118	136
Controller of Money-orders and Savings-banks and Accountant	1	1	Clerks (including Telephone Exchange Cadettes and Cadets in post-offices)	1,618	1,718
Chief Clerk	1	1	Operators (including Cadets in telegraph-offices)	..	..
Assistant Controller of Money-orders and Savings-banks and Accountant	1	1	Post Office Sorters	19	36
Clerks in General Post Office—			Letter-carriers	303	336
Secretary's Office	19	23	Messengers (Post Office)	75	78
Inspector's and Dead Letter Branch	8	9	Linemen	74	81
Controller of Money-orders and Savings-banks and Accountant's Branch	82	90	Sorters (Telegraph Office)	..	7
Storekeeper, Assistant, and Clerks	10	13	Telegraph Message-boys	555	581
Electrician	1	1	Night-watchman	2	1
Assistant Electricians	3	2	Mail-cart Drivers	4	7
Mechanicians and Cadets	5	11	Postmasters and Telegraphists or Telephonists who are Railway officers	171	167
Telegraph Inspectors	5	5	Country Postmasters, Postmistresses, and Telephonists	1,829	1,870
Assistant Inspector of Telegraphs	..	1			
Carried forward	140	152	Totals	4,929	5,192

The conduct of the staff has been satisfactory, the heavy strain consequent on the exceptional increase of both postal and telegraph business having been met in a praiseworthy manner.

The continued rapid expansion of telegraph business has necessitated the continuance of the school for learners at Oamaru practically throughout the year. A school was, in addition, opened at Onehunga at the beginning of this year. As the lads have qualified in telegraph-operating and passed a technical examination they have been drafted for duty at offices.

A technical examination which all telegraph cadets are by the Classification Regulations required to pass was held on the 29th August, 1906, and again on the 27th March, 1907. The percentage of successful candidates on each occasion was satisfactory.

In terms of "The Post Office Act Amendment Act, 1906," officers of the Sixth Class who have served more than seventeen years receive two additional annual increments of £10 each without being transferred from the class. Under the same Act the maximum salary of the class is thus increased from £200 to £220 per annum. The Act also provides for increasing the maximum salary of linemen and letter-carriers of the first grade from £150 to £160, and that of Post Office messengers from £140 to £160. The schedule relating to counter-clerks (telegraph), assistant counter-clerks (telegraph), assistant exchange clerks, junior exchange clerks, assistant despatch-clerks, and distributors has also been abolished, and one substituted providing for a salary in respect of each position, rising from £50 to £150 a year by annual increments of £10 each. Authority is given under the Act to make regulations (a) prescribing a test of efficiency for officers in the Sixth Class before they may receive increments beyond £150 and £180 respectively; (b) prescribing that no male officer twenty-two years of age shall draw a salary less than £100 per annum; and (c) prescribing a greater minimum and a lesser maximum salary for officers in certain classes of the Non-clerical Division. Regulations under the Act have been prepared.

HEALTH OF STAFF.

The following table gives the average absence of officers on sick-leave:—

	Numbers comprised (Principal Offices).	Average Absence per Sick Officer.	Average Sick-absence per each Officer employed.
		Days.	Days.
Men ...	1,618	12·57	5·83
Women ...	252	21·15	15·78

APPEAL BOARD.

The Board, which met in April last year, dealt with four appeals. In each case the finding was against the appellant, which is an indication of the satisfactory manner in which the classification of officers has been administered. The term of office of the elective members having expired, an election

of representatives took place in February this year. Mr. Harold Lincoln S'vfield was nominated for the Telegraph branch, and, being unopposed, was elected to represent that branch. Two nominations having been received for the Postal branch, a poll was taken, and Mr. Arthur Frederick Wimsett was elected.

INSPECTORS OF TELEGRAPHS AS JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

The Inspectors of Telegraphs at Auckland, Christchurch, Dunedin, Nelson, and Wellington were appointed Justices of the Peace for the purpose alone of witnessing declarations of secrecy of appointees under "The Electric Lines Act, 1884."

UNIVERSAL PENNY POSTAGE.

The following motion was introduced by the Prime Minister of New Zealand at the Imperial Conference, London, on the 9th May last: "That, in view of the enormous social and political advantages and the very material commercial advantages to accrue from a system of international penny postage, and of the further fact that any depression in postal revenue resulting from the adoption of such a system has now been proved to be only temporary in duration and inconsiderable in amount, this Conference recommends to His Majesty's Government the advisability, if and when suitable opportunity occurs, of approaching the Government of those States, members of the Universal Postal Union, which have hitherto declined to agree either to an interchange of letters at a one-penny rate for the minimum rate, or to the receipt of letters from abroad at the same rate, with a view to a more general and, if possible, a universal adoption of that rate." The resolution was agreed to.

The letter rate of postage from New Zealand to the United States of America was reduced from 2½d. to 1d. per ½ oz. on the 1st of November, 1906.

POST-OFFICE INSPECTION.

During the year the four Assistant Inspectors of Post-offices visited and inspected 1,731 offices, and travelled 36,297 miles. In addition to this they also acted as relieving Chief Postmasters in several districts.

INLAND LETTER POSTAGE RATE.

From the 1st November, 1906, the rate of postage for letters conveyed within New Zealand, which had previously been 1d. for each ½ oz. or fraction thereof, was reduced to 1d. for each 4 oz. or fraction thereof. An estimate of the letters dealt with under the new rate for the quarter ended the 31st March, 1907, shows that during that period the total number of letters posted increased by 416,315 over those dealt with during the same period of 1906. The saving to the public for the quarter is estimated at £6,359, or at the rate of £25,436 a year, while the loss of revenue is put down at £1,088. These results are much more favourable than was expected.

OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

One of the most important events of the year has been the abolition of franking of official letters and telegrams generally as from the 1st January, 1907. The free transmission of correspondence by post had subsisted for about sixty-six years, while the system of franked telegrams had been in force almost from the commencement of telegraph operations in the colony. Apart from the fact that the Post Office was performing work for other Departments without remuneration, it was felt that the system of franking had grown to extravagant dimensions. While it was probably the case that the number of letters sent by post by Government officers was not excessive, it was found that many of the public were evading the postage rates by addressing letters on their private affairs to Government Departments as on public service. In the Telegraph branch it had been well known for many years that the free transmission of telegrams by Government Departments was conducive neither to brevity nor to a restriction of the number of messages. Moreover, the wires were very frequently occupied by official messages which contained matter that might without inconvenience have been dealt with by post. Under the new system letters and telegrams are paid for by affixing stamps which are overprinted "Official," special arrangements being made for prepaying quantities of correspondence, which are accepted without stamps, and marked "Official, Paid" by the Post Office. The result of the change has been that for the quarter ended the 31st March, 1907, it is estimated that the postage on official letters was £5,706, or, say, a total for the year of £22,824, as against £56,898 for the year ended the 31st December, 1906. The value of official telegrams was £2,217, or, say, allowing for increased work during the session of Parliament, at the rate of £10,000 a year, as against £24,168 for the previous year—a difference of about £14,000.

The great decrease in the value of letter-postage is principally accounted for by the fact that official letters are frequently bulky, and gain the full advantage of the reduced letter rates of postage. That the value of telegrams would be largely reduced was foreseen, the definite charge against Departments being likely not only to restrict the number of messages, but to reduce their length to a minimum.

INLAND TELEGRAPH RATES.

On the 1st November, 1906, the rate for ordinary inland telegrams, which formerly was 6d. for the first twelve words or less, including address and signature, and 1d. for every additional word, was reduced to ½d. per word, with a minimum charge of 6d. The urgent rates were likewise reduced to be double the new charge for ordinary messages.

The total number of ordinary telegrams and urgent telegrams forwarded from the 1st November, 1905, to the 31st March, 1906, inclusive, was 1,931,514, producing a net revenue of £67,958. The total number of messages—ordinary and urgents only—forwarded for the period 1st November, 1906, to 31st March, 1907, was 2,260,417. They produced a net revenue of £72,857. Taking the average value at the old rates of each ordinary telegram as 8·12d. and each urgent telegram as 14·52d., as quoted in the annual report for 1905–6, the above number of messages for the five months would have produced a revenue of £79,602. The gain to the public is therefore approximately £6,745, or £16,188 for the year. It was estimated that the immediate gain to the public would be £14,000. The estimated loss of about £3,000 of revenue for five months gave place to a gain of £4,899.

SPECIAL-MESSENGER SERVICE.

Cases having occurred in which requests had been made for packages of excessive weight to be carried by the special-messenger service, it was found necessary to limit to ten the number of articles for delivery by one messenger, their aggregate weight not to exceed 15 lb. unless a special conveyance is paid for. When several letters or packets are tendered by one sender for delivery at different addresses by the same messenger, or to different persons at the same address, a charge is made at the rate of 1s. for the first hour and 6d. for each succeeding half-hour or fraction thereof, in addition to which a fixed fee of 1d. must be paid for each article above one. Each packet over 1 lb. in weight is subject to an additional delivery fee of 3d. A charge of 3d. is also levied for each quarter of an hour in cases where a messenger waiting for a reply or for further service is detained for more than ten minutes. Payment of fees may, at the option of telephone-exchange subscribers, be made either at the time of the service being performed, or included in the account rendered for rental of an exchange connection.

“THE POST OFFICE ACT AMENDMENT ACT, 1906.”

The above Act amends “The Post Office Act, 1900,” and “The Post and Telegraph Department Act, 1894.” Sections 1–10 came into operation on the 1st January, 1907, while sections 11 and 12 took effect from the 1st April, 1907.

The provisions of the Act are as follows :—

The Colonial Treasurer may from time to time determine the rate of interest to be paid to depositors in the Post-Office Savings-Bank. The maximum rate payable shall not, however, be more than 5 per centum on deposits not exceeding £300, and 4 per centum on so much of a deposit as exceeds £300 and does not exceed £600. £600 is the maximum interest-bearing amount in ordinary accounts.

Section 3 relates to the operation of the Post Office Account, and contains a proviso that the total amount of payments under this section by Postmasters shall not at any time exceed the balance of moneys in the hands of the Postmaster-General imprested to him for the purposes of making such payments, together with the amount of postal or other revenue in the Post Office Account. Such postal or other revenue shall not be held in any way to include the Post-Office Savings-Bank deposits.

Under section 4 additional regulations as to the Post-Office Savings-Bank may be made—

- (a.) For the nomination by an adult depositor of any person or persons to whom, in the event of his decease, money standing to his credit shall be paid ;
- (b.) For payment or transfer of deposits belonging to persons appearing to be minors or of unsound mind, or forming part of the estate of any person appearing to be deceased ; and
- (c.) For evidence being given relative to the amounts deposited or withdrawn by persons to whom pensions have been granted under “The Old-age Pensions Act, 1898,” or by claimants for pensions under that Act.

Reciprocal arrangements with foreign savings-banks may be entered into by the Postmaster-General.

The entry in a depositor’s book of a sum less than £1 is accepted as conclusive evidence of title, and a formal acknowledgment is not necessary.

Postal packets addressed to or sent by institutes for the blind or public libraries, containing matter prepared in raised characters for the use of the blind, are not subject to postage.

The Postmaster-General may from time to time cause post-office pillar boxes to be erected and maintained in any road or street, reserve, or public place.

Sections 9 and 10 of the Act more clearly define the powers of the Postmaster-General under the principal Act in regard to prohibitions. The Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, prohibit the registration, forwarding, or delivery of postal packets, and the issue or payment of money-orders, to any person in New Zealand or elsewhere whom he has at any time reasonable ground to suppose is engaged—

- (a.) In receiving any money or valuable thing as the consideration for an assurance or agreement, expressed or implied, to pay or give any money or valuable thing on any event or contingency relating to any horse-race or other race, fight, game, sport, or exercise, or as the consideration for securing the paying or giving by some other person of any money or valuable thing on any such event or contingency ; or
- (b.) In promoting or carrying out any scheme connected with any such assurance or agreement, or any lottery, scheme of chance, or unlawful game ; or
- (c.) In receiving money under pretence of foretelling future events ; or
- (d.) In any fraudulent, obscene, immoral, or unlawful business or undertaking ; or
- (e.) In advertising in direct or indirect terms the treatment of diseases of the sexual organs.

Under section 10 the Postmaster-General has power to order the destruction of the contents of any postal packet (other than a letter or a letter-card) addressed to any person (either by his own or any fictitious name or assumed name), or to any address without a name, posted in New Zealand or elsewhere, which he has reason to suspect contains or is supposed to contain any printed or written matter of any kind, or any enclosure of any kind—

(a.) Which is of a libellous, blasphemous, indecent, or immoral nature, or likely to have an indecent or immoral effect; or

(b.) In advertisement of any lottery or scheme of chance.

The first interdiction under section 9 of "The Post Office Act Amendment Act, 1906," was made by warrant dated the 8th March, 1907. Several warrants have since been issued.

NEW ZEALAND INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION, CHRISTCHURCH, 1906-7.

As from the 22nd October, 1906, a post-office, money-order office, postal-note office, and savings-bank were opened at the Exhibition, and a telegraph receiving-office and bureau were also opened on the following day. A half-hourly service by telegraph messenger between the Christchurch Telegraph-office and the Exhibition was arranged, as was also a special-delivery service in the Exhibition. Four posting-boxes were erected in the building, exclusive of a box at the post-office. The Department also displayed a suitable exhibit. The office was closed on the 20th April, 1907.

Postage-stamps at $\frac{1}{2}$ d., 1d., 3d., and 6d. were issued in commemoration of the Exhibition. Each stamp bore the words "Commemorative Series of 1906." The illustration on the $\frac{1}{2}$ d. stamp represented the arrival of the Maoris in the canoe "Arawa" from Hawaiki; the 1d. stamp illustrated several branches of Maori art; the 3d. stamp showed the landing of Captain Cook at Poverty Bay; and the 6d. stamp represented the hoisting of the British flag at Kororareka, Bay of Islands. The stamps, which were valid for all purposes, were sold at the Exhibition post-office only.

The articles posted in Christchurch during the Exhibition period (1st November, 1906, to 15th April, 1907) were 5,266,128 letters; 15,568 registered articles; 74,312 official letters; 77,728 letter-cards; 520,576 post-cards; 2,495,068 books, pattern packets, and circulars; and 1,702,456 newspapers. Compared with the same period for 1905-6, there was an increase of 2,147,068 letters; 8,540 registered articles; 420,336 post-cards; 1,101,980 books, &c.; and 610,008 newspapers. There was a reduction of 92,904 in official letters, and 5,936 in letter-cards.

The articles delivered in Christchurch from the 1st November, 1906, to the 15th April, 1907, numbered 4,342,800 letters; 54,208 registered articles; 78,848 official letters; 80,780 letter-cards; 313,544 post-cards; 1,165,400 books, pattern packets, and circulars; and 1,062,152 newspapers—an increase over the same period in 1905-6 of 1,265,964 letters, 25,912 registered articles, 5,084 letter-cards, 80,584 post-cards, and 976,780 newspapers. Official letters decreased by 38,864, and books, &c., by 167,624. The falling-off in the number of official letters is accounted for by the abolition of franking from the 1st January, 1907.

The transactions at the Christchurch Money-order and Savings-bank office during the Exhibition period were 36,346 deposits, 32,304 withdrawals, 9,194 money-orders issued, 16,102 money-orders paid, and 50,799 postal-notes paid, the increase over the same period in 1905-6 being 7,842 deposits, 6,494 withdrawals, 1,148 money-orders issued, 2,313 money-orders paid, and 5,912 postal-notes paid.

At the Exhibition Office there were 799 savings-bank deposits, 600 money-orders issued, 93 money-orders paid, and 150 postal notes paid. The articles posted were 187,200 letters, 1,236 registered articles, 5,320 letter-cards, 340,000 post-cards, 750 parcels, 12,000 packets, and 11,409 newspapers.

The articles received for delivery in the Exhibition were 296,480 letters, 300 registered articles, 6,450 letter-cards, 8,700 post-cards, 610 parcels, 7,690 packets, and 15,000 newspapers.

Telegrams received at the Exhibition for delivery totalled 9,800, valued at £240 10s. 6d.; while 14,514 messages were despatched from the Exhibition, valued at £568 8s. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

The value of the postage-stamps sold in the Christchurch and Exhibition post-offices during the Exhibition was £39,376 15s. 7d., an increase of £6,043 1s. 10d. over those sold in November-April, 1905-6. These amounts do not include stamps purchased from the Stamp Department by licensed vendors.

During the period 1st November, 1906, to 12th April, 1907, the Christchurch Telegraph Office forwarded 205,672 telegrams, received 229,241, and transmitted 271,981, an increase of 171,744 over the number dealt with in the same months of 1905-6.

In order to overtake the heavy pressure of postal business at Christchurch during the Exhibition season, and to expedite the delivery of correspondence, arrangements were made for sorting the northern mails at the Chief Post-office there on Sundays.

OFFENCES.

A lad at Wellington was convicted and admitted to probation for one year on a charge of forging the names of his trustee and a witness to an order for an amount on his account in the Post-office Savings-Bank.

A person was fined £1 and ordered to pay £3 19s. costs for fraudulently using defaced postage-due stamps in prepayment of postage, in contravention of clause 86 of "The Post Office Act, 1900."

At the Supreme Court, Wellington, a young man pleaded guilty to a charge of committing a breach of the Post Office Act by untruthfully stating that he had enclosed a sum of money in a letter. He was granted six months' probation, conditionally on his paying an amount towards the cost of the prosecution.

A mail-carrier was convicted and fined £5, or in default one month's imprisonment, for having stolen a letter containing a cheque.

A person was fined the maximum penalty of £10 and costs £1 8s. for placing in the post for transmission a post-card bearing a grossly offensive communication.

A person not connected with the Department was sentenced to three months' probation, and ordered to pay £20 towards the costs of the prosecution, for having "opened a letter contrary to his duty." He obtained possession of a letter after it was posted, opened it and copied the contents, and then reposted the letter.

A telegraph messenger was prosecuted and sentenced to six months' imprisonment for having abstracted a number of bank notes from a registered letter.

There have been several prosecutions of and convictions against persons, in most cases lads, for wilfully breaking insulators on telegraph-poles.

For unlawfully affixing a cancelled postage-stamp to a letter a person was fined £1, with costs £2 16s.

NEW POSTAGE-STAMPS, ETC.

The 6d. postage-stamp has, from February last, been printed in sheets of 240 stamps instead of 120. Two steel plates, to print 240 stamps each, were obtained for the purpose from London, where the new die, engraved to the size of that for the 1d. stamp, was prepared.

Stamps of the following denominations used for postage were overprinted "Official" and used for the prepayment of Government correspondence, as from the 1st January, 1907: $\frac{1}{2}$ d., 1d., 2d., 3d., 6d., 1s., 2s., and 5s.

POST-CARDS.

Illustrated and other post-cards, bearing written communications on the left half of the address side, addressed to any place, are not now taxed by the Department when prepaid at the penny rate, although delivery of such post-cards untaxed to foreign countries is not guaranteed until the 1st October next, except in the case of certain countries. Post-cards similarly bearing writing on the front received from any place are also delivered without surcharge, unless marked as unpaid in the country of origin.

PREPAYMENT OF POSTAGE IN CASH.

The minimum number of inland letters and inland circulars posted in quantities permitted to be prepaid in cash instead of stamps was reduced from 1,000 to 240.

GRATUITIES FOR CARRIAGE OF SEA MAILS.

Following on the increase in the weight of letters for delivery within New Zealand at the penny rate, which took effect on the 1st November, 1906, it was decided as from that date that the gratuities payable for the conveyance of mails by sea should be as follows: On letters for delivery beyond New Zealand, 2s. per pound; printed matter for delivery beyond New Zealand, £1 10s. per ton; on bags or packages containing mail-matter for delivery within New Zealand, 1s. 4d. for each bag or package for each shipment. The gratuities payable for parcel mails remain unchanged.

LETTER AND TELEGRAM FRANKING-MACHINE.

In 1904 the Automatic Stamping Company (Limited), of Christchurch, brought under the notice of the Department a franking-machine; and the Postmaster-General made an agreement with the company permitting it to manufacture fifty machines and to use them from the 1st January, 1905, to the 31st December, 1910. Permission was granted the company in January last to place fifty additional machines in private offices at Christchurch, Dunedin, Invercargill, and Wellington, respectively.

The machines are sold or let to reputable business firms, approved by the Postmaster-General, for the purpose of prepaying postal articles and inland telegrams. No reselling or subletting is allowed, except with the approval of the Postmaster-General. The dies of the machines impress the five values of $\frac{1}{2}$ d., 1d., 3d., 6d., and 1s. The first machines were made on the coin-in-the-slot principle. The insertion of a sovereign in the slot admitted of stamp impressions up to the value of £1, when the machine became automatically locked. The insertion of another sovereign allowed the machine to operate again. The use of the coin has since been dispensed with, and a recording indicator substituted. To obtain an impression, a handle is turned similar to that on a cash-register. The machine starting from zero registers the amount of each impression, displaying the amount expended on a dial. When £1 has been used, the amount is automatically recorded, and the machine goes on. The user can check his expenditure from the outside until he has expended £20, when the register, so far as he is concerned, goes back to zero. The dial is read in the same manner as that of a gas-meter. Special ink is used for the impressions, and by the application of a simple test forgery may be easily detected. Each series of dies has a distinguishing mark to show by which machine the articles have been stamped. The check made by the Department provides against fraud. Each die gives a circular impression around the lettering "New Zealand. Postage Paid," the value being shown within an inner circle. There are at present several of the machines in use at Christchurch, and the patentees state that they can place the machines as quickly as they can turn them out. All the machines are working satisfactorily.

POSTAL NOTES.

The regulations relating to postal notes were altered. On application, accompanied by a fee of 6d., a person to whom a postal note is issued may within two years of the date of issue be informed of the particulars of payment of such postal note.

The duplicate of a lost or destroyed postal note may now be issued after the expiration of six months from the date of issue of the original postal note, provided that the number of the postal note is known

and the person claiming the amount can satisfactorily prove that he is entitled to the same; provided also that when there is undoubted evidence of the destruction of a postal note and the number is known, a duplicate may be issued forthwith. The person to whom a duplicate postal note is issued is required to give a guarantee in writing to refund the amount should the original postal note at any time be paid, and no payment of a duplicate postal note is made until the guarantee is given.

OLD-AGE PENSIONS.

The special system set up by the Post Office necessary for the payment of old-age pensions is still working smoothly, and is capable of meeting all possible requirements, but the sum of £1,010 per annum contributed by the Old-age Pensions Department is wholly inadequate to meet the expenditure on account of salaries, &c., incurred by this Department in the proper performance of the work.

In other words, the payment of old-age pensions is costing the Post Office some £3,800 per annum, towards which it receives from the Old-age Pensions Department an annual contribution of £1,010. This means that a sum approximating £1,500 is annually charged to the votes of the Post and Telegraph Department that should properly be charged against the expenses of the Old-age Pensions Department.

The payments made during the last financial year numbered 152,502, as against 141,018 in the preceding year, an increase of 11,484, or 8·14 per cent.

The following is a comparative return showing the number and amount of old-age pension payments made during the financial years 1905-6 and 1906-7:—

RETURN showing the Number and Amount of Old-age Pension Payments made each Month for the Two Years ended 31st March, 1907.

Month.	1905-6.			1906-7.				
	Number of Payments.	Amount.		Number of Payments.	Amount.			
		£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
April	11,437	16,141	13	7	12,191	25,285	12	8
May	11,721	16,528	13	7	12,459	25,802	12	11
June	11,654	16,428	3	0	12,451	25,765	4	6
July	11,599	16,354	6	7	12,581	25,962	17	3
August	11,571	16,323	18	1	12,645	26,098	2	7
September	11,501	23,915	5	6	12,652	26,067	16	6
October	11,749	24,457	14	3	12,806	26,334	15	0
November	11,767	24,498	15	5	12,829	26,371	5	1
December	11,885	24,715	12	7	12,959	26,637	0	2
January	11,859	24,651	14	5	12,873	26,437	13	2
February	12,063	25,030	14	11	13,060	26,782	14	3
March	12,212	25,314	4	7	12,996	26,659	1	8
Totals	141,018	£254,360	16	6	152,502	£314,204	15	9

RETURN for same Period of Number of Payments and Amounts in each Postal District.

Postal District.	1905-6.			1906-7.				
	Number of Payments.	Amount.		Number of Payments.	Amount.			
		£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Auckland	28,016	50,265	11	5	31,409	64,401	3	10
Blenheim	1,695	3,055	3	0	1,763	3,549	2	10
Christchurch	22,369	40,155	0	9	24,767	51,109	18	10
Dunedin	21,791	39,247	4	2	23,563	48,133	16	7
Gisborne	1,249	2,246	18	5	1,278	2,460	13	9
Greymouth	6,016	11,206	19	8	6,129	13,059	12	3
Hokitika	5,972	11,065	1	7	6,108	12,988	3	4
Invercargill	9,454	17,102	15	6	9,756	20,286	16	1
Napier	5,213	9,213	0	6	5,337	10,673	18	3
Nelson	3,337	5,755	0	6	3,316	6,716	0	5
New Plymouth	2,866	4,987	11	0	2,987	5,933	12	1
Oamaru	2,591	4,682	6	7	2,980	6,176	15	6
Thames	5,521	10,126	7	6	5,665	11,983	5	1
Timaru	4,518	8,060	13	7	5,203	10,594	0	0
Wanganui	4,182	7,641	11	9	4,427	9,278	3	10
Wellington	12,916	23,383	0	6	14,298	29,375	12	7
Westport	3,312	6,166	10	1	3,516	7,484	0	6
Totals	141,018	£254,360	16	6	152,502	£314,204	15	9

DEPARTMENTAL RULES.

The Rules and Regulations for Non-permanent Postmasters were reissued during the year. The Money-order Regulations were also revised and reprinted.

MONEY-ORDER TELEGRAM: RATE FOR REMITTER'S PRIVATE MESSAGE.

From the 1st November, 1906, the rate for a private communication to the payee added by the remitter of a money-order telegram to the official telegram of advice was altered to $\frac{1}{2}$ d. per word for ordinary, and 1d. per word for urgent, communications, with no minimum charge.

BUILDINGS.

The great expansion of business at Auckland has necessitated the renting of a building to accommodate the parcel-post branch. This is, however, only a temporary expedient.

At Christchurch arrangements are being made to resume portion of a Government building next to the post-office, on account of the congestion of the parcel-post branch.

Competitive designs are about to be invited for the extension of the General Post Office building at Wellington. In the meantime a fresh lease has been secured of the old bank building in Lambton Quay, and the top floor of Nathan's new building has been leased. To the latter will be transferred the telegraph section of the Accountant's Branch.

During the year brick buildings were erected at Bull's, Hutt, Johnsonville, Nelson, New Plymouth, Otautau, Tauranga, and Winton, and wooden buildings at Collingwood, Millerton, Rongotea, Tokomaru Bay, Tuparoa, and Whakatane. At Roslyn a property was purchased for the purposes of a post-office building. A site for a building was bought at Kimbolton, and at Manakau land and a building were purchased. Buildings in brick are in course of erection at Cambridge, Greymouth, and Taihape. A wooden building has been erected at Makuri by the Public Works Department. Contracts have been let for residences at Arrowtown and Te Awamutu.

Public chiming clocks were erected in post-office buildings at Bull's, Carterton, Gore, Hutt, Nelson, and Palmerston North, and one was ordered for Greymouth; in each case the local authorities concerned contributed towards the cost. A subsidy was given by Government towards the cost of a clock for the Greytown office.

The following general repairs, additions, &c., were carried out during the year: Albury, additions at railway-station for postal purposes; Arrowtown, additions; Auckland, telegraph operating and telephone instrument rooms enlarged; Carterton, drainage; Christchurch, completion of the enlargement of building, and extensive alterations; Dunedin, renovations to telegraph-office; Dunedin North, improvements, &c.; Dannevirke, old Courthouse altered to suit requirements of post and telegraph office; Edendale, additions at railway-station for postal purposes; Feilding, alterations and drainage; Gisborne telephone exchange provided; Gore, additions; Inglewood, drainage, &c.; Invercargill, workshop and bicycle-shed erected; Mangonui, alterations and painting; Martinborough, additions; Masterton, alterations to telephone exchange; Morrinsville, additions at railway-station for postal purposes; New Brighton, improvements and alterations; Opotiki, renovations, &c.; Orepuki, additions at railway-station for postal purposes; Pahiatua, alterations and additions; Petone, renovations, &c.; Rangiora, additions; Rotorua, additions to office and residence; Taupo, fencing, repairs, &c.; Timaru, fire-appliances provided; Waimate, renovations, &c.; Waipukurau, additions, alterations, and painting; Wakapuaka, additional land taken for water-supply purposes, and fenced; Wakefield, additions at railway-station for postal purposes; Wellington, additional private letter-boxes provided, and telephone exchange extended; Westport, renovations, and strongroom erected.

REDIRECTED TELEGRAMS.

A telegram redirected to a corrected address is now liable to an additional charge of 6d. only, if delivery can be effected from the original receiving-office. If, however, the message requires to be re-telegraphed, a charge equal to the amount originally paid is levied, plus or minus the charge at $\frac{1}{2}$ d. a word for any words by which the number of words in the original address is increased or diminished.

REGULATIONS UNDER "THE ELECTRIC LINES ACT, 1884."

The regulations under "The Electric Lines Act, 1884," have been altered to include provision for the payment of a fee for a receipt for a telegram, whether international, intercolonial, or inland, either at 1d. each or by the purchase of books of 100 forms, with receipt foils attached, at a cost of 2s. each; for modified fees for a message after hours relating to sickness, death, or other urgent matter; for the non-transmission of a "country newspaper" telegram on the day of publication; for the equalising of the individual rate and the Press Association rate for press telegrams when an office is reopened by special request; and for the option of the Electric Telegraph Commissioner to permit any premises of any fire brigade, or any hospital or benevolent or charitable institution, to be connected with a telephone exchange free of cost or charges.

WEATHER REPORTS.

It was arranged for telegraphic reports of weather forecasts to be regularly sent to certain coastal offices for exhibition for the information of the fishing community.

PRESS TELEGRAM REGULATIONS.

The regulations relating to Press Telegrams were amended in the direction of restricting to parliamentary or political news only the additional five hundred words a day which evening newspapers may receive at the rate of 6d. for each hundred words or fraction thereof during session of Parliament.

TELEPHONE EXCHANGE : CHARGES FOR CONTINUOUS ATTENDANCE.

The charges for continuous attendance at telephone exchanges having over 150 paying subscribers have been altered to permit of alternative rates being charged—viz., £7 per annum for business establishments and £5 for private residences, or £6 a year for each business and private connection, if agreed to by the subscribers.

The Hastings Exchange was the first to come under the new regulation.

PRIVATE LINES.

Important changes were made in the regulations concerning private telephone-lines. In these changes it is, *inter alia*, provided that private wires between places of business or other premises within towns where there are telephone-poles available may be erected on the Department's telephone-poles at the cost of the applicant, and maintained by the Department at certain rates.

The Department may construct private telephone-lines on behalf of the owners, but will not license any person to construct his own telephone-line.

The construction of a line erected by its owner and at his risk is subject to the consent of the local body; but such consent does not abrogate the claims of the Department to the right of road.

A private line may be connected with a telephone-office at which there is no telephone exchange on specified conditions.

When a private line is connected with a telephone-office in charge of a permanent officer of the Department a fee is charged for each subscriber on the private line, the service to be given being attendance for switching the private line to the bureau line, and the transmitting and receiving of telegrams on the private line. The usual bureau fees and the cost of the transmission of telegrams over the public line are also chargeable.

Non-permanent Telephonists may fix a fee to be charged for their services.

Where a telephone exchange has been established in a country town private lines may be connected with the same.

POST OFFICE.

ARTICLES POSTED AND DELIVERED.

The number of articles posted in the colony and received from places outside the colony during the year 1906, as compared with the number in 1905, was as under:—

	1906.	1905.	Increase.
Letters—			
Posted in the colony	71,875,390	64,750,510	
Received from places outside the colony	5,526,807	4,914,431	
	<u>77,402,197</u>	<u>69,664,941</u>	7,737,256
Letter-cards—			
Posted in the colony	1,682,369	1,451,320	231,049
Post-cards—			
Posted in the colony	5,109,754	2,942,953	
Received from places outside the colony	683,054	708,074	
	<u>5,792,808</u>	<u>3,651,027</u>	2,141,781
Books and pattern-packets—			
Posted in the colony	21,112,390	21,347,921	
Received from places outside the colony	2,781,819	2,359,980	
	<u>23,894,209</u>	<u>23,707,901</u>	186,308
Newspapers—			
Posted in the colony	17,051,359	17,288,829	
Received from places outside the colony	6,665,072	6,337,533	
	<u>23,716,431</u>	<u>23,626,362</u>	90,069
Parcels—			
Posted in the colony	352,209	313,617	
Received from places outside the colony	95,962	78,400	
	<u>448,171</u>	<u>392,017</u>	56,154

The letters increased 11·11, letter-cards 15·92, post-cards 58·66, newspapers 0·38, other printed matter and pattern-packets 0·78, and parcels 14·32 per cent.

In 1905 letters increased 6·98, letter-cards 5·03, post-cards 58·02, newspapers 9·89, other printed matter and pattern-packets 17·9, and parcels 9·65 per cent.

The average number of letters posted per head of population was estimated to be 80·25, or 82·13 including letter-cards. The averages in 1905 were 74·43, or 76·09 including letter-cards.

The Post Office receipts for the year amounted to £438,729 0s. 1d., an increase of 6·75 per cent.

The expenditure was £327,761 8s. 3d., an increase of 8·48 per cent.

The balance of postal revenue over expenditure was £110,967 11s. 10d. The estimated value of free correspondence of other Government Departments was £64,872 1s. 4d. The gross earnings of the Post Office for the year were therefore £503,601 1s. 5d., and the credit balance £175,839 13s. 2d.

WORK PERFORMED FOR OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

Among the many branches of Government work performed during the calendar year 1906 by the Department may be mentioned the following :—

Customs duties were collected on parcels and other articles coming through the post from places beyond the colony amounting to £49,885 5s. 8d., and on account of ordinary Customs work £2,331 18s. 7d.

Advances to Settlers receipts amounted to £897,953 19s. 5d., and payments to £895,202 4s. 7d.

Fishing licenses were issued by Postmasters to the value of £1,539 16s. 6d., and game licenses to the value of £2,076.

For the Government Insurance Department premiums were collected from the public amounting to £29,726 2s. 10d.

Publications sent out by the Government Printer and paid for through the Post Office brought in £744 2s. 10d.

The sum of £27,808 18s. 2d. was paid to Imperial pensioners by Postmasters.

Income-tax amounting to £160,506 13s. 7d., and land-tax £318,705 11s., were collected by Postmasters.

The sum of £7,058 12s. 4d., fees due to the Machinery Department, was received.

Under the Mining Act the receipts were £372 10s.

New Zealand Consols for £1,725 were sold on behalf of the Treasury.

£6,067 0s. 5d. was the amount paid for Official Assignees as dividends in bankrupt estates.

The amount paid to old-age pensioners through the Post Office was £309,322 0s. 7d.

On behalf of the Public Trustee £602,658 16s. 4d. was received, and £609,802 9s. 4d. paid.

Railway revenue amounting to £8,318 9s. was collected by Postmasters.

Fees for the registration of births, deaths, and marriages received by Postmaster-Registrars were £2,409 3s.

Receipts from the Hanmer Springs Sanatorium amounted to £1,847 9s. 1d.

Sheep rates amounting to £21,141 17s. 2d., and £57 15s. 8d. sundry amounts, were collected for the Stock Department.

Valuation Department fees paid to Postmasters reached £4,784 2s. 10d.

Claims on the General Government for £841,811 7s. 8d. were paid on behalf of the Treasury.

Discount-stamps numbering 3,164,256, for £3,296 2s., were sold, and 3,079,920, for £3,208 5s., redeemed, during the year.

The amount invested by the general public in Government 4-per-cent. debentures through the medium of the Post Office was £77,095 10s.

GROSS RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS.

The gross amount received by the Department during 1906 was £21,028,305 7s. 9½d., of which £17,654,802 9s. 0½d. was departmental, and £3,373,502 18s. 9d. on account of other Departments.

The gross amount paid out was £21,025,969 19s., made up of £17,666,816 17s. 8d. departmental, and on behalf of other Departments—to individuals £2,643,431 3s. 11d., and to accounts £715,721 17s. 5d.

The total gross receipts and payments were therefore £42,054,275 6s. 9½d.

LETTER-CARRIERS' DELIVERIES.

Deliveries by letter-carrier were established at:—Auckland: Dargaville (including Mangawhare), Frankton Junction. Christchurch: Heathcote Valley. Wellington: Eketahuna.

Letter-carriers' deliveries were extended as follows:—Christchurch (C.P.O.): Riccarton, to include area bounded by Curlett Lane, South Road to South Line Sockburn, Racecourse Road, and Yaldhurst Road to Racecourse Road. Lower Riccarton, afternoon delivery to include area bounded by West Belt, Railway Terrace, Picton Avenue, and Alliance Streets. Sydenham delivery to include Studholme Street. Dunedin (C.P.O.): Mosgiel delivery along Bush, Shand's, and Gladstone Roads. Port Chalmers afternoon delivery from partial to full delivery. In Roslyn Borough, along Wakari Road to French's; in Pine Hill, from the School to the Bishop's house, Leith Valley. Invercargill (C.P.O.): To include Grasmere, Collingwood, and Prestonville; south delivery to Oteramika Road. Thames: Tauranga, to include both sides of Elizabeth Street. Wanganui (C.P.O.): Aramoho delivery extended from Brunswick Road to the Old Men's Home. In Sedgebrook district, to Gordon Park. Eltham, along Mountain Road South as far as Eltham Dairy Factory. Wellington (C.P.O.): Wadestown delivery to include Woodward Street and Wilton's Road to boundary of Wilton Estate. Hutt, second delivery along Waiwetū Road to Bellevue Road, thence along Bellevue Road, Bellevue Crescent, Cornwall Street, King's Road, Thames Street, Bristol Street, Orr's Avenue, and Parker's Lane. Johnsonville, along Porirua Road, Burgess Road, Woodland Road, Paparangi Road, and on hill in front of Post-office. Levin, to include Mako Mako, Bartholomew, and Kawhiu Roads. Palmerston North morning delivery along Main, Church, Ferguson, and College Streets to Maxwell's Line. Second daily delivery in the south-east to Te Ngutu Lagoon (Scandia Street), in the north-east to corner of Terrace Street and Boundary Road, in the north-west to corner of Featherston Street and Kairanga Road, and in the south-west to corner of Ferguson and West Streets.

Letter-carriers' deliveries were increased in frequency at:—Auckland: Hamilton, twice to thrice daily (in principal streets only). Christchurch (C.P.O.): Twice to thrice daily in area bounded by Moorhouse Avenue, Fitzgerald Avenue, Bealey Avenue, Park Terrace, Antigua Street, and Lincoln

Road. Daily to twice daily in business and principal residential portions of Papanui. Dunedin (C.P.O.): Daily to twice daily in the North-east Valley Borough. Thames: Waihi, daily to twice daily within the circuit described by Evans, George, and Clark Streets, Walmsley Road, Dobson, Nelson, and Darby Streets, Junction Road, Martha Street, Moresby Avenue, Kensington Road, Victoria and Consols Streets to Silverton Road.

Letter-carriers' deliveries were curtailed as follows: Wanganui: Eltham, twice to once daily along Castle Street. Wellington: Stokes Valley, daily to twice weekly.

Letter-carriers' deliveries were otherwise altered at—Thames: Tauranga, on Tuesdays and Saturdays, full delivery made after arrival of steamer from Auckland, 8.30 a.m. delivery in main streets only on those days.

NEWSPAPERS REGISTERED.

Twenty-four newspapers were registered for transmission by post, and nineteen ceased publication.

RECEIVING-BOXES.

Forty-nine receiving-boxes were established at: Auckland—City and suburbs, 4; Frankton Junction, 1; Hamilton, 1; Kirikiriroa, 1; Mangawhare, 1. Christchurch—City and suburbs, 9; Lyttelton, 1. Dunedin—City and suburbs, 5. Gisborne—Te Karaka, 1. Invercargill—Gore, 1. Napier—Town and suburbs, 1; Dannevirke, 1; Hastings, 1. Nelson—Motueka, 1. Oamaru—Hampden, 1. Thames—Waihi, 1. Timaru—Town and suburbs, 3. Wanganui—Town and suburbs, 5; Eltham, 1. Wellington—City and suburbs, 3; Carterton, 1; Feilding, 1; Hutt, 1; Palmerston North, 3.

Six receiving-boxes were closed at: Auckland—Kirikiriroa, 1; Rotorua, 1. Christchurch—City and suburbs, 1. Dunedin—City and suburbs, 1. Invercargill—Gordon, 1. Wellington—Hutt, 1.

DESIGNATION OF OFFICES.

The designations of offices were changed as follows: Auckland—Fencourt to Bruntwood, Grahamsfern to Hoanga. Dunedin—Katea to Hunt's Road. Greymouth—Otira Railway to Otira, Runanga to State Collieries. Hokitika—Waitaha Ferry to Waitaha. Invercargill—Waikawa Valley to Waikawa Junction. Napier—Pokokomuka to Ngapaeruru. Nelson—Motupiko Railway to Kohatu, Upper Motupiko to Korere. New Plymouth—Douglas Road to Douglas. Thames—Waiohahi to Kutarere. Wanganui—Lower Moawhango to Taoroa.

POST-OFFICES ESTABLISHED, ETC.

Sixty-six post-offices were established (of these six were reopened offices), and nineteen closed.

Opened.

Arahura, Hokitika.
Aria, Auckland.
Awawaro, Wellington.
Benio, Invercargill.
Borton's, Oamaru.
Broken River, Christchurch.
Brydone, Invercargill.
Clarendon, Dunedin.
Day's Bay, Wellington.
Exhibition, Christchurch.
Heathdale, Greymouth.
Honikiwi, Auckland.
Hurworth, New Plymouth.
Kaikoura Suburban, Christchurch
Kaimatarau, Wellington.
Kaitieke, Auckland.
Kakahi, Auckland.
Karapiro, Auckland.
Katea, Dunedin.
Kauana, Invercargill.
Khandallah (reopened), Wellington.
Kiokio, Auckland.
Kiwi, Nelson.

Korito, New Plymouth.
Korokoro, Wellington.
Lower Moawhango, Wanganui.
Makatote, Auckland.
Maketawa, New Plymouth.
Mangaiti, Thames.
Mangaotaki, Auckland.
Manunui, Auckland.
Matai, Invercargill.
Matapuna, Auckland.
Mokai, Auckland.
Moturimu, Wellington.
Moumahakinui, Wanganui.
Mount Hercules, Hokitika.
Muka, Auckland.
Ngatoro, New Plymouth.
Opouiti, Napier.
Opouriao, Thames.
Owhata, Auckland.
Paerata, Auckland.
Pukerimu (reopened), Auckland.
Puketi, Dunedin.

Puketotara, Auckland.
Putorino, Napier.
Rangitahi, Auckland.
Rapahoe, Greymouth.
Ridgelands (reopened, 8/1/06), Wellington.
Rotoorangi, Auckland.
Runanga, Greymouth.
South Wyndham (7/5/06), Invercargill.
Tahekeroa (reopened), Auckland.
Tahunga, Gisborne.
Tangitiki, Auckland.
Tarurutangi, New Plymouth.
Tokatea (reopened), Auckland.
Turangaomoana, Auckland.
Waikouro, Invercargill.
Waimarama, Napier.
Waimumu, Invercargill.
Waiowaka (reopened), Wellington.
Waitekaro, Gisborne.
Waiwawa, Auckland.
Whakarewarewa, Auckland.

Closed.

Alpine Hill, Westport.
Athenree, Thames.
Bell Hill, Greymouth.
Craigieburn, Christchurch.
McDonald Downs, Christchurch.
Mahi, Wanganui.
Ngapaeruru, Napier.

Oio, Auckland.
Pariroa, Wanganui.
Porter's Pass, Christchurch.
Rangiheke, Auckland.
Scarrott's, Auckland.
Scott's Ferry, Wanganui.
South Wyndham, (29/6/06), Invercargill.

Springfield Railway-works, Christchurch.
Tengawai, Timaru.
Tokatea, Auckland.
Wairepo, Wanganui.
Waitangi, Auckland.

The number of post-offices open at the end of the year was 1,984.

PARCEL-POST.

As from the 1st January, 1907, the rate of postage for inland parcels was reduced from 6d. for the first pound and 3d. for each additional pound, to 4d. for the first pound and 2d. for each additional pound.

As a result of this reduction, it is estimated that the number of inland parcels has increased in the three months to the 31st March by at least 84 per cent. The public, moreover, has by the change been induced to send by parcel-post articles which were previously forwarded as packets.

The following table shows the number and weight of parcels posted during the years 1890, 1900, 1905, and 1906:—

Postal Districts.	1890.		1900.		1905.		1906.	
	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.
		Lb. oz.		Lb. oz.		Lb. oz.		Lb. oz.
Auckland	21,882	57,912 10	40,287	122,449 9	68,087	224,620 14	76,913	260,576 14
Thames	1,491	3,661 8	2,989	9,094 4	4,263	12,467 13	4,422	12,263 11
New Plymouth ..	1,007	2,674 3	3,038	9,615 9	5,299	16,373 15	5,569	16,803 0
Gisborne	938	2,570 6	2,022	5,771 15	2,120	8,871 8	3,075	10,100 7
Napier	3,265	17,075 14	8,848	28,142 15	12,589	39,659 10	14,384	44,267 1
Wanganui	4,035	9,563 8	8,846	28,206 10	14,900	46,542 14	16,122	52,085 9
Wellington	25,893	74,544 2	44,322	160,737 4	85,782	295,495 15½	98,480	346,010 8
Blenheim	1,846	4,357 11	1,961	5,976 4	2,618	8,762 7	2,795	9,775 10
Nelson	4,723	13,370 7	5,261	16,916 4	7,209	22,828 7	7,380	22,278 2
Westport	1,077	2,332 4	1,868	4,645 15	2,855	7,072 13	2,852	7,782 10
Greymouth	2,509	6,243 13	2,583	7,711 4	2,712	8,854 1	4,151	10,692 0
Hokitika	1,413	3,924 5	2,527	9,173 5	3,421	11,904 11	3,530	12,206 10
Christchurch ..	19,383	58,708 4	30,897	118,206 3	41,968	152,861 13	49,511	172,269 13
Timaru	2,013	4,774 8	1,743	5,294 1	2,848	8,540 14	3,341	9,291 11
Oamaru	859	2,123 3	1,149	4,162 7	2,017	6,163 13	1,851	6,130 11
Dunedin	22,500	65,329 13	34,411	125,419 10	47,362	182,306 2	49,751	186,478 12
Invercargill ..	3,458	7,477 5	6,661	20,617 0	7,617	21,573 10	8,082	24,575 9
Totals	121,292	386,643 12	199,413	682,140 7	313,617	1,074,901 4½	352,209	1,209,588 10

The following table shows the number and weight of parcels exchanged with the United Kingdom and the undermentioned places during the years 1905 and 1906:—

Country.	Received.				Despatched.			
	1905.		1906.		1905.		1906.	
	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.
		Lb. oz.		Lb. oz.		Lb. oz.		Lb. oz.
United Kingdom and foreign countries (<i>via</i> London)	50,777	234,131 0	65,806	344,608 0	8,778	22,722 0	9,574	25,407 10
United States of America ..	6,083	17,393 0	6,757	18,088 9	1,515	3,318 6	1,384	2,942 7
Canada	413	980 4	491	719 0	293	672 11	255	461 5
Victoria	7,058	19,578 4	7,739	22,190 3	3,067	6,483 1	3,200	6,272 6
New South Wales	10,734	30,804 0	11,506	32,908 0	4,330	8,385 9	4,925	8,607 0
South Australia	443	1,163 10	494	1,274 7	435	853 11	521	991 2
Queensland	641	1,502 4	706	1,812 4	894	1,812 11	742	1,262 7
Tasmania	358	881 11	442	1,142 4	630	1,193 14	748	1,433 10
Western Australia	313	779 0	357	809 4	526	1,110 4	587	1,087 9
Samoa	20	53 13	12	36 10	239	697 1	205	663 10
Fiji	93	225 6	87	223 14	297	747 9	359	1,012 4
Ceylon	340	1,299 14½	283	831 10	100	251 2½	123	293 9
Uruguay .. ..	..	..	..	..	29	97 0	64	185 7
Cape Colony	357	649 4	416	669 9	233	432 3	150	283 15
Natal	85	139 0	85	187 6	278	530 13	306	563 13
India	685	2,291 3½	781	3,141 8	225	481 12	236	631 0
Totals	178,400	311,821 10½	95,962	428,642 8	21,869	49,789 11½	23,379	52,099 2

The declared value of parcels received from places outside the colony in 1906 was £219,108. The Customs duty collected amounted to £49,885 5s. 8d.

The declared value of parcels despatched to places beyond the colony was £21,540, as against £20,610 in 1905.

Demurrage is now charged at the rate of 1 per centum per diem on the declared value of a parcel containing jewellery or any article of gold or silver, or any precious stone, received from a place beyond New Zealand, after it has remained in the post-office fourteen days, excluding Sundays and holidays. A parcel (other than one containing jewellery, or any article of gold or silver, or any precious stone) received from a place beyond New Zealand, addressed to a post-office "to be called for," or for other reason required to lie at a post-office after it has remained in the office seven clear days (excluding Sundays and holidays) is charged demurrage at the rate of 1d. per diem. No demurrage is, however, charged on a parcel addressed to a place at which there is no house-to-house delivery, or for a person on board ship.

REGISTERED LETTERS.

The number of registered articles dealt with in 1906, compared with the numbers in 1890, 1900, and 1905, is shown below:—

Postal Districts.	1890.			1900.			1905.			1906.		
	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 ..	7,119	34,398	41,517	18,108	101,533	119,641	22,103	158,466	180,569	26,929	178,876	205,805
Thames ..	180	4,781	4,911	267	19,912	20,179	294	20,346	20,640	324	23,128	23,452
New Plymouth ..	341	3,372	3,713	1,310	16,903	18,213	2,995	19,202	22,197	2,839	22,317	25,156
Gisborne ..	118	2,120	2,238	421	7,193	7,614	476	7,874	8,350	626	9,736	10,362
Napier ..	999	10,911	11,910	1,659	26,685	28,344	1,813	26,297	28,110	3,378	50,883	54,261
Wanganui ..	211	6,060	6,271	2,151	24,980	27,131	2,620	35,239	37,859	3,035	39,931	42,966
Wellington ..	6,129	30,369	36,498	9,513	85,915	95,428	20,935	157,517	178,452	22,731	171,662	194,393
Blenheim ..	92	3,193	3,285	116	6,371	6,487	171	9,854	10,025	786	12,395	13,181
Nelson ..	322	3,430	3,752	644	14,726	15,370	1,837	19,514	21,351	1,895	21,817	23,712
Westport ..	112	3,254	3,366	354	6,974	7,328	936	7,481	8,417	589	9,283	9,872
Greymouth ..	102	8,879	8,981	680	11,606	12,286	719	11,412	12,131	633	13,181	13,814
Hokitika ..	95	2,579	2,674	94	4,344	4,438	550	10,535	11,085	555	13,312	13,867
Christchurch ..	3,659	20,404	24,063	5,404	49,049	54,453	10,293	73,304	83,597	12,919	96,843	109,762
Timaru ..	312	3,551	3,863	1,196	9,973	11,169	1,410	10,548	11,958	1,226	15,265	16,491
Oamaru ..	278	2,505	2,783	120	8,880	9,000	147	6,967	7,114	147	8,094	8,241
Dunedin ..	4,615	19,696	24,311	6,954	44,003	50,957	8,160	59,473	67,638	10,643	58,654	69,302
Invercargill ..	1,740	9,819	11,559	3,352	24,989	28,341	6,495	32,252	38,747	6,588	32,593	39,181
Totals ..	26,374	169,321	195,695	52,343	464,036	516,379	81,954	666,281	748,235	95,848	777,970	873,818

OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

The estimated volume and value of official and other free correspondence posted during 1906 is given in the statement below:—

District.	Letters.	Packets.	Registered Articles.	Newspapers.
Auckland ..	1,008,371	14,096	49,477	74,116
Thames ..	93,587	2,791	3,458	46,201
New Plymouth ..	144,924	14,850	6,471	62,835
Gisborne ..	76,921	2,991	3,004	20,496
Napier ..	321,724	20,022	5,572	142,631
Wanganui ..	325,000	9,164	8,688	124,347
Wellington ..	2,045,537	502,137	46,506	545,893
Blenheim ..	67,054	2,184	3,888	31,300
Nelson ..	152,100	7,416	8,043	53,268
Westport ..	37,674	2,608	2,460	22,048
Greymouth ..	47,151	2,285	5,040	56,638
Hokitika ..	50,219	1,182	8,121	49,530
Christchurch ..	519,792	56,152	35,326	131,660
Timaru ..	127,829	6,100	4,290	28,080
Oamaru ..	54,964	2,000	1,909	28,928
Dunedin ..	544,024	91,859	16,945	239,959
Invercargill ..	353,743	20,800	9,880	73,961
Totals ..	5,970,614	758,637	219,078	1,731,891

The estimated postage value of official correspondence was £36,496 1s. 9d.

DEAD LETTERS.

The following comparative table shows the number of unclaimed letters, letter-cards, and post-cards dealt with in the Dead-letter Office and by Chief Postmasters during the undermentioned years:—

Manner of Disposal.	1884.	1885.	1890.	1896.	1898.	1899.	1900.	1901.	1902.	1903.	1904.	1905.	1906.
Opened and returned to the writers	68,942	66,592	60,540	63,112	68,872	74,132	76,692	100,036	107,476	107,271	119,642	125,106	137,210
Returned unopened to other countries	9,134	8,115	7,779	7,546	8,899	9,706	9,707	12,251	14,401	18,176	26,048	26,943	32,062
Reissued ..	107	185	141	148	219	178	265	*5,112	+13,373	203	234	265	358
Destroyed ..	3,986	2,872	2,660	4,069	3,368	4,536	4,900	5,705	6,249	9,579	12,167	18,060	27,575
Returned unopened by Chief Postmasters	17,593	19,187	21,931	26,414	33,273	22,915	40,282	44,523	54,285	93,920	85,670	97,267	117,666
Totals ..	99,762	96,951	93,051	101,289	114,631	111,467	131,846	167,627	195,784	229,149	243,761	267,641	314,871

* Including 4,911 troopers' letters. † Including 13,180 troopers' letters. ‡ Including 6,161 post-cards, and 1,000 post-cards bearing imitation postage-stamps which were detained as being posted contrary to the regulations.

The proportion of dead or unclaimed letters, letter-cards, and post-cards to the total number dealt with in the colony was 0·37 per cent., as against 0·38 per cent. in 1905.

40,012 book-packets and circulars were returned to foreign countries; 26,067 were returned to senders through the Dead-letter Office; 154,578 were returned by Chief Postmasters: a total of 220,657 book-packets and circulars, as compared with 180,446 in 1905.

1,363 letters were wrongly addressed; 20 letters were discovered to have been posted with previously used stamps; 3,748 unclaimed registered letters were dealt with.

3,328 newspapers and 2,017 books and other articles without addresses were received, many of which were subsequently applied for and delivered.

11,936 newspapers were returned to the publishers.

1,064 letters and 211 letter-cards were posted without addresses.

91 letters with libellous addresses were intercepted.

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

	£	s.	d.
598 post-office orders	1,274	18	11
48 bank drafts	4,529	12	7
467 cheques	4,244	4	0
46 dividend warrants	59	6	11
5 promissory notes	186	14	7
Postal notes	267	12	6
Stamps	35	15	8½
Bank-notes*	398	4	2
Gold†	40	15	10
Silver and copper	13	2	9½

Representing a total of £11,050 8 0

In addition, 2 gold watches, 15 silver watches, 12 metal watches, 7 Waterbury watches, 2 roulette watches, 32 gold-mounted greenstone brooches, 5 gold-mounted tusk brooches, 7 gold brooches, 2 silver brooches, 4 brooches of other material, 17 greenstone hearts, 9 gold-mounted greenstone pendants, 3 silver-mounted greenstone pendants, 2 greenstone pendants, 1 gold-mounted greenstone bean, 1 greenstone cross, 1 piece of polished greenstone, 1 pair of gold-mounted greenstone ear-rings, 3 greenstone *tikis*, 2 gold bangles, 1 gold-mounted greenstone bangle, 1 silver bangle, 1 metal bangle, 2 gold watch-chains, 6 silver watch-chains, 1 gold-mounted greenstone watch-chain, 1 gold-mounted silk watch-guard, 2 watch-guards made of hair, 3 metal watch-chains, 3 gold neck-chains, 2 gold spectacle-frames, 1 gold whistle, 2 small pieces of gold, 30 gold rings, 1 silver ring, 24 metal rings, 1 silver mug, 3 lockets, 1 silver ornament, 2 silver medals, 1 silver whistle with pearl handle, 1 silver match-box, 1 silver hat-pin, 1 silver button-hook, 1 pair of silver-mounted greenstone carver-rests, 1 silver-mounted spectacle-case, 1 silver paper-knife with greenstone handle, 2 silver butter-knives with greenstone handles, 10 gold lace-pins, 1 gold cross pin with thirteen opals, 7 tie-pins, 2 pearl necklaces, 2 shell necklaces, 1 pair of gold sleeve-links, 1 set of rolled-gold studs and links, 1 pair of silver links, 2 gold studs, 2 sets of silver studs, 1 bronze medal, 2 pairs of tusks, 1 electric belt, 3 sets of artificial teeth, 14 sheets and 3 packets of used stamps, 20 pawn-tickets, 10 share-certificates, 1 trotting certificate, 1 dairy-registration certificate, 1 kauri-gum license, 1 sharebroker's license, 1 miner's right, 1 first-class single railway pass (Wellington to Auckland), 1 second-class railway ticket (Newmarket to Papakura), 1 railway privilege ticket, 1 saloon ticket (Wellington to Lyttelton), 1 steerage ticket (Sydney to Wellington), were dealt with.

The number of inland, intercolonial, and international articles received and disposed of during the years 1905 and 1906 was as under:—

	1905.					1906.				
	Letters.	Letter-cards.	Post-cards.	Packets.	News-papers.	Letters.	Letter-cards.	Post-cards.	Packets.	News-papers.
<i>Inland.</i>										
Returned, delivered, &c., through Dead-letter Office	106,160	2,684	417	24,439	1,590	115,347	3,035	1,040	24,407	1,675
Returned by Chief Postmasters direct ..	92,128	..	5,139	110,342	..	111,491	..	6,175	154,578	10,261
Destroyed in accordance with law ..	11,402	791	1,605	2,107	32,849	16,737	1,100	4,579	7,680	96,478
<i>Australian.</i>										
Originally addressed to other States:—										
Returned to writers	5,224	..	232	764	..	6,221	..	406	455	..
Destroyed in accordance with law ..	810	40	430	69	..	948	45	711	199	..
Returned to other States as unclaimed	11,901	..	669	7,784	..	14,034	..	1,876	8,437	771
<i>International.</i>										
Originally addressed to other countries:—										
Returned to writers	10,362	..	292	1,416	..	10,453	..	1,066	1,205	..
Destroyed in accordance with law ..	1,475	80	1,427	129	..	1,499	85	1,871	380	..
Returned to other countries as unclaimed	13,106	..	1,267	35,701	..	13,862	..	2,290	31,575	1,743
Totals	252,568	3,595	11,478	182,751	34,439	290,592	4,265	20,014	228,916	110,928

* Including United States Treasury notes for \$25.

† Including a Swiss twenty-franc piece.

‡ Including 1,000 post-cards detained, bearing imitation postage-stamps.

MISSING LETTERS.

1,909 inquiries for letters and 1,381 for other articles alleged to have been posted and not delivered were made during 1906. In 960 of the inquiries for letters and 825 for other articles—over one-half the total number—the investigations by the Department resulted in the missing articles being traced or accounted for. These may be summarised as follows:—

Number of Traced Cases.		Found to have been
Letters.	Other Articles.	
83	63	... Missent, misdelivered, or otherwise delayed through fault of Post Office.
51	28	... Delayed in delivery through fault of addressees.
44	28	... Not posted.
33	43	... Posted later than stated; forwarded by slower routes than letters of advice, &c.
101	100	... Defectively or wrongly addressed.
107	53	... Mislaidd or lost after delivery.
51	46	... Returned through Dead-letter Office as unclaimed, &c.
490	464	... Delivered. Reason for inquiry not given, but probably in most cases omission by addressees to acknowledge receipt.
960	825	

MONEY-ORDERS.

Twenty-six money-order offices were opened during the year—namely, Awarua Plains, Broken River, Cust, Exhibition (Christchurch), Fitzroy, Heathdale, Hoanga, Kohatu, Makirikiri, Mangaia, Ohakune, Oio, Patutahi, Petane (H.B.), Port Fitzroy, Rangitata, Raupo, Runanga, Stoke, Taneatua, Taoroa, Taupiri, Tokomaru, Waikumete, Waiouru, and Whatatutu. Four offices were closed—namely, Miranda, Motupiko Railway, Oio, and Tiroto.

The number of offices open at the end of the year was 559, against 537 twelve months previously.

439,020 money-orders were issued for £1,686,231 1s. 11d., as compared with 417,441 for £1,541,711 19s. 10d. in 1905, an increase of 21,579 in number and £144,519 2s. 1d. in amount.

332,560 money-orders, amounting to £1,434,038 6s. 5d., were paid, as against 318,127 for £1,310,810 1s. 2d. during 1905, an increase of 14,433 orders and £123,228 5s. 3d. in amount.

There were 68,194 telegraph money-orders issued for £261,488 3s. 11d., as compared with 63,682 orders for £228,423 5s. 10d. in 1905, an increase of 4,512 in number and £33,064 18s. 1d. in amount.

137,370 orders for £373,960 8s. 7d. were issued on places beyond New Zealand, as against 130,047 orders for £352,326 6s. 6d. during 1905.

30,776 orders for £125,651 13s. were issued in places beyond New Zealand for payment in the colony, as compared with 30,007 orders for £120,087 2s. 3d. during the previous year.

The commission received for money-orders amounted to £18,278 10s. 3d., as against £17,073 9s. 6d. received during 1905.

A money-order exchange was established between New Zealand and Austria as from 1st January, 1907.

Exchanges are in course of negotiation with France and Tahiti.

SAVINGS-BANK.

There were twenty-five offices opened during the year for the transaction of savings-bank business—namely, Broken River, Cust, Exhibition (Christchurch), Fitzroy, Heathdale, Hoanga, Kohatu, Makirikiri, Ohakune, Oio, Patutahi, Petane (H.B.), Port Fitzroy, Putaruru, Rangitata, Raupo, Runanga, Stoke, Taneatua, Taoroa, Taupiri, Tokomaru, Waikumete, Waiouru, and Whatatutu.

Five offices were closed—namely, Miranda, Motupiko Railway, Oio, Springfield Railway, and Tiroto.

There were 540 offices open at the end of 1906, as against 520 at the end of the previous year.

70,206 accounts were opened and 47,526 closed, the net gain on the year's working being 22,680 accounts.

The number of depositors on the 31st December was 298,746, and the proportion of accounts per head of population was 1 in 3·04, as compared with 1 in 3·20 at the end of the previous year.

The deposits numbered 593,764, representing £7,907,154 12s. 5d., an average of £13 6s. 4d. per transaction.

The withdrawals numbered 386,536 for £6,907,103 17s. 7d., an average of £17 17s. 5d. for each withdrawal.

The net amount added by the depositors to their savings during the year was therefore £1,000,050 14s. 10d., plus £291,191 19s. 1d. interest earned and credited, making a total of £1,291,242 13s. 11d.

The total amount at credit of depositors increased from £8,662,022 17s. 1d. at the close of the previous year to £9,953,265 11s. on the 31st December last, representing a sum equal to £10 19s. 1d. per head of the entire population and £33 6s. 4d. to each depositor. Last year the figures were £9 16s. 4d. and £31 7s. 6d. respectively.

The interest credited to depositors since the Post-Office Savings-banks were established in 1867 now amounts to £3,457,420 19s. 7d.

The cost of working the Savings-Bank amounted to 4·16d. per transaction, or £17,000 for the year.

The cost of management per cent. on the total amount at credit of depositors was 0·17 per cent., or 3s. 5d. per £100

The excess of deposits over withdrawals during the year constituted a record, amounting to £1,000,050 14s. 10d., a sum most nearly approached in the year 1905, when the figures were £641,559 8s. 8d.

POSTAL NOTES.

The following were created postal-note offices during the year 1906-7: Aratiatia, Broken River, Brunswick, Cross Creek, Exhibition (Christchurch), Fitzroy, Flaxbourne, Frankton Junction, Georgetown, Hawarden, Heathdale, Hoanga, Kaihua, Kanieri, Limehills, Mangaia, Mangapehi, Matiere, Mere-mere, Mokai, Motu, Oio, Ohakune, Okau, Opuia, Patutahi, Petane (H.B.), Rewa, Runanga, Stoke, Taoroa, Tokomaru, Waharoa, Waiho Gorge, Waikumete, Wendonside, Whatawhata—a total of 37. Three offices were closed—namely, Golden Cross, Miranda, and Oio.

The number of offices at which postal notes were sold at the end of the year was 688, as compared with 654 on the 31st March, 1906.

981,642 notes, of the value of £314,053 6s., were sold, as against 875,324 for £276,279 7s. 6d. sold during the previous year, an increase of 12·15 per cent. in number and 13·67 per cent. in value.

The postal notes paid numbered 975,898, of the value of £312,411 9s. 6d., as compared with 869,392, of the value of £274,678 16s. 6d., paid during 1905-6.

The postal-note commission amounted to £6,729 15s. 11½d., as against £5,979 4s. 1½d.

BRITISH POSTAL ORDERS.

The Imperial postal-order scheme has during the past year been extended to include British East Africa, Federated Malay States, Fiji, Southern Rhodesia, and Uganda Protectorate.

31,698 orders have been sold, valued at £16,229 15s. 6d., and 9,461, for £6,426 4s., paid. An extended table of the transactions is printed elsewhere.

The 20s. order is the most popular, sales having reached 28 per cent. of the total. Following in order of popularity are the 10s., 5s., 1s., 2s. 6d., with a percentage of 12, 9, 6, and 6 respectively.

INLAND MAILS.

The general reletting of contracts for 1907-1909 took place at the end of 1906. The accepted tenders for the services under the new contracts totalled £55,522. The cost of the services on the 31st December, 1906, was £50,560. (f the increase of £4,962, about one-fourth is on account of improved services and new services.

The railway service having been extended from Springfield to Broken River on the 29th October, 1906, the coach service was rearranged to provide for a through journey in one day being made thrice weekly between Christchurch and Greymouth or Hokitika.

The following were among the changes made during the reletting of mail-services:—

A twice-weekly service by buggy was established between Rotorua, Te Teko, Whakatane, and Opotiki.

The coach service between Stratford and Whangamomona was increased from twice to thrice weekly.

Material improvement was made in the rural delivery services in the bush settlements beyond Mataroa in the Wanganui district.

The launch service between Havelock and post-offices in Pelorus Sound was extended to include Picton.

The mails between Okarito and settlements southward are conveyed by way of the inland road in place of the sea-beach as formerly.

A thrice-weekly service by coach between Cheviot and Kaikoura was established.

The coach service between Little River and Akaroa was increased from thrice weekly to daily. This rendered unnecessary the steamer service on alternate days between Lyttelton and Pigeon Bay, and the connecting land service between Pigeon Bay and Akaroa, which were therefore abolished.

Communication between Fairlie and the Hermitage was greatly improved. The service last year was performed by coach twice weekly in summer and once weekly in winter, and occupied two days. It is now carried out thrice weekly in summer and twice weekly in winter by motor-car (and coach where necessary) in one day, the time being ten hours.

As the amount of traffic did not warrant the continuance of the coach service between Omarama and Pembroke, it was discontinued.

Following on the extension of the railway to Alexandra South, the coach service between that place and Omakau was abolished.

Under the terms and conditions of inland-mail contracts, the mail-contractor is bound to insure himself and His Majesty the King against liability under "The Workers' Compensation for Accidents Act, 1900," and himself against liability under the Employers' Liability Acts and as far as practicable the common law, in respect to a mail-carrying employee. With the object of simplifying the work entailed by such insurance, the Post Office has arranged with the Government Insurance Department to issue a globo policy under which contractors may be covered for an annual premium at the rate of £1 per £100 of mail-subsidy. Many contractors have elected to be insured under the globo cover.

By the wreck of the s.s. "Kapanui" in the Auckland Harbour a bag of mail and a private mail-bag were lost.

Two bags of mail were lost by the wreck of the s.s. "Kia Ora," on the voyage from Waitara to Kawhia, of the 13th June this year.

Mail-services in the Thames district were interrupted by floods and wash-outs in January of this year. The Tauranga-Waihi coach met with an accident while crossing the Aongatete River in flood,

The dispute between the Commonwealth and the contractors relative to the rate of poundage to be paid as from the 1st December, 1900, for the conveyance of Australian postal matter has been satisfactorily settled by the Federal Government paying to the Oceanic Company a sum stated at between £6,000 and £7,000.

Following on the cessation of the San Francisco mail-service the interprovincial service for the carriage coastwise of the San Francisco mails was discontinued.

Vancouver Service.

The contract between the Federal Government and the Union Steamship Company has been extended for two years from July of this year on the existing terms, except that during the busy season the steamer "Miowera" will be replaced by a vessel which will reduce the time by twenty-four hours. The new terms make it optional to terminate the contract at the end of the first year by giving four months' notice. It is understood that Brisbane is still to be a port of call. The present mail-time is twenty-two and a half days, and an improvement to twenty-one and a half days is to be effected by permanently replacing the "Miowera" in March next by the "Manuka," or a steamer as good. The right of the Commonwealth Government to terminate the contract on giving four months' notice as from July, 1908, is believed to imply that the service will have to be put on a permanent basis. A port of call at New Zealand is not mentioned in the present extension of the service, but negotiations to that effect will be resumed when the question of a further renewal comes up. It is understood that the present contractors may be prepared to enter into a three-years contract, to include a New Zealand port as a calling-place, and to provide a new fast steamer for the service in each of the three years. The Canadian Pacific Railway Company has also, it is understood, been considering the question of competing for the service to include New Zealand, to be performed by its fast 14,000-ton steamers of the "Empress" line now employed in the trade between Canada, Japan, and China. It should be of great advantage to secure a direct service from New Zealand to Great Britain by way of Canada if such can be obtained. The subject is now being considered by the British Government.

Suez Service.

In consequence of the unsatisfactory condition of the San Francisco service, arrangements were made as from the 7th December, 1906, with the Union Steamship Company and the Huddart-Parker Company for a steamer to leave Wellington for Sydney every third Friday in order to make close connection with the European mail *via* Suez leaving Sydney the following Tuesday. As from the 8th February last the service was increased in frequency from three-weekly to fortnightly. Negotiations are now in progress for a weekly service. The transit-time scheduled between Wellington and London is, from October to March, thirty-eight days, and forty days during the rest of the year. These times are frequently bettered. New Zealand mails on arrival at Sydney are conveyed by express train to Melbourne, at which port they connect with the vessels of the Orient line. So far, payments which have been made for the carriage of mails by the Federal steamers have been at the Postal Union rates of 3s. 1·7d. per pound of letters, and 3·76d. per pound of other articles.

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ON ACCOUNT OF THE SAN FRANCISCO, PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL, AND ORIENT MAIL-SERVICES FOR THE YEAR 1906.

San Francisco Service.

DR.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Payments by weight—									
On mails from New Zealand (fourteen voyages) ...	17,500	8	10						
On mails from Fiji ...	38	18	2						
				17,539	7	0			
Interprovincial service, mail agents, &c. ...				4,319	12	5			
Transit charges { San Francisco to New York ...				4,300	7	5			
{ New York to Queenstown ...				1,822	10	9			
							27,981	17	7
CR.									
Postages collected in the colony ...				14,388	16	2			
Contributions from Fiji...				38	18	2			
							14,427	14	4
Net cost to the colony ...							£13,554	3	3

1,335,831 letters and post-cards, 633,199 books, and 1,248,415 newspapers were received from, and 1,450,606 letters and post-cards, 184,923 books, and 222,965 newspapers were despatched to, the United Kingdom *via* San Francisco.

The average time within which mails were delivered by the San Francisco service was : From Auckland to London, 31·79 days, as against 30·39 in 1905 ; and from London to Auckland, 33·47 days, as compared with 31·06 days in the previous year. The shortest delivery was made in 29 days.

Peninsular and Oriental and Orient Lines (Federal Mail-service).

Dr.		£ s. d.			£ s. d.		
Payment to P. and O. and Orient lines*	..	2,157	13	7			
Transit charges across Australia	..	198	8	9			
Transit charges across Europe	..	701	16	7			
Gratuities (to and from Australia)	..	2,977	7	0			
					6,035	5	11
Cr.							
Postages collected in the colony	..	3,906	6	5			
Postages, &c., from London and foreign offices	..	1,960	3	5			
					5,866	9	10
Net cost to the colony							£168 16 1

* Payment at Postal Union rates on actual weight of correspondence conveyed

The number of letters and post-cards, books, and newspapers conveyed from and to the United Kingdom by the Peninsular and Oriental and Orient packets was: Received—1,636,771 letters and post-cards, 562,471 books, and 2,309,245 newspapers; despatched—431,700 letters and post-cards, 60,847 books, and 69,134 newspapers.

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 1906 by the San Francisco service and by the Peninsular and Oriental and Orient lines was:—

	San Francisco Service.			P. and O. Line.			Orient Line.		
	Max.	Min.	Average.	Max.	Min.	Average.	Max.	Min.	Average.
London to Auckland	41	30	33·47	38	35	36·92	40	37	37·54
Auckland to London	36	29	31·79	41	35	39·15	43	38	41·31
London to Wellington	42	31	34·93	40	36	38·31	41	38	39·15
Wellington to London	38	30	33·29	43	35	41·11	45	38	43·23
London to Dunedin	43	32	35·93	44	37	38·92	43	38	39·00
Dunedin to London	39	31	34·36	42	38	40·02	44	40	42·04
London to Bluff	44	33	36·68	43	37	38·42	42	38	38·50
Bluff to London	40	32	35·11	41	38	39·52	43	40	41·54

The several subsidised sea mail-services, the subsidy-payments for the year 1906, the dates when established, and the date on which each terminates are shown below:—

Service.	Annual Subsidy or Payment.	Duration of Service.		Number of Voyages per Annum.	Mileage for Complete Voyage.	Cost per Mile.
		When established.	When terminated or terminable.			
	£ s. d.					s. d.
Auckland and San Francisco	17,500 8 10	Mar., 1870	Nov., 1906	14	5,925	4 2·63
Auckland and Fiji	1,690 0 0	June, 1880	..	13	2,334	1 1·37
Auckland and South Pacific islands	1,200 0 0	June, 1885	..	12	6,992	0 3·43
Auckland and Devonport	60 0 0	Aug., 1863	Dec., 1906	939	6	0 2·56
Auckland and Great Barrier	250 0 0	Oct., 1891	Dec., 1906	52	120	0 9·62
Dargaville and Tangiteroria	100 0 0	Nov., 1893	Dec., 1906	52	46	0 10·03
Helensville and Matakohu	150 0 0	Jan., 1881	Dec., 1906	52	118	0 5·87
Helensville and Dargaville	450 0 0	Jan., 1881	Dec., 1906	104	170	0 5·42
Horeke, Kohukohu, Rawene, Koutu, Rangi Point, and Opononi	147 0 0	Jan., 1889	Dec., 1906	52	48	1 2·13
Russell and Opua	102 0 0	Jan., 1889	Dec., 1906	156	16	0 9·81
Russell and Waitangi	10 0 0	Jan., 1904	June, 1906	52	14	0 3·30
Whangaroa (all boating in harbour)	44 0 0	..	Dec., 1906	(as required)	..	..
Wellington, Ketu Bay, Homewood, Maori Bay (and other offices), and Havelock	710 0 0	Dec., 1891	Dec., 1906	26	183	1 0·36
Wellington and Motueka	..	Nov., 1902	Dec., 1906	43	210	..
Havelock and Bulwer	137 10 0	Jan., 1904	Dec., 1906	26	64	1 7·83
Nelson, Totaranui, Takaka, and Collingwood	100 0 0	..	Dec., 1906	104	130	0 1·78
Nelson and Croixelles	60 0 0	Jan., 1904	Dec., 1906	52	44	0 6·29
Westport and Karamea	..	June, 1886	Dec., 1906	36	102	1 8·62
Westport and Little Wanganui	400 0 0	Jan., 1895	Dec., 1906	12	82	..
Hokitika, Okarito, Bruce Bay, Paringa, Haast, Okura, and Jackson's Bay	600 0 0	Jan., 1886	Dec., 1906	6	384	5 2·50
Lyttelton and Chatham Islands (including Pitt Island)	300 0 0	..	Mar., 1906	6	1,050	0 11·43
Lyttelton and Pigeon Bay	225 0 0	..	Dec., 1906	156	14	0 8·57
Bluff and Half-moon Bay	245 0 0	July, 1886	Dec., 1906	52	48	1 11·56
Bluff and Ruapuke Island	45 0 0	Sept., 1903	Dec., 1906	26	26	1 3·95
Bluff and Cromarty	175 0 0	April, 1893	May, 1906	10	208	1 6·89
Interprovincial service in connection with San Francisco line	3,356 6 0	Nov., 1886	Nov., 1906	28	..	..

(*) Subsidy increased by £100 on reletting of service on 1st November, 1906. From July to September service was performed by arrangement at £15 per trip.

TELEGRAPHS

The total value of the telegraph and telephone business for the year ended the 31st March last, including miscellaneous telegraph receipts and Government telegrams, was £325,007 15s. 7½d., as compared with £298,079 17s. 11d. for the previous year, an increase of £26,927 17s. 8d., or 9·03 per cent.

The following is a comparison of the traffic in paid telegrams during the last ten years :—

	Number.		Net Value.	
1897-98	2,469,415		£96,537	
1898-99	2,717,548	Increase, 10·05 per cent.	101,104	Increase, 4·73 per cent.
1899-00	3,159,093	" 16·25	114,383	" 13·13
1900-1	3,534,444	" 11·88	126,382	" 10·49
1901-2	3,850,391	" 8·94	141,581	" 12·03
1902-3	4,271,218	" 10·93	153,338	" 8·30
1903-4	4,671,904	" 9·38	162,498	" 5·97
1904-5	4,900,495	" 4·89	167,581	" 3·12
1905-6	5,351,084	" 9·19	180,474	" 7·69
1906-7	6,160,080	" 15·12	202,301	" 12·09

Table showing the number of telegrams forwarded, and the revenue derived therefrom, during the four quarters of the financial years 1905-6 and 1906-7 respectively :—

Quarter.	Number of Telegrams forwarded.		Increase per Cent.	Revenue						Increase per Cent.
	Year ended 31st March, 1906.	Year ended 31st March, 1907.		Year ended 31st March, 1906.			Year ended 31st March, 1907.			
June quarter	1,255,080	1,388,546	10·63	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	11·31
September quarter	1,226,811	1,338,072	9·07	42,296	7	0	47,078	0	2½	7·96
December quarter	1,414,598	1,616,765	14·29	41,658	16	6	44,976	12	1½	8·68
March quarter	1,454,595	1,816,697	24·89	47,762	5	10	51,908	18	11½	19·65
	5,351,084	6,160,080	15·12	48,756	18	5	58,337	9	2	12·09

The telegraph receipts for the financial year, including telephone-exchange subscriptions, private-wire rents, &c., amounted to £307,520 15s. 11½d., compared with £273,911 7s. 7d. in 1905-6— an increase of £33,609 8s. 4½d., or 12·27 per cent.

The expenditure was £291,359 12s. 6d., as against £276,580 12s. 5d. for the previous year— an increase of £14,779 0s. 1d., or 5·35 per cent.

There were 8,953 miles of line and 27,031 miles of wire at the close of the year—an increase of 598 and 1,915 miles respectively.

The net expenditure out of Public Works Fund for telegraph-extension was £114,067 19s. 9d., as compared with £77,186 7s. 2d. in 1905-6.

The number of private wires and subsidised lines was 351, compared with 335 in 1905-6. The amount received for rent, maintenance, &c., was £2,123 3s. 8d., as against £2,182 9s. 6d. in 1905-6.

The total number of telegraph and telephone offices open at the close of the year was 1,446. Of these 270 were telegraph-offices and 1,176 were telephone-offices.

The number of telegrams of all codes forwarded during the last financial year was 6,396,332—an increase of 756,113, or 13·41 per cent., over 1905-6.

The proportion of paid telegrams per head of population was 6·84, and 6·15 the previous year.

The number of ordinary telegrams forwarded was 4,548,532, of the value of £148,659 5s. 3½d., compared with 3,995,998, of the value of £135,203 12s. 9½d., in 1905-6—an increase of 552,534 and £13,455 12s. 6d.

The urgent telegrams numbered 235,731, of the value of £14,339 18s. 4d.—an increase of 24,160 in number and £1,532 9s. 5d. in amount.

The average value of each ordinary telegram was 7·84d., and of each urgent telegram 1s. 2·6d.

389,917 Press telegrams, of the value of £18,089 1s. 4d., were forwarded in 1906-7, as compared with 379,185, valued at £16,094 15s. 9½d., forwarded in 1905-6— an increase of 10,732, or 2·83 per cent., in number, and an increase of 12·39 per cent. in value.

The value of each Press telegram averaged 11·13d., as against 10·19d. in 1905-6.

The bureau messages numbered 985,900, of the value of £21,212 15s. 6d., as compared with 764,330, of the value of £16,368 10s. 3d.—an increase of 221,570 in number and £4,844 5s. 3d. in amount.

The average value of each bureau message was 5·16d., as against 5·14d. in 1905-6.

TELEGRAPH MESSENGERS' DELIVERIES.

Telegraph-messengers' deliveries (by departmental messenger) were established as follows: Auckland—Kaeo, Kohukohu; Blenheim—Seddon; Christchurch—Cust; Dunedin—Clinton, Waikaia; Gisborne—Te Karaka; Greymouth—Oтира; Invercargill—Edendale, Waimahaka; Napier—Havelock North, Norsewood, Porangahau; Timaru—Studholme Junction; Wellington—Pongaroa.

TELEGRAPH-OFFICES OPENED AND CLOSED DURING FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1907.

Opened.

Akatarawa	Kaiaua	Ngutuwera	Tahora
Alford Forest	Kaimanuka	North Loburn	Tangaihi
Aokautere	Kaimaumau	Ohui	Taniwha
Aongatete	Kapuni	Omih	Tapapa
Aparima	Karangarua	Omoana	Taumatatahi
Arahura	Kauana	Onekeneke	Tauwhare
Aratiatia	Kohinui	Oparau	Te Maika
Awawaro	Kononi	Opouriao	Te Puna
Barrytown	Korora	Otairi	Te Rauamoa
Broken River	Kuaha	Otapiri Gorge	Three-mile
Bruce Bay	Kutarere	Overdale	Tirirankawa
Brunswick	Kyle	Owhata	Totaranui
Burwood	Lismore	Pakiri	Turangaomoana
Carew	Loburn	Pokokomuka (now Ngapae- ruru, 15/12/06)	Upper Blackwater
Churchill	Lower Moawhango (now Taoroa)	Ponga	Upper Matakitali
Claremont	Mahitahi	Pongakawa	Waiakakura
Dorie	Mahoe	Poroporo	Waiharara
Dunedin Railway Bureau	Makairo	Pukekawa	Waiho Gorge
Elgin	Makauri	Pukeokahu	Waikawa Valley
Exhibition (Christchurch)	Makomako	Puni	Waimauku
Ferry Road	Manawaru	Rapahoe	Waimiro
Glen Murray	Mangaiti	Rawhitiroa	Wainihinihi
Gordon	Mangamingi	Richmond Brook	Waiotahi
Greenstreet	Mangarakau	Riverhead	Waiouru Suburban
Hakaterere	Mangatete	Riverside	Waioweka
Hastwell's	Manunui	Ruapuna	Waitahora
Hauturu	Matakitaki	Runanga	Waitoa
Hayward's Point	Matangi	Ryan's (now Pekanga)	Wakaipa
Hoanga	Matapuna	Seadown	Wakanui
Ho Ho	Matemateonga	Seaview	Wandle Downs
Hokonui	Mokomoko	Shaftesbury	Weheka
Horoeka	Motukaraka	Staveley	Wendon
Houipapa	Muka	Summerlea	West Eyreton
Humphrey's	Newbury	Surrey Hills (reopened, 9/10/06)	Westmere
Hunter	New Lynn	Ngunguru	Woodgrove
Hunua	Ngamatapouri		Wylie's Crossing
Hupara			
Hurimoana			

Closed.

Braemore	Rangiheke	Te Moehau	Waikawa Junction
Ngapaeruru (30/11/06)	Scarrott's	Upper Kuaotunu	Waitangi
Oio	Surrey Hills (21/5/06)	Waerengaokuri	

SUMMARY.

Number of offices open on the 31st March, 1906, 1,312; opened during year, 146; closed during year, 11; increase, 135. Number of offices open on the 31st March, 1907, 1,447.

The following figures show the growth of the traffic in bureau messages as compared with ordinary telegrams:—

			Average Value.	
			Year 1906-7.	Year 1905-6.
The total number of ordinary telegrams increased by	552,534, or 13·83%	} and relative receipts by	{ £13,455 12s. 6d., or 9·95%	7·84d.
The total number of bureau communications increased by	221,570, or 28·99%		{ £4,844 5s. 3d., or 29·59%	5·16d.	8·12d. 5·14d.

The number of official telegrams forwarded was 236,252, valued at £17,486 19s. 8d., as compared with 289,135, valued at £24,168 10s. 4d.—a decrease of 52,883 in number and £6,681 10s. 8d. in amount.

Since the abolition of franking privileges on the 1st January of this year, official telegrams have been prepaid by the use of a special issue of "official" stamps. The number and value of these messages have therefore been included with those of private messages as from that date.

68,194 money-orders for £261,488 3s. 11d. were transmitted by telegraph, as against 63,682 for £228,423 5s. 10d. in 1905-6, an increase of 4,512 telegrams.

The number of paid forwarded telegrams to every hundred letters posted in New Zealand for delivery within the colony was 8·57, as against 8·26 in 1905-6.

OCEAN CABLE SERVICES.

There has been an increase of 20·10 per cent. in the number of messages, and an increase of 16·75 per cent. in the value of the colony's ordinary outward international cable traffic for the year; while the ordinary traffic to Australia shows increases of 15·16 per cent. in the number of messages and 19·65 in the value. The proportion of cable messages to and from New Zealand transmitted by the Pacific cable exceeds 78 per cent. of the total traffic.

The working of the Pacific cable has been satisfactory. Delays due to weather-conditions occurred occasionally on the Canadian land lines, but as a rule they were trifling.

Mr. C. H. Reynolds, C.I.E., General Manager to the Pacific Cable Board, visited the colony during the year. On the 10th August, 1906, he left Wellington for Doubtless Bay in company with the Superintendent of Electric Lines.

A contract was let for the construction of a wharf at Auckland for the Pacific cable steamer.

New Zealand's proportion of the deficit of £72,556 1s. 9d. on the fourth year's working of the Pacific cable, 1905-6, amounted to £8,061 15s. 9d.

New Zealand's proportion of the loss on the working of the cable for the year ended the 31st March, 1907, is estimated at £6,300.

The receipts and working-expenses of the Pacific cable for the year ended the 31st March, 1907, are estimated as under:—

	£		£
Traffic revenue	102,250	Annuity and renewals	110,545
Estimated deficit	69,132	Working-expenses	60,837
	£171,382		£171,382

During the past four years the business of the Pacific cable has steadily increased.

Of the ordinary paid business the Pacific obtained, in 1903, 82 per cent.; in 1904, 86 per cent.; in 1905, 87 per cent.; and in 1906, 89 per cent.; the Eastern Company's share being 18, 14, 13, and 11 per cent. during the same years.

The New Zealand figures for the past four years' ordinary telegrams are:—

Pacific.		E.E.A. & C.	
Year.	Messages.	Year.	Messages.
1903	72,595	1903	16,351
1904	74,804	1904	12,395
1905	78,765	1905	12,013
1906	94,199	1906	11,522

There has been a decrease in the number of press messages, the figures for which are as follows, but the value has been maintained:—

Pacific.		E.E.A. & C.	
Year.	Messages.	Year.	Messages.
1903	325	1903	1,270
1904	486	1904	1,065
1905	722	1905	1,504
1906	668	1906	1,147

Recent checks show that the average best time in which messages are handled on the Pacific route are:—

	H.	m.
From London	1	15
„ America	0	12
„ Sydney	0	8
„ Melbourne	0	15

The figures show that not only has New Zealand given the Pacific cable support beyond the most favourable estimate of international business, but it has also given that route 89 per cent. of the ordinary business to Australia.

Cable Business.

The number and value of cable messages forwarded from New Zealand during 1906 are shown in the following statement:—

Destination.	Via Pacific.			
	Ordinary.		Press.	
	Number of Messages.	Value.	Number of Messages.	Value.
International	25,280	£ 38,872 6 3	36	£ 59 2 11
Australia	68,919	13,643 13 8	632	372 10 11
Total for 1906	94,199	52,515 19 11	668	431 13 10
Total for 1905	78,765	44,274 1 7	722	398 19 10

Via *Extension*.

Destination.	Ordinary.		Press.	
	Number of Messages.	Value.	Number of Messages.	Value.
International	3,431	£ 5,323 17 2	153	£ 268 3 3
Australia	8,091	1,810 12 3	994	590 10 8
Total for 1906	11,522	7,134 9 5	1,147	858 13 11
Total for 1905	12,013	6,497 13 9	1,504	891 9 5

The colony's outward international and Australian cable business, not including Press, for the years 1905 and 1906 was as follows:—

International.

	Number of Messages.	Value.
		£ s. d.
1906	28,711	44,196 3 5
1905	23,905	37,855 10 5
Increase	4,806 = 20·10 per cent.	6,340 13 0 = 16·75 per cent.

Australia.

	Number of Messages.	Value.
		£ s. d.
1906	77,010	15,454 5 11
1905	66,873	12,916 4 11
Increase	10,137 = 15·16 per cent.	2,538 1 0 = 19·65 per cent.

There was a total increase of 14,943 messages, and an increase of £8,878 14s. in value.

The number of cable messages received in New Zealand during 1906, exclusive of Press, was as follows:—

Pacific.

	International.	Australia.
1906	17,071	50,145
1905	12,760	42,681
Increase	4,311	Increase 7,464

Extension.

	International.	Australia.
1906	8,870	19,482
1905	8,893	17,383
Decrease	23	Increase 2,099

The forwarded and received cable Press business for the ten years ended the 31st December, 1906, was:—

Year.	Forwarded.			Received.		
	Number of		Value.	Number of		Value.
	Messages.	Words.		Messages.	Words.	
1897	1,294	128,839	£ 945 4 8	3,665	323,617	£ 1,752 7 5
1898	1,154	133,342	907 7 0	3,599	232,882	1,599 7 0
1899	1,570	182,066	1,800 10 4	3,822	298,218	1,690 12 4
1900	1,034	139,295	1,457 4 5	4,014	333,300	1,878 9 1
1901	1,420	148,400	2,718 12 0	3,989	351,291	1,967 19 3
1902	1,830	202,968	1,772 8 4	4,443	396,438	2,200 10 6
1903	1,595	159,732	1,235 11 1	5,636	425,824	2,333 10 2
1904	1,551	161,094	1,147 8 8	4,488	392,888	2,169 1 3
1905	2,226	181,196	1,290 9 3	4,548	398,878	2,254 18 5
1906	1,815	186,128	1,290 7 9	4,061	394,337	2,163 17 0

TELEPHONE EXCHANGES.

Five new exchanges were opened and one closed during the year, and the number of subscribers increased by 2,070.

The total number of exchanges now is 105, made up of 29 central and 76 sub-exchanges.

The total number of connections is 17,403, compared with 15,333 in 1906. They may be classified as follows:—Paying, 16,010; free, 307; bureaux, 1,086.

New connections numbered 2,838, and those given up 768.

The increase in connections is equal to 13.50 per cent.

On the 31st March, 1907, there were 947 miles of telephone-line and 15,076 miles of wire.

The following is a comparative return of telephone-exchange connections for the years 1906-7 and 1905-6:—

Exchange	Number of Subscribers or Connections:	
	March 31, 1907.	March 31, 1906
Ashburton	161	138
Auckland	2,224	2,036
Cambridge	50	42
Devonport	42	37
Onehunga	28	23
Blenheim	198	157
Picton	50	41
Christchurch	2,162	1,887
Akaroa	35	40
Cust	8	...
Doyleston	7	7
Duvauchelle	7	7
Leeston	12	11
Lincoln	5	6
Little River	9	8
Lyttelton	18	13
Rangiora	18	15
Southbridge	5	5
Sumner	23	...
Dannevirke	145	127
Makotuku	...	1
Dunedin	1,995	1,848
Balclutha	34	33
Clinton	6	11
Kaitangata	14	13
Milton	27	24
Mosgiel	24	22
Palmerston	20	21
Port Chalmers	26	24
Waikouaiti	9	8
Feilding	191	166
Kimbolton	12	11
Rongotea	20	8
Sanson	1	1
Gisborne	466	395
Greymouth	240	220
Reefton	56	55
Hamilton	119	88
Hawera	162	158
Eltham	39	28
Kaponga	7	6
Manaia	12	14
Otakeho	8	1
Patea	37	33
Hokitika	124	129
Kumara	18	10
Ross	15	6
Invercargill	457	413
Balfour	6	6
Bluff	51	42
Edendale	9	5
Gore	124	104
Lumsden	18	16
Mataura	12	11
Otautau	29	23
Riversdale	19	18
Riverton	17	18
Winton	35	25
Woodlands	5	5
Wyndham	12	12

Exchange.	Number of Subscribers or Connections :	
	March 31, 1907.	March 31, 1906.
Lawrence	35	30
Masterton	302	243
Carterton	54	44
Eketahuna	69	43
Featherston	37	28
Greytown North	32	14
Martinborough	54	48
Napier	497	445
Hastings	333	245
Waipawa	47	36
Waipukurau	36	...
Wairoa	78	...
Weber	3	1
Nelson	307	233
New Plymouth	347	324
Inglewood	30	28
Opunake	25	...
Waitara	13	14
Oamaru	238	235
Ngapara	5	3
Pahiatua	98	83
Woodville	34	28
Palmerston North	451	396
Foxton	50	37
Longburn	5	5
Rotorua	109	103
Stratford	121	119
Thames	100	98
Paeroa	43	36
Waihi	67	56
Timaru	344	294
Fairlie	12	12
Geraldine	63	40
St. Andrew's	7	8
Studholme Junction	4	5
Temuka	24	18
Waimate	51	48
Wanganui	529	480
Bull's	15	16
Hunterville	15	11
Marton	76	73
Okaiawa	6	1
Waverley	13	10
Wellington	2,706	2,462
Westport	140	124
Whangarei	95	74
Totals ...	17,403	15,333

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

In the public-works estimates for 1906-7, Parliament voted £2,000 for wireless telegraphy.

Negotiations which had been proceeding with the Commonwealth towards establishing wireless-telegraph communication between Australia and New Zealand and some of the outlying islands did not result in any decision to prosecute this work.

The representative of the Marconi Company was in the colony for a time, and consideration was given to proposals for wireless-telegraph installations, to open communication by that method with outlying islands and with ships, but nothing definite was arrived at. The Marconi Company had a small installation in operation at the Christchurch Exhibition to illustrate the capabilities of its system.

Although there are great advantages in the use of wireless telegraphy in its present stage of development, to ships, lighthouses, and such-like stations in various parts of the world, it is expected that considerable improvement in methods will be effected in the near future.

The National Signalling Company has claimed to have communicated between Britain and America with one kilowatt of power, and Mr. Valdemar Poulsen's experiments with continuous undamped waves from an arc in hydrogen have been attended with very satisfactory results from moderate power. Improvements in the sensitiveness of the receiving-apparatus are also foreshadowed. These combined may make it possible to attain, at a greatly reduced cost for plant, distances equivalent to those reached by the present methods.

It will probably be found the best policy to withhold any considerable outlay in connection with wireless telegraphy until something more definite is known as to what is likely to result from scientific research now proceeding.

TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE.

NEW ZEALAND CABLE SERVICES.

Submarine cables were successfully laid across Croixelles Harbour and across Tory Channel at the extremity of Oyster Bay and Arapawa Island respectively. The Government steamer "Tutanekai" was used for the work.

The four cables across Cook Strait and the Wanganui-Wakapuaka cable have been tested from time to time, and found to be electrically sound.

In May, 1906, a fault occurred in No. 4 Lyell Bay cable, three miles from the Lyell Bay end. Repair was effected on the 3rd June. A few days later a break occurred in the same cable, about 20 knots from the Lyell Bay end. Repairs were effected by the 26th June. In the middle of January, 1907, the No. 1 Oterangi Bay cable suddenly broke 13 miles from Oterangi Bay. The repair was completed and the cable restored to good condition by the 24th January.

About 3½ knots of cable have been laid across Croixelles Harbour, and about 1 mile of cable in Tory Channel. These are to be used in lines in course of erection to outlying districts.

Cables across Whangarei Heads and the Northern Wairoa also broke down during the year, and repairs were effected without delay.

The cables in other parts of the colony are in good working-order.

SUPERIMPOSED CIRCUITS.

This class of circuit has now been in use on many of the Department's lines for some years, and has given entire satisfaction. The system is being brought into operation wherever suitable conditions exist and the requirements of the service call for and warrant it.

Telephone trunk wires have been run between Dunedin and Invercargill, Auckland and Hamilton, and Wellington and Masterton, and are in course of erection between Dunedin and Oamaru, Timaru and Waimate, Greymouth and Westport *via* Reefton, Marton and Taihape, and several other places. On all these lines a telegraph circuit either has been or will be superimposed on the telephone circuit, and in one or two cases, where the conditions favour it, two telegraph circuits and one metallic telephone circuit will be obtained from two wires.

There is a great public demand for speaking-facilities from one centre to another and from outlying districts to their chief town or city, notwithstanding that there is already generally in existence telegraphic communication. Usually it is necessary to run two wires to render the telephone service free from disturbing noises. The carrying-capacity of a pair of wires for telephone purposes is comparatively limited, being only about fifty communications a day, and it cannot be increased by any appliances, as in the case of telegraph circuits, to which single-current, duplex, or quadruplex apparatus can be attached. This makes the satisfaction of the public demands for telephonic facilities difficult to meet without large outlay. The comparatively small earning-capacity of telephone trunk circuits has been referred to in former reports.

ELECTRIC-TRAMWAY AND ELECTRIC-LIGHT UNDERTAKINGS.

Several Orders in Council for tramway-extension have been dealt with during the year on behalf of the Board of Control, and supervision maintained over the several tramway undertakings in the colony. A few applications for licenses for the electric lighting of boroughs have been received, and are under consideration for the framing of regulations for the control of the respective systems.

AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

Construction.

The following new lines and wires have been constructed during the year:—

	Poles.		Wire.	
	M.	ch.	M.	ch.
Waiharara, branch off Cape Maria van Diemen line	1	40	1	40
Ponga and Hunua, extension from Ararimu line	7	0	7	0
Waioweka and Ohui, branch off Opotiki-Ohiwa line	8	0	8	0
Pukekawa and Glen Murray, branch off Tuakau-Onewhero line ..	19	0	19	0
Hoanga, branch off Dargaville-Tangiteroria line	1	0	1	0
Waiotahi and Kutarere, branch off Opotiki-Ohiwa line	8	0	8	0
Leigh-Pakiri	7	0	7	0
Auckland to Thames No. 4, diverted to <i>via</i> Hamilton .. ..	..	..	101	0
Tirau to Tapapa	5	40	6	0
Te Aroha to Turangaomoana	20	0	20	0
Te Aroha to Mangaiti	0	60	4	0
Taumarunui to Matapuna and Manunui (metallic circuit) .. ..	..	..	8	0
Bruntwood to Matangi and Tauwhare	8	0	8	0
Owhata, branch off Herekino-Whangape wire	1	20	1	20
Otorohanga-Te Kuiti, extension of telephone-wire .. .. ..	..	..	11	60
Miranda to Kaiaua	5	0	5	0
Riverhead, branch off Auckland-Hobsonville wire	3	0	8	0
Waimauku, branch off Auckland-Hobsonville wire .. .. ..	..	..	5	0
Puni, extension from Pukekohe-Mauku line	2	0	2	0

	Poles.		Wire.	
	M.	ch.	M.	ch.
Kiripaka to Ngunguru	5	0	5	0
Te Puna, lead off Tauranga-Katikati wire	0	10	0	10
Aongatete, lead off Tauranga-Katikati wire .. .. .	..	..	0	10
New Lynn, extension of Auckland-Avondale wire .. .. .	..	..	1	40
Otahuhu (second trunk wire) .. .. .	..	..	8	60
Devonport (two additional trunk wires) .. .. .	..	..	22	40
Kawhia to Te Maika	35	0	35	0
Tangaihi, branch off Pouto line	4	0	4	0
Taniwha, branch off Mercer-Rangiriri wire	6	0	6	0
Churchill, branch off Mercer-Rangiriri wire	3	20	3	60
Paeroa-Waihi (metallic circuit) .. .. .	..	..	28	0
Pongakawa, branch off Te Puke-Maketu wire	0	10	7	0
Mangatete, branch off Mangonui-Whangape line	0	40	0	40
Hupara, from Kawakawa	3	0	8	0
Motukaraka, branch off Rawene-Kohukohu line	2	0	2	0
Kaimaumu, branch off Cape Maria van Diemen line	3	40	3	40
Opouriao, branch off Whakatane-Taneatua line	3	20	3	20
Auckland-Hamilton (metallic circuit) .. .. .	..	..	166	0
Taumarunui-Raurimu .. .. .	..	..	25	0
	162	60	561	40
For Railway Department—				
Whangarei to Hukerenui .. .. .	..	..	20	40
	162	60	582	0
Less wires dismantled—				
Mercer-Miranda old No. 4 .. .. .	..	..	20	0
Helensville-Warkworth old Nos. 1 and 2	27	0	64	0
Mercer-Pokeno Railway telephone-wire .. .. .	..	..	3	40
	27	0	87	40
Net increase	135	60	494	40

The net increase is 135 miles 60 chains of line and 494 miles 40 chains of wire.

The total length of line in this district is 2,262 miles 50 chains, and of wire 6,204 miles 17 chains, exclusive of that maintained by the Railway Department for its own use.

Maintenance.

The Dargaville-Kaihu wire, which was of No. 14 copper, was replaced by No. 8 iron wire. This has overcome the trouble of frequent breakages on this circuit.

The main line from Thames to Paeroa was rebuilt, heavier poles being used. This line is now in good order.

No. 4 wire was diverted from *via* Miranda to *via* Hamilton and Paeroa, involving the erection of 101 miles of wire. The old No. 4 wire was dismantled between Mercer and Miranda, a distance of 20 miles.

The two old Morse wires (Nos. 1 and 2) between Helensville and Warkworth and the line of poles between Kaukapakapa and Warkworth were taken down. Twenty-seven miles of poles and 64 miles of wire in all were dismantled.

The Auckland-Helensville Morse wires were crossed, to neutralise induction from Morse and tramway to single telephone circuits beyond the metallic cable.

The Te Kopuru-Pouto line was overhauled, 8 miles of wire being renewed and some heavier poles erected.

The Kaipara Heads line was rebuilt, and new telephones substituted for those of the old pattern.

The Marsden Point-Whangarei Heads cable parted and was repaired. The Morse cable at Te Kopuru, having also become unworkable, a new piece of cable was spliced into it.

The Mercer-Pokeno Railway wire (3½ miles) was dismantled.

In January very heavy floods occurred, and lines in many parts were nearly submerged. The only damage sustained was one pole washed out on the north section.

Offices.

Forty-eight new offices were opened during the year.

Five offices were closed—viz., Rangihēke, Waitangi, Scarrott's, Oio, and Upper Kuaotunu.

One office was converted from Morse to telephone.

Helensville office was rewired and refitted with a new test-board.

The new office at Tauranga was occupied on the 29th June.

The total number of telegraph and telephone offices open is 338, of which 48 are Morse and 290 telephone offices.

Exchanges.

The connections in the Auckland exchange totalled 2,224 on the 31st March, as against 2,036 at the end of the previous year, an increase of 188. Of these connections 2,131 are paying, 25 are free, and 68 are bureau-connections. There are also 520 extension telephones in use, an increase of 73 during the year.

The switchboard now provides accommodation for 2,399 connections.

The connections to the exchange involve the use of 117 miles 37 chains of poles and 2,195 miles 70 chains of wire.

Of aerial wire, 528 miles 6 chains have been replaced by double wire in leaden metallic circuit cables during the year. The aerial wire replaced by metallic circuit cables will be dismantled.

The nine other exchanges in the district have had material increases in the number of connections, which now total 653, an increase of 96.

Devonport was fitted with a 100-number annunciator, and all wires made metallic circuits. Hamilton and Rotorua had extra 50-number annunciators fitted, bringing the capacity of the exchanges up to 150 each.

The total number of connections to all exchanges in this district is 2,877, of which 2,720 are paying, 36 are free, and 121 are bureau-connections. These are connected by 157 miles 30 chains of poles and 2,464 miles 49½ chains of wire, exclusive of 86 miles 75 chains of dead wire.

The total number of extension telephones is 537, making the total number of telephones in use 3,414.

A superimposed telephone circuit was arranged between Thames and Waihi, with Paeroa intermediate, using the No. 7 and the Paeroa-Thames direct wire, and the duplex and No. 3 to Waihi. The condenser metallic circuit system is being used, and is working well.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

Construction.

The following new lines and wires have been erected during the year:—

	Poles.		Wire.	
	M.	ch.	M.	ch.
Hutt pathological laboratory (metallic circuit) .. .. .	..	..	22	0
Lead off Gisborne—Ormond wire to Makauri .. .. .	..	..	0	1
Mataroa to Tiriraukawa, new line	7	0	7	0
Palmerston North to Aokautere, new line	1	32	3	72
Eltham to Omoana, new line	19	0	19	0
Ohutu to Taoroa, new line	7	0	7	0
Tacroa to Pukeokahu, new line	7	2	7	2
Palmerston North to Newbury, new line .. .. .	..	..	4	40
Opunake to Te Kiri, new line	6	60	6	60
Westmere to Brunswick, new line	3	0	3	0
Kaponga to Mahoe, new line	5	0	5	0
Kaponga to Kapuni, new line	4	0	4	0
Kapuni to Manaia, new line	5	40	5	40
Mangatoro to Waitahora, new line	4	60	4	60
Mangahac to Makmakc, new line	4	20	4	20
Mohaka to Wairoa, telephone-wire .. .. .	..	..	22	0
Westmere, lead off main line .. .. .	..	..	0	1½
Mangamahoe to Hastwell's, new line	1	40	3	0
Taupo to Onekeneke, new line	0	40	2	40
Mangatainoka to Makairo, new line	9	26	9	26
Mangatoro to Pokokomuka, new line	3	30	3	30
Kimbolton to Awawaro, new line	3	60	3	60
Kohuratahi to Tahora, new line	5	25	5	25
Waiouru Suburban, lead off main line .. .. .	..	..	0	1
Matemateonga .. .. .	..	..	0	2
Upper Hutt to Akatarawa, new line	9	40	9	40
Waitotara to Taumatatahi, new line	29	40	33	40
Waione to Horoeoka, new line	7	0	7	0
Waione to Pongaroa, new line	9	0	9	0
Carswell's to Whareama	3	0	3	0
Masterton to Pahiatua (section of Masterton to Palmerston North, new wire) .. .. .	..	..	43	0
Trunk telephone wires—				
Wanganui to Merton (metallic circuit trunk wires) .. .. .	..	..	46	0
Gisborne to Tolaga Bay, trunk wire .. .. .	..	..	33	40
Masterton to Greytown North, trunk wire .. .. .	..	..	30	0
Hastings to Maraekakaho, trunk wire .. .. .	..	..	14	0
Napier to Hastings (metallic circuit wires) .. .. .	..	..	25	0
Hastings to Pakipaki (completing metallic circuit) .. .. .	..	..	4	0
Masterton to Eketahuna, new trunk wire .. .. .	..	..	25	0
Eltham to Stratford, new metallic circuit wire .. .. .	..	..	6	0
Alfredton to Eketahuna (metallic circuit) .. .. .	..	..	24	0
Masterton to Wellington, metallic circuit wires .. .. .	..	..	126	0
Masterton to Pahiatua, new trunk wire .. .. .	..	..	43	0
Normanby to Okaiawa and Matapu, metallic circuit wire .. .. .	..	..	7	0

The lengths of lines and wires now maintained in this district are 2,372 miles 76½ chains and 8,565 miles 28½ chains respectively.

Net increase, 156 miles 35 chains of line and 641 miles 40½ chains of wire.

Six private wires, aggregating 1 mile 78 chains, were erected.

There are 26 authorised but uncompleted construction-works, some of which are nearing completion, and others will be proceeded with as soon as practicable. Works include extensions to new districts, and erection of wires on existing lines to give increased accommodation, and to improve existing services.

Maintenance.

The lines throughout the district are in good order, the overhaul of a number of the main lines and branches has been completed, and the overhaul of the sections between Tarawera-Taupo, Pahiatua-Woodville, Featherston - Greytown North, New Plymouth - Mahoenui, and Tokomaru Bay - Point Awanui are now in progress.

The following sections were overhauled and strengthened, many extra or larger poles being provided where necessary :—

	Mileage.
	M. ch.
Napier-Taradale	5 0
Napier - Port Ahuriri	2 0
Gisborne - Tolaga Bay	33 40
Patea-Manutahi	10 0
Masterton - Greytown North	15 0
Wairoa-Mohaka	22 0
Masterton-Pahiatua	43 0
Kumeroa line	6 0
Wairoa - Wairoa Pilot-station	3 0
Te Karaka - Whatatutu	6 0
New Plymouth - Sentry Hill	5 0
Hutt-Featherston	30 0
Wellington-Hutt	9 0
Napier-Tarawera	52 0

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The weather conditions on several occasions have been very severe. In April an exceptionally heavy gale did considerable damage to the lines in the southern portion of the district. Again, in the early part of July a gale of hurricane force did much damage at Masterton, Pahiatua, and Waipukurau; several faults being caused by trees being blown over the lines.

On the 14th and 15th July, 1906, the line on the elevated positions between Napier and Taupo was seriously damaged through a heavy fall of snow, about twelve poles being broken or pulled over and many arms and several miles of copper wire broken with the weight of snow. This line has been specially strengthened in the snow regions.

New jack-knife test-boards have been fitted at Hutt, Eketahuna, Eltham Railway, Pahiatua, Weraroa, Petone, and Shannon.

The Napier-Wairoa circuit and the Napier-Hastings switch circuit have been duplexed, and Morse has been superimposed on the Gisborne-Te Karaka and Palmerston North-Longburn metallic circuits.

The instruments at Gisborne, Dannevirke, and Pahiatua have been transferred to the new instrument-rooms at those offices.

Soundproof cabinets have been installed in the following offices: Mangatoro, Ormondville, Raetihi, and Weber.

Telephone Exchanges.

Four new exchanges were opened as follows :—

Alfredton with 5 subscribers, Opunake with 18 subscribers, Waipukurau with 28 subscribers, and Wairoa with 40 subscribers.

The Makotuku exchange was closed.

Fifty-five telephones were destroyed by fire—viz., at Foxton 1, Hastings 5, Napier 1, Rongotea 1, Waitara 2, and Wellington 45.

Alterations to the lines at Waitara, and further alterations at New Plymouth, were necessitated owing to the electric-light installations by the Borough Councils concerned.

At the Wellington exchange the conversion of subscribers' wires from the earth system to metallic circuits is steadily advancing. Six hundred and eighty-four subscribers' connections have been improved in this direction during the year, bringing the total number of converted circuits up to 1,369.

Lead-covered cables of various sizes have been suspended during the year, representing 1,389 miles of double wire. This, together with 752 miles erected last year, represents 2,141 miles of double wire now overhead, of which 173 miles are for future use.

Pending the adoption of the underground system throughout the business portion of the city, and owing to the congested conditions of overhead routes, progress during the later months has been somewhat slower than formerly.

Considerable alterations to the telephone-lines have been necessary to meet the requirements of the metallic circuits within the city and suburbs,

The increase in the number of subscribers continues, the number now reaching 2,706, an increase of 244, as compared with 202 last year. Of these 2,592 are paying, 58 are free, and 56 are bureau-connections. There are also 650 extension telephones, making a grand total of 3,356 telephones in use.

Two sections of multiple switchboard, which will increase the capacity of the exchange by accommodation for 400 subscribers, have been placed in position. The present switchboard-equipment provides for 3,100 subscribers. Two subsections of the last section of the switchboard have been altered to provide increased accommodation for, and a better method of, working the long-distance trunk circuits, both earth-working and metallic. There are under order two sections of branching multiple switchboard for this exchange, which will provide for a further 600 subscribers. To accommodate these some alterations will be necessary to the building.

There are now 42 exchanges in the district, an increase of 3 for the year. These are working satisfactorily. The subscribers connected therewith aggregate 7,176, an increase of 993 for the year, as compared with 780 last year. Of these connections 6,657 are paid for, 132 are free, and 387 are bureau-connections. They are connected by 6,079 miles 78 chains of wire. Extension telephones at the various exchanges number 1,058, making a grand total of 8,234 telephones, as against 7,062 last year.

The number of subscribers continues to increase rapidly. Provision has been made at the larger exchanges to meet this growth. At several of the smaller exchanges the time is approaching when extension will require to be made for them also.

The multiple switchboards for Gisborne, Napier, New Plymouth, Palmerston North, and Wanganui are now arriving, and it is expected will soon be in operation.

At New Plymouth and Palmerston North the switchboards are being erected in rooms in the new post-office buildings. At Wanganui the switchboard is being installed in the old room, which has been enlarged by absorbing other rooms.

At Napier it was found necessary to erect a new building to accommodate the new switchboard. This building is detached a short distance from the post and telegraph office, and opportunity was taken when erecting the premises to provide space for batteries, a store-room for materials, a workshop, and increased accommodation for the linemen.

At Gisborne it has been necessary to make considerable alterations to the new buildings to meet the requirements of the new switchboard. A marked improvement has been made in the conditions that previously obtained.

The establishment of exchanges at Ashhurst, Levin, and Taihape has been approved, and arrangements are being made to construct them at an early date. The exchanges at Hastings and Pahiatua have been transferred into new rooms. It is intended to remove the Masterton exchange from the present room to more commodious premises upstairs.

Offices.

New offices have been erected at Bull's, Hutt, Johnsonville, Ohakune, Rongotea, Tokomaru Bay, Tuparoa, Waipiro Bay, and Waitotara, and the transfer of the instruments has been effected.

The offices at Mataroa, Te Karaka, and Utiku have been transferred to the Railway Department's premises.

The offices at Longburn, Te Karaka, and Weraroa have been converted from telephone to Morse stations.

Thirty-four offices were opened during the year. Four offices—viz., Braemore, Ngapaeruru, Te Moehau, and Waerengaokuri—were closed.

There are 397 offices in the district, 67 being Morse and 330 telephone offices.

Metallic Circuits.

To provide metallic circuits additional wires have been erected and looped with existing earth-working telephone-lines between the following places: Masterton and Eketahuna (two circuits); Eketahuna and Alfredton; Eketahuna and Pahiatua; Stratford, Ngaire, and Eltham; Normanby, Okaiawa, and Matapu; Hastings and Maraekakaho; and Wairoa and Mohaka.

To meet growing requirements further metallic circuits have been established between Napier and Hastings, Wanganui and Marton, Masterton and Greytown North, and Wellington and Masterton.

Morse circuits have been superimposed on the metallic circuit sections between Gisborne and Te Karaka, Gisborne and Tolaga Bay, Palmerston North and Longburn, Mohaka and Wairoa, and Napier and Hastings.

NELSON DISTRICT.

Construction.

The following new lines and wires have been erected during the year:—

	Poles.		Wire.	
	M.	ch.	M.	ch.
Hokitika-Humphrey's	10	6	10	6
Spring Grove-Wai-iti .. .. .	..	..	6	57
Bruce Bay line	50	5	50	5
Bruce Bay-Mahitahi	8	30	8	30
Takaka-Upper Takaka .. .. .	..	..	13	17
Greymouth-Barrytown	15	30	18	30
Tapawera-Stanley Brook	5	25	5	25
Murchison-Matakitaki	18	20	18	20

					Poles.	Wire.
					M. ch.	M. ch.
Humphrey's—Ho Ho .. .. .	..	..	..	..	2 15	2 15
Seddon—Richmond Brook .. .. .	..	..	..	..	3 7	5 74
Motupipi—Totaranui .. .. .	..	..	..	..	8 0	8 0
Reefton—Upper Blackwater .. .. .	..	..	..	..	4 10	18 23
Wainihinihi office .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	0 3
Sherry River extension .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1 4	1 4
Runanga office .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	0 5
Stillwater—Jackson's .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	30 60
Pakawau—Mangarakau	12 9	12 9
For Public Works Department—						
Tadmor—Manu	10 6	10 6
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					148 7	218 69
Less railway wire ceased to be maintained by Department—						
Waimangaroa—Conn's Creek	1 20	1 20
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					146 67	217 49

Net increase for the year, 146 miles 67 chains of line and 217 miles 49 chains of wire.

There are 1,166 miles 53 chains of line and 3,158 miles 18 chains of wire maintained in this district.

There are nine authorised but uncompleted works, some of which are nearing completion, and others will be proceeded with as soon as practicable. These works include extensions to new districts, and the erection of wires on existing lines to give increased accommodation, and to improve existing services.

Three and one-third knots of submarine cable have been laid in the Croixelles Harbour for use with the extension in hand from Nelson to the French Pass; and a mile of submarine cable has been laid in Tory Channel to form part of a telephone-line about to be erected from Picton to Tory Channel entrance, taking in *en route* various settlements along the Sounds.

Maintenance.

The main lines throughout the district have been overhauled, and certain sections strengthened during the year. They are in good order.

During April a very heavy gale was experienced on the West Coast, wrecking the Taipo—Otira section completely, and doing other damage in the district.

A set of duplex instruments has been installed at Reefton. A copper wire was run from Stillwater to Jackson's to facilitate communication between Wakapuaka and Christchurch, at the same time giving telephone-facilities between Greymouth, Kumara, Taipo, and Otira.

A Morse circuit was superimposed on the metallic circuit between Westport and Denniston.

Offices.

Twenty new offices have been opened during the year, making a total of 189, of which 26 are Morse and 163 telephone offices.

New offices have been erected at Nelson and Collingwood, and the transfer of apparatus has been effected. Additions and alterations were made to the Tophouse office.

The offices at Flat Creek, Motueka Wharf, Upper Takaka, Sherry River, Motupiko, Stillwater, Rockville, and Millerton have been removed to other premises. Other offices have been overhauled and refitted.

Denniston has been converted from telephone to Morse.

The new post and telegraph office at Greymouth is expected to be finished shortly.

Exchanges.

The number of subscribers to the exchanges continues to increase, and now totals 1,148, of which 970 are paying, 40 are free, and 138 are bureau-connections. There are also 52 extension telephones, making a total of 1,200 telephones in use in the district.

The Nelson exchange has 13 miles 53 chains of line and 172 miles 5 chains of wire. The new branching multiple switchboard is now in course of erection and will be soon completed, when the telephone exchange will be transferred from the old building to the new post-office premises. The switchboard will accommodate 900 subscribers.

The Greymouth exchange has 26 miles 36 chains of line and 169 miles 44 chains of wire. This exchange will shortly be removed to the new building.

There are 9 exchanges in this district connected by 79 miles 44 chains of line and 578 miles 18 chains of wire.

The metallic circuits used for telephonic communication and the Morse superimposed on the several telephone circuits are giving entire satisfaction. The relief from induction is of marked advantage to the despatch of business.

CHRISTCHURCH DISTRICT.

Construction.

The following new lines and wires were erected during the year :—

	Poles.		Wire.	
	M.	ch.	M.	ch.
Glen-iti to Claremont	4	40	4	40
Ashburton-Rakaia	41	10	41	50
Ashburton-Greenstreet	5	0	7	40
Hinds-Lismore	9	0	9	0
Ealing-Ruapuna	14	0	14	0
Springston-Wakaipa	2	0	4	0
Cust - West Eyreton	3	0	3	0
Hawarden-Woodgrove	4	0	4	0
Springburn-Steveley	6	20	6	20
Christchurch-Burwood	1	20	5	0
Ashley Bank - North Loburn	10	40	10	40
Ashburton-Elgin	2	0	5	0
Makikihi-Otaio .. .. .	..	..	3	60
Riverside-Hakatere	2	40	2	40
Rangiora-Cust .. .. .	..	..	8	40
Timaru-Temuka (trunk metallic circuit) .. .. .	..	..	24	0
Parnassus - Parnassus Ford	0	20	1	20
Lincoln-Springston .. .. .	..	..	4	40
Loop into Wandle Downs .. .. .	..	..	0	6
„ Seadown .. .. .	..	..	0	4
„ Omihi .. .. .	..	..	0	4
„ Ferry Road .. .. .	..	..	0	4
Tormore-Domett (for Public Works Department) .. .. .	..	..	5	0
Makikihi-Hunter	6	0	6	0
	111	30	170	8

Net increase for the year, 111 miles 30 chains of line and 170 miles 8 chains of wire.

The total length of line in this district is 1,090 miles 10 chains, and of wire 3,889 miles 28 chains.

Maintenance.

Lines throughout the district are in good order. South of Timaru the main line is receiving attention, and being thoroughly strengthened to carry extra wires necessary for increased traffic. Large arms are being substituted for short ones, and double iron rails used to replace doubtful wooden poles. Other sections have called for no attention beyond what could be given by linemen in charge of the several sections.

Offices.

Twenty-nine new offices were opened during the year.

There are 207 offices in the district, of which 61 are Morse and 146 are telephone stations.

The additions to the Christchurch Post-office building are now completed, and the business is being carried on in greatly improved quarters. Instrument-tables were cleaned and refitted, and a new test-board and "local" fuse-board provided. Extensive alterations to electric-light leads and fittings were made. The main lighting switchboard was removed, which entailed considerable work, as all the circuits in the building are controlled from this point. Two additional motors were fitted up, one 3-horse power, for driving the blower of pneumatic tubes which convey messages to and from the public counter to the instrument-room, and $\frac{1}{2}$ -horse-power motor for an additional post-marking machine. There are now 5 motors in use in the Christchurch office.

Exchanges.

A new exchange was opened at Cust with 5 subscribers, and one at Sumner with 15 subscribers. At the latter exchange the connections are metallic circuit. In expectation of growth a 50-number annunciator has been installed.

A second 50-number annunciator has been installed at Geraldine, and also at Waimate. Temuka has been supplied with a 50-number annunciator, replacing the smaller one previously in use. At Timaru an additional 50-number annunciator has been fitted, and is now almost full.

There are 3 principal exchanges and 16 sub-exchanges in the Christchurch district.

The work of converting the Christchurch exchange connections from earth-return to metallic circuit is progressing. Some 24 miles of cable of various sizes have been suspended during the year, representing 1,422 miles of double wire, of which 708 miles are in use. Of double wires, 1,500 are connected to cable-boxes, and 494 of these are in use by subscribers, and are chiefly long suburban connections. New lines of poles have been erected where necessary, and old lines reinforced to carry extra load. A considerable number of poles will be released as the work of installing the metallic circuits progresses.

Alterations to lines rendered necessary by the introduction of electric tramways have practically been completed. Exchange power and air-drying installation have been placed in the basement of the building at Christchurch.

There are 2,162 subscribers connected to the Christchurch exchange, 2,070 of which are paying, 41 are free, and 51 are bureau-connections; an increase of 275.

The total number of connections in the district is 2,975, as compared with 2,562 for last year—an increase of 413—of which 2,778 are paying subscribers, 56 are free, and 141 are bureau-connections. The total number of extension telephones is 610, making the total number of telephones in use, 3,585.

The total length of poles and wires in the district is 184 miles 11 chains and 3,027 miles 17 chains respectively.

DUNEDIN DISTRICT.

Construction.

The following new lines and wires have been erected during the year :—

	Poles.		Wire.	
	M.	ch.	M.	ch.
Riversdale-Wendon	4	40	7	40
Otautau-Aparima	7	0	8	0
Dunedin-Invercargill (metallic circuit trunk wires) .. .. .	..	..	270	0
Catlin's River - Houipapa	0	40	0	40
Waikawa Junction - Waikawa Valley	3	0	3	0
Mataura-Gore .. .. .	..	..	15	40
Mosgiel - Wylie's Crossing .. .. .	..	..	3	0
Clyde-Cromwell .. .. .	..	..	13	0
Dunedin - Dunedin Railway .. .. .	..	..	0	40
Port Chalmers - Hayward's Point	0	60	3	40
Centre Bush - Otapiri Gorge	6	40	6	40
Brown's to Hokonui	2	0	2	0
Middlemarch to Sutton	5	0	5	0
Greenhills to Mokomoko	5	0	5	0
Pukerau-Waikoiko	8	0	8	0
Kauana office	0	20	0	20
For Public Works Department—				
Alexandra-Clyde	6	0	6	0
For Railway Department—				
Oamaru to Oamaru Railway .. .. .	..	..	1	0
Invercargill to Bluff .. .. .	..	..	34	0
	48	40	392	20

There were 2,061 miles 60 chains of poles and 5,214 miles 40 chains of wire at the close of the year ; a net increase of 48 miles 40 chains of line and 392 miles 20 chains of wire.

There is a number of authorised works either in progress or to be carried out. Those in course of erection are being prosecuted with all despatch, and the others will be begun as soon as possible.

Maintenance.

No interruptions of any consequence have occurred to the lines during the year. Faults have been infrequent.

A considerable proportion of the lines of the district has received an overhaul, and the lines generally are in a satisfactory condition.

Offices.

Thirteen new offices were opened and two closed. The number of offices in the district at the end of the year was 312, comprising 71 Morse and 241 telephone offices.

The Palmerston office was refitted.

Exchanges.

The total number of exchanges in this district is 25.

This branch of the service continues to show a substantial increase of subscribers at all exchanges.

The total number of subscribers in the district has increased during the year from 2,970 to 3,227. Of these, 2,883 are paying, 43 are free, and 299 are bureau-connections. The number of extension telephones in use is 647, making the total number of telephones connected with telephone exchanges in the district, 3,874.

The subscribers' lines connected with these exchanges comprise 159 miles 53 chains of poles and 2,839 miles 26 chains of wire, a net increase of 6 miles 33 chains of poles and 423 miles 26 chains of wire for the year.

Steady progress has been maintained with the substitution of the metallic circuit for the earth-circuit system at the Dunedin exchange. The circuits of 1,095 subscribers have been changed, and it is anticipated that the transformation of the whole system from earth to metallic circuit working will be effected during the present year.

The several superimposed circuits in the district continue to give every satisfaction. The metallic circuit from Dunedin to Invercargill, which was completed during the year, has been largely availed of. Gore has been also using this circuit to a considerable extent, and there are indications of congestion of traffic at times, so that it is not improbable that further telephonic facilities will require to be provided to relieve the circuit of the Gore work.

A telegraph duplex circuit was superimposed on this circuit, thus increasing the telegraph accommodation, while in no way marring oral communication.

A pair of wires is being run between Dunedin and Oamaru to provide telephonic communication between those places. It is expected that these also will be largely availed of when completed. A Morse will be superimposed thereon to give increased telegraphic facilities.

Table No. 1.

POST-OFFICE MONEY-ORDERS ISSUED AND PAID.

TABLE showing the Number and Amount of Money-orders issued and of Money-orders payable in New Zealand since the Year 1863.

Year.	Commission received.		Where payable.						Total.					
			In the Colony.		United Kingdom and Foreign Offices.		Australia and other British Possessions.							
			No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.			No.	Amount.		
1863	£	s. d.		£	s. d.		£	s. d.		£	s. d.			
	1,057	9 0	2,201	9,613	11 11	4,740	21,944	2 1	4,645	24,145	7 5	11,586	55,703	1 5
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
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
1893	10,248	14 5	146,133	576,358	17 2	29,616	86,544	19 11	35,208	88,025	8 9	210,957	750,929	5 10
1894	10,600	19 7	155,534	608,042	2 11	28,513	79,348	10 2	38,631	89,392	11 10	222,678	776,783	4 11
1895	11,433	13 8	162,600	635,062	17 11	28,882	78,465	0 4	52,015	99,076	16 8	243,497	812,604	14 11
1896	12,671	6 7	181,505	717,217	19 1	29,238	82,498	15 6	58,823	102,443	1 0	269,566	902,159	15 7
1897	13,835	15 4	193,867	762,592	10 3	31,770	93,649	1 3	68,002	114,589	3 5	293,659	970,830	14 11
1898	14,747	9 6	206,265	798,725	15 8	35,377	107,140	7 5	76,728	123,375	4 6	318,370	1,029,241	7 7
1899	15,533	4 6	221,354	864,513	4 9	38,528	122,064	3 1	84,782	132,230	17 9	344,664	1,118,808	5 7
1900	16,512	12 9	239,565	951,860	7 4	40,925	122,934	10 4	89,344	140,057	18 9	369,834	1,214,852	16 5
1901	17,518	11 0	255,344	1,002,056	12 1	45,701	125,549	5 11	104,922	158,902	3 10	405,967	1,286,508	1 10
1902	14,915	18 2	258,110	1,014,723	16 0	53,910	138,755	2 8	55,187	123,580	3 7	367,207	1,277,059	2 3
1903	15,881	18 5	273,535	1,108,067	5 8	63,309	157,789	16 0	59,468	150,367	10 8	396,312	1,416,224	12 4
1904	16,385	9 0	281,655	1,148,226	3 0	60,490	165,245	0 8	65,638	163,416	4 9	407,783	1,476,887	8 5
1905	17,073	9 6	287,394	1,189,385	13 4	57,414	177,609	18 8	72,633	174,716	7 10	417,441	1,541,711	19 10
1906	18,278	10 3	301,650	1,312,270	13 4	60,120	186,902	16 6	77,250	187,057	12 1	439,020	1,686,231	1 11

DRAWN ON THE COLONY.

Year.	Where issued.						Total.					
	In the Colony.		United Kingdom and Foreign Offices.		Australia and other British Possessions.							
	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.			No.	Amount.		
1863		£	s. d.		£	s. d.		£	s. d.		£	s. d.
	2,067	9,169	4 6	415	1,824	0 8	558	3,077	13 7	3,040	14,070	18 9
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
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
1893	146,133	576,358	17 2	8,746	32,616	17 2	10,679	40,929	2 5	165,558	649,904	16 9
1894	155,534	608,042	2 11	9,293	33,786	17 6	10,690	38,571	3 1	175,517	680,400	3 6
1895	162,600	635,062	17 11	9,938	35,155	7 9	11,520	39,862	18 10	184,058	710,081	4 6
1896	181,505	717,217	19 1	10,254	35,553	7 1	11,507	40,836	4 7	203,266	793,607	10 9
1897	193,867	762,592	10 3	10,085	35,238	10 3	11,407	40,105	1 11	215,359	837,936	2 5
1898	206,265	798,725	15 8	10,671	36,106	9 10	12,753	44,558	10 10	229,689	879,390	16 4
1899	221,354	864,513	4 9	10,624	37,290	8 7	13,399	48,533	15 11	245,377	950,337	9 3
1900	239,565	951,860	7 4	10,342	36,014	6 3	15,271	59,304	9 6	265,178	1,047,179	3 1
1901	255,344	1,002,056	12 1	11,082	40,021	14 4	16,688	63,800	4 10	283,114	1,105,878	11 3
1902	258,110	1,014,723	16 0	11,732	41,370	13 3	16,527	62,159	10 8	286,369	1,118,253	19 11
1903	273,535	1,108,067	5 8	13,035	49,181	1 3	17,777	68,340	8 8	304,347	1,225,588	15 7
1904	281,655	1,148,226	3 0	11,567	45,793	1 1	19,277	71,824	7 5	312,499	1,265,843	11 6
1905	287,394	1,189,385	13 4	10,338	47,649	9 0	19,669	72,437	13 3	317,401	1,309,472	15 7
1906	301,650	1,312,270	13 4	10,314	50,559	18 10	20,462	75,091	14 2	332,426	1,437,922	6 4

Table No. 2.

TABLE showing the Money-orders issued in New Zealand on Offices beyond the Colony, and Money-orders issued at Offices beyond the Colony on New Zealand, during the Years 1905 and 1906.

ISSUED IN NEW ZEALAND.

Where payable.	1905.		1906.	
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
United Kingdom and Foreign Offices through United Kingdom	44,777	£ 153,867 3 9	48,168	£ 163,390 11 4
United States of America	11,774	21,679 6 2	10,933	20,875 12 6
Canada	589	1,935 0 1	597	2,344 5 5
Cape Colony	187	552 16 1	229	793 10 3
Ceylon	129	422 11 11	147	474 14 5
Fiji	141	584 17 3	149	556 8 3
Germany	855	2,035 7 2	1,000	2,595 15 4
Hong Kong	337	1,126 3 2	333	1,077 9 11
India	652	1,856 1 7	743	2,436 10 1
Natal	69	304 13 10	77	373 4 5
New South Wales	34,544	78,474 5 3	37,737	85,365 12 5
Orange River Colony*	9	30 17 0	8	15 2 0
Queensland	3,184	9,350 13 4	3,073	9,098 9 10
Samoa	8	28 1 7	19	55 11 4
South Australia	1,582	4,171 11 10	1,772	5,225 18 10
Straits Settlements	44	114 0 2	36	183 13 1
Tasmania	4,480	11,125 16 11	4,982	12,496 3 4
Tonga .. .. .	..	..	9	17 1 3
Transvaal	140	684 1 5	162	659 9 8
Victoria	25,258	59,874 0 2	25,756	61,583 2 11
Western Australia	1,288	4,108 17 10	1,440	4,342 2 0
Totals	130,047	352,326 6 6	137,370	373,960 8 7

* Direct money-order exchange from 1st July, 1905.

DRAWN ON NEW ZEALAND.

Where issued.	1905.		1906.	
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
United Kingdom and Foreign Offices through United Kingdom	8,068	£ 35,947 6 4	7,724	£ 36,811 8 0
United States of America	1,659	6,633 19 3	1,964	8,608 16 0
Canada	384	2,009 4 11	449	2,661 11 4
Cape Colony	396	1,875 18 2	372	1,866 11 8
Ceylon	44	125 6 1	28	57 19 0
Fiji	614	1,982 11 4	723	2,130 0 2
Germany	138	926 8 5	134	733 14 2
Hong Kong	60	259 12 10	70	320 4 8
India	249	990 14 11	267	1,272 1 3
Natal	286	1,406 18 5	171	675 4 2
New South Wales	6,465	20,331 16 8	7,311	23,458 6 8
Orange River Colony*	7	20 13 0	41	243 19 6
Queensland	1,350	5,232 8 4	1,344	4,654 9 5
Samoa	473	4,141 15 0	492	4,406 0 8
South Australia	735	2,819 1 11	780	2,697 11 11
Straits Settlements	35	188 11 7	32	83 15 9
Tasmania	2,285	10,695 1 11	1,760	7,475 7 5
Tonga .. .. .	..	..	150	867 13 9
Transvaal	694	3,489 8 5	566	3,330 6 2
Victoria	4,618	13,850 18 8	5,068	16,237 12 5
Western Australia	1,447	7,159 6 1	1,330	7,058 18 11
Totals	30,007	120,087 2 3	30,776	125,651 13 0

* Direct money-order exchange from 1st July, 1905.

Table No. 3.

TABLE showing the Number and Value of Postal Notes sold from the 1st January, 1886—the date upon which they were first issued—to the 31st March, 1907.

Year.	Number of Postal Notes sold.													Total.		
	At 1s.	At 1s. 6d.	At 2s.	At 2s. 6d.	At 3s.	At 5s.	At 7s. 6d.	At 10s.	At 12s. 6d.	At 15s.	At 17s. 6d.	At £1.	At £5.*	Number.	Value.	
Quarter ended Mar. 31, 1886	3,019	2,046	..	1,012	..	2,039	969	2,379	695	992	425	2,866	..	16,442	£ 6,909 15 6	
1886-87 ..	16,605	12,283	..	6,647	..	11,566	5,729	13,103	4,090	5,187	2,375	14,961	..	92,546	37,659 7 0	
1887-88 ..	22,467	17,167	..	9,162	..	15,553	7,671	17,487	5,278	6,940	2,952	17,578	..	122,255	47,729 5 0	
1888-89 ..	27,428	21,900	..	11,912	..	19,741	9,477	21,149	6,618	8,243	3,633	19,778	..	149,879	56,841 18 0	
1889-90 ..	32,754	25,387	..	14,478	..	23,550	10,894	24,011	7,809	9,386	4,158	22,596	..	175,023	65,484 2 0	
1890-91 ..	35,915	28,559	..	16,092	..	25,204	12,229	25,906	7,969	10,172	4,366	23,503	..	189,915	69,721 18 6	
1891-92 ..	42,416	33,722	..	19,383	..	29,550	14,019	30,132	9,058	11,611	4,953	25,839	..	220,683	79,325 16 6	
1892-93 ..	48,612	38,849	..	22,038	..	33,012	16,072	32,747	9,904	12,330	5,369	28,969	..	247,902	87,856 18 0	
1893-94 ..	56,761	44,706	..	25,461	..	37,771	18,096	37,687	11,016	13,800	6,156	33,935	..	285,389	101,002 7 6	
1894-95 ..	62,306	49,846	..	28,975	..	43,829	20,423	43,167	11,864	15,567	6,790	36,601	..	319,368	112,307 10 0	
1895-96 ..	68,454	56,185	..	32,801	..	49,204	22,802	47,787	13,601	17,191	7,020	33,390	1,192	349,627	123,368 6 6	
1896-97 ..	74,534	62,056	..	35,322	..	54,219	24,871	51,963	14,365	18,102	7,406	32,868	1,090	376,796	129,011 18 0	
1897-98 ..	81,958	69,981	..	38,617	..	60,843	26,968	55,748	15,463	19,477	7,904	32,179	728	409,866	134,378 9 6	
1898-99 ..	86,529	72,710	..	41,991	..	64,386	28,448	59,651	16,202	19,990	8,193	32,696	673	431,449	139,957 4 0	
1899-1900 ..	93,762	77,431	..	44,384	..	70,416	30,680	63,787	16,957	21,393	8,589	33,491	607	461,447	147,686 8 6	
1900-1901 ..	85,478	68,068	..	52,691	14,702	80,630	24,497	71,001	13,304	23,875	6,799	35,067	560	490,506	154,435 16 6	
1901-1902 ..	49,529	30,255	..	70,683	65,467	109,663	..	92,708	..	32,128	..	43,042	556	556,316	173,317 5 0	
1902-1903 ..	54,268	33,409	..	76,613	75,700	119,593	..	102,641	..	34,508	..	48,852	558	616,264	191,904 13 0	
1903-1904 ..	61,379	37,514	..	86,626	89,276	134,270	..	114,755	..	38,030	..	58,629	656	707,044	220,069 11 0	
1904-1905 ..	65,484	40,263	..	96,228	99,739	154,281	..	130,430	..	42,317	..	69,206	688	785,347	250,123 7 6	
1905-1906 ..	74,389	45,358	..	108,493	114,411	167,430	..	143,216	..	46,228	..	76,508	788	875,324	276,279 7 6	
1906-1907 ..	82,417	54,375	..	120,321	128,384	187,083	..	159,045	..	51,559	..	91,193	954	981,642	314,053 6 0	

* First issued on 17th June, 1885.

Table No. 4.

TABLE showing the Number and Amount of Transactions at the several Money-order and Savings-bank Offices in New Zealand during the Year 1906.

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 ..	23,704	1,264	11	0	104,765	14	6	53,637	211,062	8	2	4,865	36,128	765,206	6	2	4,954	42,130	811,336	14	9
Ahuoroa ..	64	1	15	0	199	0	10	5	11	3	0	1	7	32	17	0	1	7	29	6	6
Aitutaki ..	57	3	3	6	486	10	9	92	346	12	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Aorora ..	270	8	3	0	665	3	2	51	367	11	3	16	132	365	16	0	6	45	321	15	6
Aratapu ..	813	49	11	0	3,299	4	2	203	724	13	3	75	644	7,335	12	0	20	173	2,618	1	11
Avondale ..	205	6	10	6	449	9	1	293	1,271	18	1	29	260	1,487	9	10	5	53	466	18	5
Awhitu ..	101	2	16	6	222	16	10	36	139	18	9	5	19	304	5	0	..	7	132	12	0
Bombay ..	206	7	5	0	702	8	1	73	232	2	1	9	162	1,767	16	0	1	69	817	7	6
Cabbage Bay ..	262	7	6	6	742	11	0	30	129	0	9	8	57	514	19	0	1	40	385	19	2
Cambridge ..	1,508	51	16	0	5,975	16	2	932	4,208	12	7	198	1,364	20,837	16	7	69	581	14,159	18	1
Clevedon ..	301	10	15	0	855	17	5	80	453	4	5	26	186	1,299	3	0	7	55	580	4	8
Coromandel ..	934	29	2	6	2,776	18	10	859	3,039	8	4	40	287	3,514	7	2	30	297	2,602	19	5
Dargaville ..	2,042	242	18	6	13,177	8	8	534	3,047	12	7	224	1,633	23,987	10	8	109	620	13,705	6	10
Devonport ..	578	21	13	0	618	11	10	960	3,952	14	0	81	670	5,041	13	11	20	204	2,079	2	0
Drury ..	299	9	19	0	1,002	1	2	115	646	18	0	24	155	1,539	8	0	3	45	630	19	6
Ellerslie ..	137	4	19	6	395	1	2	214	796	10	11	22	278	1,018	12	0	10	62	528	10	0
Fanning Island ..	28	1	6	6	80	14	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Grey Lynn-Arch Hill ..	221	7	8	0	399	5	6	300	996	19	11	27	289	1,219	5	7	6	42	251	15	7
Gumtown ..	167	6	16	6	573	6	3	30	341	0	8	9	97	2,002	4	0	3	16	409	2	0
Hamilton ..	2,673	96	9	6	9,285	13	10	1,723	7,785	2	0	331	2,575	34,506	1	9	152	1,244	27,425	18	0
Helensville ..	616	26	3	0	2,442	11	3	224	1,137	8	3	73	536	4,184	12	0	22	171	1,896	5	8
Henderson ..	83	2	12	6	234	12	0	65	279	18	10	15	84	1,351	17	0	1	16	247	5	1
Hikurangi ..	619	21	6	6	2,338	5	1	120	546	8	5	52	455	4,131	16	9	24	162	2,261	17	5
Hoanga ..	79	2	10	0	205	8	2	2	2	8	0	15	83	323	1	0	2	13	646	7	10
Howick ..	95	3	3	0	303	16	8	93	425	14	8	10	86	220	16	0	3	43	167	8	6
Hukerenui ..	292	7	7	0	804	12	2	23	72	16	9	27	100	570	13	8	2	14	257	0	6
Huntly ..	1,334	46	12	0	3,791	18	10	313	1,174	18	7	118	905	9,607	8	1	37	351	5,397	11	3
Kaeo ..	228	7	12	0	762	18	7	66	328	13	6	12	107	753	9	0	3	36	729	13	9
Kaihu ..	672	23	0	0	2,396	15	3	84	467	17	9	30	197	2,101	7	1	15	98	1,289	1	5
Kaikohe ..	422	72	5	6	3,375	14	2	75	395	7	5	52	382	4,639	7	0	12	97	1,824	19	3
Kaipara Flats ..	780	24	17	9	2,946	19	1	20	62	15	8	49	270	3,322	16	5	..	29	486	1	0
Kaitaia ..	592	30	7	0	2,366	8	4	107	985	16	7	37	261	4,168	0	0	9	88	1,876	17	4
Kaiwaka ..	39	1	1	6	92	3	3	15	131	15	6	5	54	868	7	0	..	17	724	5	0
Kamo ..	299	9	17	0	977	10	4	133	539	6	4	27	260	2,319	13	1	7	145	2,261	18	7
Kaukapakapa ..	198	6	9	6	613	0	11	43	252	17	0	11	155	1,968	14	0	2	65	450	8	2
Kawakawa ..	574	19	0	6	1,735	16	11	206	857	4	10	40	377	3,850	12	0	10	127	2,907	8	9
Kawhia ..	499	12	14	6	1,440	9	7	156	678	19	0	32	149	1,539	17	7	12	119	1,997	17	6
Kihikihi ..	237	8	4	6	732	2	6	104	479	13	0	28	149	1,579	6	5	13	96	1,023	18	1
Kinohaku ..	64	2	0	0	217	12	2	7	22	1	6	3	6	315	10	0	..	4	110	10	0
Kiripaka ..	162	5	17	0	574	9	8	25	285	15	4	12	67	376	3	0	6	49	644	1	5
Kohukohu ..	498	14	2	0	1,534	7	0	111	594	15	1	34	259	2,161	13	1	12	100	1,359	3	10
Kuaotunu ..	294	9	2	0	1,003	7	0	47	299	11	10	5	90	853	7	7	5	42	241	19	4
Leigh ..	60	1	11	6	140	4	3	27	112	1	8	8	23	572	6	0	..	9	91	19	0
Mamaku ..	967	27	14	6	2,754	14	5	69	544	0	7	19	236	1,509	9	0	8	61	709	0	8
Mangaia ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mangapai ..	209	5	19	0	568	19	1	33	150	3	2	8	84	1,414	9	0	3	49	1,236	2	6
Mangawai ..	318	19	6	0	1,156	11	3	38	446	10	4	27	178	2,390	15	8	3	29	1,048	17	3
Mangawhare ..	140	6	17	6	505	15	7	60	298	19	7	15	165	1,604	0	0	2	25	193	3	4
Mangonui ..	897	63	3	0	4,123	10	8	163	904	12	0	33	280	3,929	3	0	7	139	2,907	3	1
Matakana ..	429	31	4	0	1,705	4	8	54	332	14	11	23	101	1,783	11	9	4	46	920	18	1
Matakohe ..	191	5	9	0	553	19	11	34	106	0	5	13	136	2,009	8	0	6	51	853	12	6
Matamata ..	467	14	14	0	2,446	11	9	113	626	8	6	29	174	1,313	10	4	13	90	1,443	4	8
Maungaturoto ..	217	8	13	6	778	1	4	108	321	0	2	25	140	2,015	11	0	2	51	1,015	9	10
Mercer ..	365	10	14	0	1,032	14	9	82	330	16	5	14	142	1,421	6	5	5	47	277	11	0
Mittitai ..	140	4	4	0	419	11	2	20	90	18	5	5	38	597	15	0	1	20	397	4	9
Morrinsville ..	501	16	13	6	1,554	10	3	168	836	7	5	37	275	2,978	12	6	18	105	2,609	19	4
Mount Eden ..	136	4	18	0	328	9	3	231	963	13	6	10	47	413	7	0	1	18	151	17	8
Mount Roskill ..	74	2	9	0	169	1	8	147	670	0	7	5	56	552	14	0	1	4	16	7	0
Newmarket ..	866	32	3	0	2,382	15	8	637	2,237	8	6	91	898	4,232	12	10	26	141	1,033	11	6
Newton ..	1,988	77	7	6	5,032	10	8	2,042	6,799	1	2	245	2,985	18,111	2	1	50	438	5,683	18	8
Ngaruawahia ..	840	28	16	0	2,523	18	8	479	1,880	17	0	53	473	4,053	3	8	23	196	2,630	7	3
Niue ..	29	1	12	6	190	12	6	10	30	2	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Northcote ..	108	3	17	0	247	5	4	160	557	2	1	26	202	438	8	0	2	31	137	1	8
Ohaeawai ..	295	16	10	0	1,312	11	3	55	299	9	2	18	143	1,655	13	7	5	47	993		

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TABLE showing the Number and Amount of Transactions at the several Money-order and Savings-bank Offices in New Zealand during the Year 1906—continued.

Office.	Money-orders.					New Accounts opened.	Savings-banks.				
	Issued.		Paid.		No.		Deposits.		Accounts closed.	Withdrawals.	
	No.	Commission.	No.	Amount.			No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.
AUCKLAND—contd.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
Pirongia ..	217	5 18 0	806 16 4	108	489 12 10	28	169	1,553 3 4	9	67	994 10 3
Pokeno ..	97	3 3 0	300 1 9	36	184 2 7	7	75	698 12 0	2	35	374 16 3
Ponsonby ..	770	31 9 6	2,121 0 11	1,595	5,877 9 8	122	1,262	4,916 12 9	15	150	1,155 6 4
Poroti ..	194	18 15 0	979 15 0	28	125 17 6	19	111	1,497 18 0	11	37	517 18 11
Port Albert ..	224	10 6 6	726 9 5	56	252 15 3	24	224	2,607 4 11	5	42	783 18 7
Port Fitzroy ..	44	2 17 0	157 18 3	4	35 9 11	5	20	281 10 0	..	..	..
Puhoi ..	69	2 3 6	202 6 2	11	116 10 6	12	80	1,968 4 0	5	36	1,707 10 3
Pukekohe ..	674	25 18 0	2,234 16 0	307	1,322 12 2	75	604	9,456 17 7	13	231	4,895 8 6
Putaruru ..	338	13 15 6	1,691 7 5	135	367 6 4	16	61	951 6 5	4	14	334 1 1
Raglan ..	314	9 11 6	1,094 4 5	123	708 9 9	31	149	1,348 12 4	10	78	1,210 6 9
Rangiriri ..	113	3 8 6	359 4 8	54	227 6 6	16	66	594 15 2	1	28	316 18 2
Rarotonga ..	343	20 8 6	1,978 13 8	670	3,305 8 0	..	..	..	..	..	..
Raupou ..	91	3 7 0	415 2 0	12	55 1 10	15	44	245 15 0	2	9	220 0 5
Raurimu ..	2,356	96 15 6	10,637 1 4	259	1,614 10 5	349	1,787	18,232 13 10	49	294	2,784 18 5
Rawene ..	317	9 7 0	1,098 9 0	142	669 1 11	19	140	1,291 14 10	13	94	1,013 12 6
Rehia ..	164	5 4 6	516 9 3	11	34 17 4	15	93	401 12 0	1	9	59 2 0
Rotorua ..	3,109	102 16 0	10,890 18 0	1,671	8,326 9 2	248	1,612	17,115 16 7	95	832	10,339 4 3
Russell ..	306	12 4 6	1,018 5 1	253	1,064 16 4	25	160	2,819 10 0	12	92	1,985 12 3
Saies ..	42	2 9 6	165 7 1	40	251 19 7	9	73	1,825 6 0	3	44	519 1 4
Strand Arcade ..	2,078	83 0 0	6,800 5 3	53	179 19 2	60	694	5,387 12 11	..	3	43 19 0
Taheke ..	107	3 4 0	379 5 3	34	118 13 0	7	51	282 4 0	1	12	87 11 6
Tairua ..	515	33 19 6	2,270 0 6	41	255 11 6	31	250	4,125 12 0	8	50	718 13 10
Takapuna ..	68	2 2 6	185 9 7	92	321 10 4	17	66	238 12 2	2	20	88 1 7
Tangowahine ..	259	8 4 0	937 3 7	23	210 19 0	26	213	884 16 0	4	47	434 17 1
Taumarunui ..	1,985	75 14 0	9,994 13 6	309	2,208 15 7	111	566	9,293 18 3	26	244	3,321 1 8
Taupiri ..	128	4 18 6	565 14 11	45	201 12 0	16	67	396 13 0	6	40	1,610 14 0
Taupo ..	275	8 9 6	987 1 8	103	530 16 1	17	135	1,819 14 0	8	59	1,070 0 9
Te Awamutu ..	577	21 2 6	2,052 0 7	352	1,451 5 4	62	554	8,567 17 0	21	196	4,894 8 6
Te Kopuru ..	991	53 12 6	3,911 7 3	219	2,266 5 9	64	585	6,829 17 0	21	158	2,194 19 6
Te Kuiti ..	704	20 12 6	2,838 0 7	199	2,048 8 8	49	281	3,671 9 10	5	109	1,418 15 7
Te Mata ..	107	3 0 6	298 8 7	17	110 16 4	4	35	313 7 0	5	28	469 1 8
Te Rauamoia ..	101	2 12 6	365 8 1	..	..	1	6	58 14 0	..	3	66 2 0
Te Uku ..	26	0 14 6	92 13 10	19	111 14 4	4	27	376 3 0	..	23	330 8 10
Tirau ..	217	7 2 6	685 0 11	38	153 14 10	26	154	2,571 19 5	6	82	2,195 13 4
Tokatoka ..	266	12 15 0	1,325 7 1	30	178 17 10	15	131	1,094 12 0	3	34	213 18 5
Towai ..	207	9 12 6	827 13 6	33	138 0 4	7	39	157 5 0	2	10	229 4 8
Tuakau ..	419	12 18 6	1,348 16 11	153	599 16 3	31	185	2,661 7 9	10	75	1,578 14 3
Upper Symonds Street ..	869	32 16 0	1,963 12 4	417	1,279 16 5	61	801	3,430 13 5	3	19	95 9 10
Wade ..	158	10 6 0	603 15 3	100	426 1 7	17	91	1,544 17 0	4	21	176 6 1
Waearena ..	84	3 8 6	262 3 11	32	217 16 8	3	34	580 6 0	1	11	186 12 9
Waihopo ..	924	48 3 6	3,582 13 4	272	5,620 10 7	37	206	2,852 10 0	2	47	614 18 6
Waihou ..	274	7 14 0	1,101 15 1	58	267 17 1	13	73	732 8 7	6	39	565 16 9
Waikumete ..	5	0 3 0	6 12 6	3	9 0 0	..	..	..	..	..	16 0 0
Waimamaku ..	214	5 7 6	523 16 5	24	72 4 7	11	132	727 15 0	2	29	204 7 8
Waipu ..	1,143	63 15 6	4,740 6 11	151	976 0 3	49	461	7,689 9 6	8	120	3,018 10 1
Waiuku ..	860	28 4 6	2,762 2 4	209	772 0 4	76	539	7,558 18 10	22	185	3,458 10 6
Waiwera ..	110	3 9 6	319 8 3	29	145 18 8	14	108	605 9 0	6	22	479 12 5
Waotu ..	59	1 18 6	209 11 5	11	44 1 8	7	17	129 2 0	3	14	93 14 10
Warkworth ..	720	26 17 0	2,370 4 1	239	864 2 4	55	450	4,064 19 0	13	105	2,562 0 1
Wellsford ..	121	5 8 0	406 3 2	19	103 15 9	20	107	1,634 19 0	1	10	215 15 1
Whakapara ..	311	9 6 6	974 14 3	52	228 4 11	10	117	608 6 0	3	40	762 4 8
Whakapirau ..	155	6 5 6	506 0 0	23	194 15 11	10	120	601 2 0	2	26	520 4 1
Whangarei ..	2,963	107 10 6	11,069 5 3	1,222	5,550 15 0	296	2,773	33,113 17 4	91	1,193	25,748 1 4
Whangaroa ..	141	4 5 6	407 14 2	70	304 10 3	3	63	793 18 0	2	38	615 10 2
Wharekawa ..	79	13 7 6	631 0 5	2	5 3 0	8	110	1,885 9 0	1	2	25 5 0
Whitford ..	40	1 2 0	77 11 0	39	186 4 3	3	20	145 0 8	1	8	19 9 1
Whitianga ..	1,111	35 5 0	3,839 10 6	164	710 0 6	35	377	3,180 18 0	12	152	1,803 8 3
BLenheim	3,685	143 10 0	13,403 12 7	1,950	10,454 3 0	684	5,308	90,866 12 5	568	4,219	90,926 16 7
Havelock ..	778	25 15 0	2,806 9 11	213	883 14 9	61	476	4,191 0 6	21	184	2,772 2 4
Kekerangu ..	75	3 0 0	264 8 5	8	18 9 6	6	34	409 0 0	..	6	31 6 7
Mahakipawa ..	108	3 8 0	312 2 6	13	37 9 0	6	29	145 2 6	4	9	55 11 4
Pictou ..	1,411	44 10 6	4,896 18 7	622	2,937 8 3	127	1,011	12,096 6 9	45	459	8,138 7 3
Renwicktown ..	111	4 5 0	359 18 4	49	240 6 0	19	260	1,832 1 2	5	38	412 15 10
Seddon ..	398	14 0 6	1,229 10 7	92	409 9 9	76	413	3,696 1 9	4	79	1,140 7 11
Spring Creek ..	229	9 8 9	743 19 11	73	271 15 4	26	184	1,108 11 4	1	20	144 8 5
CHRISTCHURCH	19,422	958 6 6	74,562 16 1	132,030	161,092 14 2	7,902	74,432	1,156,512 17 3	6,227	63,697	1,106,467 2 10
Addington ..	294	11 1 0	782 11 9	214	833 10 4	50	443	2,390 14 10	8	88	1,034 15 7
Akaroa ..	510	19 4 0	1,698 4 4	211	984 0 4	88	794	13,824 13 2	27	275	7,740 11 2
Amberley ..	469	17 2 0	1,994 19 6	220	748 3 2	68	462	6,525 14 11	15	129	2,925 1 2
Ashburton ..	3,703	135 2 0	12,729 12 0	1,561	6,222 15 9	549	4,202	50,167 18 1	243	1,865	33,061 17 5
Bealey ..	67	2 10 6	235 11 5	7	30 17 11	6	44	373 15 0	..	9	59 10 0
Belfast ..	166	6 13 6	457 7 3	79	328 6 8	35	224	1,367 8 0	5	44	317 8 2
Broken River ..	4	0 2 0	6 19 0	..	..	1	2	30 0 0	..	..	..
Chertsey ..	131	3 19 0	328 6 4	28	120 10 10	13	93	1,438 10 6	4	64	555 10 6
Cheviot ..	865	29 12 0	4,062 12 3	132	698 8 5	75	521	7,625 17 11	10	148	3,910 8 2
Coalgate ..	135	4 17 0	443 14 11	12	103 17 6	10	77	756 19 6	..	18	267 10 0
Culverden ..	190	8 2 6	646 15 7	100	370 5 4	23	192	2,871 11 3	6	51	696 10 6
Cust ..	2	0 1 0	1 16 0	1	4 0 0	2	3	8 15 0	..	..	..
Darfield ..	148	4 15 0	438 14 3	58	227 7 7	7	63	809 11 0	3	18	122 15 4
Dunsandel ..	113	3 6 0	291 14 3	40	98 8 2	14	180	2,671 7 2	2	45	786 14 4

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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.
CHRISTCHURCH—<i>ctd</i>		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.		
Duvauchelle ..	153	5 17 9	543 13 9	41	245 2 11	14	125	1,241 14 0	4	38	751 2 10
East Oxford ..	220	6 19 0	917 5 0	102	639 1 3	22	196	1,858 11 0	5	54	1,525 8 6
Ellesmere ..	36	1 16 0	135 12 5	2	6 4 0	1	48	456 10 0	..	17	528 0 0
Exhibition, Chch.	277	11 8 0	938 6 4	32	210 8 2	24	238	2,375 8 0	..	3	4 5 0
Glentunnel ..	177	6 11 6	697 15 6	49	167 3 4	6	104	1,405 11 9	1	30	287 16 1
Greendale ..	71	2 8 0	136 14 9	5	34 18 10	9	36	294 5 9	2	13	194 7 7
Halswell ..	67	3 0 0	217 11 3	17	58 16 8	11	108	257 9 6	5	18	44 12 2
Hanmer Springs	612	19 3 0	2,258 19 9	117	592 9 7	41	308	3,283 14 8	10	106	1,145 19 4
Hinds ..	95	2 19 0	296 18 1	18	119 16 3	9	63	384 14 0	2	19	226 6 10
Hornby ..	135	4 15 0	397 10 8	50	145 8 2	20	253	1,665 1 11	6	39	1,030 11 5
Hororata ..	88	3 6 0	320 19 8	25	82 7 3	4	79	752 11 6	2	29	520 4 0
Islington ..	161	6 1 6	448 1 9	15	38 18 0	32	186	1,028 1 0	..	36	274 10 10
Kaipoi ..	642	25 4 6	2,386 12 6	435	1,722 11 2	116	1,254	14,748 2 0	73	571	11,518 3 8
Kaikoura ..	977	29 13 6	5,235 8 2	223	946 15 0	74	572	8,647 11 2	35	211	7,202 10 3
Kirwee ..	111	4 17 0	353 2 3	37	179 6 7	7	98	1,574 15 8	3	36	888 9 3
Leeston ..	400	13 12 0	1,398 13 1	138	506 5 6	70	647	10,844 10 8	18	168	5,184 2 0
Lichfield Street	3,129	125 19 6	9,495 5 11	65	185 7 10	206	2,706	15,690 12 0	1	16	127 17 7
Lincoln ..	137	4 18 6	396 15 7	84	403 3 10	15	131	918 15 4	5	39	374 12 10
Linwood ..	461	17 11 0	980 1 8	461	1,438 9 10	120	1,203	4,253 3 10	27	175	1,236 13 5
Little Akaloa ..	59	2 13 6	245 11 10	14	76 12 0	7	45	597 8 6	1	11	195 0 0
Little River ..	383	13 9 6	1,526 2 9	106	517 12 1	58	307	5,441 1 10	15	132	2,368 14 9
Lyttelton ..	2,373	109 5 0	8,200 15 5	1,329	5,935 15 2	299	2,976	26,388 16 5	111	1,010	15,414 8 7
Mayfield ..	78	2 18 0	198 7 0	21	107 10 1	12	108	905 19 5	3	15	126 0 5
Methven ..	455	17 8 6	1,713 13 1	69	314 12 1	48	302	3,810 19 6	10	101	1,796 4 10
Mount Somers..	168	5 17 6	428 6 10	50	163 1 5	15	96	957 18 8	2	28	580 11 5
New Brighton..	96	4 4 0	242 5 8	115	417 5 10	60	500	1,280 11 5	3	87	602 15 5
Ohoka ..	70	2 15 0	294 18 10	33	156 8 2	2	43	386 14 8	..	34	553 10 4
Oxford ..	370	10 15 0	1,215 10 7	128	715 16 11	47	263	3,670 10 11	19	79	1,186 8 3
Papanui ..	281	9 7 6	736 9 1	156	767 13 9	41	399	2,395 5 7	9	98	1,190 18 4
Pigeon Bay ..	80	2 13 0	219 2 1	36	177 16 11	7	67	772 2 0	..	16	276 5 3
Prebbleton ..	37	1 14 0	131 7 10	43	224 13 2	5	30	859 7 0	..	20	96 18 0
Rakaia ..	683	23 7 6	2,699 10 3	216	1,019 3 2	55	330	5,314 9 5	14	139	2,067 19 7
Rangiora ..	1,100	41 1 0	3,773 9 5	706	3,042 8 5	210	1,978	31,293 0 6	99	844	20,316 1 4
Rollerton ..	49	1 15 6	218 16 10	24	72 9 3	2	44	492 6 9	2	18	263 19 3
St. Albans ..	269	9 15 0	482 10 2	204	864 11 8	62	616	4,030 4 9	3	148	1,172 5 4
Scargill ..	834	26 14 0	2,953 16 9	25	150 8 5	27	152	1,965 11 2	4	26	383 4 10
Sefton ..	109	3 13 6	354 13 10	124	648 10 10	17	125	1,236 3 4	6	43	1,048 4 9
Sheffield ..	263	8 12 0	924 7 11	86	443 6 6	17	190	2,142 8 10	3	46	604 6 4
Southbridge ..	268	10 13 6	860 11 6	87	389 3 8	41	315	3,242 12 7	18	123	2,436 6 5
Springfield ..	1,537	59 17 6	6,949 0 9	135	569 0 7	52	392	4,977 7 10	4	51	578 1 2
Springfield Rail- way Works	..	..	..	..	..	15	76	1,502 9 0	..	..	..
Springston Rail- way	83	3 13 6	321 11 0	37	147 12 2	8	71	768 11 0	3	27	237 15 1
Summer ..	126	4 16 0	307 2 5	123	669 14 1	27	371	3,351 11 3	11	115	1,728 1 9
Sydenham ..	894	37 0 6	2,587 19 1	743	2,919 6 0	276	3,275	15,893 18 3	28	304	2,162 18 3
Templeton ..	95	3 7 0	294 17 1	34	137 7 5	15	121	1,105 13 0	1	28	411 3 3
Tinwald ..	74	2 8 6	211 16 6	49	188 9 7	13	135	1,017 8 4	12	45	887 18 10
Upper Riccarton	115	4 7 0	339 9 5	121	656 5 3	25	172	1,174 5 2	1	39	231 19 2
Waiau ..	521	13 10 3	4,446 9 3	90	685 7 0	28	310	3,889 3 7	6	108	1,430 7 2
Waikari ..	302	11 0 6	981 16 1	95	503 18 9	35	295	5,325 3 9	15	82	2,695 17 6
Waipara ..	85	2 13 6	231 15 6	37	64 7 5	7	79	617 4 6	..	14	133 12 0
Whitecliffs ..	152	4 4 0	334 0 2	15	57 7 1	9	90	760 0 0	2	27	369 1 9
Woodend ..	129	5 8 0	514 17 5	51	229 16 1	15	81	1,825 13 2	6	54	926 11 5
Woolston ..	212	7 2 6	564 2 7	179	683 16 9	63	580	1,979 15 4	23	148	1,342 8 7
DUNEDIN	17,312	777 17 0	63,662 16 4	33,617	140,139 7 11	4,837	52,840	773,813 7 8	4,846	45,841	810,577 13 11
Alexandra South	1,844	59 15 0	6,530 9 1	423	1,743 7 1	113	1,107	11,034 17 7	49	379	5,657 4 3
Allanton ..	144	4 4 6	400 14 7	14	56 1 6	10	137	880 17 11	6	36	630 11 8
Balclutha ..	1,310	44 2 6	4,828 9 11	723	2,593 19 9	130	893	15,679 13 0	57	347	9,375 2 4
Caversham ..	515	20 7 0	1,426 5 2	540	1,893 8 8	150	1,801	8,717 6 3	31	274	2,628 9 5
Clinton ..	639	20 9 0	2,119 14 7	152	542 7 4	45	292	3,152 11 10	18	92	2,120 14 3
Clyde ..	636	19 9 9	2,237 1 5	209	755 13 9	28	234	4,150 0 0	9	78	1,504 10 4
Cromwell ..	991	33 1 0	3,309 10 0	310	1,625 3 3	83	606	7,494 3 0	30	218	3,401 13 3
Dunback ..	199	6 10 0	873 16 2	24	117 3 5	13	70	602 3 1	5	32	1,475 2 0
Dunedin North	1,643	68 11 6	4,245 13 7	572	2,145 7 1	397	5,934	34,331 5 3	153	952	12,990 14 3
Gimberburn ..	125	3 6 6	384 11 11	7	18 3 4	4	38	292 6 9	1	14	95 13 5
Green Island ..	198	6 19 6	534 7 6	232	810 17 7	34	300	1,697 9 9	10	74	1,176 5 1
Hawea Flat ..	106	3 0 0	271 14 9	18	76 9 0	5	28	231 18 0	2	6	37 9 2
Heriot ..	239	8 8 6	616 9 7	70	252 8 2	18	129	1,221 1 0	10	39	1,181 12 4
Hyde ..	340	8 16 6	1,040 0 7	38	170 19 5	8	59	692 7 0	1	11	104 6 10
Kaitangata ..	1,588	52 19 0	4,705 13 9	350	1,371 2 0	120	1,021	11,540 0 7	74	298	8,247 17 9
Kelso ..	323	10 5 6	950 5 5	49	211 2 7	14	90	1,504 10 4	3	24	568 5 2
Kokonga ..	149	4 9 0	611 4 7	17	58 4 8	11	61	330 7 10	2	27	442 19 0
Lawrence ..	1,284	40 2 6	5,196 5 4	699	3,386 1 1	107	756	14,188 14 5	51	356	8,925 14 1
Lovell's Flat ..	78	2 8 6	200 4 8	24	167 2 5	7	79	509 19 0	6	30	445 17 6
Macrae's Flat ..	361	11 0 0	1,189 13 3	43	201 19 5	7	50	584 0 6	2	9	171 6 5
Matakanui ..	177	4 15 6	567 2 2	18	91 7 6	..	..	..	..	..	..
Middledmarch	705	21 18 6	2,538 0 10	136	545 17 10	36	222	3,442 1 1	10	78	1,609 12 6
Miller's Flat ..	422	15 0 0	1,406 9 9	48	192 6 6	33	205	2,323 0 8	7	100	2,225 15 2
Milton ..	971	33 0 0	3,304 13 0	792	2,586 15 10	110	964	15,563 2 5	70	498	9,155 16 0
Mornington ..	221	10 11 6	579 7 8	250	879 12 2	82	775	3,828 6 6	8	84	440 19 11

Table 4—continued.

TABLE showing the Number and Amount of Transactions at the several Money-order and Savings-bank Offices in New Zealand during the Year 1906—continued.

Office.	Money-orders.					Savings-banks.						
	Issued.			Paid.		New Accounts opened.	Deposits.		Accounts closed.	Withdrawals.		
	No.	Commission.	Amount.	No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.	
DUNEDIN—contd.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
Mosgiel ..	660	25 3 0	2,161 3 2	648	2,502 14 1	101	1,038	12,175 10 0	45	243	6,529 4 3	
Naseby ..	1,044	28 19 0	4,782 14 2	395	1,584 17 8	31	319	4,291 18 3	25	120	2,399 19 0	
North-east Valley ..	192	6 12 0	420 18 0	225	929 12 9	46	483	1,937 6 0	4	40	135 1 4	
Ophir ..	751	21 18 9	3,084 6 0	150	641 19 0	27	236	3,323 16 0	16	62	1,454 10 3	
Outram ..	305	8 11 0	891 5 11	146	653 19 10	32	205	3,401 15 0	8	56	1,517 2 0	
Owaka ..	982	26 3 0	3,083 6 1	214	1,226 8 6	46	389	5,964 2 4	17	175	3,375 0 3	
Palmerston ..	805	25 19 0	3,397 9 4	467	1,954 11 6	86	780	10,704 3 3	30	214	5,040 10 11	
Patearoa ..	247	6 12 0	742 14 1	23	102 17 7	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pembroke ..	165	7 19 0	797 0 2	41	248 12 2	14	108	669 0 6	3	20	277 5 7	
Port Chalmers ..	1,414	56 18 6	4,398 19 7	868	3,731 16 2	204	2,193	19,542 15 8	86	615	9,639 11 0	
Portobello ..	74	2 16 0	273 1 0	31	150 11 10	28	155	1,495 2 1	1	33	294 16 3	
Puerua ..	126	3 5 0	311 10 6	77	232 17 1	5	69	562 2 0	1	17	131 12 9	
Ranfurly ..	446	11 10 0	1,339 5 0	41	111 16 6	17	90	1,053 17 10	..	22	284 10 0	
Roslyn ..	334	14 7 6	912 4 5	281	1,311 7 7	124	1,532	5,420 10 1	36	200	2,307 2 11	
Rough Ridge ..	356	10 0 6	1,205 16 6	43	129 3 1	9	63	373 1 0	6	21	235 4 2	
Roxburgh ..	864	28 1 6	3,299 13 11	206	943 1 10	62	361	7,338 0 5	17	185	3,491 17 1	
St. Bathans ..	308	8 16 6	1,085 8 3	115	554 7 10	9	107	1,123 18 6	9	52	361 4 10	
Seacliff ..	259	8 9 6	874 16 8	270	1,233 9 2	12	187	2,420 2 5	8	53	976 1 6	
South Dunedin ..	648	22 17 6	1,496 10 1	679	2,473 17 2	164	2,125	9,737 3 7	37	369	4,291 0 4	
Stirling ..	247	7 10 0	635 7 0	119	308 6 3	18	105	841 16 0	8	48	365 1 3	
Tapanui ..	908	26 15 0	2,911 10 5	196	690 16 10	59	478	8,295 19 3	21	89	3,926 8 8	
Waiholia ..	128	3 18 0	364 19 4	64	271 10 3	17	115	1,417 4 4	3	31	509 14 6	
Waikaia ..	940	30 17 6	3,197 18 1	122	726 3 8	52	341	5,231 4 4	16	101	2,151 0 0	
Waikoiko ..	66	1 14 0	147 7 9	13	72 15 2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Waikouaiti ..	556	16 17 6	1,751 19 1	292	1,092 11 2	44	346	4,445 9 5	20	91	2,206 3 4	
Waipiata ..	273	6 17 6	867 2 4	59	181 9 1	19	60	782 0 1	4	15	388 10 4	
Waipori ..	75	2 8 0	206 13 1	45	237 19 1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Waitahuna ..	299	9 11 6	1,266 5 5	135	590 11 0	23	133	2,968 1 0	13	67	1,892 18 9	
Waitati ..	217	8 17 6	762 3 6	77	471 6 7	16	141	951 14 2	8	52	560 7 8	
Wedderburn ..	147	4 1 6	634 12 5	33	106 8 7	4	37	111 2 0	2	13	69 14 1	
GISBORNE ..	5,834	246 2 0	23,452 14 8	2,626	12,274 1 0	1,632	10,764	155,745 16 3	968	8,075	126,063 16 4	
Patutahi ..	49	1 16 0	195 4 4	10	30 7 4	14	33	176 13 0	..	3	39 5 3	
Port Awanui ..	119	4 7 0	528 15 1	61	282 17 7	..	..	..	..	..	..
Te Karaka ..	293	12 1 6	1,132 6 9	51	284 19 6	56	209	1,950 11 6	14	76	420 15 1	
Tiniroto ..	2	0 1 6	15 6 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tokomaru Bay ..	335	14 13 0	1,724 3 10	54	206 19 9	61	202	3,090 19 11	27	134	1,159 17 7	
Tolaga Bay ..	480	20 16 0	1,931 12 6	87	311 3 4	50	225	3,107 5 1	27	140	1,141 3 2	
Tuparoa ..	238	9 1 6	990 5 11	36	90 4 4	29	113	1,200 0 0	6	80	621 7 1	
Waipiro Bay ..	542	18 2 0	1,929 10 4	64	293 19 4	42	218	4,083 15 5	20	101	1,205 13 8	
Whatatutu ..	131	6 0 6	729 9 3	11	69 14 1	15	61	628 4 0	5	32	244 19 1	
GREYMOUTH ..	4,680	194 3 0	19,522 5 8	3,103	12,452 17 10	709	6,068	84,779 2 5	643	4,068	93,642 3 0	
Ahaura ..	413	12 7 0	1,313 6 0	83	562 19 0	9	128	760 7 7	6	55	584 15 1	
Blackball ..	442	16 17 0	1,649 7 0	52	197 19 0	34	194	2,444 12 8	5	75	1,507 16 4	
Brunnerton ..	397	12 10 0	1,123 16 11	185	714 7 8	38	422	4,084 11 11	14	101	1,607 8 9	
Heathdale ..	14	0 9 0	53 14 3	..	..	1	6	6 19 0	..	1	2 0 0
Moana ..	124	4 13 6	440 1 1	33	158 1 4	12	113	1,006 19 0	1	4	423 1 9	
Nelson Creek ..	186	6 9 6	793 10 10	28	122 13 11	5	68	937 5 0	6	38	544 16 11	
Ngahere ..	194	7 15 0	759 1 9	25	97 4 2	16	88	1,117 14 7	2	20	208 4 8	
Otira Railway ..	339	13 2 0	1,676 1 6	41	132 17 0	30	132	1,268 9 1	6	28	483 8 9	
Reefton ..	2,648	104 1 6	9,912 7 4	958	3,774 14 4	346	2,260	28,500 4 7	141	745	17,612 11 3	
Runanga ..	176	8 3 0	592 3 10	14	70 12 11	28	125	739 9 8	2	27	317 1 4	
Stillwater ..	49	1 11 6	177 17 10	11	63 0 0	5	62	422 18 0	2	12	73 0 3	
Totara Flat ..	127	4 12 0	556 15 8	42	234 18 3	3	80	831 11 0	1	22	66 18 1	
HOKITIKA ..	1,737	65 6 6	6,114 4 8	1,332	5,400 18 6	167	1,066	16,617 17 6	184	792	17,961 14 9	
Goldsborough ..	59	1 18 0	190 7 0	10	30 19 10	3	16	387 16 4	..	12	209 14 4	
Kumara ..	681	21 18 0	1,971 12 9	407	1,777 5 4	51	448	7,448 15 6	28	201	4,539 11 7	
Okarito ..	127	4 19 0	603 7 8	29	319 17 8	6	29	95 16 8	..	5	37 10 0	
Rimu ..	88	2 19 6	255 14 1	26	106 17 4	19	170	1,862 1 5	4	74	1,015 11 11	
Ross ..	471	14 8 6	1,554 19 11	108	600 18 4	48	332	4,213 12 5	16	84	2,027 11 3	
Stafford ..	216	7 18 0	793 10 9	30	223 4 6	12	57	804 15 0	7	33	513 15 1	
INVERCARGILL ..	6,683	279 16 6	24,981 5 3	6,757	26,061 0 3	1,494	11,538	185,962 6 9	1,400	8,750	186,374 10 0	
Arrowtown ..	507	15 7 0	1,801 10 4	124	609 9 3	40	248	4,726 5 6	18	115	2,030 15 7	
Awarua Plains ..	8	0 6 6	26 7 10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Balfour ..	248	8 11 0	760 12 5	35	162 10 10	21	156	1,791 19 1	10	55	1,249 19 1	
Bluff ..	761	29 2 0	2,580 9 7	488	1,933 19 11	94	870	8,234 8 1	33	310	5,027 1 7	
Clifden ..	69	2 8 0	238 17 11	5	23 0 6	..	..	..	..	..	..
Colac Bay ..	126	3 11 6	276 7 4	49	145 4 1	20	110	423 3 0	3	21	72 5 1	
Dipton ..	235	8 12 0	734 19 2	22	102 2 0	15	94	994 2 4	7	38	533 12 4	
Edendale ..	465	13 10 0	2,262 11 11	63	470 2 9	39	172	2,287 10 8	8	55	1,242 7 1	
Fairfax ..	84	2 19 6	254 12 3	15	93 5 0	3	35	378 12 0	1	11	290 12 5	
Fortrose ..	289	8 12 6	935 10 2	110	363 5 8	20	80	936 13 2	1	23	284 9 6	
Gore ..	2,863	96 5 6	8,797 18 9	1,397	5,437 7 0	377	2,464	44,995 16 7	125	981	25,285 17 9	
Half-moon Bay ..	242	6 7 6	608 17 1	63	357 3 11	8	57	678 3 0	2	32	249 7 7	
Kingston ..	121	3 8 6	320 14 6	8	24 17 6	2	87	576 9 6	2	10	331 4 9	
Lumsden ..	378	13 13 6	1,352 10 11	197	857 12 1	49	248	2,688 13 10	17	96	1,283 4 2	
Mataura ..	1,021	31 6 6	3,112 19 11	268	878 12 5	79	611	9,274 0 5	43	213	4,359 1 2	
Nightcaps ..	507	18 0 0	1,816 15 10	104	525 12 9	30	155	1,357 4 4	8	39	350 6 5	
Orepuki ..	928	29 9 0	3,019 6 6	129	623 5 3	62	414	3,926 17 0	28	149	1,863 16 7	
Otautau ..	635	23 9 0	2,171 3 4	307	1,181 5 7	76	406	5,789 1 11	24	136	2,501 5 10	
Pukerau ..	167	4 15 6	398 5 8	41	135 2 5	10	100	992 7 11	3	24	796 4 1	
Queenstown ..	804	25 10 0	2,548 1 5	415	1,814 13 9	56	470	7,580 9 5	26	175	4,216 7 4	

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TABLE showing the Number and Amount of Transactions at the several Money-order and Savings-bank Offices in New Zealand during the Year 1906—continued.

Office.	Money-orders.					Savings-banks.					
	Issued.			Paid.		New Accounts opened.	Deposits.		Accounts closed.	Withdrawals.	
	No.	Commission.	Amount.	No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.
INVERCARGILL— <i>ctd</i>		£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Riversdale ..	435	14 8 6	1,588 12 2	102	419 3 1	17	97	742 14 2	11	41	636 1 5
Riverton ..	892	30 6 6	2,971 16 11	290	1,025 13 2	56	516	7,113 18 11	30	235	5,048 7 8
Thornbury ..	79	2 12 6	227 15 1	20	117 5 5	11	57	947 10 0	4	29	625 12 7
Waikaka ..	389	11 12 6	1,178 5 2	39	184 12 10	22	191	1,449 13 3	13	59	854 10 2
Waipahi ..	188	6 11 6	768 12 2	75	206 12 7	5	41	748 11 0	5	18	607 7 11
Wairio ..	57	2 0 0	200 13 5	13	44 17 10	1	31	743 2 0	1	3	43 16 6
Winton ..	768	29 10 6	2,550 15 10	260	1,098 5 0	112	494	7,394 7 3	31	197	2,487 10 6
Woodlands ..	174	5 19 6	533 8 10	309	343 5 8	17	120	982 14 10	4	22	344 15 10
Wyndham ..	839	25 18 6	2,760 12 7	150	743 0 8	72	337	4,947 3 10	19	119	2,373 6 7
NAPIER	6,225	273 13 0	25,685 3 5	6,483	34,394 14 10	1,545	14,271	185,173 6 8	1,724	10,514	202,215 3 9
Blackburn ..	36	1 4 6	176 10 4	7	45 11 6						
Clive ..	95	3 6 0	249 15 2	40	144 10 2	8	130	679 10 0	5	48	251 8 1
Dannevirke ..	3,672	128 18 0	16,022 10 8	2,048	7,965 1 5	534	3,458	41,050 11 10	258	1,676	26,868 6 11
Frasertown ..	192	8 13 6	761 16 6	57	328 1 9	26	122	817 0 8	14	52	984 17 10
Greenmeadows ..	162	6 6 0	415 3 10	54	252 8 2	15	182	533 13 0	2	47	202 7 1
Hastings ..	3,850	157 19 6	13,654 10 6	2,167	8,357 14 10	745	5,057	68,378 15 0	231	2,433	42,458 4 2
Hatuma ..	118	3 8 6	293 5 1	6	25 10 6			27 214 5 0	2	11	141 19 5
Havelock North ..	227	9 15 6	573 0 4	128	440 6 1	45	265	2,683 16 2	12	99	1,158 2 6
Herbertville ..	95	3 10 6	303 11 10	29	222 7 10	13	98	943 1 0	6	19	158 16 11
Kaikora North ..	389	13 11 0	1,310 19 10	89	417 8 1	39	277	3,599 10 8	15	104	2,594 10 5
Kumeroa ..	126	4 19 6	464 9 0	17	125 0 7	7	51	450 11 0	3	22	735 2 2
Makaretu ..	102	3 9 6	278 16 9	12	72 8 8	11	71	922 6 0	3	18	456 2 7
Makotuku ..	481	15 5 6	1,471 7 0	77	324 9 6	30	255	2,866 18 5	14	98	1,667 19 10
Mohaka ..	190	5 14 6	567 13 2	58	458 18 4	19	96	532 4 8	6	76	321 5 5
Norsewood ..	616	20 0 0	2,016 1 4	154	732 8 3	43	291	2,931 1 1	20	141	2,506 6 11
Ongaonga ..	348	11 6 0	1,263 8 8	43	225 17 5	23	243	1,762 2 9	13	100	1,503 11 2
Opoutama ..	167	6 4 6	593 11 6	27	101 18 9						
Ormondville ..	684	23 6 6	2,633 3 7	158	788 15 1	47	250	3,167 17 6	19	99	2,212 11 10
Petane ..	8	0 5 0	31 8 0	6	26 18 0						
Porangahau ..	472	16 19 6	1,732 7 1	55	240 18 4	33	207	1,757 10 0	12	70	859 15 3
Port Ahuriri ..	1,033	41 11 6	3,965 11 1	575	2,671 0 7	103	1,071	6,089 18 11	13	110	1,097 16 1
Takapau ..	524	19 19 0	1,906 17 10	110	495 17 8	37	166	3,385 8 6	19	80	1,949 12 9
Taradale ..	224	8 12 6	710 18 5	95	282 1 3	23	230	1,082 11 0	9	83	596 13 5
Te Aute ..	136	5 13 0	512 13 1	170	557 14 11	14	107	1,335 16 7	4	40	561 4 3
Tikokino ..	418	13 5 0	1,937 5 0	52	212 18 5	38	205	1,768 4 7	4	66	864 4 6
Waione ..	129	3 4 0	553 10 0	9	34 0 9						
Waipawa ..	1,466	47 9 0	7,675 0 7	804	2,776 9 11	149	955	14,348 1 3	73	427	10,268 4 11
Waipukurau ..	1,168	43 6 6	5,358 10 10	390	1,484 1 7	121	754	9,869 8 11	32	322	6,101 4 0
Wairoa ..	1,016	44 6 6	3,971 2 7	428	1,677 10 1	126	742	8,855 13 7	62	438	6,496 3 4
Weber ..	252	9 6 0	843 11 7	53	270 6 2	26	125	1,019 15 0	6	34	547 7 11
Wimbledon ..	171	5 3 0	529 5 0	27	209 18 10						
NELSON	5,129	212 1 0	19,072 13 8	5,865	24,681 16 1	896	7,975	147,710 17 6	848	6,513	148,737 11 5
Belgrove ..	98	3 3 0	282 16 8	29	95 14 4	13	118	1,413 7 11	3	43	1,540 12 6
Brightwater ..	227	8 13 0	710 9 2	74	251 18 8	16	195	1,961 1 0	4	51	750 6 11
Collingwood ..	842	31 8 6	3,638 8 11	145	655 19 11	42	397	6,791 14 11	7	169	4,193 3 8
Kohatu ..	171	6 15 0	720 18 2	112	327 3 4	16	103	1,141 10 10		15	227 0 0
Motueka ..	1,053	36 10 0	3,858 6 0	355	1,438 7 7	65	598	8,500 13 9	36	317	8,368 4 0
Ngatimote ..	154	6 5 6	470 19 9	45	136 16 10	11	69	1,013 3 7	7	43	605 0 7
Puponga ..	268	10 4 0	1,129 0 0	16	52 16 2	21	107	1,184 15 9		21	329 12 1
Richmond ..	364	13 3 0	1,319 13 7	241	964 8 3	36	337	5,748 7 1	14	126	3,123 15 2
Riwaka ..	396	13 0 6	1,225 16 9	67	319 18 4	21	207	4,015 12 0	4	124	3,511 15 2
Stoke ..	30	1 4 6	98 16 1	11	37 1 2	9	27	105 15 0		1	18 0 0
Tadmor ..	295	9 12 0	1,008 11 3	28	119 11 3	43	193	3,033 13 1	2	24	277 1 6
Takaka ..	929	31 11 0	3,323 3 4	221	1,665 16 8	72	550	9,667 13 10	34	292	7,563 9 6
The Port ..	428	16 12 0	1,227 12 3	219	709 10 6	35	387	4,533 19 2	7	60	609 3 10
Thorpe ..	125	3 18 6	309 6 3	31	171 12 0	7	114	838 15 0	1	27	514 18 11
Upper Moutere ..	239	7 9 6	530 2 7	17	66 13 3	12	108	621 10 3	4	39	513 16 6
Wakefield ..	391	12 19 0	1,178 18 4	200	957 0 1	54	412	5,265 12 11	16	136	3,666 12 7
New PLYMOUTH	4,656	177 4 6	16,967 16 3	5,908	28,845 6 5	791	6,468	100,063 7 10	901	5,365	105,254 13 1
Fitzroy ..	15	0 8 0	24 2 6	1	1 10 0			12 0 0		2	10 10 0
Inglewood ..	1,458	46 16 6	4,520 2 3	438	1,687 2 9	178	1,618	18,056 15 9	81	586	11,777 18 9
Midhurst ..	385	13 2 0	1,271 19 11	66	283 8 0	19	156	2,175 14 8	13	99	1,679 9 0
Opunake ..	823	27 10 0	2,669 19 9	216	1,013 7 2	64	427	6,304 6 3	22	147	3,551 16 5
Pungarehu ..	524	16 12 6	1,308 14 2	90	537 4 4	28	188	2,891 13 5	5	48	671 13 11
Rahotu ..	350	12 11 0	1,294 14 0	79	298 8 3	16	124	1,042 7 8	8	53	752 9 9
Stratford ..	2,697	91 19 6	12,223 11 10	1,028	4,517 8 2	293	2,391	29,070 4 6	148	1,091	17,273 18 5
Tariki ..	143	4 6 6	377 0 5	57	183 5 6	14	98	944 3 2	6	55	406 2 11
Toko ..	393	12 0 0	1,175 9 3	59	263 19 11	39	166	1,894 19 8	21	77	1,162 8 1
Urenui ..	224	6 17 6	660 16 3	76	372 17 1	28	101	837 12 1	8	33	700 10 5
Waitara ..	865	31 8 6	2,764 13 5	342	1,639 12 8	120	894	8,646 14 10	46	284	5,475 0 2
OAMARU	4,596	155 1 6	31,195 12 2	2,786	13,315 13 9	860	7,199	120,308 6 0	742	4,827	106,221 0 6
Dunroon ..	443	11 5 6	3,032 15 3	72	339 18 10	33	133	1,391 4 11	6	39	346 15 0
Hampden ..	503	15 7 6	1,581 3 10	235	834 2 10	36	191	3,065 7 1	16	66	1,177 10 0
Herbert ..	240	7 19 6	1,000 4 0	69	385 18 2	17	188	1,993 8 4	6	36	1,223 8 2
Kakanui ..	89	2 18 0	312 4 1	48	299 19 9	2	12	153 10 3	2	7	48 17 11
Kurow ..	553	15 16 0	2,687 13 9	160	772 1 7	55	217	2,810 8 8	13	52	799 6 5
Maheno ..	179	6 3 0	499 19 8	55	231 14 9	13	100	945 14 0	6	20	377 15 1
Ngapara ..	240	7 10 9	1,044 17 11	39	240 19 9	19	163	1,184 14 8	6	38	407 1 10
Pukeuri Junction ..	71	2 0 6	190 18 6	28	99 16 6	8	32	282 16 5		5	43 3 0
Shag Point ..	124	3 11 6	307 16 8	140	558 10 6	17	89	599 15 5	4	41	231 10 5

Table No. 4—continued.

TABLE showing the Number and Amount of Transactions at the several Money-order and Savings-bank Offices in New Zealand during the Year 1906—continued.

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.									
THAMES	3,270	142	7	0	12,298	18	2	2,748	10,021	8	6	618	4,632	78,237	8	4	852	4,190	89,697	18	10
Karangahake	1,833	62	17	0	6,097	1	1	270	1,336	14	6	107	1,048	10,496	0	6	57	496	6,570	17	9
Kaikati	337	10	18	6	1,096	19	5	85	384	1	7	27	256	1,666	16	11	6	110	1,204	0	6
Komata	562	23	16	0	2,340	7	7	27	123	5	6	60	500	3,261	2	5	20	126	1,749	17	9
Maketu	115	3	3	0	343	1	7	41	112	15	6	10	53	379	10	5	4	40	292	2	0
Miranda	29	1	0	0	77	8	1	14	85	9	9	..	5	37	17	0	2	4	39	4	1
Omahu	140	4	16	6	602	17	5	12	32	12	0	6	43	346	17	11	1	31	183	11	0
Opotiki	1,052	34	7	6	4,102	4	11	331	1,903	19	0	116	519	12,009	1	8	56	268	10,328	15	10
Paeroa	1,603	51	0	0	5,162	1	0	779	2,791	16	0	147	1,129	9,378	12	8	47	484	6,231	11	3
Taneatua	38	1	2	6	110	14	4	7	36	11	1	6	13	34	13	0	1	3	55	19	0
Tauranga	982	31	6	0	3,196	10	8	707	3,142	1	1	116	857	15,166	1	10	66	642	10,976	9	2
Te Aroha	1,482	48	7	6	4,639	5	10	646	2,895	1	8	115	831	7,988	4	2	49	407	6,484	5	6
Te Puke	628	21	4	0	2,259	13	1	167	981	15	9	35	285	3,344	9	9	11	107	1,851	6	5
Turua	84	2	9	6	189	15	2	36	205	0	11	6	22	267	8	0	2	5	92	19	3
Waihi	4,405	156	4	6	14,302	1	5	1,157	4,603	15	0	521	4,034	36,546	3	0	233	1,678	26,473	10	4
Waikino	1,421	50	2	0	4,366	4	10	188	788	5	3	97	899	5,452	8	9	27	259	2,857	6	7
Waiorongomai	20	0	15	0	88	18	2	9	59	10	8	4	12	35	9	0	4	14	132	11	1
Waitekauri	163	5	8	0	498	15	1	37	103	5	7	11	64	408	1	0	5	47	559	16	3
Whakatane	529	17	8	0	1,881	16	1	161	743	17	8	40	130	1,546	1	3	35	94	1,322	6	7
TIMARU	5,782	221	1	6	40,812	18	6	3,652	15,164	19	2	1,324	11,512	185,575	18	5	1,151	8,374	181,570	14	8
Albury	312	7	11	0	2,915	9	3	50	243	10	8	24	98	1,244	14	2	3	21	521	16	2
Fairlie	579	18	13	6	2,662	8	8	168	787	5	8	63	416	4,450	10	9	12	118	2,372	7	9
Geraldine	1,007	33	6	6	4,504	9	6	364	1,823	0	8	148	1,084	15,707	5	1	52	401	9,323	15	7
Glenavy	187	5	1	0	939	19	8	110	596	14	8	14	70	818	11	4	6	33	382	3	7
Makikihi	156	5	18	6	716	17	8	52	293	18	2	17	76	769	11	3	8	28	392	15	2
Morven	208	5	10	6	1,092	14	8	32	127	12	9	14	70	1,279	5	2	11	36	1,097	0	4
Orari	232	5	12	6	642	5	3	36	230	3	11	8	78	1,001	14	6	5	47	462	6	3
Pleasant Point	401	12	10	6	1,395	9	7	103	536	6	10	40	149	2,445	19	4	8	40	418	7	7
Rangitata	20	0	11	6	39	5	3	3	13	4	0	4	10	67	15	2	..	1	15	0	0
St. Andrew's	260	8	0	6	1,003	1	3	82	335	2	7	33	150	2,106	1	0	3	37	598	13	2
Studholme Junct.	107	2	15	0	424	6	6	57	161	0	5	4	40	575	18	0	2	23	256	14	11
Temuka	1,433	44	7	6	4,660	1	2	508	2,011	16	3	172	1,124	17,380	2	11	61	392	8,735	14	0
Waimate	2,684	83	16	6	19,559	17	3	813	4,361	7	5	289	1,909	26,365	0	10	129	999	23,773	5	10
Winchester	100	3	3	0	218	5	10	36	170	6	8	19	165	1,497	12	0	5	50	378	19	5
WANGANUI	6,784	289	2	6	29,382	19	0	7,379	32,547	5	9	1,664	12,952	197,881	6	3	1,897	10,995	214,508	6	10
A'ton	161	5	0	6	503	10	8	8	26	4	0	16	129	1,183	3	11	4	30	1,165	10	2
Aramoho	399	13	4	6	1,140	11	9	140	561	10	7	47	336	2,402	5	1	7	58	620	7	6
Awatuna East	90	3	0	0	257	0	6	9	20	7	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bull's	612	23	7	0	2,422	12	2	385	1,218	3	5	71	409	4,811	12	0	21	214	3,083	17	9
Castlecliff	157	4	8	6	321	13	3	28	83	0	8	12	72	378	7	0	3	19	161	0	2
Eltham	1,578	55	6	6	6,918	16	3	671	2,727	19	2	221	1,497	21,591	17	10	112	675	15,188	17	0
Fordell	219	9	9	6	787	13	4	47	272	8	10	22	131	1,604	16	0	4	22	253	5	4
Hawera	2,401	92	9	0	9,127	6	3	1,830	6,725	16	7	338	2,548	41,658	19	10	152	1,089	25,253	2	8
Hunterville	1,193	46	12	6	6,759	2	3	380	1,630	18	1	115	740	9,465	5	6	60	346	7,754	19	3
Hurleyville	123	3	13	6	332	18	4	5	42	18	6	7	55	190	17	0	1	10	291	19	7
Kaponga	611	22	12	0	2,007	16	7	104	550	1	8	67	471	5,698	18	8	31	171	3,683	10	6
Koeke	95	2	15	6	418	8	10	7	43	10	2	5	26	293	6	0	1	4	76	10	8
Makirikiri	34	1	8	6	133	12	0	6	36	18	0	3	22	200	14	0	..	6	22	0	0
Manaia	659	24	8	0	2,533	11	5	199	1,131	17	7	104	643	9,866	18	10	52	233	6,427	2	9
Mangamahū	219	6	12	0	950	1	3	43	142	17	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mangaonoho	165	5	2	3	544	14	11	24	109	10	2	14	68	754	14	3	1	31	362	4	5
Mangaweka	1,131	28	17	0	4,558	4	9	349	1,358	2	8	84	539	4,974	19	7	44	221	3,495	18	10
Manutahi	76	1	17	0	258	4	4	16	77	2	7	9	72	885	12	9	5	35	263	0	3
Marton	1,676	62	1	0	7,179	7	6	1,262	4,654	15	10	193	1,455	16,295	16	11	90	614	12,082	7	7
Mataroa	557	16	15	6	1,697	4	9	69	260	2	5	49	223	2,266	0	7	7	54	429	10	6
Moawhango	321	11	15	0	1,439	3	7	34	185	16	1	27	93	1,756	18	4	7	32	361	1	0
Normanby	227	7	12	0	631	3	2	126	506	3	6	28	190	1,610	10	5	9	77	973	4	6
Ohakune	716	27	7	6	2,585	18	7	72	332	2	5	180	513	5,978	14	7	30	76	886	0	9
Ohingaiti	318	11	13	0	1,309	8	1	85	467	9	1	16	133	1,737	19	8	4	74	1,005	9	6
Okaiawa	126	5	12	0	496	15	5	38	154	8	8	17	166	1,650	5	8	4	60	1,204	4	6
Otakeho	121	4	12	6	391	16	3	27	98	1	4	21	100	896	3	11	4	64	530	13	4
Patea	1,089	37	10	6	3,691	7	6	349	1,440	1	9	93	811	13,809	17	9	46	330	7,215	1	2
Pihama	157	5	7	0	537	15	6	21	164	16	0	13	47	579	0	11	3	22	347	18	8
Raetihi	1,288	38	7	6	5,522	19	10	235	1,405	16	10										

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TABLE showing the Number and Amount of Transactions at the several Money-order and Savings-bank Offices in New Zealand during the Year 1906—continued.

Office.	Money-orders.					Savings-banks.					
	Issued.			Paid.		New Accounts opened.	Deposits.		Accounts closed.	Withdrawals.	
	No.	Commission.	Amount.	No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.
WELLINGTON— <i>ctd.</i>		£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Bunnythorpe ..	150	5 3 6	501 19 0	74	401 19 8	17	168 1,711 9 5	11	82	1,210 7 3	
Carterton ..	1,442	47 15 0	5,629 6 7	705	3,183 14 11	190	1,574 18,013 17 1	79	681	16,631 5 7	
Castlepoint ..	49	1 11 0	190 0 2	2	10 19 6	4	9 44 4 6	..	..	..
Chatham Islands	222	8 15 6	906 18 4	73	722 2 4	10	55 503 14 0	..	2	34 0 0	
Cheltenham ..	74	2 10 6	241 17 6	13	86 15 5	18	132 1,627 12 3	8	54	768 10 4	
Colyton ..	98	4 4 6	294 6 6	20	125 19 6	7	59 711 8 0	6	27	496 6 5	
Courtenay Place	822	32 13 6	2,385 5 0	64	199 11 6	120	2,242 7,266 6 4	11	128	812 18 0	
Cross Creek ..	..	..	..	..	..	9	54 407 4 0	..	..	..
Eketahuna ..	1,258	39 18 0	4,405 17 3	338	1,790 12 0	123	1,132 13,455 5 8	52	391	8,493 2 3	
Featherston ..	841	30 15 6	2,666 2 10	359	1,525 0 4	94	793 5,865 3 7	38	261	5,113 0 3	
Feilding ..	3,032	106 8 6	11,849 16 4	1,924	7,333 15 6	401	3,110 37,826 9 2	213	1,514	28,157 8 8	
Foxton ..	1,505	52 5 6	5,074 4 6	605	2,322 11 0	202	1,292 10,651 16 9	71	512	6,587 8 8	
Gladstone ..	37	1 9 0	132 7 8	21	95 0 0	5	41 418 6 9	2	23	198 10 5	
Greytown North	940	30 5 0	2,942 10 4	498	2,004 13 9	84	997 9,298 6 5	41	400	7,349 14 5	
Halcombe ..	369	13 6 6	1,065 12 0	119	482 0 8	35	190 1,734 6 11	16	127	1,372 0 6	
Hinakura ..	86	3 0 6	304 19 10	4	15 9 6	5	19 122 0 0	..	..	..
Hukanui ..	172	4 10 6	585 3 2	25	123 8 2	14	77 740 13 10	2	21	616 10 5	
Hutt ..	1,035	43 2 0	3,247 17 1	542	2,098 17 7	224	1,817 18,675 0 6	71	589	10,337 12 8	
Johnsonville ..	200	6 16 0	520 9 7	192	662 18 10	38	343 2,550 17 9	10	98	883 2 4	
Kaitoke ..	173	5 9 0	522 10 11	17	75 4 10	6	77 669 1 5	..	13	482 0 0	
Kaiwarawara ..	66	1 17 6	127 1 5	50	125 7 5	20	255 796 4 7	1	27	118 16 0	
Karori ..	99	3 10 6	297 1 4	69	234 16 5	19	196 799 0 6	5	50	325 9 7	
Kilbirnie ..	136	4 4 6	325 5 2	134	660 4 1	22	140 647 3 6	6	29	230 9 11	
Kimbolton ..	569	17 15 0	1,852 5 3	154	989 3 4	43	286 3,228 17 0	6	71	2,471 3 3	
Kopuarua ..	157	5 5 0	517 4 2	23	82 14 3	28	221 1,479 6 8	3	24	210 13 2	
Levin ..	1,305	43 0 0	4,439 14 9	513	1,833 13 6	126	981 12,044 4 8	47	478	6,555 5 3	
Longburn ..	283	11 15 6	854 8 4	72	477 17 1	57	411 2,261 16 2	22	160	1,653 11 2	
Makuri ..	268	6 0 6	974 1 9	59	293 3 8	13	66 540 9 0	1	27	366 3 2	
Manakau ..	248	8 10 0	716 12 2	67	392 9 10	29	178 1,768 19 0	3	58	543 11 1	
Mangatainoka	302	7 12 0	893 19 6	105	433 17 4	16	170 1,362 17 10	10	97	1,483 17 2	
Martinborough	991	38 3 6	3,734 2 7	253	1,190 14 7	104	606 6,654 5 8	46	281	4,420 4 2	
Masterton ..	4,852	187 13 6	20,158 11 5	2,583	10,868 9 2	695	5,479 61,127 5 5	289	2,578	43,364 1 3	
Mauriceville ..	178	5 8 6	550 17 5	39	178 7 9	9	93 953 5 11	2	53	1,628 2 7	
West	147	7 19 6	535 16 7	7	9 17 10	18	136 1,924 1 8	4	67	1,372 11 4	
Molesworth St.	2,068	82 18 6	5,523 3 8	136	664 11 10	246	3,261 15,142 8 4	36	342	2,405 5 5	
Muritai ..	74	3 1 0	195 5 7	15	51 1 6	8	55 392 6 0	..	10	76 0 0	
Ngahauranga ..	200	8 4 0	628 14 6	15	110 1 8	15	216 1,098 17 7	3	44	400 0 4	
Nireaha ..	160	5 14 6	582 3 9	34	162 12 0	11	101 1,301 1 0	2	35	1,038 1 4	
Otaki ..	1,066	36 9 6	3,642 18 0	569	1,875 15 8	84	758 7,328 4 1	52	351	3,673 15 0	
Pahautanui ..	85	2 9 6	179 14 10	14	44 9 9	10	67 640 3 1	..	45	345 4 6	
Pahiatua ..	2,267	75 0 0	9,921 9 5	1,120	4,286 9 7	234	1,699 23,099 19 11	120	754	17,851 5 10	
Palmerston North	6,529	249 13 6	23,158 12 2	5,705	21,128 19 3	1,189	8,569 14,894 8 4	558	4,443	79,958 6 4	
Paraparaumu ..	163	5 18 6	503 3 9	44	150 1 4	15	148 1,397 4 8	3	74	674 8 10	
Petone ..	2,317	90 9 6	6,758 14 7	986	3,476 2 9	435	4,604 31,625 1 7	170	1,728	21,316 10 9	
Pirinoa ..	94	3 2 6	249 6 0	13	61 9 7	7	12 116 0 0	..	3	112 0 0	
Pohangina ..	146	4 9 6	544 8 2	58	333 5 11	7	76 568 6 6	4	34	407 4 7	
Pongaroa ..	450	11 11 6	1,642 2 5	73	350 6 4	28	134 1,958 19 0	4	45	1,016 10 2	
Porirua ..	230	8 14 0	896 19 0	110	573 7 7	23	170 1,020 19 6	5	40	391 3 0	
Rakaunui ..	237	5 10 0	654 19 2	11	67 14 11	4	21 172 3 0	2	15	316 0 9	
Rangiwahia ..	365	9 5 0	1,310 0 10	66	309 8 9	41	177 1,290 3 3	8	45	844 19 11	
Rongotea ..	472	18 2 0	1,496 11 2	92	327 4 1	54	320 3,083 19 5	30	137	2,392 1 9	
Sanson ..	199	6 9 6	603 17 10	62	163 19 3	23	159 1,433 10 2	10	57	866 18 0	
Shannon ..	762	24 19 0	2,045 3 0	206	1,003 8 7	60	456 3,619 17 5	22	236	2,930 14 5	
Taueru ..	94	2 17 6	236 14 5	10	50 17 1	2	30 161 11 0	3	18	183 2 2	
Te Aro ..	5,649	223 8 6	15,520 11 2	686	2,935 13 0	1,117	15,258 66,775 14 9	136	843	6,129 13 6	
Te Horo ..	112	4 0 6	387 3 1	19	46 0 1	25	106 1,034 1 5	6	40	702 8 4	
Te Nui ..	199	7 17 6	804 11 2	42	195 10 9	32	190 2,160 8 5	2	64	919 18 9	
Tinakori Road..	154	5 8 0	327 7 1	12	43 13 3	41	535 1,501 7 0	5	34	174 8 8	
Tokomaru ..	81	2 8 0	188 14 5	8	23 15 6	19	44 345 2 0	6	20	199 19 3	
Upper Hutt ..	413	16 9 0	1,396 9 9	189	722 4 8	61	483 4,842 5 2	16	143	2,204 14 7	
Waikanae ..	409	13 0 0	1,275 13 3	101	707 9 1	33	225 2,003 17 0	10	93	790 1 10	
Waituna West	184	5 7 6	458 16 5	43	213 8 11	14	79 709 19 10	4	25	404 11 7	
Wellington South	2,281	96 8 0	6,660 1 9	1,208	4,716 1 9	693	8,045 44,749 17 7	195	1,512	16,317 11 11	
Weraroa ..	530	16 2 3	1,695 18 10	136	485 11 5	50	514 2,122 5 4	11	131	1,403 12 8	
Whakataki ..	83	3 0 0	318 8 4	9	61 9 0	6	47 280 0 0	3	24	160 10 5	
Woodville ..	1,748	54 15 0	6,347 12 11	921	3,260 13 9	124	1,218 17,281 8 9	62	528	12,654 12 2	
WESTPORT	3,272	130 7 0	12,796 19 5	2,330	10,629 5 6	417	3,222 50,356 1 11	504	2,691	59,156 4 1	
Addison's ..	24	0 16 0	80 12 8	2	6 0 0	1	1 7 0 0	..	1	25 0 0	
Burnett's Face..	811	40 15 6	2,763 10 1	28	160 14 3	104	649 4,917 4 1	21	81	1,156 5 8	
Capleston ..	60	2 2 0	261 10 0	18	82 19 0	4	22 193 17 0	5	15	769 3 5	
Charleston ..	268	9 6 6	852 11 6	53	322 13 7	14	128 1,477 13 6	14	55	569 9 11	
Denniston ..	1,082	47 3 0	5,263 10 10	132	495 6 2	131	1,125 8,615 15 1	35	207	4,639 6 7	
Fern Flat ..	59	1 12 0	151 9 2	11	95 18 7	13	30 352 10 9	..	8	113 0 0	
Granity ..	556	19 1 6	1,577 14 10	62	292 4 7	32	316 2,577 10 11	11	112	2,061 8 4	
Inangahua Junc.	129	4 11 6	553 1 6	21	137 4 0	1	55 462 15 0	1	9	171 14 10	
Karamea ..	406	13 3 6	1,370 18 7	62	419 7 9	10	59 874 16 1	5	33	499 17 11	
Longford ..	122	4 4 0	516 1 7	14	65 2 3	2	12 113 0 0	3	18	286 8 0	
Lyell ..	440	15 0 0	1,629 14 8	101	730 19 11	12	68 1,047 3 9	7	31	467 11 9	
Millerton ..	860	31 15 0	2,440 17 10	84	298 5 3	114	874 6,725 10 1	44	128	1,865 16 7	
Murchison ..	669	22 2 6	2,683 7 7	68	399 8 0	26	183 1,848 8 1	8	53	889 11 7	
Seddonville ..	333	13 4 6	1,299 0 7	59	353 5 8	40	278 2,623 19 3	11	57	713 12 9	
Up. Matakaitaki	73	2 9 6	263 11 3	1	3 16 6	6	35 99 18 0	..	1	18 0 0	
Waimangaroa ..	304	10 7 0	1,240 1 1	35	102 1 9	17	92 651 5 10	3	28	181 3 2	

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TABLE showing the Number and Amount of Transactions at the several Money-order and Savings-bank Offices in New Zealand during the Year 1906—continued.

SUMMARY.

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.							
POSTAL DISTRICT OF—																					
Auckland ..	86,150	3,904	3	9	333,688	9	5	80,958	336,294	0	8	10,159	78,126	1,200,273	14	3	6,458	55,619	1,037,361	5	1
Blenheim ..	6,795	247	17	9	24,017	0	10	3,020	15,252	15	7	1,005	7,715	114,344	16	5	648	5,014	103,621	16	3
Christchurch ..	46,518	1,968	16	0	171,733	7	11	41,890	203,303	8	0	11,264	105,021	1,460,428	14	9	7,183	72,129	1,256,827	8	1
Dunedin ..	46,356	1,735	15	6	161,034	16	10	45,450	188,010	8	3	7,671	80,887	1,034,384	6	11	5,905	52,901	940,002	19	0
Gisborne ..	8,023	333	1	0	32,615	18	2	3,000	13,844	6	3	1,899	11,825	169,983	5	2	1,067	8,641	130,896	17	3
Greymouth ..	9,789	386	14	0	38,570	9	8	4,575	18,582	5	5	1,236	9,746	126,900	4	6	829	5,196	117,073	6	2
Hokitika ..	3,379	119	7	6	11,483	16	10	1,942	8,460	1	6	306	2,118	31,430	14	10	239	1,201	26,305	8	11
Invercargill ..	21,022	754	2	0	71,780	10	3	11,855	45,982	9	2	2,808	20,199	308,663	19	9	1,877	11,956	251,363	17	6
Napier ..	24,792	959	12	6	98,462	19	7	14,428	66,363	8	3	3,820	29,706	366,218	19	9	2,581	17,227	315,779	6	5
Nelson ..	11,139	424	10	0	40,105	12	9	7,676	32,652	4	5	1,369	11,897	203,548	3	7	987	8,001	184,550	4	4
New Plymouth ..	12,533	440	16	6	45,259	0	0	8,360	39,643	10	3	1,591	12,636	171,939	19	10	1,259	7,840	148,716	10	11
Oamaru ..	7,038	227	13	9	41,853	5	10	3,632	17,078	16	5	1,060	8,324	132,735	5	9	801	5,131	110,876	9	4
Thames ..	18,693	668	12	6	63,654	13	11	7,422	30,351	7	0	2,042	15,332	186,602	7	7	1,478	9,005	167,104	9	2
Timaru ..	13,468	457	19	6	81,587	10	0	6,066	26,856	9	10	2,173	16,951	261,285	19	11	1,456	10,600	230,299	14	5
Wanganui ..	30,138	1,101	5	3	123,760	6	1	15,144	64,395	12	7	4,431	28,725	405,083	12	9	2,896	17,267	333,348	18	1
Wellington ..	83,719	4,180	1	9	310,878	10	8	74,061	312,372	10	1	16,428	147,407	1,650,385	17	4	11,190	95,280	1,479,391	12	1
Westport ..	9,468	368	1	0	35,744	13	2	3,081	14,594	12	9	944	7,149	82,944	9	4	672	3,528	73,583	14	7
Grand totals ..	439,020	18,278	10	3	1,686,231	1	11	332,560	1,434,038	6	5	70,206	593,764	7,907,154	12	5	47,526	386,536	6,907,103	17	7

Table No. 5.

STATEMENT showing the Number of British Postal Orders of each Denomination sold and paid in New Zealand during the Financial Years 1905-6 and 1906-7.

Denomination.	Sold		Paid	
	1905-6.	1906-7.	1905-6.	1906-7.
s. d.				
0 6	542	604	28	53
1 0	1,698	1,926	206	292
1 6	891	926	102	119
2 0	1,076	1,193	230	270
2 6	1,593	1,785	333	369
3 0	935	1,042	134	186
3 6	558	733	48	154
4 0	713	743	72	101
4 6	349	386	29	40
5 0	2,637	2,905	700	876
5 6	311	292	26	29
6 0	597	640	68	84
6 6	259	259	19	29
7 0	552	555	32	40
7 6	419	522	64	66
8 0	318	363	29	45
8 6	240	262	12	26
9 0	219	245	18	22
9 6	119	187	10	21
10 0	3,220	3,869	954	1,227
10 6	267	332	47	55
11 0	201	226	9	17
11 6	91	90	14	16
12 0	308	317	36	47
12 6	191	241	17	31
13 0	166	177	15	14
13 6	123	100	7	13
14 0	111	148	11	20
14 6	57	51	6	12
15 0	487	572	82	160
15 6	64	54	2	4
16 0	121	124	8	14
16 6	53	64	5	11
17 0	79	116	7	13
17 6	94	116	12	6
18 0	101	155	5	23
18 6	103	121	6	5
19 0	318	440	10	17
19 6	..	2	2	5
20 0	7,188	8,815	3,704	4,713
21 0	..	..	245	216
Number ..	27,369	31,698	7,364	9,461
Value ..	£13,581 18s.	£16,229 15s. 6d.	£5,052 7s. 6d.	£6,426 4s.

Table No. 6.—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, 1906.

Postal Districts.	Number of Post-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 Accounts remaining Open at Close of the Year.	Total Amount standing to the Credit of all Open Accounts, inclusive of Interest to the Close of the Year.	Average Amount standing to the Credit of each Open Account at the Close of the Year.
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£	s. d.	£	£	£	£	£	£ s. d.
Auckland	130	78,126	1,200,273 14 3	15 7 3	55,619	1,037,361 5 1	18 13 0	162,912 9 2	..	..	..	43,828 9 3	10,159	6,458	42,180	1,514,090 12 4	35 17 11
Blenheim	8	7,715	114,344 16 5	14 16 5	5,014	103,621 16 3	20 13 4	10,723 0 2	..	..	..	4,698 3 11	1,005	648	5,015	154,347 2 0	30 15 7
Christchurch	67	105,021	1,460,428 14 9	13 18 1	72,129	1,256,827 8 1	17 8 6	203,601 6 8	..	..	..	51,705 14 11	11,264	7,183	54,015	1,791,202 10 7	33 3 3
Dunedin	52	80,887	1,034,384 6 11	12 15 9	52,901	940,002 19 0	17 15 5	94,381 7 11	..	..	..	44,709 19 3	7,671	5,905	39,336	1,477,959 1 1	37 11 5
Gisborne	8	11,825	169,983 5 2	14 7 6	8,641	130,896 17 3	15 3 0	39,086 7 11	..	..	..	4,364 4 10	1,899	1,067	5,564	161,027 4 6	28 18 10
Greymouth	13	9,746	126,900 4 6	13 0 5	5,196	117,073 6 2	22 10 8	9,826 18 4	..	..	..	6,378 3 8	1,236	829	5,300	209,168 12 8	39 9 4
Hokitika	7	2,118	31,430 14 10	14 16 10	1,201	26,305 8 11	21 18 1	5,125 5 11	..	..	..	2,381 2 3	306	239	1,753	77,150 9 10	44 0 3
Invercargill	28	20,199	308,663 19 9	15 5 7	11,956	251,363 17 6	21 0 6	57,300 2 3	..	..	..	13,273 19 7	2,808	1,877	12,115	451,093 15 4	37 4 8
Napier	28	29,706	366,218 19 9	12 6 7	17,227	315,779 6 5	18 6 7	50,439 13 4	..	..	..	13,336 16 8	3,820	2,581	14,304	456,857 18 5	31 18 9
Nelson	17	11,897	203,548 3 7	17 2 2	8,001	184,550 4 4	23 1 4	18,997 19 3	..	..	..	9,030 8 11	1,369	987	8,239	297,680 12 2	36 2 7
New Plymouth	12	12,636	171,939 19 10	13 12 2	7,840	148,716 10 11	18 19 5	23,223 8 11	..	..	..	6,652 3 10	1,591	1,259	7,319	226,397 2 2	30 18 8
Oamaru	10	8,324	132,735 5 9	15 18 11	5,131	110,876 9 4	21 12 2	21,858 16 5	..	..	..	5,563 16 8	1,066	801	4,343	187,585 13 0	43 3 10
Thames	18	15,332	186,602 7 7	12 3 5	9,005	167,104 9 2	18 11 2	19,497 18 5	..	..	..	7,642 7 8	2,042	1,478	9,253	257,121 17 2	27 15 9
Timaru	15	16,951	261,285 19 11	15 8 3	10,600	230,299 14 5	21 14 6	30,986 5 6	..	..	..	10,285 11 5	2,173	1,456	9,021	345,830 9 2	38 6 9
Wanganui	37	28,725	405,083 12 9	14 2 1	17,267	333,348 18 1	19 6 1	71,734 14 8	..	..	..	12,927 3 7	4,431	2,896	15,430	460,078 9 9	29 16 4
Wellington	74	147,407	1,650,385 17 4	11 3 11	95,280	1,479,391 12 1	15 10 6	170,994 5 3	..	..	..	50,526 15 4	16,428	11,190	61,920	1,755,580 19 8	28 7 1
Westport	17	7,149	82,944 9 4	11 12 1	3,528	73,583 14 7	20 17 1	9,360 14 9	..	..	..	3,886 17 4	944	672	3,639	130,093 1 2	35 15 0
Totals for Colony in 1906..	541	593,764	7,907,154 12 5	13 6 4	386,536	6,907,103 17 7	17 17 5	1,000,050 14 10	..	17,000 0 4	4 16	291,191 19 1	70,206	47,526	298,746	9,953,265 11 0	33 6 4

Table No. 6.—POST-OFFICE SAVINGS-BANKS.—GENERAL STATEMENT—continued.

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, 1906

Table with 15 columns: Number of Post-Office Savings-banks Open at the Close of the Year, Total Amount of Deposits received during the Year, Average Amount of Deposit received during the Year, Number of Deposits received during the Year, Total Amount of Withdrawals during the Year, Average Amount of 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 Accounts remaining Open at Close of the Year, Total Amount standing to the Credit of all Open Accounts, and Average Amount standing to the Credit of each Open Account at Close of the Year.

Totals for Colony from 1st Feb. to 31st Dec., 1867

Table No. 7.

BALANCE-SHEET of the New Zealand Post Office Account for the Year ended 31st December, 1906.

	Balances on 1st January, 1906.		Transactions.				Balances on 31st December, 1906.			
	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.		Dr.		Cr.		Dr.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
MONEY-ORDER ACCOUNTS:—										
Money-orders (general)	30,429	17 11	..	..	1,813,549	19 3	1,808,704	3 5	35,275	13 9
United Kingdom, &c.	5,967	2 2½	..	..	174,633	12 2	151,857	15 7	28,742	18 9½
United States of America	..	..	222	19 0	20,951	0 11	20,435	11 4	292	10 7
Australia	1,671	15 11	..	..	182,302	0 3	179,741	5 7	4,232	10 7
Canada .. .. .	..	..	209	18 9	2,573	13 6	2,904	19 5	..	..
Cape of Good Hope ..	..	..	348	10 4	1,969	14 10	1,898	0 8	..	..
Ceylon	97	10 2	..	..	536	9 4	563	10 7	70	8 11
Fiji .. .. .	..	..	315	0 11	1,664	11 4	2,140	13 1	..	..
Germany	969	19 11	..	..	3,168	16 2	1,640	8 8	2,498	7 5
Hong Kong.. .. .	..	..	15	8 7	1,088	5 6	943	11 3	129	5 8
India	596	19 10	..	..	2,450	19 9	2,731	9 5	316	10 2
Natal .. .. .	..	..	312	16 3	940	0 10	681	16 5	..	..
Orange River Colony	10	5 0	..	..	15	3 6	245	3 10	..	..
Samoa .. .. .	..	..	2,572	14 6	3,921	3 8	4,428	7 0	..	..
Straits Settlements ..	..	..	24	4 2	209	13 11	185	12 6	..	..
Transvaal .. .. .	..	..	735	1 2	3,635	3 2	3,368	3 9	..	..
Tonga .. .. .	..	..	..	..	311	15 4	872	0 7	..	..
Commission .. .. .	..	..	588	3 10	1,749	16 1	1,828	5 8	..	..
SAVINGS-BANK ACCOUNTS:—										
Deposits and withdrawals	8,662,022	17 1	..	..	8,198,346	11 6	6,907,103	17 7	9,953,265	11 0
Transfers	5,126	6 8	..	..	638,314	13 6	638,346	15 4	5,094	4 10
POSTAL ACCOUNTS:—										
Stamps	164,397	19 0½	..	..	629,804	12 6	595,517	12 3½	198,684	19 3
Postal Guides	12	7 2	..	..	577	6 2	582	9 6	7	3 10
Postal notes	84,211	6 7	..	..	326,410	12 6	315,035	15 8	95,586	3 5
Private box and bag rents	..	..	..	..	9,077	6 9	9,077	6 9	..	..
Money-order commission	..	..	..	..	18,588	12 9	18,588	12 9	..	..
British postal orders—H.O. a/c	88,818	0 10	..	..	801	10 10	16,965	4 2	72,654	7 6
" " C.P.M's a/c	49,449	2 7	..	..	16,965	4 2	16,260	18 10	50,153	7 11
" " London a/c	1	10 4	..	..	16,100	13 7	16,102	3 11	..	..
B.P.O. commission ..	..	..	..	..	194	2 2	194	2 2	..	..
Postal revenue .. .. .	..	..	1,032	6 8½	407,314	6 2½	397,448	8 3	8,833	11 3
TELEGRAPH ACCOUNTS:—										
New South Wales Telegraphs	139	12 9	..	..	5,472	14 2	5,303	16 7	308	10 4
New Zealand & Australian Cable	117	10 10	..	..	3,079	9 3	3,083	19 0	113	1 1
Pacific Cable Board ..	2,694	6 4	..	..	49,907	2 8	50,792	5 3	1,809	3 9
Telephone-exchange receipts	..	..	..	..	100,888	17 4	100,888	17 4	..	..
Special messenger receipts	..	..	..	..	300	6 1	300	6 1	..	..
Maintenance of private wires..	..	..	..	..	2,141	3 10	2,141	3 10	..	..
Registration of code addresses	..	..	..	..	768	16 9	768	16 9	..	..
Cable deposits	115	18 1½	..	..	3,237	13 3½	3,236	9 9	117	1 8
Telegraph revenue	4,005	15 6½	..	..	358,069	11 0½	360,776	17 6	1,298	9 1
GENERAL ACCOUNTS:—										
Post Office Account .. ..	..	..	539,768	13 9	5,475,016	19 0	5,493,171	14 3	..	..
Postmasters and Telegraphists	..	..	415,858	16 1	13,440,240	15 10	13,513,212	5 11	..	..
Investments .. .. .	..	..	8,442,496	8 0	881,200	0 0	2,137,696	5 0	..	..
Accrued interest on investments	..	..	82,733	17 0	82,733	17 0	94,399	12 4	..	..
Miscellaneous receipts (general)	1,458	14 7½	..	..	8,403	13 9½	8,063	5 2	1,799	3 3
Foreign postage	12,632	2 9	..	..	4,707	19 5	3,191	4 9	14,148	17 5
Miscellaneous expenses ..	15,427	0 4	..	..	841,811	7 8	826,305	13 4	30,932	14 8
Discount-stamps	1,813	5 0	..	..	3,342	10 0	3,267	15 0	1,888	0 0
FOR OTHER DEPARTMENTS:—										
Advances to Settlers	2,895	13 1	..	..	897,953	19 5	895,202	4 7	5,647	7 11
Arms Act licenses	15	0 0	..	..	215	0 0	224	0 0	6	0 0
Auctioneers' licenses .. ..	..	..	..	..	17	10 0	17	10 0	..	..
Alcoholic Liquors Sales Control Act, 1895	..	..	..	..	7	5 8	7	5 8	..	..
Clerks of Court	1	10 0	..	..	90	5 1	85	15 1	6	0 0
County Clerks .. .. .	..	..	..	..	355	7 11	355	7 11	..	..
Customs dues (H.M.C.)	180	8 2	..	..	2,331	18 7	2,208	18 4	303	8 5
Customs duty (parcels)	3,948	15 1	..	..	49,885	5 8	48,485	10 9	5,348	10 0
Education Department .. ..	..	..	..	..	6	9 0	6	9 0	..	..
Electoral Department	5	2 0	..	..	3	6 0	8	7 0	0	1 0
Factories Act .. .. .	..	..	..	..	79	0 3	78	0 3	0	1 0
Fishing licenses	147	17 0	..	..	1,539	16 6	1,530	10 6	157	3 0
Game licenses .. .. .	..	..	..	..	2,076	0 0	2,076	0 0	..	..
Geraldine County Council ..	..	..	..	..	551	6 2	551	6 2	..	..
Goldfields revenue	5	4 6	..	..	122	10 0	117	11 11	10	2 7
Government Audit Department	3	0 0	..	..	33	6 8	33	6 8	3	0 0
Government debentures	700	0 0	..	..	77,095	10 0	73,095	10 0	4,700	0 0
Government Insurance	2,779	10 8	..	..	29,726	2 10	29,171	11 11	3,334	1 7
Government Printer	191	7 5	..	..	744	2 10	781	13 11	153	16 4
Homing-pigeons Protection Act	..	..	..	..	0	6 0	0	6 0	..	..
Imperial pensions	8,142	12 0	..	..	21,000	0 0	27,808	18 2	1,333	13 10
Income-tax	132	6 8	..	..	160,506	13 7	159,328	4 9	1,310	15 6
Land-tax	4,240	6 7	..	..	318,705	11 0	321,531	18 6	1,413	19 1
Licensing Act .. .. .	..	..	..	..	20	0 0	20	0 0	..	..
Machinery	564	15 0	..	..	7,058	12 4	6,916	7 4	707	0 0
Mining Act	398	10 0	..	..	372	10 0	294	0 0	477	0 0
Miners' Guides	1	5 6	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	5 6
New Zealand Consols .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1,725	0 0	1,725	0 0	..	..
Official Assignee	42	18 10	..	..	6,067	0 5	2,798	16 1	3,311	3 2
Old-age pensions	24,510	7 8	..	..	311,500	0 0	309,322	0 7	26,688	7 1
Old-age pensions (miscellaneous)	..	..	..	..	2	3 7	2	3 7	..	..
Public Trust	32,323	15 4	..	..	602,658	16 4	609,802	9 4	25,180	2 4
Railways	875	8 8	..	..	8,318	9 0	8,359	2 7	834	15 1
Registration of births, &c. ..	240	11 6	..	..	2,409	3 0	2,399	2 3	250	12 3
Rents	30	5 0	..	..	278	0 4	282	1 0	26	4 4
Sanatorium, Hanmer Springs	234	15 0	..	..	1,847	9 1	1,815	12 9	266	11 4
Sheep rates	61	6 0	..	..	21,141	17 2	21,152	4 2	50	19 0
Stock Department .. .. .	..	..	..	..	57	15 8	57	5 8	0	10 0
Treasury imprests refunded	..	..	..	..	218	7 7	218	7 7	..	..
Valuation revenue	23	18 1	..	..	4,784	2 10	4,805	18 11	2	2 0
Miscellaneous revenue	2	15 9	..	..	180	10 7	165	9 1	17	17 3
Probation officers .. .. .	..	..	..	..	5	0 0	5	0 0	..	..
Suspense Account	0	8 2	..	..	5	15 10½	5	2 7	1	1 5½
Profit and loss	272,347	17 10	..	..	399,357	1 7	414,697	13 5	257,007	6 0
Totals	9,487,234	19 0½	9,487,234	19 0½	36,670,544	17 9½	36,670,544	17 9½	10,846,804	12 2

Table No. 8.

SECURITIES, &c., standing in the Name of the Postmaster-General on Account of the Post-Office Savings-Bank Fund on 31st December, 1906.

Description of Securities, &c.	Nominal Value.		Value at Cost Price.		Accrued Interest on 31st December 1906.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
"The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1899" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	125,000	0 0	125,000	0 0	731	3 3
"The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1901" Debentures, 4 per cent.	17,600	0 0	17,600	0 0	352	0 0
"The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1901" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	15,000	0 0	15,000	0 0	262	10 0
"The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1902" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	125,000	0 0	125,000	0 0	359	11 9
"The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1902" Debentures, 4 per cent.	2,000	0 0	2,000	0 0	6	11 6
"The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1903" Debentures, 4 per cent.	167,900	0 0	167,900	0 0	2,796	15 10
"The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1903" Debentures, 4 per cent.	7,825	0 0	7,825	0 0	156	10 0
"The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1906" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	500,000	0 0	500,000	0 0	2,756	16 10
"The Consolidated Loan Act 1867" Debentures, 4 per cent. . .	13,000	0 0	12,480	0 0	109	13 11
"The Consolidated Stock Act 1884" Debentures, 3½ per cent. . .	407,500	0 0	407,500	0 0	4,728	2 0
"The Consolidated Stock Act 1884" Debentures, 3½ per cent. . .	100,000	0 0	100,000	0 0	1,160	5 5
"The Consolidated Stock Act 1884" Debentures, 3 per cent. . .	65,000	0 0	65,000	0 0	646	8 9
"The Consolidated Stock Act 1884" Debentures, 3½ per cent. . .	194,200	0 0	194,200	0 0	2,830	10 7
"The Dairy Industry Act 1898" Debentures, 3½ per cent. . .	1,781	0 0	1,781	0 0	25	19 2
"The Defence and other Purposes Loan Act 1870" Debentures, 4½ per cent.	8,100	0 0	8,100	0 0	..	..
"The Defence and other Purposes Loan Act 1870" Debentures, 4 per cent.	75,000	0 0	72,000	0 0	632	17 6
Dunedin Garrison Hall Debentures, 5 per cent. . .	5,000	0 0	5,000	0 0	108	4 4
"The General Purposes Loan Act 1873" Debentures, 4 per cent.	5,200	0 0	4,342	0 0	43	17 7
"The Government Advances to Settlers Act 1894" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	300,000	0 0	300,000	0 0	863	0 3
"The Government Advances to Settlers Extension Act 1901" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	80,000	0 0	80,000	0 0	230	2 8
"The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act 1886" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	231,500	0 0	231,500	0 0	2,686	0 7
Greymouth Harbour Board Debentures, 4 per cent. . .	150,000	0 0	150,000	0 0	2,956	19 9
"The Hutt Railway and Road Improvement Act 1903" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	45,000	0 0	45,000	0 0	258	18 0
"The Hutt Railway and Road Improvement Act 1905" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	55,000	0 0	55,000	0 0	316	8 9
Hamilton Borough Debentures, 4½ per cent. . .	3,000	0 0	3,000	0 0	56	4 4
Hokitika Harbour Board Debentures, 5 per cent. . .	10,000	0 0	10,000	0 0	4,118	9 10*
"The Immigration and Public Works Loan Act 1870" Debentures, 4½ per cent.	20,900	0 0	20,527	10 0	198	8 2
"The Immigration and Public Works Loan Act 1870" Debentures, 4 per cent.	175,300	0 0	168,372	0 0	1,479	4 10
"The Immigration and Public Works Loan Act 1870" Debentures, 4 per cent. (Imperial guaranteed)	400,000	0 0	400,000	0 0	1,315	1 4
Inscribed Stock, 3½ per cent. . .	618,000	0 0	618,000	0 0	10,472	19 7
Inscribed Stock, 3 per cent. . .	2,260,495	11 1	2,244,582	18 0	18,052	19 8
"The Land for Settlements Act 1892" and its Amendments Debentures, 3½ per cent.	741,066	0 0	741,066	0 0	4,334	14 6
"The Land for Settlements Acts 1894 and 1897" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	62,000	0 0	62,000	0 0	541	0 3
"The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act 1900" Debentures, 4 per cent.	25,000	0 0	25,000	0 0	164	7 8
"The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act 1900" Debentures, 4 per cent.	150	0 0	150	0 0	2	9 11
"The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act 1900" Debentures, 4 per cent.	1,000	0 0	1,000	0 0	13	9 7
"The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act 1900" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	23,000	0 0	23,000	0 0	367	5 2
"The Lands Improvement and Native Lands Acquisition Act 1894" Debentures, 4 per cent.	279,000	0 0	279,000	0 0	2,812	18 7
"The Lands Improvement and Native Lands Acquisition Act 1894" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	60,000	0 0	60,000	0 0	529	6 3
"The Local Bodies' Loans Act 1901" Debentures, 4 per cent.	55,000	0 0	55,000	0 0	729	6 3
"The Local Bodies' Loans Act 1901" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	936,000	0 0	936,000	0 0	10,348	13 10
"The Maori Land Settlement Act 1905" Debentures, 4 per cent.	500	0 0	500	0 0	1	12 10
"The New Zealand Consols Act 1894" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	27,290	0 0	27,196	5 0	333	8 11
Oamaru Borough Consolidated Loan 1893 Debentures, 5 per cent.	13,800	0 0	13,800	0 0	345	0 0
Oamaru Harbour Bonds, 5½ per cent. . .	31,000	0 0	31,000	0 0	714	14 1
Patea Harbour Board Debentures, 4½ per cent. . .	26,870	0 0	26,870	0 0	480	6 11
"The Public Revenues Act 1893" (Treasury bills), 3½ per cent.	599,200	0 0	599,200	0 0	..	..
"The Scenery Preservation Act 1903" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	20,000	0 0	20,000	0 0	115	1 4
"The State Coal-mines Act 1901" Debentures, 3½ per cent. . .	140,000	0 0	140,000	0 0	1,221	12 10
Thames Harbour Board Debentures, 4 per cent. . .	10,000	0 0	10,000	0 0	99	14 6
"The State Fire Insurance Act 1903" Debentures, 4 per cent.	500	0 0	500	0 0	3	5 9
"The State Fire Insurance Act 1903" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	1,500	0 0	1,500	0 0	8	12 7
Westport Harbour Board Debentures, 4 per cent. . .	489,500	0 0	489,500	0 0	9,790	0 0
Accrued interest on Post Office Account . . .	..	..	..	..	679	14 5
Totals	9,726,677	11 1	9,698,992	13 0	94,899	12 4

* Interest over eight years in arrear; principal fell due 11th November, 1896.

Table No. 9.

POST-OFFICE SAVINGS-BANK.

Balance-sheet for the Year ended 31st December, 1906.

Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
Balance to credit of depositors, 1st January, 1906	8,662,022	17	1	Withdrawals during 1906	6,907,108	17	7
Deposits during 1906	7,907,154	12	5	Balance to credit of depositors, 31st December, 1906	9,953,265	11	0
Interest credited to depositors, 1906	291,191	19	1				
	<u>£16,860,369</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>7</u>		<u>£16,860,369</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>7</u>

Liabilities and Assets.

Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
Balance to credit of depositors, 31st December, 1906	9,953,265	11	0	Securities (<i>vide</i> Table No. 8)	9,698,992	19	0
Balance of assets over liabilities	257,007	6	0	Accumulated profits	257,007	6	0
	<u>£10,210,272</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>0</u>	S.B. cash in Post Office Account	254,272	18	0
					<u>£10,210,272</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>0</u>

Profit and Loss.

Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
Interest credited to depositors during 1906	291,191	19	1	Balance forward, 1st January, 1906	272,347	17	10
Interest paid on debentures purchased by Department, ex div.	771	17	4	Interest received during 1906	304,857	15	3
Paid Public Account, for expenses of management during 1906	17,000	0	0	Accrued interest on 31st December, 1906	94,399	12	4
Savings-bank profits carried to postal revenue	23,000	0	0		<u>£399,257</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>7</u>
Balance to next account	257,007	6	0	Less accrued interest on 31st December, 1905	82,733	17	0
	<u>£588,971</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>5</u>	Savings-bank fines			
					<u>99</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>0</u>
					<u>£588,971</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>5</u>

Table No. 10.

TABLE showing the Total Number of Post-Office Savings-Bank Accounts open on the 31st December, 1906, classified according to the Balances at Credit, compared with the Number open at the end of 1905.

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 Number of Accounts open.
Auckland	30,082	4,374	3,006	2,699	1,173	374	234	238	42,180
Blenheim	3,752	478	305	263	113	59	31	14	5,015
Christchurch	39,255	5,638	3,718	3,102	1,200	532	302	268	54,015
Dunedin	27,026	4,667	3,084	2,502	1,154	458	240	205	39,336
Gisborne	4,097	636	385	246	106	47	22	25	5,564
Greymouth	3,614	604	417	333	134	75	41	32	5,300
Hokitika	1,094	225	152	171	74	24	8	5	1,753
Invercargill	8,151	1,447	1,098	833	346	137	54	49	12,115
Napier	9,809	1,791	1,306	722	410	147	74	45	14,304
Nelson	5,784	919	628	511	214	90	47	46	8,239
New Plymouth	5,314	788	514	413	158	71	30	31	7,319
Oamaru	2,750	587	371	380	156	48	31	20	4,343
Thames	7,015	904	552	451	191	70	37	33	9,253
Timaru	6,231	1,056	692	574	243	91	73	61	9,021
Wanganui	11,291	1,767	1,029	754	308	150	67	64	15,430
Wellington	44,765	7,024	4,216	3,526	1,519	433	201	236	61,920
Westport	2,575	409	275	222	86	35	14	23	3,639
Totals, 1906	212,605	33,314	21,748	17,752	7,585	2,841	1,506	1,395	298,746
Totals, 1905	198,481	30,104	19,611	16,835	6,411	2,370	1,194	1,060	276,066

Table No. 11.

INLAND MAIL-SERVICES ESTABLISHED, EXTENDED, ETC.

District.	Name of Service.	Frequency.	Remarks.
Auckland	Auckland landing service	As required ..	Established. (Renewal, 1st January, 1906, to 31st December, 1906.)
	Pahi Post-office- steamer	" ..	Established.
	Whangaparaoa Post-office- steamer ..	" ..	"
	Kohukohu- Rawene	Daily ..	"
	Manunui Post-office- Railway-station	" ..	"
	Matamata- Turangaomoana	" ..	"
	Putaruru- Mokai	" ..	"
	Raurimu- Makatote	" ..	"
	Cambridge- Karapiro	Thrice weekly ..	"
	Kiokio Railway-station- Kiokio	" ..	"
	Ngaruawahia- Te Kowhai	Daily, and thrice weekly	" (Renewal.)
	Cambridge- Rotoorangi	Twice weekly ..	"
	Driving Creek- Tokatea	" ..	"
	Kaiua- Maramarua- Maungatawhiri- Miranda	Weekly ..	"
	Kaihu- Mangatu- Tutamoe- Taheke ..	" ..	" (Renewal, 1st November, 1906, to 31st December, 1906.)
	Kakepuku- Ormsby's Farm	" ..	" (Renewal.)
	Onewhero- Wairamarama	" ..	"
	Otorohanga- Honikiwi	" ..	"
	Piopia- Aria	" ..	"
	Piopia- Mangaotaki	" ..	"
	Raurimu- Kaitieke	" ..	"
	Russell- Rawhiti	" ..	" (Renewal.)
	Whangape- Owata	" ..	"
	Coromandel- Kennedy's Bay ..	Fortnightly ..	"
	Rotorua Railway-station- Rotorua Post-office	" ..	Extended: to Whakarewarewa (new office).
	Oio- Raurimu	" ..	Frequency increased: thrice weekly to daily.
	Cambridge- Maungatautari	" ..	Frequency increased: twice to thrice weekly.
	Hukerenui- Palaka	" ..	Frequency increased: once to twice weekly.
	Makarau Post-office- Railway-station	" ..	Frequency increased: once to twice weekly.
	Ahipara- Herekino	" ..	Altered: by exclusion of Rangiheke (office closed).
	Auckland, &c.- Frankton Junction (railway service)	" ..	Altered: by inclusion of Paerata after Drury.
	Cambridge- Cambridge West- Kaipaki	" ..	Altered: by exclusion of Pukerimu.
"	" ..	Altered: by inclusion of Pukerimu (reopened) after Cambridge West.	
Dargaville, &c.- Kaihu (railway service)	" ..	Altered: by inclusion of Muka (new office) after Dargaville.	
Frankton Junction, &c.- Taumarunui	" ..	Altered: by inclusion of Kiokio Railway-station after Te Awamutu.	
Helensville, &c.- Dargaville	" ..	Altered: by exclusion of Mangawhare after Aoroa.	
"	" ..	Altered: by inclusion of Tangitiki (new office) before Tangaihi.	
Mangonui, &c.- Ahipara	" ..	Altered: by inclusion of Rangitihī (new office) before Kaitaia.	
Pirongia- Kawhia	" ..	Altered: by inclusion of Puketotara (new office) after Pirongia.	
Warkworth, &c.- Port Albert	" ..	Altered: by inclusion of Waiwawa (new office) after Kaipara Flats.	
Mangawhare Post-office- steamer ..	" ..	Abolished.	
Oio- Raurimu	" ..	"	
Russell- Waitangi	" ..	"	
Scarrott's Post-office- steamer ..	" ..	"	
Te Kao landing service	" ..	"	
Blenheim ..	Seddon - Blind River - Grassmere - Flaxbourne	Weekly ..	Established.
"	Havelock - Te Puru and offices in Sounds	" ..	Abolished. (Replaced by Picton and Havelock service.)
Christchurch	Marshland: Delivery of letters by subsidised carrier	Daily ..	Established. (Renewal.)
	Broken River- Bealey- Otira Railway (thrice weekly), Aicken's- Jackson's- Taipo- Wainihinihi- Kumara (twice weekly)	Thrice and twice weekly	" (See ABOLISHED.)
	Springfield, &c.- Kumara	Ditto ..	" (Renewal.)
	Lyttelton- Chatham Islands	Two-monthly ..	"
	Bennett's Post-office- Railway-station	" ..	Frequency increased: daily to twice daily.
	Greenpark Post-office- Railway-station	" ..	Frequency increased: thrice weekly to daily.
Ataahua- Kaituna Railway-station ..	" ..	Frequency increased: four times weekly to daily.	
Springfield, &c.- Kumara	" ..	Frequency decreased: by discontinuance of Sunday run from Springfield. Thrice weekly to twice weekly (one way only).	

Table No. 11—continued.

INLAND MAIL-SERVICES ESTABLISHED, EXTENDED, ETC.—continued.

District.	Name of Service.	Frequency.	Remarks.
Christchurch— <i>continued.</i>	Ethelton-Domett-Cheviot to Tormore -Domett-Cheviot	.. ..	Curtailed: owing to railway extension.
	Springfield, &c. - Kumara to Broken River-Kumara	.. ..	Curtailed: owing to railway extension. (See ESTABLISHED and ABOLISHED.)
	Waiau-Kaikoura .. .. .	.. ..	Altered: by inclusion of Kaikoura Suburban.
	Barry's Bay - Hill Top .. ..	.. ..	Abolished.
	Cust Post-office - Railway-station ..	.. ..	"
	Greenpark-Lincoln .. .. .	.. ..	" Owing to extension of railway facilities.
	Spotswood-Cheviot .. .. .	.. ..	" Now embraced in Cheviot- Kaikoura service.
	Springfield, &c. - Kumara .. ..	.. ..	" (See ESTABLISHED.)
	Waiau - Hawkeswood - Conway Flat	.. ..	" Now embraced in Cheviot- Kaikoura service.
	Dunedin	Milton - Waronui (Fortification), (no post-office)	Daily .. ..	Established.
Heriot - Moa Flat Estate (no post- office, rural delivery)		Thrice weekly ..	"
Katea - Hunt's Road Railway-siding		.. ..	"
Bendigo-Tarras		Twice weekly ..	"
Kononi-Rongahere .. .. .		.. ..	" (See ABOLISHED.)
Pembroke-Cardrona		Weekly	" (Winter service renewed.)
Waitahuna - Waitahuna West		.. ..	Extended to Puketi (new office).
Dunedin, &c.-Clinton (railway service)		.. ..	Altered: by inclusion of Clarendon after Waihola.
Hunt's Road Post-office - Railway- siding		.. ..	Altered: Katea changed to Hunt's Road, and new office, called "Katea," opened at Katea School.
Ophir-Matakanui-Drybread .. ..		.. ..	Altered: by substitution of Omakau for Ophir as terminal office, on ac- count of railway extension.
Gisborne	Pembroke-Cardrona .. .. .	.. ..	Temporarily discontinued, 30th Oct., 1906, in terms of agreement.
	Chatto Creek - Alexandra South	.. ..	Abolished: owing to railway extension.
	Taupeka Mouth - Rongahere .. ..	.. ..	Abolished. (See ESTABLISHED.)
	Patutahi - Tahunga	Weekly	Established.
	Waitakaro - Waipiro Bay .. .. .	.. ..	"
	Hauti-Arakaha .. .. .	.. ..	Extended: to commence from Tolaga Bay (Tolaga Bay-Hauti-Arakaha).
	Ngatapa (no post-office)-Wharekopae	.. ..	Extended: owing to removal of site of Wharekopae Post-office.
	Gisborne, &c. - Wairoa via Morere ..	.. ..	Frequency increased: weekly to twice weekly, during tourist season, 11th January, 1906, to 30th April, 1906.
	Gisborne, &c. - Wairoa via Morere ..	.. ..	Frequency increased: weekly to twice weekly during tourist season, 1st December, 1906, to 30th April, 1907.
	Gisborne, &c. - Wairoa .. .. .	.. ..	Altered: by inclusion of Opouiti (new office) after Tiniroto.
Greymouth	Te Karaka Post-office-Railway-station	.. ..	Abolished: owing to transfer of post- office to railway-station.
	Greymouth - State Collieries (late Ru- nanga) - Runanga (new office)	.. ..	Extended.
	Greymouth-Runanga .. .. .	.. ..	Frequency increased: daily to twice daily.
Hokitika	Main Road, Ikamatua - Blackwater - Upper Blackwater	.. ..	Frequency increased: twice to thrice weekly.
	Greymouth, &c. - Barrytown .. ..	.. ..	Altered: by inclusion of Rapahoe after Ten-mile Creek.
	Nelson Creek - Bell Hill .. .. .	.. ..	Abolished.
Invercargill	Hokitika-Fox's .. .. .	.. ..	Altered: by inclusion of Arapura after Hokitika.
	Ross, &c.-Okarito .. .. .	.. ..	Altered: by inclusion of Mount Her- cules (new office) after Hende's Ferry.
	Okarito-Waikukupa-Gillespie's Beach	.. ..	Abolished.
	Otautau Post-office - Railway-station	As required ..	Established.
	Mataura-Waimumu	Thrice weekly ..	"
	Pukerau-Benio	Twice weekly ..	"
	Te Anau - Glade House .. .. .	.. ..	" (Renewal, 1st Nov., 1906, to 30th April, 1907.)
	Waihoaka Railway-station - Post-office	.. ..	"
	Garston - Upper Nevis - Nevis	Weekly (Oct.-May) ..	"
	Bluff - Ruapuke Island	Fortnightly	" (Renewal.)
Glade House - Sandfly (Milford Sound)	.. ..	" (Renewal, 1st Nov., 1906, to 30th April, 1907.)	
Invercargill	Invercargill-Cromarty	Monthly	" (Renewal.)
	Invercargill or Bluff - Cromarty ..	.. ..	" (Renewal, 1st Nov. 1906, to 31st Oct., 1907.)
	Waikawa Valley - Main Road .. ..	.. ..	Frequency increased: twice to thrice weekly.
	Lumsden - Mossburn - The Key - Te Anau	.. ..	Frequency increased: weekly to twice weekly.
	Manapouri - Hillside Creek .. ..	.. ..	Ditto.
	Mossburn-Matuku .. .. .	.. ..	" (1st Nov. 1906.)

Table No. 11—continued.

INLAND MAIL-SERVICES ESTABLISHED, EXTENDED, ETC.—continued.

District.	Name of Service.	Frequency.	Remarks.
Invercargill— <i>ctd.</i>	Mossburn—Matuku .. ..	..	Frequency decreased: twice to once weekly. (1st May, 1906.)
	Centre Bush Railway-siding—Otapiri Gorge .. ..	..	Altered: by inclusion of Matai (new office).
Napier ..	Te Anau—Glade House .. ..	..	Temporarily discontinued.
	Takapau—South Makaretu (rural delivery) .. ..	..	Frequency decreased: thrice to twice weekly.
	Hastings—Maraekakaho .. ..	..	Altered: by inclusion of Fernhill.
	Hastings—Waimarama .. ..	..	Altered: post-office opened at Waimarama, and service changed from private-bag delivery to closed-mail service.
	Napier—Moawhango .. ..	..	Altered: by exclusion of Puketapu.
	Napier, &c. — Wairoa .. ..	..	Altered: by inclusion of Putorino after Port Ahuriri.
	Ngapaeruru—Pokokomuka—Mangahei .. ..	..	Altered: now Mangatoro—Ngapaeruru—Mangahei; Ngapaeruru closed, and Pokokomuka changed to Ngapaeruru.
	Waipawa—Argyll East .. ..	..	Altered to Argyll East—mail coach on Waipawa Road.
Nelson ..	Tadmor Post-office—Railway-station	Thrice weekly ..	Established.
	Tadmor Railway-station—Sherry River	Twice weekly ..	"
	Tadmor Railway-station—Kiwi	Twice weekly ..	"
	Motupiko—Kohatu .. ..	..	Frequency increased: twice to thrice weekly.
	Totaranui—Awa-iti .. ..	..	Frequency decreased: twice weekly to weekly.
	Motupiko, &c. — Sherry River .. ..	..	Abolished: owing to railway extension.
New Plymouth	Inglewood—Maketawa (railway service)	Twice weekly ..	Established.
	Inglewood—Ngatoro	Twice weekly (1st May to 31st Aug.), daily (1st Sept. to 30th April) ..	"
	New Plymouth—Hurworth	Twice weekly ..	"
	New Plymouth—Kent Road—Korito .. ..	..	" (See ABOLISHED.)
	New Plymouth—Tarururangi .. ..	..	"
	New Plymouth—Fitzroy .. ..	..	Frequency increased: daily to twice daily, by an additional mail from Fitzroy.
	New Plymouth—Kent Road .. ..	..	Abolished. (See ESTABLISHED.)
Oamaru ..	Stratford—Cardiff—Mahoe	Twice daily ..	Established.
	Borton's Post-office—Railway-siding	Weekly ..	" (Resumed, 1st Nov., 1906, in terms of contract.)
	Oamarua—Lake Pukaki .. ..	..	Ditto.
	Oamarua—Pembroke .. ..	..	Temporarily discontinued (1st May to 31st October); periodical, in terms of contract.
	Oamarua—Lake Pukaki .. ..	..	Ditto.
Thames ..	Oamarua—Pembroke .. ..	..	Frequency increased: weekly to twice weekly.
	Taneatua—Ruatokei .. ..	..	Altered: by change of designation, Waiotahi to Kutarere.
	Opotiki—Waiotahi .. ..	..	Altered: by inclusion of Opouriao (new office).
	Taneatua—Ruatokei .. ..	..	Altered: by inclusion of Mangaiti after Paeroa.
	Thames, &c. — Te Aroha (railway service) .. ..	..	Altered: by exclusion of Athenree (post-office closed).
	Waihi, &c. — Tauranga .. ..	..	Altered: to Taneatua—Waingarara.
	Whakatane—Waingarara .. ..	..	Abolished: now performed by departmental messenger.
	Karangahake Post-office—Railway-station .. ..	..	Abolished: Kaiarau and Miranda offices transferred to Auckland District and served <i>via</i> Maramarua. (See ESTABLISHED, Auckland District.)
Timaru ..	Thames—Kaiarau—Miranda .. ..	..	Established.
	Washdyke Post-office—Railway-station	Four times daily ..	" (Service resumed in full, in terms of contract.)
	Fairlie, &c. — Lake Pukaki—Hermitage	Twice weekly ..	" (Winter service performed by Tourist and Health Resorts Department, re-established.)
	Lake Pukaki—Hermitage	Weekly ..	Extended: to include schoolhouse, Tycho Flat.
	Sutherland's—Tycho Flat (rural delivery) .. ..	..	Frequency increased: once to twice daily.
	Timaru—Gleniti .. ..	..	Frequency decreased: discontinued to Hermitage, and reduced (twice to once weekly) beyond Burke's Pass to Lake Pukaki (for winter, 1st May to 31st October).
	Fairlie—Kimbell—Burke's Pass—Lake Tekapo—Lake Pukaki—Hermitage .. ..	..	Abolished. (Winter service by Tourist and Health Resorts Department.)
	Lake Pukaki—Hermitage .. ..	..

Table No. 11—continued.

INLAND MAIL-SERVICES ESTABLISHED, EXTENDED, ETC.—continued.

District.	Name of Service.	Frequency.	Remarks.	
Wanganui ..	Mataroa—Turangarere (railway service)	Daily	Established. (See CURTAILED.)	
	Moumahaki—Moumahakinui ..	"	"	
	Moumahakinui Post-office—Moumahaki Railway-station	"	"	
	Taihape—Mataroa (railway service) ..	"	(See CURTAILED.)	
	Wanganui—Mosstown (no post-office)—Tayforth (no post-office)—Upper St. John's (no post-office), (rural delivery)	"	"	
	Turakina—Turakina Valley—Mangara Creek	Daily and thrice weekly	"	(Renewal, 1st Jan., 1906, to 31st Dec., 1906)
	Mangaweka—Manui	Thrice weekly ..	"	(Renewal, 1st Jan., 1906, to 31st Dec., 1906)
	Pipiriki—Taumarunui	"	"	(Renewal, 24th April, 1906, to 28th April, 1907.)
	Tokaanu—Waiouru, &c.—Pipiriki ..	Thrice and twice weekly	"	(Renewal, 1st Jan., 1906, to 31st Dec., 1908.)
	Okoia—No. 3 Line—Long Acre Valley (rural delivery)	Twice weekly ..	"	(Renewal.)
	Mangaweka—Tekapua Road, to one mile beyond Mr. Cruickshank's residence (rural delivery)	Weekly	"	
	Pipiriki—Raetihi—Ohakune	"	"	(During winter months.)
	Marton—Crofton	"	"	Frequency increased: Thrice weekly to daily.
	Waiouru—Turangarere—Taihape ..	"	"	Ditto. (See CURTAILED.)
	Ohutu—Lower Moawhango (thrice weekly)—Pukeokahu (twice weekly)	"	"	Frequency increased: Twice to thrice and twice weekly. (See ALTERED.)
	Waiouru—Turangarere—Taihape ..	"	"	Frequency increased: Twice to thrice weekly. (8th Feb. to 31st May, 1906.)
	Ohutu—Pukeokahu	"	"	Frequency increased: Weekly to twice weekly.
	Waiouru—Turangarere—Taihape ..	"	"	Ditto. (1st May to 31st Oct.)
	Taihape—Mataroa—Ruanui	"	"	Curtailed to Mataroa—Ruanui, owing to railway extension. (See ESTABLISHED.)
	Waiouru—Turangarere—Taihape ..	"	"	Curtailed to Waiouru—Turangarere—Turangarere railhead (no post-office), owing to railway extension. (See ESTABLISHED.)
	Mangaonoho—Tiriraukawa	"	"	Altered by exclusion of Wairepo (office closed).
	Ohutu—Pukeokahu	"	"	Altered by inclusion of Lower Moawhanga (new office). (See FREQUENCY INCREASED.)
	Waverley—Kohi	"	"	Suspended owing to temporary closing of Kohi post-office.
	Kaimanuka—Orangimea	"	"	Abolished.
	Mangaweka—Manui	"	"	"
	Pariroa Post-office—Railway-station	"	"	"
Pipiriki—Raetihi—Ohakune	"	"	(Extra weekly service during winter.)	
Pipiriki—Taumarunui	"	"	"	
Waitotara—Moumahaki	"	"	(See ESTABLISHED.)	
Wellington ..	Wellington: Conveyance of mails by tramway within the Wellington Ward, &c.	As required ..	Established. (Renewal.)	
	Wellington South—Berhampore—Island Bay (conveyance of messenger by trams to clear receivers)	"	"	(See ABOLISHED.)
	Colyton, &c.—Midland Road ..	Daily	"	(Renewal.)
	Khandallah Post-office—Railway-station	"	"	"
	Rongotea—Kaimatarau	"	"	"
	Rangiwahia—Whitebridge	" and twice weekly	"	(Renewal, 1st Jan., 1906, to 31st Dec., 1906.)
	Glen Oroua—Taikorea	Four times weekly	"	"
	Gladstone—Longbush (no post-office), rural delivery	Thrice weekly ..	"	(Renewal.)
	Kimbolton—Awawaro	"	"	"
	Flat Point—Homewood	Twice weekly ..	"	(Renewal, 1st Jan., 1905, to 31st Dec., 1906.)
	Linton—Moturimu	"	"	"
	Colyton—Te Awa (rural delivery) ..	Weekly	"	"
Chatham Islands (Waitangi)—Moreroa (no post-office)—Whangaroa (no post-office)—Maunganui (no post-office)—Waitangi West (no post-office)	Eleven trips per annum, as required	"	"	
Chatham Islands (Waitangi)—Wharekauri (no post-office)—Matarakau—Kaingaroa (no post-office)—Whakuru (no post-office)	Ditto	"	"	

Table No. 11—*continued.*INLAND MAIL-SERVICES ESTABLISHED, EXTENDED, ETC.—*continued.*

District.	Name of Service.	Frequency.	Remarks.
Wellington— <i>ctd.</i>	Chatham Islands (Waitangi) - Orenga (no post-office)-Manukau (no post-office)	Eleven trips per annum, as required.	Established.
	Chatham Islands (Waitangi) - Te Ngaio (no post-office)	Ditto	"
	Featherston - Kaiwairai - Martinborough	..	Frequency increased: twice to thrice daily.
	Upper Hutt - Akatarawa (delivery of correspondence)	..	Frequency increased: twice to thrice weekly.
	Maku-Pukehinuau .. ..	..	Frequency increased: weekly to twice weekly.
	Waiowaka-Waikereru .. ..	..	Ditto.
	Wellington, &c. - Havelock.. ..	..	Altered: by inclusion of Whatanihi after Mahau.
	Taikorea - Oroua Bridge .. ..	..	Abolished. (See ESTABLISHED.)
	Wellington - Island Bay - Berhampore	..	"
Westport ..	Denniston-Breakhead (no post-office)	Twice daily	Established.
	Millerton-Breakhead (no post-office)	Daily	"

Table No. 12.—SAN FRANCISCO MAIL-SERVICE.

STATEMENT showing the Number of Days occupied in the Delivery of Mails between London and the undermentioned 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.
1906. January 13	1906. February 12	30	1906. January 13	1906. February 14	32	1906. January 13	1906. February 15	33	1906. January 13	1906. February 17	35	1906. January 13	1906. February 19	37
February 3	March 6	31	February 3	March 7	32	February 3	March 8	33	February 3	March 11	36	February 3	March 13	38
February 24	March 27	31	February 24	March 29	33	February 24	March 30	34	February 24	March 31	35	February 24	March 23	37
March 17	April 16	30	March 17	April 17	31	March 17	April 18	32	March 17	April 21	35	March 17	April 22	37
* April 7	May 18	41	* April 7	May 19	42	* April 7	May 20	43	* April 7	May 22	45	* April 7	May 23	46
May 19	June 23	35	May 19	June 25	37	May 19	June 26	38	May 19	June 29	41	May 19	June 30	42
June 9	July 12	33	June 9	July 14	35	June 9	July 15	36	June 9	July 17	38	June 9	July 19	40
June 30	July 30	30	June 30	July 31	31	June 30	August 1	32	June 30	August 4	35	June 30	August 19	37
July 21	August 26	36	July 21	August 27	37	July 21	August 28	38	July 21	August 31	41	July 21	September 1	42
August 11	September 13	33	August 11	September 14	34	August 11	September 15	35	August 11	September 18	38	August 11	September 19	39
September 1	October 1	30	September 1	October 3	32	September 1	October 4	33	September 1	October 8	37	September 1	October 8	37
September 22	October 29	37	September 22	October 30	38	September 22	October 31	39	September 22	November 31	40	September 22	November 1	40
October 13	November 18	36	October 13	November 20	38	October 13	November 21	39	October 13	November 24	42	October 13	November 26	44
November 3	December 7	34	November 3	December 8	35	November 3	December 9	36	November 3	December 12	39	November 3	December 13	40
December 15	1907. January 19	35	December 15	1907. January 21	37	December 15	1907. January 22	38	December 15	1907. January 24	40	December 15	1907. January 25	41
Maximum	...	41†	...	...	42†	...	...	43†	...	...	45†	...	...	46†
Minimum	...	30	...	...	31	...	...	32	...	...	35	...	...	37
Average	...	33.47	...	...	34.93	...	...	35.93	...	...	38.40	...	...	39.80

* This mail was delayed and diverted *via* Vancouver in consequence of the San Francisco earthquake of the 18th April, 1906. † The high maxima are due to the diversion of mail of 7th April, 1906.

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.
1906. January 13	1906. February 18	36	1906. January 15	1906. February 18	34	1906. January 17	1906. February 18	32	1906. January 18	1906. February 18	31	1906. January 19	1906. February 18	30
February 3	March 13	38	February 5	March 13	36	February 7	March 13	34	February 8	March 13	33	February 10	March 13	31
February 24	April 1	36	February 26	April 1	34	February 28	April 1	32	March 1	April 1	31	March 2	April 1	30
March 17	April 26	40	March 19	April 26	38	March 21	April 26	36	March 22	April 26	35	March 25	April 26	32
April 7	May 14	37	April 9	May 14	35	April 11	May 14	33	April 12	May 14	32	April 13	May 14	31
April 28	June 2	35	April 30	June 2	33	May 9	June 2	31	May 10	June 2	30	May 11	June 2	29
June 6	August 11	36	July 7	August 11	35	July 9	August 11	33	July 10	August 11	32	July 11	August 11	31
July 21	August 25	35	July 23	August 25	33	July 25	August 25	31	July 26	August 25	30	July 27	August 25	29
August 11	September 16	36	August 13	September 16	34	August 15	September 16	32	August 16	September 16	31	August 17	September 16	30
September 1	October 14	38	September 7	October 14	37	September 8	October 14	36	September 10	October 14	34	September 12	October 14	32
September 22	November 3	42	September 24	November 3	40	September 26	November 3	38	September 27	November 3	37	September 29	November 3	35
October 13	November 21	39	October 15	November 21	37	October 17	November 21	35	October 18	November 21	34	October 19	November 21	33
November 15	1907. January 6	43	November 26	1907. January 6	41	November 28	1907. January 6	39	November 29	1907. January 6	38	December 1	1907. January 6	36
December 15	1907. January 27	43	December 17	1907. January 27	41	December 19	1907. January 27	39	December 20	1907. January 27	38	December 22	1907. January 27	36
Maximum	...	43	...	...	41	...	...	39	...	...	38	...	...	36
Minimum	...	35	...	...	33	...	...	31	...	...	30	...	...	29
Average	...	38.14	...	...	36.29	...	...	34.36	...	...	33.29	...	...	31.76

Table No. 13.—PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL MAIL-SERVICE.

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

FROM LONDON BY THE 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.
1906. Jan. 12	1906. Feb. 11	30	1906. Jan. 12	1906. Feb. 12	31	1906. Jan. 12	1906. Feb. 20	39	1906. Jan. 12	1906. Feb. 21	40	1906. Jan. 12	1906. Feb. 20	39	1906. Jan. 12	1906. Feb. 18	37
Jan. 26	Feb. 25	30	Jan. 26	March 12	31	Jan. 26	March 6	39	Jan. 26	March 7	40	Jan. 26	March 3	36	Jan. 26	March 19	35
Feb. 9	March 11	30	Feb. 9	March 12	31	Feb. 9	March 19	38	Feb. 9	March 20	39	Feb. 9	March 20	39	Feb. 9	March 19	38
Feb. 23	March 25	30	Feb. 23	March 27	32	Feb. 23	April 2	38	Feb. 23	April 3	39	Feb. 23	April 2	38	Feb. 23	April 13	37
March 9	April 8	30	March 9	April 9	31	March 9	April 15	37	March 9	April 16	38	March 9	April 14	36	March 9	April 13	35
March 23	April 22	30	March 23	April 23	31	March 23	May 1	38	March 23	April 2	40	March 23	April 9	39	March 23	April 23	37
April 6	May 6	30	April 6	May 7	31	April 6	May 14	38	April 6	May 15	39	April 6	May 15	39	April 6	May 13	37
April 20	May 20	30	April 20	May 21	31	April 20	May 28	38	April 20	May 29	39	April 20	May 28	38	April 20	May 27	37
May 4	June 3	30	May 4	June 5	31	May 4	June 11	38	May 4	June 12	39	May 4	June 12	39	May 4	June 11	38
May 18	June 18	31	May 18	June 19	32	May 18	June 26	39	May 18	June 27	40	May 18	June 25	38	May 18	June 24	37
June 1	July 1	30	June 1	July 2	31	June 1	July 14	43	June 1	July 13	42	June 1	July 11	40	June 1	July 8	37
June 15	July 15	30	June 15	July 16	31	June 15	July 23	38	June 15	July 24	39	June 15	July 23	38	June 15	July 22	37
June 29	July 30	31	June 29	July 30	31	June 29	August 6	38	June 29	August 7	39	June 29	August 7	39	June 29	August 5	37
July 13	August 12	30	July 13	August 13	31	July 13	August 20	38	July 13	August 21	39	July 13	August 18	36	July 13	August 17	35
July 27	August 26	30	July 27	August 27	31	July 27	Sept. 4	39	July 27	Sept. 5	40	July 27	Sept. 4	39	July 27	Sept. 3	38
August 10	Sept. 9	30	August 10	Sept. 10	31	August 10	Sept. 18	39	August 10	Sept. 18	39	August 10	Sept. 17	38	August 10	Sept. 16	37
August 24	Sept. 23	30	August 24	Sept. 24	31	August 24	October 1	38	August 24	October 2	39	August 24	October 2	39	August 24	Sept. 28	35
Sept. 7	October 8	31	Sept. 7	October 9	32	Sept. 7	October 15	38	Sept. 7	October 16	39	Sept. 7	October 16	39	Sept. 7	October 15	38
Sept. 21	October 21	30	Sept. 21	October 22	31	Sept. 21	October 29	38	Sept. 21	October 30	39	Sept. 21	October 29	38	Sept. 21	October 28	37
October 5	Nov. 4	30	October 5	Nov. 6	32	October 5	Nov. 12	38	October 5	Nov. 13	39	October 5	Nov. 13	39	October 5	Nov. 12	38
October 19	Nov. 18	30	October 19	Nov. 20	32	October 19	Nov. 26	38	October 19	Nov. 26	38	October 19	Nov. 26	38	October 19	Nov. 25	37
Nov. 2	Dec. 3	31	Nov. 2	Dec. 4	32	Nov. 2	Dec. 10	38	Nov. 2	Dec. 11	39	Nov. 2	Dec. 11	39	Nov. 2	Dec. 10	38
Nov. 16	Dec. 16	30	Nov. 16	Dec. 17	31	Nov. 16	Dec. 24	38	Nov. 16	Dec. 25	39	Nov. 16	Dec. 24	38	Nov. 16	Dec. 22	36
Nov. 30	Dec. 30	30	Nov. 30	Dec. 31	31	Nov. 30	Jan. 8	39	Nov. 30	Jan. 9	40	Nov. 30	Jan. 7	38	Nov. 30	Jan. 6	37
Dec. 14	Jan. 13	30	Dec. 14	Jan. 14	31	Dec. 14	Jan. 21	38	Dec. 14	Jan. 22	39	Dec. 14	Jan. 22	39	Dec. 14	Jan. 21	38
Dec. 28	Jan. 28	31	Dec. 28	Jan. 29	32	Dec. 28	Feb. 4	38	Dec. 28	Feb. 5	39	Dec. 28	Feb. 4	38	Dec. 28	Feb. 3	37
Maximum	...	31	...	...	32	...	...	43	...	...	42	...	...	40	...	...	38
Minimum	...	30	...	...	31	...	...	37	...	...	38	...	...	36	...	...	35
Average	...	30'19	...	...	31'31	...	...	38'42	...	...	39'27	...	...	38'31	...	...	36'92

Table No. 13.—PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL MAIL-SERVICE—continued.

STATEMENT showing the Number of Days occupied in the Delivery of Mails between London and the undermentioned Places by the Packets of the Peninsular and Oriental Line—continued.

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

AUCKLAND.		WELLINGTON.		BLUFF.		SYDNEY.		MELBOURNE.	
Date of Despatch from Auckland.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from Wellington.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from Bluff.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from Sydney.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from Melbourne.	No. of Days.
1906. January 5	35	1905. December 30	41	1906. January 1	39	1906. January 9	31	1906. January 10	30
February 9	39	1906. January 13	41	January 15	39	February 23	31	January 24	30
February 23	40	1906. January 27	42	January 29	40	February 6	32	February 7	31
March 10	38	February 10	42	February 12	39	March 23	31	February 21	30
March 23	40	February 23	42	February 26	40	March 7	32	March 7	31
April 7	39	March 7	41	March 12	39	April 20	31	March 21	30
April 20	38	March 10	41	March 12	40	April 20	31	March 21	30
May 4	40	March 24	42	March 26	39	April 3	32	April 4	31
May 19	39	April 7	41	April 9	40	April 17	31	April 18	30
June 1	40	April 21	41	April 23	39	May 1	31	May 2	30
June 16	39	May 5	42	May 7	40	June 1	32	May 16	31
June 30	40	May 19	42	May 21	39	June 15	31	May 16	30
July 14	40	June 2	42	June 4	40	June 29	32	June 30	31
July 29	41	June 16	42	June 19	40	July 12	33	July 13	31
August 12	40	July 2	43	July 4	40	July 26	33	July 27	32
August 25	40	July 16	42	July 19	41	August 10	32	July 27	31
September 8	40	July 30	42	July 31	40	August 24	32	July 25	31
September 23	39	August 11	43	August 13	41	August 7	32	August 8	31
October 5	37	August 25	41	August 28	40	August 21	33	August 22	32
October 20	39	September 8	42	September 10	38	September 4	31	September 5	30
November 2	39	September 22	42	September 24	40	September 18	32	September 19	31
November 16	39	October 6	41	September 24	39	October 4	31	October 5	30
November 30	39	October 20	41	October 10	40	October 18	32	October 20	31
December 15	38	November 3	41	October 20	39	November 2	31	October 23	30
December 28	39	November 17	41	November 2	40	November 16	31	November 3	30
1907. January 11	37	December 7	35	November 16	39	November 16	31	October 17	30
January 26	40	December 15	42	November 30	39	December 13	32	October 31	30
February 8	39	December 29	41	December 5	36	December 15	32	November 14	31
				December 15	41	December 28	31	November 28	30
				December 28	41	1907. January 11	31	1907. January 11	30
				1907. January 11	35	January 26	33	January 26	31
				February 8	41	February 8	31	February 8	30
Maximum	41	43	41	41	41	33	33	..	32
Minimum	35	35	38	38	38	31	31	..	30
Average	39.15	41.11	39.52	39.52	39.52	31.67	31.67	..	30.63

Table No. 14.—ORIENT MAIL-SERVICE.

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

FROM LONDON BY THE ORIENT LINE.

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 at Christchurch.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival at Wellington.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival at Auckland.	No. of Days.
1906. Jan. 5	1906. Feb. 6	32	1906. Jan. 5	1906. Feb. 7	33	1906. Jan. 5	1906. Feb. 13	39	1906. Jan. 5	1906. Feb. 14	40	1906. Jan. 5	1906. Feb. 13	39	1906. Jan. 5	1906. Feb. 12	38
1906. Jan. 19	1906. Feb. 20	32	1906. Jan. 19	1906. Feb. 21	33	1906. Jan. 19	1906. Feb. 26	38	1906. Jan. 19	1906. Feb. 27	39	1906. Jan. 19	1906. Feb. 26	38	1906. Jan. 19	1906. Feb. 25	37
1906. Feb. 2	1906. March 6	32	1906. Feb. 2	1906. March 7	33	1906. Feb. 2	1906. March 13	39	1906. Feb. 2	1906. March 13	39	1906. Feb. 2	1906. March 13	39	1906. Feb. 2	1906. March 11	37
1906. Feb. 16	1906. March 20	32	1906. Feb. 16	1906. March 21	33	1906. Feb. 16	1906. March 26	38	1906. Feb. 16	1906. March 27	39	1906. Feb. 16	1906. March 27	39	1906. Feb. 16	1906. March 25	37
1906. March 2	1906. April 3	32	1906. March 2	1906. April 4	33	1906. March 2	1906. April 9	38	1906. March 2	1906. April 10	39	1906. March 2	1906. April 10	39	1906. March 2	1906. April 8	37
1906. March 16	1906. April 17	32	1906. March 16	1906. April 18	33	1906. March 16	1906. April 24	39	1906. March 16	1906. April 25	40	1906. March 16	1906. April 24	39	1906. March 16	1906. April 23	38
1906. March 30	1906. May 1	32	1906. March 30	1906. May 2	33	1906. March 30	1906. May 8	39	1906. March 30	1906. May 8	40	1906. March 30	1906. May 8	39	1906. March 30	1906. May 6	37
1906. April 13	1906. May 15	32	1906. April 13	1906. May 16	33	1906. April 13	1906. May 25	42	1906. April 13	1906. May 25	42	1906. April 13	1906. May 23	40	1906. April 13	1906. May 21	38
1906. April 27	1906. May 29	32	1906. April 27	1906. May 30	33	1906. April 27	1906. June 5	39	1906. April 27	1906. June 5	39	1906. April 27	1906. June 6	40	1906. April 27	1906. June 4	38
1906. May 11	1906. June 12	32	1906. May 11	1906. June 13	33	1906. May 11	1906. June 18	38	1906. May 11	1906. June 19	39	1906. May 11	1906. June 20	40	1906. May 11	1906. June 18	38
1906. May 25	1906. June 26	32	1906. May 25	1906. June 27	33	1906. May 25	1906. July 2	38	1906. May 25	1906. July 3	39	1906. May 25	1906. July 2	38	1906. May 25	1906. July 1	37
1906. June 8	1906. July 10	32	1906. June 8	1906. July 11	33	1906. June 8	1906. July 16	38	1906. June 8	1906. July 17	39	1906. June 8	1906. July 17	39	1906. June 8	1906. July 15	37
1906. June 22	1906. July 24	32	1906. June 22	1906. July 25	33	1906. June 22	1906. July 30	38	1906. June 22	1906. July 31	39	1906. June 22	1906. July 31	39	1906. June 22	1906. July 29	37
1906. July 6	1906. August 7	32	1906. July 6	1906. August 8	33	1906. July 6	1906. August 14	39	1906. July 6	1906. August 15	40	1906. July 6	1906. August 14	39	1906. July 6	1906. August 13	38
1906. July 20	1906. August 21	32	1906. July 20	1906. August 23	34	1906. July 20	1906. August 27	38	1906. July 20	1906. August 28	39	1906. July 20	1906. August 30	41	1906. July 20	1906. August 29	40
1906. August 3	1906. Sept. 4	32	1906. August 3	1906. Sept. 5	33	1906. August 3	1906. Sept. 11	39	1906. August 3	1906. Sept. 12	40	1906. August 3	1906. Sept. 10	38	1906. August 3	1906. Sept. 9	37
1906. August 17	1906. Sept. 18	32	1906. August 17	1906. Sept. 19	33	1906. August 17	1906. Sept. 24	38	1906. August 17	1906. Sept. 25	39	1906. August 17	1906. Sept. 25	39	1906. August 17	1906. Sept. 24	38
1906. August 31	1906. Oct. 2	32	1906. August 31	1906. Oct. 3	33	1906. August 31	1906. Oct. 8	38	1906. August 31	1906. Oct. 9	39	1906. August 31	1906. Oct. 9	39	1906. August 31	1906. Oct. 8	38
1906. Sept. 14	1906. Oct. 15	31	1906. Sept. 14	1906. Oct. 16	32	1906. Sept. 14	1906. Oct. 23	39	1906. Sept. 14	1906. Oct. 23	39	1906. Sept. 14	1906. Oct. 23	39	1906. Sept. 14	1906. Oct. 21	37
1906. Sept. 28	1906. Oct. 30	32	1906. Sept. 28	1906. Oct. 31	33	1906. Sept. 28	1906. Nov. 5	38	1906. Sept. 28	1906. Nov. 6	39	1906. Sept. 28	1906. Nov. 6	39	1906. Sept. 28	1906. Nov. 4	37
1906. Oct. 12	1906. Nov. 13	32	1906. Oct. 12	1906. Nov. 14	33	1906. Oct. 12	1906. Nov. 20	39	1906. Oct. 12	1906. Nov. 21	40	1906. Oct. 12	1906. Nov. 20	39	1906. Oct. 12	1906. Nov. 19	38
1906. Oct. 26	1906. Nov. 27	32	1906. Oct. 26	1906. Nov. 28	33	1906. Oct. 26	1906. Dec. 3	38	1906. Oct. 26	1906. Dec. 4	39	1906. Oct. 26	1906. Dec. 5	40	1906. Oct. 26	1906. Dec. 3	38
1906. Nov. 9	1906. Dec. 12	33	1906. Nov. 9	1906. Dec. 13	34	1906. Nov. 9	1906. Dec. 17	38	1906. Nov. 9	1906. Dec. 18	39	1906. Nov. 9	1906. Dec. 19	40	1906. Nov. 9	1906. Dec. 17	38
1906. Nov. 23	1906. Dec. 25	32	1906. Nov. 23	1906. Dec. 26	33	1906. Nov. 23	1906. Dec. 31	38	1906. Nov. 23	1906. Jan. 1	39	1906. Nov. 23	1906. Jan. 1	39	1906. Nov. 23	1906. Dec. 30	37
1906. Dec. 7	1906. Jan. 8	32	1906. Dec. 7	1906. Jan. 9	33	1906. Dec. 7	1906. Jan. 14	38	1906. Dec. 7	1906. Jan. 15	39	1906. Dec. 7	1906. Jan. 14	38	1906. Dec. 7	1906. Jan. 13	37
1906. Dec. 21	1906. Jan. 22	32	1906. Dec. 21	1906. Jan. 23	33	1906. Dec. 21	1906. Jan. 29	39	1906. Dec. 21	1906. Jan. 29	39	1906. Dec. 21	1906. Jan. 28	38	1906. Dec. 21	1906. Jan. 27	37
Maximum	...	33	...	...	34	...	...	42	...	...	42	...	...	41	...	...	40
Minimum	...	31	...	...	32	...	...	38	...	...	39	...	...	38	...	...	37
Average	...	32.00	...	...	33.04	...	...	38.50	...	...	39.31	...	...	39.15	...	...	37.54

Table No. 14.—ORIENT MAIL-SERVICE—continued.

STATEMENT showing the Number of Days occupied in the Delivery of Mails between London and the undermentioned 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.
1906. January 9	1906. February 18	40	1906. January 6	1906. February 18	43	1906. January 8	1906. February 18	41	1906. January 16	1906. February 18	33	1906. January 17	1906. February 18	32
January 23	March 6	42	January 20	March 6	45	January 22	March 6	43	January 30	March 6	35	January 31	March 6	34
February 5	March 19	41	February 3	March 19	44	February 5	March 19	42	February 13	March 19	34	February 14	March 19	33
February 19	April 1	41	February 17	April 1	43	February 19	April 1	41	February 27	April 1	33	February 28	April 1	32
March 6	April 15	40	March 3	April 15	43	March 5	April 15	41	March 13	April 15	33	March 14	April 15	32
March 19	April 29	41	March 17	April 29	43	March 19	April 29	41	March 27	April 29	33	March 28	April 29	32
April 2	May 14	42	March 31	May 14	44	April 2	May 14	42	April 10	May 14	34	April 11	May 14	33
April 16	May 27	41	April 14	May 27	43	April 16	May 27	41	April 24	May 27	33	April 25	May 27	32
April 30	June 10	41	April 28	June 10	43	April 30	June 10	41	May 8	June 10	33	May 9	June 10	32
May 18	June 25	38	May 12	June 25	44	May 14	June 25	41	May 22	June 25	34	May 23	June 25	33
May 28	July 8	41	May 26	July 8	43	May 28	July 8	41	June 6	July 8	32	May 29	July 8	31
June 11	July 23	42	June 9	July 23	44	June 11	July 23	42	June 19	July 23	34	June 20	July 23	33
June 25	August 7	43	June 23	August 7	45	June 25	August 7	43	July 3	August 7	35	June 26	August 7	34
July 9	August 20	42	July 7	August 20	44	July 9	August 20	42	July 17	August 20	34	July 18	August 20	33
July 23	September 3	42	July 21	September 3	44	July 23	September 3	42	July 31	September 3	34	July 31	September 3	33
August 6	September 16	41	August 4	September 16	43	August 6	September 16	41	August 14	September 16	33	August 15	September 16	32
August 20	October 1	42	August 18	October 1	44	August 20	October 1	42	August 28	October 1	34	August 29	October 1	33
September 3	October 15	42	September 1	October 15	44	September 3	October 15	42	September 11	October 15	34	September 12	October 15	33
September 17	October 28	41	September 15	October 28	44	September 17	October 28	41	September 25	October 28	33	September 26	October 28	32
October 1	November 12	42	September 29	November 12	44	October 1	November 12	42	October 9	November 12	34	October 10	November 12	33
October 15	November 25	41	October 13	November 25	43	October 16	November 25	40	October 23	November 25	33	October 24	November 25	32
October 29	December 9	41	October 27	December 9	43	October 29	December 9	41	November 6	December 9	33	November 7	December 9	32
November 12	December 24	42	November 13	December 24	41	November 12	December 24	42	November 20	December 24	34	November 21	December 24	33
November 26	1907. January 6	41	November 24	1907. January 6	43	November 26	1907. January 6	41	December 4	1907. January 6	33	December 5	1907. January 6	32
December 10	January 20	41	December 8	January 20	43	December 10	January 20	41	December 18	January 20	33	December 19	January 20	32
December 24	February 4	42	December 28	February 4	38	December 24	February 4	42	1907. January 1	February 4	34	1907. January 2	February 4	33
Maximum	..	43	..	..	45	..	..	43	..	..	35	..	..	34
Minimum	..	38	..	..	38	..	..	40	..	..	32	..	..	32
Average	..	41.31	..	..	43.23	..	..	41.54	..	..	33.54	..	..	32.56

Table No. 15
TABLE showing the Estimated Number of Letters, Letter-cards, Post-cards, Book-packets, Newspapers, and Parcels dealt with in the several Postal Districts of New Zealand during the Year ended 31st December, 1906.

Postal Districts.	Posted in the Colony.					Received from Places outside the Colony.					Total Correspondence dealt with.						
	Letters.	Letter-cards.	Post-cards.	Books, &c.	Newspapers.	Parcels.	Letters.	Post-cards.	Books, &c.	Newspapers.	Parcels.	Letters.	Letter-cards.	Post-cards.	Books, &c.	Newspapers.	Parcels.
Auckland ..	12,250,232	248,053	895,115	3,696,407	3,053,229	76,913	941,957	119,675	487,179	1,193,495	20,958	13,192,189	248,053	1,014,790	4,183,586	4,246,724	97,871
Thames ..	1,292,421	37,297	121,420	225,186	229,229	4,422	99,385	16,231	29,645	89,594	1,204	1,391,806	37,297	137,651	254,831	318,823	5,626
New Plymouth ..	1,891,224	59,492	118,300	391,050	459,212	5,569	145,433	15,816	51,494	179,501	1,516	2,036,657	59,492	134,116	442,553	638,713	7,085
Gisborne ..	994,397	14,014	59,878	185,370	385,063	3,075	69,540	7,995	24,404	142,678	837	973,937	14,014	67,873	209,774	507,741	3,912
Napier ..	3,711,141	80,106	220,662	831,491	781,324	14,384	285,383	29,494	109,495	395,410	3,918	3,996,524	80,106	250,150	940,986	1,086,734	18,302
Wanganui ..	4,496,398	144,898	323,180	1,188,175	731,799	16,122	345,795	43,198	156,472	293,839	4,391	4,842,163	144,898	366,378	1,344,647	1,045,638	20,513
Wellington ..	15,942,351	354,341	964,600	4,977,599	3,140,151	98,480	1,225,878	128,968	655,900	1,227,464	26,833	17,168,229	354,341	1,093,568	5,633,499	4,367,615	125,313
Blenheim ..	934,986	20,046	45,019	201,105	218,387	2,795	71,893	6,016	34,386	85,333	761	1,000,879	20,046	51,035	295,491	303,720	3,556
Nelson ..	1,597,102	51,324	118,300	360,679	282,503	7,380	122,816	15,816	47,491	110,429	2,010	1,719,918	51,324	134,116	408,170	392,932	9,390
Westport ..	475,267	5,798	32,997	58,864	120,393	2,852	36,542	4,278	7,743	47,025	776	511,809	5,798	36,375	66,607	167,418	3,628
Greymouth ..	910,828	16,601	51,324	129,940	348,928	4,151	70,040	6,858	17,107	136,385	1,130	980,868	16,601	58,182	147,047	485,313	5,281
Hokitika ..	415,432	6,032	24,791	52,634	111,085	3,530	31,944	3,302	6,927	43,389	961	447,376	6,032	28,093	59,561	154,474	4,491
Christchurch ..	9,936,592	273,429	741,871	3,088,033	2,957,207	49,511	764,035	99,178	497,953	1,155,969	13,493	10,700,625	273,429	841,049	3,495,086	4,113,176	63,004
Timaru ..	2,013,284	63,232	124,085	384,931	456,760	3,341	154,815	16,578	50,601	178,524	910	2,168,099	63,232	140,663	435,642	635,284	4,251
Oamaru ..	1,108,523	32,682	42,263	173,601	149,500	1,851	85,243	5,642	22,863	58,439	504	1,193,766	32,682	47,905	196,464	207,939	2,355
Dunedin ..	9,293,284	187,993	734,877	3,906,598	2,459,035	49,751	714,564	98,242	514,850	961,223	13,559	10,007,848	187,993	833,119	4,421,448	3,420,258	63,310
Invercargill ..	4,701,928	96,031	491,972	1,200,698	1,167,554	8,082	361,576	65,767	158,119	456,375	2,201	5,063,594	96,031	557,739	1,358,817	1,623,929	10,283
Totals ..	71,875,390	1,682,369	5,109,754	21,112,390	17,051,359	352,209	5,526,807	683,054	2,781,819	6,665,972	95,962	77,402,197	1,682,369	5,792,808	23,894,209	23,716,431	448,171
Previous year ..	64,750,510	1,451,320	2,942,953	21,347,921	17,288,829	313,617	4,914,431	708,074	2,359,980	6,337,533	78,400	69,664,941	1,451,320	3,651,027	23,797,901	23,626,362	392,017

Table No. 16.

TABLE showing the Number of Letters, Letter-cards, Post-cards, Packets, Newspapers, and Parcels posted in New Zealand, and the Number received from beyond the Colony, during the Year ended 31st December, 1906.

Service.	Articles subject to Postage.										Articles exempt from Postage.					Parcels.			Declared Value.	
	Letters.		Letter-cards.	Post-cards.		Packets, including Printed Matter (except Newspapers), Commercial Papers, and Samples of Merchandise.		News-papers.	Letters.	Packets.	Registered Articles.	News-papers.	Number.	Weight.	Postage.					
	Ordinary.	Registered.		Single.	Reply paid.	Ordinary.	Registered.													
Inland ..	61,082,075	408,521	1,682,369	4,233,238	2,184	19,595,521	36,688	13,374,119	5,925,309	748,142	216,845	1,726,298	328,830	1,157,490	18,919	4	3	..	..
Australian ..	1,695,275	47,576	..	340,366	..	232,410	4,572	913,440	23,996	3,870	803	24	10,728	19,654	663	10	7	..	..
International ..	2,174,851	55,900	..	533,966	..	525,822	5,640	1,081,909	21,309	6,625	1,430	5,569	12,656	32,445	963	3	3	21,540	0	
Totals ..	64,952,201	511,997	1,682,369	5,107,570	2,184	20,353,753	46,895	15,319,468	5,970,614	758,637	219,078	1,731,891	352,309	1,209,569	20,545	18	1	21,540	0	
<i>Posted.</i>																				
Australian ..	2,135,363	28,192	..	421,161	..	579,810	4,203	1,986,579	23,995	746	668	1,582	21,244	60,136	1,861	4	8	219,108	0	
International ..	3,276,253	51,620	..	261,893	..	2,187,751	8,677	4,676,760	9,856	632	860	151	74,718	368,506	7,540	1	0	..	..
Totals ..	5,411,616	79,812	..	683,054	..	2,767,561	12,880	6,663,339	33,851	1,378	1,528	1,733	95,962	428,642	9,401	5	8	219,108	0	
<i>Received.</i>																				

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, 1893.

Year ended	Number of Miles of Line.	Number of Miles of Wire.	Number of Offices	Number of Telegrams forwarded during the Year.		Telegraph Revenue from all Sources.	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.								
30th June, 1866	699	1,390	13	24,761	2,746	27,407	£ s. d. 483 3 2	£ s. d. 6,045 2 4	£ s. d. 3,934 3 4	£ s. d. 2,443 2 11	£ s. d. 6,377 6 3	£ s. d. 3 9 10	
" 1867	757	1,498	21	55,621	15,331	70,952	£ s. d. 3,770 4 8	£ s. d. 12,840 14 9	£ s. d. 8,017 14 7	£ s. d. 2,541 4 11	£ s. d. 10,558 19 6	£ s. d. 3 7 1	Mileage tariff.
" 1868	1,110	2,223	31	72,241	26,244	98,485	£ s. d. 6,672 0 3	£ s. d. 18,324 3 10	£ s. d. 9,489 17 10	£ s. d. 5,406 7 3	£ s. d. 14,896 5 1	£ s. d. 4 17 4	
" 1869	1,329	2,495	45	106,070	50,097	156,167	£ s. d. 13,430 11 9	£ s. d. 31,951 2 1	£ s. d. 14,266 12 7	£ s. d. 8,547 4 9	£ s. d. 22,813 17 4	£ s. d. 6 8 6	
" 1870	1,661	2,897	56	122,545	62,878	185,423	£ s. d. 12,252 6 0	£ s. d. 29,470 7 4	£ s. d. 16,417 7 4	£ s. d. 14,120 4 10	£ s. d. 30,537 12 2	£ s. d. 8 9 11	
" 1871	1,976	3,247	72	253,582	59,292	312,874	£ s. d. 9,876 17 6	£ s. d. 32,296 6 2	£ s. d. 21,254 4 3	£ s. d. 11,344 3 8	£ s. d. 32,598 7 11	£ s. d. 5 19 6	
" 1872	2,185	3,823	81	344,524	67,243	411,767	£ s. d. 11,043 3 9	£ s. d. 39,164 13 9	£ s. d. 23,593 9 9	£ s. d. 8,858 19 7	£ s. d. 32,452 9 4	£ s. d. 4 2 3	Mileage tariff in operation up to 1st Sept., 1869; uniform 2s. 6d. tariff from 1st Sept., 1869, to 31st March, 1870; and 1s. tariff from 1st April, 1870.
" 1873	2,356	4,574	93	485,507	83,453	568,960	£ s. d. 11,105 2 0	£ s. d. 50,786 0 9	£ s. d. 27,040 18 10	£ s. d. 9,479 5 4	£ s. d. 36,520 4 2	£ s. d. 4 1 11	
" 1874	2,530	5,782	105	645,067	107,832	752,899	£ s. d. 12,618 11 6	£ s. d. 59,127 10 4	£ s. d. 38,801 19 4	£ s. d. 15,021 17 11	£ s. d. 53,823 17 3	£ s. d. 6 3 11	
" 1875	2,986	6,626	127	786,237	130,891	917,128	£ s. d. 13,679 10 9	£ s. d. 68,981 3 0	£ s. d. 45,814 11 4	£ s. d. 14,240 19 7	£ s. d. 60,055 10 11	£ s. d. 4 16 4	
" 1876	3,154	7,247	142	890,382	160,704	1,051,086	£ s. d. 16,154 6 0	£ s. d. 78,869 16 4	£ s. d. 61,696 14 5	£ s. d. 21,074 8 8	£ s. d. 82,771 3 1	£ s. d. 5 18 10	
" 1877	3,259	7,423	155	952,283	172,159	1,124,442	£ s. d. 17,024 8 9	£ s. d. 82,669 4 0	£ s. d. 63,353 10 10	£ s. d. 17,931 8 0	£ s. d. 81,284 18 10	£ s. d. 5 12 11	
" 1878	3,434	8,935	182	1,065,481	194,843	1,260,324	£ s. d. 19,148 12 4	£ s. d. 92,432 14 2	£ s. d. 69,340 1 8	£ s. d. 18,259 4 9	£ s. d. 87,599 6 5	£ s. d. 5 10 0	
" 1879	3,512	8,117	195	1,201,982	246,961	1,448,943	£ s. d. 26,949 2 2	£ s. d. 112,351 2 4	£ s. d. 79,502 0 5	£ s. d. 17,299 7 10	£ s. d. 96,801 8 3	£ s. d. 5 0 9	From 1st November, 1873, address and signature given in free.
31st March, 1880	3,638	9,333	214	824,734	183,675	1,008,409	£ s. d. 19,707 6 3	£ s. d. 77,827 9 6	£ s. d. 68,651 10 10	£ s. d. 14,758 4 5	£ s. d. 83,409 15 3	£ s. d. 4 3 4	
" 1881	3,758	9,587	227	1,058,342	246,370	1,304,712	£ s. d. 27,021 3 8	£ s. d. 100,023 5 8	£ s. d. 78,224 1 8	£ s. d. 23,154 8 3	£ s. d. 101,378 9 11	£ s. d. 6 6 7	
" 1882	3,824	9,653	234	1,215,849	222,923	1,438,772	£ s. d. 22,737 16 4	£ s. d. 101,566 16 0	£ s. d. 69,165 5 0	£ s. d. 18,292 13 4	£ s. d. 87,457 18 4	£ s. d. 4 17 4	

Table No. 17—continued.

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, 1893—continued.

Year ended	Number of Miles of Line.	Number of Miles of Wire.	Number of Offices		Number of Telegrams forwarded during the Year.		Telegraph Revenue from all Sources.		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.	£			s.	d.		
31st Dec., 1882	3,974	9,848	264	1,361,817	208,372	1,570,189	90,633	11	20,608	11	111,242	3	1	73,554	9	122,451	6	96,005	15	4	5	17	5	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.
" 1883	4,074	10,037	310	1,379,483	219,917	1,599,400	93,822	3	21,555	19	115,378	2	5	73,954	6	119,210	6	92,264	11	0	4	16	8	
" 1884	4,264	10,474	302	1,433,458	220,847	1,654,305	95,634	5	20,855	19	116,490	5	0	70,936	6	120,041	15	90,078	2	0	4	18	4	
" 1885	4,463	10,931	375	1,533,406	240,867	1,774,273	101,652	8	24,860	9	126,512	17	0	77,082	4	120,900	6	97,982	10	6	4	15	9	
" 1886	4,546	11,178	412	1,583,717	252,549	1,836,266	106,638	12	27,281	4	133,919	10	11	77,473	10	121,402	18	98,875	8	9	4	15	11	
" 1887	4,646	11,375	437	1,589,771	245,623	1,835,394	106,548	4	30,205	11	136,753	15	10	76,580	10	121,321	2	97,901	12	9	4	13	9	
" 1888	4,700	11,617	473	1,548,233	217,630	1,765,863	106,311	11	23,164	13	129,476	5	5	72,201	13	123,262	1	95,463	14	5	0	1	1	
" 1889	4,874	11,827	489	1,589,157	213,830	1,802,987	106,462	18	24,218	9	130,681	7	7	75,426	9	120,007	1	101,433	11	0	5	8	7	
" 1890	5,148	12,812	520	1,734,381	226,780	1,961,161	110,696	17	26,070	12	136,767	10	3	76,845	1	102,754	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	24,840	5	142,474	1	4	85,658	4	1128,986	10	114,644	15	9	5	12	7	
" 1892	5,479	13,439	615	1,686,064	218,079	1,904,143	103,813	8	24,342	6	128,155	15	6	87,472	17	329,580	10	117,053	4	2	5	8	0	
" 1893	5,513	13,515	640	1,825,646	244,045	2,069,691	112,495	15	28,317	10	140,783	3	7	92,109	17	029,141	6	121,251	3	0	5	5	9	

For the Financial Years ended 31st March, 1895, to 31st March, 1907.

Year ended	Number of Miles of Line.	Number of Miles of Wire.	Number of Offices	Number of Telegrams forwarded during the Year.		Revenue (including Miscellaneous Receipts).		Value of Government Messages.	Total Value of Business done during the Year.	Total Expenditure (excluding Cable Subsidy).	Remarks.											
				Private and Press.	Government.	Total.	Telegraph.					Telephone.										
31st March, 1895	5,961	14,881	705	1,802,182	231,618	2,033,800	88,459	10	11	111,552	12	10	26,050	7	5	136,062	11	2	135,791	0	7	Cable subsidy, 6,492
" 1896	6,243	15,764	743	1,899,032	224,579	2,124,211	97,178	14	0	21,933	12	9	25,843	11	8	148,955	18	8	143,665	14	0	"
" 1897	6,284	16,470	780	2,285,001	235,168	2,520,169	100,385	16	1	29,248	19	5	23,118	2	6	152,752	18	0	153,484	6	8	"
" 1898	6,484	18,024	824	2,469,415	226,818	2,696,233	99,798	8	10	36,422	6	8	24,504	9	8	160,725	5	2	165,198	13	5	"
" 1899	6,736	18,746	878	2,717,548	243,190	2,960,738	105,576	6	0	39,718	7	7	25,500	5	10	170,794	19	5	173,152	16	6	"
" 1900	6,910	19,228	915	3,159,093	310,538	3,469,631	119,641	11	6	43,303	2	10	29,431	19	0	192,376	13	4	181,634	11	3	"
" 1901	7,248	20,682	991	3,534,444	363,684	3,898,128	137,861	1	2	49,117	0	8	35,327	6	2	222,395	18	0	194,014	12	11	"
" 1902	7,468	21,705	1,038	3,850,391	317,590	4,167,981	151,933	19	11	55,542	4	9	27,507	17	6	234,984	2	2	212,180	16	0	"
" 1903	7,748	22,672	1,103	4,271,218	288,086	4,559,304	160,343	7	7	62,151	8	11	26,440	2	10	248,934	19	4	228,185	10	7	"
" 1904	7,779	22,920	1,153	4,671,904	293,293	4,965,197	166,535	18	8	71,028	6	3	24,377	1	7	261,941	6	6	245,805	9	7	"
" 1905	7,943	23,704	1,200	4,900,495	259,250	5,159,745	171,001	13	11	79,061	7	4	20,597	11	10	270,660	13	1	258,977	10	9	"
" 1906	8,355	25,116	1,312	5,351,084	289,135	5,640,219	184,369	6	2	89,542	1	5	24,108	10	4	298,079	17	11	276,580	12	5	"
" 1907	8,953	27,031	1,446	6,160,080	236,252	6,396,332	206,766	15	8	100,814	0	3	17,486	19	8	325,007	15	7	291,359	12	6	"

NOTE.—Tariff, 1890: 1s. for ten words, and free address and signature up to ten words; delayed telegrams, 6d. 1892: For twelve words, and free address and signature, ordinary telegrams, 1s.; delayed, 6d. Later in 1892 the number of words in text and signature made eighteen. 1896: First twelve words, 6d.; each additional word, 1d.; address and signature paid for. 1906: For each additional word after first twelve, 4d.

Table No. 18.

TABLE showing the Number of Letters, Letter-cards, Post-cards, Books, Newspapers, and Parcels delivered by the Letter-carriers from the Post-offices within the several Postal Districts during the Year 1906.

Postal Districts.	Letters.	Letter-cards.	Post-cards.	Books, &c.	Newspapers.	Parcels.
Auckland	5,122,284	120,049	431,250	960,773	894,220	22,377
Thames	678,896	15,911	82,279	208,339	161,291	3,392
New Plymouth	745,169	17,464	70,482	143,330	261,102	3,541
Gisborne	406,932	9,537	19,492	31,899	58,032	2,408
Napier	1,183,638	27,740	84,612	333,736	227,764	2,397
Wanganui	1,106,185	25,925	101,204	652,468	390,752	5,584
Wellington	6,329,770	148,349	986,695	3,290,720	1,398,132	20,391
Blenheim	252,069	5,908	27,471	43,169	58,717	3,027
Nelson	439,658	10,304	56,366	176,281	174,171	6,155
Westport	169,926	3,983	17,845	45,526	46,623	2,760
Greymouth	444,616	10,420	58,275	78,330	106,670	6,921
Hokitika	121,389	2,845	16,884	72,289	36,264	1,588
Christchurch	4,047,616	94,863	287,315	1,314,645	739,758	27,617
Timaru	787,600	18,459	78,097	163,799	113,566	2,081
Oamaru	420,968	9,866	59,395	82,948	55,071	976
Dunedin	3,843,349	90,075	760,984	1,886,985	1,076,698	6,815
Invercargill	1,524,692	35,734	160,812	695,462	218,444	4,323
Totals	27,624,757	647,432	3,299,458	10,180,699	6,017,275	122,353
Previous year	23,286,979	521,400	2,072,004	8,495,958	5,566,552	118,475

Table No. 19.

TABLE showing the Cash Revenue derived from Private and Press Telegrams, the Value of Government Telegrams, and the Number of Telegrams transmitted in the several Postal Districts of New Zealand for the Twelve Months ended 31st March, 1907.

Postal Districts.	Revenue derived from Private and Press Telegrams.		Value of Government Telegrams.		Total Value of Telegrams of all Codes.		Number of Private and Press Telegrams.	Number of Government Telegrams.	Total Number of Telegrams of all Codes.
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.			
Auckland	34,450	5 7½	2,601	0 0	37,051	5 7½	1,036,142	39,416	1,075,558
Blenheim	4,193	12 3	391	7 0	4,584	19 3	112,926	6,812	119,738
Christchurch	23,937	12 5½	2,121	13 5½	26,059	5 11	708,864	23,536	732,400
Dunedin	19,219	15 2	979	10 2½	20,199	5 4½	577,368	15,205	592,573
Gisborne	5,478	13 10½	319	14 7½	5,798	8 6	165,383	5,033	170,416
Greymouth	4,644	11 10	394	17 4½	5,039	9 2½	125,050	5,455	130,505
Hokitika	1,892	5 9	146	10 0	2,038	15 9	54,089	1,666	55,755
Invercargill	10,092	19 4	668	14 4	10,761	13 8	316,890	9,066	325,956
Napier	13,502	8 4	631	5 0½	14,133	13 4½	426,619	7,432	434,051
Nelson	4,966	9 10	755	7 10½	5,721	17 8½	245,028	12,563	257,591
New Plymouth	6,103	17 7	549	13 0	6,653	10 7	181,993	9,586	191,489
Oamaru	3,057	4 3½	242	18 10	3,300	3 1½	84,723	2,004	86,727
Thames	6,061	1 0½	254	16 4½	6,315	17 5	170,425	3,438	173,863
Timaru	5,721	16 4	182	7 1	5,904	3 5	174,683	2,845	177,528
Wanganui	13,224	17 1	616	1 6½	13,840	18 7½	408,748	8,011	416,759
Wellington	42,520	17 3	6,207	10 7	48,728	7 10	1,285,520	77,551	1,363,071
Westport	3,232	12 5	423	12 4	3,656	4 9	85,719	6,633	92,352
Totals, 1906-7	202,301	0 5½	17,486	19 8	219,788	0 1½	6,160,080	236,252	6,396,332
Totals, 1905-6	180,474	7 9	24,168	10 4	204,642	18 1	5,351,084	289,135	5,640,219

Table No. 20.

TABLE showing the Paid Telegrams of all Codes forwarded during the Twelve Months ended 31st March, 1907, and the Revenue received therefrom.

Class of Telegrams.	June Quarter, 1906.		September Quarter, 1906.		December Quarter, 1906.		March Quarter, 1907.		Totals.	
	Number.	Revenue.	Number.	Revenue.	Number.	Revenue.	Number.	Revenue.	Number.	Revenue.
Ordinary ..	1,026,098	£ 49,199 0 5	968,195	£ 46,692 18 10	1,196,082	£ 52,164 5 7½	1,358,157	£ 57,653 18 10	4,548,532	£ 205,710 3 8½
Urgent ..	53,589	3,451 2 9	44,790	2,945 2 11	63,425	3,621 10 7	73,927	4,322 2 1	235,731	14,339 18 4
Press ..	97,130	4,425 19 10	93,398	4,688 16 0	97,938	5,171 0 7½	107,451	5,522 0 3½	389,917	19,807 16 9
Bureau ..	217,729	4,623 8 9	231,689	4,934 17 3	259,320	5,616 15 0	277,162	6,037 14 6	985,900	21,212 15 6
Gross totals	1,388,546	61,699 11 9	1,338,072	59,261 15 0	1,616,765	66,573 11 10	1,816,697	73,535 15 8½	6,160,080	261,070 14 3½
Less other lines and credits	..	14,621 11 6½	..	14,285 2 10½	..	14,664 12 10½	..	15,198 6 6½	..	58,769 13 10
Net totals, 1906-7	1,388,546	47,078 0 2½	1,338,072	44,976 12 1½	1,616,765	51,908 18 11½	1,816,697	58,337 9 2	6,160,080	202,301 0 5½
Net totals, 1905-6	1,255,080	42,296 7 0	1,226,811	41,658 16 6	1,414,598	47,762 5 10	1,454,595	48,756 18 5	5,351,084	180,474 7 9

Table No. 21.

TABLE showing the Number and Value of Telegraph Money-orders issued within the several Postal Districts during the Year ended 31st December, 1906.

Districts.	Number.	Telegraph Commission.	Value of Orders.
Auckland	12,049	£ 602 9 0	£ 51,469 18 5
Blenheim	1,417	70 17 0	4,826 9 8
Christchurch	5,122	256 2 0	19,551 5 8
Dunedin	4,529	226 9 0	16,826 16 1
Gisborne	2,886	144 6 0	12,608 0 2
Greymouth	2,404	20 4 0	10,176 1 4
Hokitika	711	35 11 0	2,663 9 9
Invercargill	2,638	131 18 0	9,073 11 1
Napier	5,493	274 13 0	19,591 19 9
Nelson	1,570	78 10 0	5,832 19 7
New Plymouth	2,389	119 9 0	7,022 17 3
Oamaru	719	35 19 0	2,156 5 9
Thames	3,086	154 6 0	9,948 17 3
Timaru	1,232	61 12 0	3,573 2 2
Wanganui	6,652	332 12 0	23,925 16 5
Wellington	13,601	680 1 0	55,084 1 4
Westport	1,696	84 16 0	7,156 12 3
Totals, 1906	68,194	3,409 14 0	261,488 3 11
Totals, 1905	63,682	3,184 2 0	228,423 5 10

Table No. 22.
TABLE showing the Capital Cost, Working-expenses, and Revenue of the Telephone Exchanges, Year by Year, from the Date of their Establishment.

Year.	Number of Connections.		Capital Cost for Instruments, Wire, Poles, Labour, Freight, Superintendence, &c.		Revenue.		Working-expenses.					Balance of Revenue over Working-expenses.	Annual Rate per Cent. yielded on Capital Cost.			
	Average Cost of each Connection.	Total for all Connections.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	Salaries and Allowances of Clerks, &c.	Materials and Linemen.	Wear-and-tear, &c.	Rent, Fuel, Light, Paper, Printing, Binding, &c.	Total.					
														£	s. d.	£
Total for the year ended 31st March,—																
1882	116	2,531 14	0	0	613	5 2	285	0 0	253	0 0	150	0 0	963	0 0	207 16 0	8.17
1883	379	8,271 13	6	6	5,014	9 2	595	0 0	827	0 0	300	0 0	2,317	0 0	4,492 8 8	54.31
1884	715	15,604 17	6	6	7,746	16 7	695	0 0	1,560	0 0	350	0 0	3,375	0 0	3,653 7 4	23.41
1885	1,075	23,461 17	6	6	10,008	3 6	1,770	0 0	2,346	0 0	475	0 0	6,181	0 0	3,827 3 6	16.31
1886	1,710	37,319 12	1	2	12,294	1 2	2,849	1 3	3,731	19 2	700	0 0	8,985	0 5	5,011 19 7	13.42
1887	2,088	49,407 5	0	3	15,477	16 2	2,849	0 0	4,068	12 2	320	0 0	8,842	2 2	6,635 14 0	16.30
1888	2,153	53,849 11	6	6	16,881	8 6	3,119	0 0	4,940	14 6	330	0 0	10,642	4 6	6,368 17 10	11.82
1889	2,249	58,229 3	0	4	17,618	4 0	3,790	0 0	5,344	9 2	375	0 0	11,244	6 2	6,239 4 1	12.68
1890	2,402	64,294 4	4	4	18,581	11 7	3,790	0 0	5,823	0 1	375	0 0	12,194	10 1	6,387 1 6	11.00
1891	2,587	76,579 1	8	8	19,961	7 8	4,192	0 0	6,429	8 5	393	3 9	13,265	10 7	6,695 13 7	10.43
1892	3,080	91,687 11	1	5	19,155	11 5	7,405	0 0	9,168	15 1	464	6 2	19,734	1 1	578 9 8	Loss.
1893	4,244	104,425 3	0	4	21,771	4 4	7,720	0 0	10,442	10 4	741	18 9	22,217	10 2	446 5 10	Loss.
1894	4,616	116,845 10	4	4	21,552	12 10	9,285	0 0	11,684	11 0	817	19 5	26,041	1 9	3,420 1 9	Loss.
1895	5,143	125,108 4	1	4	25,938	12 9	9,686	0 10	12,510	16 5	1,952	8 3	29,452	17 3	3,519 4 6	Loss.
1896	5,747	134,299 11	4	8	29,248	19 5	12,306	9 7	13,429	19 1	1,856	13 2	34,991	2 8	5,742 3 3	Loss.
1897	5,787	142,218 11	8	8	36,422	6 8	14,181	18 0	17,110	18 7	1,881	11 11	35,008	11 5	1,413 15 3	Loss.
1898	6,203	150,490 18	9	9	39,718	7 7	15,080	7 1	18,190	4 0	7,524	10 11	40,606	4 3	887 16 8	Loss.
1899	7,150	162,333 1	2	10	43,903	2 10	15,710	13 2	20,847	13 6	8,116	13 0	46,567	10 4	3,264 7 6	Loss.
1900	8,210	176,349 1	8	8	49,117	0 8	16,304	3 2	18,225	18 9	9,817	9 0	50,348	9 10	3,768 10 10	2.14
1901	9,260	193,511 6	2	2	55,542	4 9	18,448	3 5	20,570	0 9	9,675	11 9	50,772	8 9	4,769 16 0	2.46
1902	10,638	213,966 10	8	8	62,151	8 11	20,895	13 3	22,078	4 11	10,698	6 6	56,276	19 8	5,874 9 3	2.75
1903	12,105	241,903 2	6	6	71,028	6 3	23,507	8 3	22,507	9 10	12,095	3 8	60,948	4 10	10,080 1 5	4.17
1904	14,423	295,029 7	2	2	79,061	7 4	25,121	16 1	26,781	19 6	14,751	9 4	71,103	3 3	7,958 4 1	2.69
1905	15,338	363,192 6	9	9	89,942	1 3	26,506	16 5	22,576	6 8	18,159	12 4	72,512	16 2	17,029 5 3	4.69
1906	17,403	420,088 12	1	1	100,814	1 3	32,913	16 8	26,145	3 4	21,004	8 7	86,226	6 8	14,587 14 7	3.47

* This column includes 5 per cent. for wear-and-tear, and 6 per cent. for debenture capital, except in 1897-98 and following years, in which only 5 per cent. for debenture capital is included.

Table No. 23.

TABLE showing the CLASS and NUMBER of INSTRUMENTS and BATTERIES in use at TELEGRAPH OFFICES for the Year ended 31st March, 1907.

District.	Number of Morse Instruments in Use (Full Sets).		Number of Duplexes (Differential).		Number of Direct Sounder Sets.	Number of Quadruplex Sets.	Number of Automatic Sets.
	Intermittent Current.	Constant Current.	Single Current.	Double Current.			
Auckland	51	42	11	3	1	14	1
Wellington	63	150	17	7	10	18	2
Nelson	38	9	9	4	..	1	..
Christchurch	25	86	7	4	..	8	2
Dunedin	102	75	2	1	..	6	1
Totals	279	362	46	19	11	47	6

District.	Number of Quadruplex Translator Sets.	Number of Telephones not connected with Exchange.	Number of Cells.				
			Leclanche.	Gordon.	Daniell.	Bichromate.	Storage.
Auckland	3	297	5,547	40	370	..	6
Wellington	7	57	8,898	705	1,378	80	36
Nelson	3	115	3,320	..	600	30	..
Christchurch	2	58	1,732	..	861	652	2
Dunedin	1	139	4,819	..	670	42	4
Totals	16	666	24,316	745	3,879	804	48

Table No. 24.

TABLE showing the COST of MAINTENANCE of TELEGRAPH LINES for the Year ended 31st March, 1907.

District.	No. of Miles.	Travelling-expenses of Inspectors and Linemen.	Extra Labour.	Cost of Material purchased.	Value of Material issued from Stores.	Salaries of Inspectors and Linemen.	Total Cost of Maintenance.	Average Cost per Mile
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland	2,262	992 17 3	1,620 6 8	414 0 8	407 8 6	2,522 0 0	5,956 13 1	2 12 8
Wellington	2,373	1,477 9 1	2,818 17 4	1,212 17 6	3,194 2 7	3,593 0 0	12,296 6 6	5 3 8
Nelson	1,167	661 5 11	1,009 0 5	350 1 4	664 19 5	1,738 0 0	4,423 7 1	3 15 10
Canterbury	1,090	530 13 0	760 4 6	215 10 3	605 11 2	2,132 0 0	4,243 18 11	3 17 10
Otago	2,062	873 3 5	1,255 0 9	491 15 6	663 3 3	1,539 0 0	4,872 2 11	2 7 3
Cables	8,954	4,535 8 8	7,463 9 8	2,684 5 3	5,535 4 11	11,574 0 0	31,792 8 6	3 11 0
Stores	289 knots	399 19 10	1,636 4 7	201 18 0	1,106 5 8	212 10 0	3,556 18 1	12 6 2
Totals .. .. .	..	121 10 4	908 14 1	1,470 3 0	..	338 0 0	2,838 7 5	..
Totals .. .. .	..	5,056 18 10	10,008 8 4	4,356 6 3	6,641 10 7	12,124 10 0	38,187 14 0	..

Table No. 25.

TABLE showing the EXPENDITURE on, and the COST of, TELEGRAPH CONSTRUCTION during the Financial Year ended 31st March, 1907.

Line.	Expenditure.			Material from Stores.			Total Cost during the Year.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Telephone exchanges,—									
Ashburton	30	8	11	111	15	7	142	4	6
Auckland	5,808	14	9	2,438	1	8	8,246	16	5
Blenheim	65	11	7	400	11	7	466	3	2
Christchurch	5,619	5	7	4,507	17	2	10,127	2	9
Dannevirke	119	14	9	226	4	6	345	19	3
Dunedin	5,643	1	2	3,229	6	3	8,872	7	5
Feilding	132	4	6	280	2	11	412	7	5
Gisborne	252	13	6	1,186	6	6	1,439	0	0
Greymouth	33	9	11	218	18	6	252	8	5
Hamilton	98	6	2	213	17	11	312	4	1
Hawera	69	11	9	21	7	4	90	19	1
Hokitika	24	10	9	47	11	10	72	2	7
Invercargill	451	7	0	673	3	6	1,124	10	6
Lawrence	82	5	9	71	19	2	154	4	11
Levin	1	0	0	...	...	...	1	0	0
Masterton	284	18	10	977	8	0	1,262	6	10
Napier	657	2	4	1,877	10	11	2,534	13	3
Nelson	26	15	5	174	1	0	200	16	5
New Plymouth	17	15	3	379	1	7	396	16	10
Oamaru	121	14	8	34	19	3	156	13	11
Pahiatua	43	7	5	101	15	9	145	3	2
Palmerston North	211	9	4	309	15	3	1,121	4	7
Rotorua	31	7	3	133	8	0	164	15	3
Stratford	2	15	8	114	17	9	117	13	5
Thames	142	3	2	369	13	5	511	16	7
Timaru	266	18	2	872	7	11	1,139	6	1
Wanganui	228	17	5	949	19	11	1,178	17	4
Wellington	5,628	8	11	9,950	6	2	15,578	15	1
Westport	9	0	9	100	14	10	109	15	7
Whangarei	104	0	9	113	19	9	218	0	6
Total exchanges	26,209	1	5	30,687	3	11	56,896	5	4
Kaimaumu (Cape Maria van Diemen)	29	10	0	...	...	...	29	10	0
Waiharara	24	0	1	1	2	5	25	2	6
Kohukohu—Motukaraka	16	17	10	9	9	11	26	7	9
Mangatete (Mangonui—Whangape)	15	6	9	6	6	2	21	12	11
Hagger's Point... ..	...	...	...	15	13	3	15	13	3
Hoanga (Dargaville—Tangiteroria)	30	8	10	0	12	2	31	1	0
Ararua ... ..	...	...	...	26	14	2	26	14	2
Owhata (Herekino—Whangape)	0	2	0	...	...	...	0	2	0
Grahamsfern ... ..	...	...	...	0	18	0	0	18	0
Pakaraka—Nupara	23	19	6	26	6	8	50	6	2
Ruakaka (Waipu—Parua Bay)	5	2	8	...	...	...	5	2	8
Kiripaka—Ngunguru	156	16	2	76	13	3	233	9	5
Hukerenui—Riponui	52	12	4	21	4	0	73	16	4
Leigh—Pakiri	65	2	1	52	13	3	117	15	4
Tangaihi (Pouto line)	33	8	1	67	2	5	100	10	6
Paparoa—Mararetu	0	2	6	24	17	5	24	19	11
Mangawai—Kuaha	3	5	0	5	4	1	8	9	1
Waimauku (Auckland—Hobsonville)	16	5	11	18	4	8	34	10	7
Riverhead (Auckland—Hobsonville)	43	1	4	73	17	0	116	18	4
Muka ... ..	...	...	...	5	7	2	5	7	2
New Lynn (Auckland—Avondale)	3	12	3	11	1	0	14	13	3
Pukekawa—Glen Murray	139	9	5	0	16	3	140	5	8
Puni (Pukekohe—Mauku)	12	2	9	42	2	7	54	5	4
Auckland—Hamilton (metallic circuit)	360	8	10	2,008	8	7	2,368	17	5
Waerenga—Taniwha	28	13	10	21	5	8	49	19	6
Rangiriri, Churchill	24	13	7	42	15	11	67	9	6
Maungatawhiri... ..	19	3	3	9	3	10	28	7	1
Ngaruawahia—Te Kowhai	12	9	2	28	19	6	41	8	8
Eureka	1	5	8	19	11	11	20	17	7
Ponga—Hunua	90	10	2	3	2	8	93	12	10

Table No. 25—continued.

TABLE showing the EXPENDITURE on, and the COST of, TELEGRAPH CONSTRUCTION during the Financial Year ended 31st March, 1907—continued.

Line.	Expenditure.			Material from Stores.			Total Cost during the Year.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Frankton Junction—Kirikiriroa ...				7	11	2			7 11 2
Matangi—Tauwhare ...	50	10	11						50 10 11
Waihou—Waitoa ...	17	11	2	3	1	8			20 12 10
Tirau—Tapapa ...	90	13	9	14	3	8			104 17 5
Waingaro—Waimai ...	10	8	7						10 8 7
Manawaru—Aratiatia—Gordon ...	305	15	8	1	6	3			307 1 11
Thames—Paeroa—Waihi (metallic circuit) ...	52	8	3	124	14	10			177 3 1
Miranda—Kaiaua ...	42	12	0	108	15	6			151 7 6
Puriri—Hikuwai—Puketui ...	1	2	9	71	16	4			72 19 1
Te Aroha—Mangaiti ...	12	5	3	26	12	4			38 17 7
Te Puna ...				7	16	11			7 16 11
Pongakawa (Te Puke—Maketu) ...	11	2	11	26	16	7			37 19 6
Oporiao (Whakatane—Taneatua) ...	30	10	3	11	9	7			41 19 10
Oparau—Te Maika—Te Rauamo... ..	732	4	1						732 4 1
Oparau—Kawhia ...				0	3	6			0 3 6
Hangatiki—Waitomo ...	1	9	2	19	16	0			21 5 2
Ohura ...	2	10	7						2 10 7
Mairoa ...	20	6	11	22	3	6			42 10 5
Mangapapa Valley ...				17	6	7			17 6 7
Aria (Te Kuiti—Paemako) ...	100	19	7	22	1	8			123 1 3
Oparure—Paemako ...	32	15	1	230	19	6			263 14 7
Otorohanga—Te Kuiti ...	14	1	10	49	6	5			63 8 3
Mangapehi—Te Kuiti ...	44	5	9						44 5 9
Aongatete ...				5	6	3			5 6 3
Waiotapu—Galatea ...	40	7	11	56	18	11			97 6 10
Tatu ...				25	5	3			25 5 3
Otorohanga—Raurimu ...	8	15	0	980	11	8			989 6 8
Matapuna—Mananui ...	12	4	6	8	10	10			20 15 4
Taumarunui—Matapuna ...	16	3	2	13	7	5			29 10 7
Taumarunui—Raurimu ...	111	1	11	110	12	3			221 14 2
Taupo—Onekeneke ...	5	10	11	9	19	11			15 10 10
Muripara ...	69	18	2						69 18 2
Te Teko ...	82	11	0	0	18	0			83 9 0
Poroporo ...				5	5	6			5 5 6
Ohui—Waioweka (Opotiki—Ohiwa)... ..	58	2	5						58 2 5
Kutarere—Waiotahi ...	113	17	8	5	1	9			118 19 5
Gisborne—Te Karaka (metallic circuit) ...	4	3	5	5	15	4			9 18 9
Patutahi—Gisborne ...	2	7	10	52	0	2			54 8 0
Tokomaru Bay—Port Awanui ...	2	18	6	145	13	5			148 11 11
Tokomaru Bay—Hikuwai ...	0	19	0	59	9	0			60 8 0
Gisborne—Tolaga Bay ...	149	6	6	6	11	10			155 18 4
Napier—Hastings (metallic circuit) ...	32	2	4	254	14	6			286 16 10
Napier—Pohui ...	3	12	0						3 12 0
Napier—Wairoa (metallic circuit) ...	19	15	2	388	3	2			407 18 4
Hastings—Pakipaki (metallic circuit) ...	8	4	9	12	1	5			20 6 2
Hastings—Maraekakoho ...	20	4	0	33	13	0			53 17 0
Fernhill—Pakowhai ...	16	11	9						16 11 9
Wairoa—Mohaka (metallic circuit) ...	78	16	0	17	3	11			95 19 11
Opunake—Te Kiri ...	54	0	1	8	15	4			62 15 5
Douglas Road—Huiroa ...	35	0	3						35 0 3
New Plymouth—Mahoenui ...	59	12	11	532	2	10			591 15 9
Puniwhakau—Makahu ...	45	4	8						45 4 8
Waiouru ...				5	5	11			5 5 11
Taihape—Raetihi ...	17	18	1	187	11	2			205 9 3
Mokoia—Whakamara—Meremere ...	5	7	0						5 7 0
Kaponga—Kapuni ...	36	8	0						36 8 0
Kaponga—Mahoe ...	76	1	1	1	19	5			78 0 6
Eltham—Stratford (metallic circuit) ...	8	13	10	20	6	6			29 0 4
Eltham—Omoana ...	369	9	3	5	14	2			375 3 5
Kohuratahi—Tahora ...	94	3	10	88	1	9			182 5 7
Ohutu—Lower Moawhango ...	80	15	11	23	3	0			103 18 11
Mataroa—Tiriraukawa ...	147	7	6	0	16	11			148 4 5
Lower Moawhanga—Pukeokahu ...	104	10	11	19	18	9			124 9 8

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TABLE showing the EXPENDITURE on, and the COST of, TELEGRAPH CONSTRUCTION during the Financial Year ended 31st March, 1907—continued.

Line.	Expenditure.			Material from Stores.			Total Cost during the Year.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Westmere ... ..	...	...	...	5	0	10	5	0	10
Brunswick	42	6	4	1	5	1	43	11	5
St. John's - Aramoho ... ..	...	...	...	1	2	3	1	2	3
Omoana-Matamateonga	1	0	3	4	13	4	5	13	7
Waitotara-Taumatatahi	608	12	3	121	1	7	729	13	10
Wanganui-Marton (metallic circuit)	62	18	11	5	10	9	68	9	8
Manaia-Kapuni	76	15	9	9	1	6	85	17	3
Normanby-Matapu-Okaiawa	1	18	4	13	2	0	15	0	4
Rangiwahia-Ruahine	0	6	2	...	...	...	0	6	2
Kimbolton-Awawaro	69	14	3	16	16	10	86	11	1
Apiti-Umutoi-Utuwai	0	6	3	...	...	...	0	6	3
Wangaehu-Turakina	2	14	1	...	...	...	2	14	1
Waituna West-Rewa	2	1	6	...	...	...	2	1	6
Pohangina-Komako ... ..	...	...	...	136	3	10	136	3	10
Rongotea-Kaimatarau	2	0	0	30	1	3	32	1	3
Palmerston North - Bunnythorpe	3	9	6	24	2	3	27	11	9
Rongotea-Carnarvon	4	6	0	...	...	...	4	6	0
Bunnythorpe-Marton	0	4	0	119	10	7	119	14	7
Palmerston North - Marton ... ..	...	...	...	118	15	11	118	15	11
Palmerston North - Newbury	2	1	6	4	13	4	6	14	10
Palmerston North - Longburn (metallic circuit)	1	1	0	3	12	8	4	13	8
Palmerston North - Aokautere	12	15	6	...	...	...	12	15	6
Wellington - Palmerston North	0	15	6	...	...	...	0	15	6
Glen Oroua - Taikorea	6	8	6	0	18	0	7	6	6
Palmerston North - Masterton	106	13	10	267	7	9	374	1	7
Mangatoro-Pokokomuka	55	3	7	7	15	10	62	19	5
Mangamahoe-Hastwell's	27	0	2	4	4	0	31	4	2
Ihaurau Valley	0	11	5	...	...	...	0	11	5
Makomako-Mangahao	24	12	5	57	8	6	82	0	11
Mangatainoka-Makairo	125	11	8	43	12	4	169	4	0
Mangatainoka-Kohinui	29	13	9	...	...	...	29	13	9
Carswell's-Whareama	3	13	6	12	16	8	16	10	2
Masterton-Eketahuna	85	16	8	70	8	10	156	5	6
Masterton-Pahiatua	101	16	3	102	8	2	204	4	5
Masterton-Greytown (trunk)	335	6	0	5	19	3	341	5	3
Eketahuna-Alfredton	47	18	0	...	...	...	47	18	0
Wellington-Masterton	496	19	1	2,488	8	7	2,985	7	8
Waione-Horoeka	44	13	1	27	13	10	72	6	11
Mangatoro-Waitahora	82	9	10	2	15	6	85	5	4
Makuri-Coonor	2	7	6	...	...	...	2	7	6
Pongaroa-Korora-Waione	52	14	0	34	2	4	86	16	4
Tiraumea-Hounui	1	13	6	9	13	2	11	6	8
Waterfalls - Waihaki Valley	2	14	6	11	18	5	14	12	11
Greytown North - Morrison's Bush	12	5	8	14	8	5	26	14	1
Wallaceville - Pathological Laboratory ... ..	...	...	...	91	2	4	91	2	4
Upper Hutt - Akatarawa	126	2	3	117	8	7	243	10	10
Hutt-Trentham (metallic circuit)	32	16	3	...	...	...	32	16	3
Pakawau-Mangarakau	283	8	10	54	5	3	337	14	1
Motupipi-Totaranui	122	3	0	143	5	2	265	8	2
French Pass	7	12	0	1,378	12	4	1,386	4	4
Collingwood Extension	116	2	4	...	...	...	116	2	4
Sherry River Extension	15	3	2	4	5	6	19	8	8
Tapuwera - Stanley Brook	46	17	1	94	4	10	141	1	11
Wakefield-Belgrove-Kohatu ... ..	...	...	...	16	3	7	16	3	7
Tadmor (main line)	20	1	3	...	...	...	20	1	3
Takaka - Upper Takaka	1	8	0	48	16	0	50	4	0
Wai-iti ... ..	...	...	...	25	1	6	25	1	6
Korere	50	14	10	11	13	2	62	8	0
Upper Motupiko	6	9	0	...	...	...	6	9	0
Waimea West	4	8	3	...	...	...	4	8	3
Mahakipawa-Picton	4	8	6	4	8	6
Picton - Te Awaite	2	0	0	4	18	2	6	18	2
Nydia Bay	16	1	4	574	18	0	590	19	4

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Line.	Expenditure.	Material from Stores.	Total Cost during the Year.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Blind River	7 5 5	...	7 5 5
Spring Grove Extension	55 16 3	...	55 16 3
Tory Channel	7 5 8	...	7 5 8
Wandle Downs (Blenheim-Christchurch)	1 3 0	...	1 3 0
Seddon - Richmond Brook - Molesworth	56 6 7	316 4 5	372 11 0
Murchison - Glenroy - Horse Terrace	12 13 11	61 6 6	74 0 5
Parnassus - Parnassus Ferry	9 0 0	13 5 8	22 5 8
Hawarden-Woodgrove	40 13 1	...	40 13 1
Kanieri Lake	29 7 6	51 2 8	80 10 2
Okura ... ..	...	317 1 9	317 1 9
Stillwater-Jackson's	133 2 2	333 5 7	466 7 9
Runanga ... ..	...	7 9 10	7 9 10
Reefton-Blackwater	139 12 9	75 12 7	215 5 4
Rapahoe ... ..	...	4 8 9	4 8 9
Wainihinihi	3 5 1	4 15 8	8 0 9
Greymouth-Westport ... ..	...	1,276 2 9	1,276 2 9
Greymouth-Barrytown	322 16 10	104 16 3	427 13 1
Greymouth-Rotomana ... ..	...	1 14 9	1 14 9
Humphrey's Gully - Ho Ho	135 18 6	61 6 11	197 5 5
Bruce Bay	1,201 6 8	173 5 10	1,374 12 6
Mahitahi Extension	12 1 3	...	12 1 3
Wilson's ... ..	...	5 4 8	5 4 8
Hinds-Lismore	105 1 10	103 3 1	208 4 11
Riccarton ... ..	...	1 1 4	1 1 4
Ashburton - Green Street	69 19 5	84 12 8	154 12 1
Ashburton-Elgin	76 10 11	17 16 2	94 7 1
Ashburton-Dorie	260 3 0	203 15 0	463 18 0
Broken River ... ..	...	3 19 10	3 19 10
Burwood Extension	8 12 10	24 3 6	32 16 4
Ashley Bank - Loburn	175 2 9	34 15 8	209 18 5
Redcliffs	9 13 8	21 6 0	30 19 8
Davis Road (Lincoln-Springston)	26 9 9	15 0 8	41 10 5
Cust - Mount Thomas ... ..	...	52 16 6	52 16 6
Cust - West Eyreton	60 16 5	10 13 4	71 9 9
Omihi ... ..	...	4 7 2	4 7 2
Springston-Wakaipa	1 3 3	...	1 3 3
Rangiora-Cust ... ..	...	1 19 3	1 19 3
Rakaia-Dorie	122 5 0	117 11 4	239 16 4
Rakaia-Highbank	3 7 7	...	3 7 7
Woodgrove ... ..	...	14 12 6	14 12 6
Springburn-Staveley	11 6 5	4 11 11	15 18 4
Wakanui	8 6 0	1 8 8	9 14 8
Alford Forest	99 16 5	20 4 7	120 1 0
Albert Town - Makarora	48 4 0	128 3 9	176 7 9
Te Kapo - Pukaki	18 6 4	126 9 0	144 15 4
Kelcher's (Waimate-Waihaorangi)	9 12 3	...	9 12 3
Glenavy-Ikawai	118 11 1	...	118 11 1
Levels	5 18 5	...	5 18 5
Glen-iti - Claremont	56 9 8	76 19 6	133 9 2
Makikihi-Hunter	89 14 1	20 17 8	110 11 9
Makikihi-Otaio	53 7 6	25 19 8	79 7 2
Makikihi Trunk	22 7 7	...	22 7 7
Riverside-Hakatere	30 7 4	12 0 10	42 8 2
Riverside-Fishing-station	15 7 6	...	15 7 6
Ealing-Carew-Ruapuna	201 19 11	144 10 4	346 10 3
Geraldine - Kakahu Bush ... ..	...	37 4 4	37 4 4
Timaru-Hazleburn	2 17 10	...	2 17 10
Timaru-Fairlie (metallic circuit)	73 15 4	...	73 15 4
Seadown ... ..	...	5 10 8	5 10 8
Timaru-Temuka (second trunk)	137 19 6	60 15 7	198 15 1
Timaru - Waimate - St. Andrew's (metallic circuit)	112 2 7	284 19 11	397 2 6
Kononi	4 3 4	4 5 2	8 8 6

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Line.	Expenditure.			Material from Stores.			Total Cost during the Year.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Lawrence—Clyde—Cromwell	157	3	0	66	11	4	223	14	4
Ngapara ... ..	...	...	...	22	7	2	22	7	2
Blue Spur Extension	136	8	5	28	15	3	165	3	8
Waianakarua ... ..	...	...	...	3	18	4	3	18	4
Maheno—Hampden	90	8	4	2	3	11	92	12	3
Elderslie—Ngapara ... ..	...	...	...	0	14	2	0	14	2
Mosgiel—Wylie's Crossing	10	4	6	17	10	11	27	15	5
Middlemarch—Sutton	46	5	5	28	15	10	75	1	3
Port Chalmers—Hayward's Point... ..	31	1	7	...	...	...	31	1	7
Dunedin Railway-station ... ..	...	...	...	3	9	3	3	9	3
Dunedin—Invercargill (metallic circuit)	823	3	2	2,943	10	9	3,766	13	11
Glade House—Milford Sound	351	6	3	...	...	...	351	6	3
Mossburn—Te Anau	370	4	5	1	15	2	371	19	7
Centre Bush—Dipton	16	2	0	59	6	10	75	8	10
Riversdale—Wendon	89	3	7	1	15	6	90	19	1
South Hillend Extension	22	17	2	19	2	7	41	19	9
Centre Bush—Otopiri	32	2	10	19	16	7	51	19	5
Gore—Mataura Loop	45	9	6	186	7	4	231	16	10
Gore—Riversdale (metallic circuit) ... ..	...	...	...	1	19	3	1	19	3
Mataura Island (additions)	8	9	9	...	...	...	8	9	9
Fortrose—Otarā... ..	38	14	5	...	...	...	38	14	5
Kauana (Barkley Village—Limehills)	2	12	0	4	13	4	7	5	4
Winton	1	19	1	...	...	...	1	19	1
Brown's—Hokonui	22	15	3	12	18	6	35	13	9
Otautau—Aparima	111	7	4	33	12	10	145	0	2
Greenhills—Mokomoko	39	3	0	25	5	8	64	8	8
Houipapa	11	6	9	5	4	10	16	11	7
Owaka—Tautuku	70	7	0	26	10	6	96	17	6
Catlins—Tautuku ... ..	...	...	...	121	16	5	121	16	5
Pukerau—Waikoikoi	52	3	10	32	18	2	85	2	0
Waimahaka—Waikawa	218	19	9	14	16	7	233	16	4
Wyndham—Mokoreta ... ..	...	...	...	71	14	9	71	14	9
Waikawa—Waikawa Valley	68	15	2	...	...	...	68	15	2
	41,452	18	5	51,740	7	6	93,193	5	11
Purchase of material	72,615	1	4						
Total expenditure 1906-7	114,067	19	9						
Total expenditure to 31st March, 1906	1,210,176	11	9						
Total expenditure out of Public Works Fund to 31st March, 1907	£1,324,244	11	6	Total cost of lines during 1906-7			£93,193	5	11

