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NEW ZEALAND.

POST AND TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT

(REPORT OF THE) FOR THE YEAR 1907.

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

General Post Office,
Wellington, 22nd June, 1908.

MY LORD,—

I have the honour to submit to Your Excellency the Report of the Post and Telegraph Department for the year 1907, and to offer the following introductory remarks :—

The Department, in keeping with its established policy, has endeavoured in every way to meet the requirements of the public not only by providing increased facilities, but also by reducing charges wherever the volume of business or circumstances justified such a course.

Looking back over the last decade of the nineteenth century and the portion already elapsed of the first of the twentieth, it is with satisfaction that attention may be called to the outstanding results of this policy.

The public have become so accustomed to penny postage, sixpenny telegrams, and cheap means of remitting money, that few realise the advantages now obtained compared with the conditions existing but a few years ago.

Were the 1891 rates in vogue at present the postages on the mail matter of all kinds carried by the Department would have amounted to £676,136, instead of £441,776 actually received; ordinary paid telegrams would have cost £325,287, instead of £201,724; and exchange subscribers would have paid £146,085, in place of £116,853. Thus, on these main items alone the public last year saved £387,155, a very considerable item on the total of £760,353 which it expended.

Reduced rates, however, invariably mean increased business. Letters and other mail matter dealt with last year numbered 125,418,080, compared with 81,122,620 in 1901, and 37,650,551 in 1891—the percentage of increase in these cases being 54 over 1901 and 233 over 1891.

Telegrams show an even greater proportional advance. From 1,968,264 in 1891 they rose to 4,167,981 in 1901, and to 7,042,923 in the year just closed, which therefore exceeded 1901 by 69 and 1891 by 258 per cent.

So great an increase in business of course necessitated the employment of many additional officers. The permanent staff, which in 1891 numbered 1,409, had to be increased to 2,245 in 1901, and to 3,147 in 1907. These figures show that the increase in staff has been at less than half the rate per cent. of the increase in the work. It follows that officers have their hours of duty fully occupied.

With such marked increase in both business and staff, combined with equally marked decrease in rates, the question as to the effect upon the revenue and expenditure naturally arises.

The revenue has increased from £320,058 in 1891 to £488,573 in 1901, and £822,639 in the year just closed, while the expenditure for the same periods amounted to £268,343, £465,756, and £709,025 respectively—that is to say, that whereas the revenue, with smaller charges for work performed, has increased since 1891 by 157 per cent., the expenditure, with the greatly increased staff and other facilities required, has increased 164 per cent., a result which may be regarded as highly satisfactory. From another point of view, in 1907, with penny postage, half-penny-a-word telegrams, and reduced telephone, money-order, and postal-note charges, the percentage of total expenditure to total receipts was 86·19, as against 83·84 in 1891, an increase of only 2·35 per cent., notwithstanding that rates of postage and charges for telegrams have been reduced by over 50 per cent. all round.

Taking into consideration the total salaries paid, the results are even more remarkable. In 1891 the proportion of salaries to total expenditure was 58·62 per cent., while in the past year it was 59·06 per cent., an increased ratio of only 0·44, or less than one-half per cent.

Briefly, the Department has undertaken a vastly increased business, at greatly reduced rates, and yet succeeds in keeping the expenditure at practically the same ratio to the income as was the case when each article handled or telegram sent produced from 50 to 100 per cent. more revenue.

I have the honour to be,
My Lord,

Your most obedient servant,
J. G. WARD,

His Excellency the Governor, Wellington.

Postmaster-General.

REVIEW.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

The revenue and expenditure of the Department for the financial year 1907-8 are shown in the following table:—

Item.	Postal.		Telegraph.		Total.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
<i>Receipts.</i>						
Stamps for postage	441,776	3 6½	..	..	441,776	3 6½
Money-order and postal-note commission	24,439	15 0	..	..	24,439	15 0
Money-order commission received from foreign offices	639	12 0	..	..	639	12 0
Private box and bag fees	10,494	11 3	..	..	10,494	11 3
Miscellaneous receipts	1,038	6 6	4,472	8 3	5,510	14 9
Paid telegrams .. .. .	..	..	222,925	18 5	222,925	18 5
Telephone exchanges .. .. .	..	..	116,852	13 10	116,852	13 10
Balance of expenditure over revenue (Telegraph)	478,388	8 3½	344,251	0 6	822,639	8 9½
Totals	478,388	8 3½	357,581	1 3	822,639	8 9½
<i>Expenditure.</i>						
Salaries (classified officers)	134,453	0 0	236,419	4 8	370,872	4 8
Salaries (country Postmasters and telephonists, and contributions to Railway officers)	19,800	0 0	28,071	0 0	47,871	0 0
Conveyance of mails by sea	40,512	11 8	..	..	40,512	11 8
Conveyance of inland mails	62,364	12 5	..	..	62,364	12 5
Conveyance of mails by railway	45,658	19 2	..	..	45,658	19 2
Money-order commission credited to foreign offices	1,888	14 4	..	..	1,888	14 4
Maintenance of telegraph-lines .. .. .	..	..	45,866	10 5	45,866	10 5
Miscellaneous	46,765	17 4	47,224	6 2	93,990	3 6
Balance of revenue over expenditure (Postal)	351,443	14 11	357,581	1 3	709,024	16 2
" " (whole Department)	126,944	13 4½	..	..	113,614	12 7½
Totals	478,388	8 3½	357,581	1 3	822,639	8 9½

The total revenue exceeded that of 1906-7 by £76,389, and the expenditure by £89,903.

The money-order business still shows a relatively small rate of increase. The issues numbered 441,487 for £1,773,590 17s. 1d., and 337,791 for £1,523,907 17s. 4d. were paid. The increase in the number of orders issued as compared with last year was 2,467, entirely due to orders issued for payment within the Dominion.

New Zealand postal-note business continues to increase. During the past year 1,092,631 postal notes for £347,300 were sold, being an increase of 8.84 per cent. in number and 10.45 in amount as compared with the preceding year.

The number of British postal orders sold increased from 31,698 for £16,229 15s. 6d. to 36,600 valued at £19,564 12s., and 12,238 orders for £8,533 19s. were paid, as against 9,461 for £6,426 4s. paid during the previous year.

The number of parcels insured during the year was 1,689, valued at £19,960 19s. 11d., upon which premiums amounting to £56 8s. 2d. were received.

The increase in the amount standing to the credit of Savings-Bank depositors has been considerable. The deposits (£9,351,663 19s. 7d.) exceeded the withdrawals (£8,125,123) by £1,226,540 19s. 7d. To this there has been added £343,424 7s. 2d. as interest, making a total increase of £1,569,965 6s. 9d., and bringing the whole amount of savings up to £11,523,230 17s. 9d., an amount which equals £11 12s. 11d. per head of the population.

The number of old-age pension payments was 158,782, as compared with 152,502 in the previous year, an increase of 6,280, or 4.12 per cent. The total amount of the payments was £325,220 13s. 2d., as against £314,204 15s. 9d. paid out in the preceding year, an increase of £11,015 17s. 5d.

The total number of telegrams forwarded was 7,042,923, an increase of 646,591, or 10.11 per cent., as compared with the business of the previous year.

The amount expended on telegraph extension was £155,491, but there are liabilities amounting to £103,550 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, 1908, there were 9,656 miles of telegraph-line and 29,344 miles of wire. The length of submarine cables within the Dominion was 352 knots.

The number of telephone-exchange connections still continues to increase rapidly. It has now reached 23,981, with a revenue of £116,852 13s. 10d.

STATEMENT showing REVENUE and EXPENDITURE of the POST and TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT for the Ten Years ended 31st March, 1908, 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
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
1907-1908	822,639	8	9½	709,024	16	2	113,614	12	7½
Total for ten years							£773,340	4	5½

PERSONAL.

The Hon. Sir John Hall, K.C.M.G., formerly Premier of New Zealand, who was also Postmaster-General and Commissioner of Telegraphs, 1866-69, and 1879-81, died at his residence at Christchurch on the 25th June, 1907.

Sir Spencer Walpole, Chairman of the Pacific Cable Board, died on the 7th July, 1907.

On the 29th July, 1907, Sir H. W. Primrose, K.C.B., C.S.I., I.S.O., Chairman of the Board of Inland Revenue, was appointed one of the representatives of His Majesty's Government on the Pacific Cable Board, and Chairman of the Board, in succession to the late Sir Spencer Walpole.

News was received on the 22nd May, 1908, that Mr. C. H. Reynolds, C.I.E., General Manager of the Pacific Cable Board, had died at Lisbon, whither he had gone as a delegate to the International Telegraph Conference. Mr. Reynolds was appointed General Manager of the Pacific Cable Board in 1901.

STAFF.

The following alterations have been made in respect of the titles of various officers as from the 1st April, 1907: From Electrician, to Chief Electrician; from Chief Clerk (Auckland, Christchurch, Dunedin, Wellington), to Assistant Postmaster; from Senior Money-order and Savings-bank Clerk (Chief Post-offices), to Accountant; from Storekeeper, to Controller of Stores; from Assistant Storekeeper, to Assistant Controller of Stores; from Mail-room Supervisor (Auckland, Christchurch, Dunedin, Wellington), to Chief Mail Clerk.

Mr. J. G. Ballard was appointed to the new office of Inspector of Telegraph Offices on the 1st April, 1907. It was decided, in consequence, on the 21st October, 1907, to establish an Inspector of Telegraph Offices' Branch in the General Post Office (approximately on the same footing as that of Inspector of Post-offices), and to allot a staff to deal with the business of the Telegraph Division of the service, which had formerly been managed partly in the Secretary's Office and partly in the Accountant's Branch.

Mr. G. B. Dall, Assistant Inspector of Post Offices, Central District, was promoted to the position of Inspector of Post Offices on the 1st July, 1907, in succession to Mr. D. Cumming.

On the 31st March, 1908, Mr. Duncan Cumming, Controller of Money-Orders and Savings-Banks and Accountant, retired on pension, after over thirty-eight years' service. Mr. J. L. H. Ledger, Assistant Controller of Money-Orders and Savings-Banks and Assistant Accountant, was promoted to be Controller and Accountant in succession to Mr. Cumming.

Mr. R. B. Morris, Assistant Postmaster, Wellington, was promoted to the newly created position of Inspector of Savings-Banks on the 1st April, 1908.

As Nelson now transmits inland messages for North and South Island, and as cable-traffic also is sent from Wakapuaka to Nelson for transmission, the staff at Wakapuaka has been considerably reduced.

The salaries of non-permanent postmasters and telephonists throughout the Dominion are in course of revision.

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

	31st March, 1908.
Postmaster-General	1
Classified staff:—	
First Division	3
Clerical Division	2,158
Non-clerical Division	911
Telegraph message-boys	704
Total, classified staff	3,777

Employees not on permanent staff:—		31st March, 1908.
Country Postmasters and Postmistresses	... ..	2,034
Night-watchmen	... ..	1
Mail-cart drivers	... ..	8
Postmasters and telegraphists or telephonists who are Railway officers	... ..	178
Total	... ..	5,999

Comparative Return of Officers of the Post and Telegraph Department for the Years ended 31st March, 1907, and 31st March, 1908.

	Mar. 31, 1907.	Mar. 31, 1908.		Mar. 31, 1907.	Mar. 31, 1908.
Postmaster-General	1	1	Brought forward	162	190
Secretary	1	1	Sub-Inspector of Telegraphs	1	1
Superintendent of Electric Lines	1	1	Assistant Inspectors of Post-offices	4	4
Assistant Secretary and Inspector	1	1	Chief Postmasters	17	17
Chief Clerk	1	1	Officers in Charge (separate)*	6	6
Inspector of Post-offices	1	1	Postmasters on permanent staff	130	136
Inspector of Telegraph-offices	1	1	Clerks (including Telephone Exchange)		
Controller of Money-orders and Savings-banks and Accountant	1	1	Cadettes and Cadets in post-offices	1,718	2,006
Assistant Controller of Money-orders and Savings-banks and Assistant Accountant	1	1	Operators (including Cadets in telegraph-offices)		
Clerks in General Post Office—			Post Office Sorters	96	50
Secretary's Office	23	31	Letter-carriers	336	390
Inspector's and Dead Letter Branch	9	12	Messengers (Post Office)	78	99
Inspector of Telegraph-offices' Branch	4	4	Linemen	81	93
Controller of Money-orders and Savings-banks and Accountant's Branch	90	97	Distributors, Sorters, and Folders (Tele-graph Office) †	7	79
Controller of Stores, Assistant, and Clerks	13	17	Telegraph Message-boys	581	704
Chief Electrician	1	1	Night-watchmen	1	2
Assistant Electricians	2	2	Drivers	7	10
Mechanicians, Clerks, and Cadets in Laboratory	11	11	Postmasters and Telegraphists or Tele-phonists who are Railway officers	167	178
Telegraph Inspectors	5	5	Country Postmasters, Postmistresses, and Telephonists	1,870	2,034
Assistant Inspector of Telegraphs	1	1	Totals	5,202	5,999
Carried forward	162	190			

* Hitherto included in next following item.

† Distributors and Folders, hitherto shown among Clerks.

The continued rapid expansion of telegraph business has necessitated the continuance of the school for learners at Oamaru practically throughout the year. In addition to the usual course of instruction, the learners are now being instructed in the working of the Wheatstone automatic instrument. As the lads qualify and pass a technical examination they are drafted for duty at offices.

HEALTH OF STAFF.

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

	Numbers comprised.	Average Absence per Sick Officer.	Average Sick-absence per each Officer employed.
		Days.	Days.
Men	1,844	8·87	6·68
Women	312	22·88	18·11

Twelve officers died during the year.

APPEAL BOARD.

A meeting of the Appeal Board under "The Post and Telegraph Department Act, 1894," began at the General Post Office on Monday, 5th August, 1907, and ended on the 12th idem. Thirteen appeals were considered. In seven cases the Board had no recommendation to make; in one case the appeal was not sustained; and in the five remaining cases the Board made various recommendations. It was decided to give effect to the findings of the Board in each case as early as practicable.

CLASSIFICATION.

"The Post and Telegraph Classification Act, 1907," makes important changes in the classification of officers of the Department. Instead of there being twenty-five classes, some identified by number and some by name below the First Division, the Department has now thirteen classes. This in itself makes greatly for simplification of treatment of the scheme of classification; but when it is considered that the former distribution of officers interposed arbitrary distinctions to keep apart officers doing work of the same relative importance and value for the Department, the amelioration appears still more clearly. For instance, officers of the First Grade in the First Class and Chief Postmasters at the four principal centres were formerly separated, and some slight difference in salary

marked the separation. The separation was purely arbitrary, and hampered the Department in filling vacancies. Now these Chief Postmasters come into the scheme in line with other officers doing work of equal importance, and the title "First Grade" and its limits of salary cover all. This will have the effect, it is believed, of enlightening and contenting officers. The same reasons have dictated the fusion of following classes, and will no doubt produce the same results.

An Order in Council renewing Classification Regulations was made on the 29th July, 1907, with effect from the 30th July, 1907. Among changes made were the following: An educational certificate of proficiency is required from applicants for employment in the Clerical Division. The age for appointment to the Clerical Division was reduced from sixteen to fifteen years. Experts may be appointed at an age over twenty years. An officer who joined the Department before the passing of the Post and Telegraph Classification and Regulation Act of 1890 is not now required to pass the senior examination before receiving promotion to any class higher than the Fifth Class (£190-£250), (by a later Order in Council, of 2nd May, 1908, the Sixth Class—£200-£260), also persons skilled in electricity or telegraphy or in literature, science, or art, to the satisfaction of the Minister, are not required to pass any further examination other than the usual departmental ones. Any person over thirty-five years of age who has been temporarily employed previous to reaching such age, and whose employment has been continuous, is eligible for appointment to the Non-clerical Division. Power is given the Minister to fill vacancies requiring, in his opinion, special experience or special knowledge, in the most suitable way, regardless of seniority of officers. Officers transferred in the same financial year to any grouped class retain the same relative positions as before such transfer. Female officers are granted the same periods of leave as male officers. Non-clerical officers of ten years' service and upwards receive three weeks of annual leave instead of two weeks. Cadets passing an examination in shorthand are granted six months' seniority. Examinations in departmental requirements are specified for postal and telegraph officers and cadets. The position of junior letter-carriers is improved.

An Order in Council of the 7th December, 1907, extended the double increment of salary to officers of the Second Grade of the Fifth Class (£190-£220) who had passed the Civil Service Senior or an equivalent examination.

Amended regulations were made by Order in Council dated the 2nd May, 1908, embodying the provisions of "The Post and Telegraph Classification Act, 1907" (taking effect from the 14th May). The principal alterations were as follows:—

Applicants for employment as a Matron, Supervisor, or Postmistress, or in the telephone exchange, are required to furnish an educational certificate of competency. The minimum age for admission is sixteen years, and the maximum age twenty-five years, except in the case of women appointed as Matrons, Supervisors, Postmistresses, Telegraphists, and Book-keepers, who may be appointed at any age not less than twenty years or more than forty-five years. Women not exceeding forty years of age who have been continuously employed in the Department in a non-permanent capacity for five years may be appointed to a telephone exchange.

The minimum age for appointment to the Non-clerical Division has been reduced from sixteen to fifteen years, except for the positions of Post-Office boy messenger and Telegraph message-boy, which remains at thirteen years.

No appeal may be referred to the Board of Appeal which purports to take exception to any act otherwise constituting a ground of appeal if such act was done at a time earlier than one year and three months before the date fixed for the next meeting of the Board of Appeal.

Every male officer who is married, or who is a widower with a child or children, is to receive a salary of not less than £130. But he is not entitled to claim, and may not be paid, the additional sum of £10 mentioned in the next paragraph until the salary attached to his official position in the Post and Telegraph Departmental List reaches £130. Any sum representing the difference between the salary attached to his official position and a salary of £130 is regarded as a gratuity only.

An officer who is married, or is a widower or a widow with a child or children, and is drawing a salary less than £150 per annum, is paid a sum additional to salary of £10 per annum until the salary reaches the sum of £150 per annum. When the difference between the annual salary and £150 is less than £10, a sum equal to the difference only is paid.

Officers in the Second, Third, and Fourth Grades of the Twelfth Class who have been fifteen years or upwards in the service of the Department, if favourably reported upon in regard to conduct and efficiency, may be granted, at the discretion of the Minister, good-conduct money at the rate of 6d. per day.

Officers promoted in the same financial year to any class retain the same relative positions as they had before such transfer (grouped classes being abolished).

In any case in which an officer becomes entitled to promotion without removal from the class in which he is situated, the Minister may, in his discretion, grant to such officer on promotion increment to the salary next beyond that to which he would first become entitled without such promotion under regulations.

In addition to writing shorthand at the rate of 100 words a minute, cadets are required to pass an examination in typewriting at 40 words per minute in order to obtain six months' seniority.

Technical examinations, which all telegraph cadets are by the Classification Regulations required to pass, were held on the 17th September, 1907, and the 27th March, 1908. The number of successful candidates and the percentage of marks on each occasion were satisfactory.

An efficiency test, as provided for by the Classification Regulations, applying to Post and Telegraph officers before receiving salary in excess of £165 per annum, and a further efficiency test, applying to Postal officers, and a technical examination applying to Telegraph officers before receiving salary in excess of £200 per annum, took place in April-May, 1908, at which also the results were satisfactory.

REVISED SYSTEM OF FINING.

Apparently it is impossible to dispense with some system of fining officers for breaches of duty apart from discipline, such as carelessness, late attendance, and the like. The equal and just incidence of fines has occupied the attention of the Department for many years past, but the best system hitherto devised has failed to eliminate the feeling of irritation or resentment on the part of the hard-working officer, who has felt that his zeal is the occasion of the slip by which he becomes liable to penalty. It has now been determined to abolish local fining altogether, as from the 1st April, 1908, and to limit the assessment of fines to the functions of the General Post Office. Hereafter the faults of officers will come into the purview of the General Post Office in a quarterly written record, and fines will be imposed only in view of continued carelessness or indifference. It is believed that this will introduce a better tone into the work of the officers. Few officers can avoid occasional slips, but every mistake of a man who is in earnest about his work is a reminder to him to avoid its repetition, and it is believed the new system will have the effect of stimulating the better faculties of the staff.

In accordance with section 33 (1) of the Public Service Superannuation Act, the amount of fines levied in the Department since the 1st January, 1908, has been paid to the Public Trustee's Account for credit of the Public Service Superannuation Fund. Fines levied in future will be paid to the same fund.

POST-OFFICE INSPECTION.

During the year the four Assistant Inspectors of Post-offices visited and inspected 1,565 offices, and travelled 32,736 miles. In addition to this they also acted as relieving Chief Postmasters in several districts.

POSTAL CONCESSIONS.

From the 16th December, 1907, the postage on inland post-cards was reduced to $\frac{1}{2}$ d. each, and on reply-cards to 1d. From the 1st January, 1908, the rates for inland letters were made 1d. for the first 4 oz., and $\frac{1}{2}$ d. for each additional 2 oz.; and for registered magazines, 1d. for each 16 oz. or fraction thereof. The registration-fee was reduced to 2d. from the latter date.

Consequent on the introduction of the Rome Convention, the following concessions were made in foreign postage rates as from the 1st October, 1907: From New Zealand to the United Kingdom, British Possessions, and countries at present named in page 3 of the current "Post and Telegraph Guide"—From 1d. for each half-ounce or fraction thereof to 1d. for each ounce or fraction thereof. To all other places—From $2\frac{1}{2}$ d. for each half-ounce or fraction thereof to $2\frac{1}{2}$ d. for the first ounce and $1\frac{1}{2}$ d. for each succeeding ounce or fraction thereof.

From the 1st April, 1908, the rate of postage for letters from the Bechuanaland Protectorate to the United Kingdom and other countries participating in the Imperial Penny-postage Scheme is 1d. for each half-ounce. The Protectorate is added to the list of countries receiving New Zealand letters at 1d. the ounce.

The inland parcel-rate of postage was reduced from the 1st January, 1907, from 6d. for the first pound, and 3d. for each additional pound or fraction thereof, to 4d. and 2d. respectively.

PENNY POSTAGE.

A Press telegram from London on the 4th June notified that in the House of Commons the previous day the Postmaster-General had announced that the Government of the United States had agreed to his proposals for the establishment of penny postage between Great Britain and America, as from the 1st October, 1908. It is to be hoped that this will form a precedent for a similar reduction of postage from the United States to other British possessions.

POST-OFFICE AT KING EDWARD VII LAND.

A post-office was opened at King Edward VII Land as from the 20th December, 1907, under charge of Lieutenant Ernest Henry Shackleton. The post-office, which is the most southern post-office in the world, is situated at the base of the Nimrod Antarctic Expedition. The postage-stamps supplied to the office are described elsewhere.

POST AND TELEGRAPH HANDBOOK.

The departmental official handbook has been reprinted. The handbook gives in a popular form the everyday rules relating to the transmission of letters and telegrams, the issue of money-orders, the Savings-Bank, &c.

PROHIBITION OF CORRESPONDENCE AND MONEY-ORDERS.

Correspondence for sixty persons or firms has been prohibited transmission under sections 9 and 10 of "The Post Office Act Amendment Act, 1906," because the Postmaster-General has reasonable ground for supposing that they are engaged in promoting or carrying out a lottery, in fraudulent or immoral businesses, or in advertising in direct or indirect terms the treatment of diseases of the sexual organs nor may money-orders be issued in favour of such persons or firms.

OFFENCES.

On the 1st May, 1907, a mail-bag, Auckland to Helensville, was found as the train left wanson to have been cut open in the guard's van, and £30 abstracted from a remittance-envelope. A bundle of letters was also taken. The police were unable to trace the thief. The letters and the

bank-notes in a burnt condition were found near the Parnell Bridge, Auckland, on the 18th November, 1907, by two railway employees, who each received a reward of £2 from this Department.

A man who sent a telegram on the 6th May, 1907, making untruthful allegations and signed it with a fictitious name was sentenced at Stratford to four months' imprisonment with hard labour.

A man at Palmerston North was charged on 11th June, 1907, with having forged a Post Office order. He was found guilty, and sentenced to two years' imprisonment with hard labour.

An ex-telegraph message-boy was found guilty at Auckland of forging, in September, 1907, a telegraphic money-order for £18, and sentenced on the 9th December to six months' imprisonment.

A person was convicted of having wrongfully obtained possession, on the 16th September, 1907, of a letter intended for another person of the same name, and of having cashed a money-order for £5 5s., which it contained. The offender was admitted to probation.

A postal cadet confessed to stealing a letter containing £4 in notes posted at Alexandra South on the 8th October, 1907. He was convicted, and admitted to probation for twelve months.

On the 29th October, 1907, the Featherston-to-Wellington mail-bag, containing twenty-six letters and two newspapers, was missed on arrival of the train in Wellington. Two letters, both unregistered, covered remittances of £61 and £360 odd, respectively. The contents were unnegotiable. Search was made for the bag, and the matter placed in the hands of the police, but without result.

A letter-carrier in the Chief Post-office, Wellington, was arrested on the 15th November, 1907, on a charge of theft of a postal packet of jewellery, valued at £3. He was sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment with hard labour.

A person was charged at Dunedin on the 1st December, 1907, with having forged and uttered, at Wellington, the name of a depositor to two Post-Office Savings-Bank withdrawal receipts for £22 10s. and £13 respectively. He was sentenced to imprisonment for twelve months, with hard labour.

Another person was sentenced at the September Supreme Court sitting, Christchurch, to eighteen months' imprisonment for forging and uttering a Post-Office Savings-Bank withdrawal slip for £15 10s.

Between the 10th December, 1907, and the 10th February, 1908, report was made of the loss of three letters addressed to banks in Blenheim, containing £8 in bank-notes and several cheques. The theft was admitted by a cadet in the Blenheim Post-office.

At Taihape on the 18th January, 1908, a man pleaded guilty to obtaining by means of a false telegram from Taihape a registered packet from the Postmaster, Utiku, on 23rd December, 1907, and was fined £10.

The schoolhouse at Croydon Bush, which is also the post-office, was broken into by a schoolboy, on the 16th February, 1908, and two letters awaiting delivery were tampered with.

The post and telephone office at Whakarewarewa was broken into on the night of the 24th February, 1908, and £3 17s. 8d. stolen; and again between Saturday night and Monday morning, 7th and 9th March, 1908, when 13s. was taken.

On the 7th March, 1908, a mail-bag from Horeke to Rawene was lost in transit. It was recovered from a Maori several days later, with the contents torn into small pieces. The matter was placed in the hands of the police, who were, however, unable to ascertain definitely how the mail was lost.

A person was charged with having on the 18th April, 1908, at Palmerston North, forged a Post-Office Savings-Bank withdrawal receipt, and was sentenced by the Supreme Court to six months' imprisonment.

On the 4th May, 1908, a person who received a registered letter containing £1, but wherein the sender stated he was enclosing £2, alleged that the envelope had been tampered with while in the custody of the Post Office. Investigation showed that only £1 was enclosed by the sender, and that the envelope had not been tampered with in the Post Office.

On the 18th May, 1908, a young man was sentenced at the Supreme Court, Wellington, to two years' imprisonment for having on the 14th April forged the name of a person to a telegram asking for money, and having thereby obtained £4.

The safe at the Otira Railway-station was blown open on the night of the 27th May, 1908, and £101 stolen. Of this amount, £94 5s. 11½d. was Post Office funds, consisting of £64 5s. 11½d. in coin and £30 in cheques. Entrance was effected by a window, and mail-bags and moss were used to deaden the sound of the explosion.

In another case a firm complained of the non-receipt of a number of valuable letters. Later, the theft of the letters was admitted by an employee of the firm.

CASUALTIES.

A gas-explosion occurred in the strong-room of the Auckland Post-office on the 7th September, 1907, resulting in injuries to three officers, and the wrecking of the letter-carriers' branch. The injured officers recovered. The Department defrayed medical and other expenses of the officers. A departmental inquiry showed the explosion to have been caused by a defective piece of piping. Arrangements have been made which will obviate the necessity for the use of gas in the strong-room of any post-office in the Dominion.

The Department was fortunate in suffering no material loss by the fire which partially destroyed the Parliament Buildings on the morning of the 11th December. Shortly after the outbreak, official documents, books, and furniture were safely removed from the Postmaster-General's Office and the Cabinet-room.

A fire broke out at the Auckland Telegraph-office on the morning of 21st May, 1908. The fire was discovered in a lavatory adjoining the despatch-room by the telephone-exchange clerk coming off

duty at 1.47 a.m. The outbreak was confined to two small rooms, which were completely gutted, the roof and walls being burned away. A smaller outbreak had previously occurred in the same office, earlier in the year.

A fire occurred in the General Post Office block, Wellington, on the night of the 22nd May, 1908, resulting in three old wooden buildings being destroyed. The premises containing the parcel-post office and the dead-letter office were partly burnt. Very little damage was done to the General Post Office building, which undoubtedly was saved from destruction by the fire-proof doors in use. A few parcels were burnt, but no letters or telegrams were lost. There was no interruption to the post and telegraph business. The staff rendered excellent service in saving the records, and the members of the Post and Telegraph Rifle Corps, who took charge of the departmental fire appliances, displayed much bravery in preventing the fire entering the General Post Office.

The mails on board the s.s. "Muritai," wrecked on the Hen and Chickens rocks on the 27th May, 1908, were recovered.

For accidents to mail-coaches, see "Inland Mails."

POSTAGE-STAMPS, ETC.

The postage-stamps at 3d. and 1s. have since June and December, 1907, respectively been printed in sheets of 240 stamps instead of 120. Two steel plates for the 3d. denomination and one for the 1s., to print 240 stamps each, were obtained for the purpose from London.

One hundred sheets of New Zealand postage-stamps at 1d. were overprinted on the 19th December, 1907, for King Edward VII Land Post-office, which was established for the convenience of the British Antarctic Expedition that left New Zealand on the 1st January, 1908.

A letter-card at 1d., of a new design, was issued in December, 1907.

2,500,000 half-penny post-cards, bearing the King's effigy, were printed from a die obtained from Messrs. Perkins, Bacon, and Company (Limited), London. The card was sold to the public from the 16th December, 1907, on which date the postage on inland post-cards was reduced to a half-penny.

For persons so desiring, half-penny current post-cards were exchanged against one-penny post-cards, which are now only used for places beyond the Dominion.

Ten thousand inland reply post-cards, showing $\frac{1}{2}$ d. as the postage for each part, and bearing impressions of the King's head, were printed and brought into use on the 16th December, 1907.

A supply of the international reply coupon was received and brought into use in this Dominion in October, 1907. These coupons enable the sender of a letter addressed to a place abroad to prepay the reply on payment of a fee of 3d. A coupon may be exchanged for a postage-stamp of the value of 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. in any country which has adopted the scheme.

AUTOMATIC POSTAGE-RECORDING MACHINES.

"The Post Office Act Amendment Act, 1907," came into operation on the 19th November, 1907. By the provisions of the Act, the Postmaster-General may permit to be issued recording-machines for impressing upon postal packets and other documents the sign of postage or stamp values, and recording the amount of such values. Such impressions are valid for the prepayment of postage and of charges on telegrams. The amount of postage and stamp values are to form part of the postal revenue. The Minister of Stamp Duties may pay commission on amounts so collected, and may make refunds of amounts represented by impressions made and recorded in error and not used. A receipt, as defined in section 121 of the Stamp Act, may be duly stamped by an impression of the machine. Every person commits an offence, and is liable to a fine not exceeding £100, or to imprisonment for any period not exceeding one year, who impresses or causes to be impressed upon any postal packet, telegram, receipt, or other document any impression with intent that it shall be mistaken by any person for an impression duly made by a recording-machine issued under the authority of this Act.

The Automatic Stamping Company has been given permission to instal machines in any number up to two hundred at Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch, and Dunedin.

POST-MARKING MACHINES.

The introduction of post-marking machines is being gradually extended. Recent improvements in the machines have not only simplified the mechanism, but greatly increased the speed of working. The principle of the electric-power machines has been successfully applied to foot-power and hand-power, which will enable post-marking by machinery to be done in many of the second and third grade offices. The foot-power machines have a working-speed at the rate of from 600 to 700 letters per minute, as compared with 900 to 1,200 recorded by the power machines, and the hand-power machines 250 to 350.

There are now nine motor-power, two foot-power, and five hand-power post-marking machines in use in the Dominion, and it is estimated that their use saves the Department the cost of from seventeen to twenty officers who would otherwise be employed in hand stamping.

All the machines in use were made in the Dominion.

BUILDINGS.

Owing to the demolition of the old buildings of the Levin Block, Wellington, to make way for the extension of the General Post Office building (for which plans have been prepared and tenders are about to be called by the Public Works Department), fresh arrangements for the accommodation of the branches housed in these buildings were necessary. The parcel branch, and the Inspector of Post-offices' branch, together with the bag-making section of the stores branch, now occupy the second

and third floors of St. George's building in Brandon Street, with a public parcel office on the ground-floor. The letter-carriers are placed on the first floor of the General Post Office building. The staffs of the Superintendent of Electric Lines (including the mechanics' branch) and of the Inspector of Telegraphs have been accommodated on the fourth floor of Nathan's buildings, at the corner of Grey and Featherston Streets. The offices of the Inspector of Telegraph Offices and the Inspector of Post-Office Savings-Banks have been placed in the Money-order Office and Savings-Bank building, Lambton Quay.

Plans for the new Post-office at Auckland will be ready shortly. The building will be in all material respects very similar to the new office to be erected at Wellington.

The transfer of the Lichfield Street office, Christchurch, to other premises leased by Government was made on the 2nd November, 1907.

The new parcel branch of the Christchurch office was opened on the 20th December, 1907, in a building in Hereford Street.

Owing to increase of work at the Courtenay Place office, a room was leased from the Postmaster, and the office was transferred on the 13th April, 1908, to the charge of a permanent officer. A building in Courtenay Place has since been purchased.

The new telephone-exchange at Palmerston North was occupied on the 2nd September, 1907.

The post and telegraph office at Wyndham was transferred from the railway-station to the Department's own building on the 16th September, 1907.

During the year buildings were erected at Greymouth, Karamea, Roslyn, Taihape, Waikanae, Waikouaiti, Wainui, and Waipu; and Postmasters' residences at Arrowtown, Clinton, Havelock, Martinborough, and Te Awamutu.

The buildings at Cambridge and Devonport have been completed.

At Shannon the buildings which were erected on a Government site have been purchased.

Sites have been purchased at Auckland, for a branch post-office at the corner of Wellesley and Lorne Streets, at Blackball, Bunnythorpe, Clevedon, Epsom, Fairlie, Green Island, Howick, Kaitaia, Kaitangata, Kirikiriroa, Morrinsville, Mount Eden, Mount Roskill, Richmond, St. Kilda (Dunedin), Te Aro, Terrace End, Wakapuaka (land taken for purposes of water-supply, &c.), Wakefield, Weraroa, West Lynn, and Woolston.

Contracts have been let for buildings at Apiti, Clevedon, Featherston, Geraldine, Howick, Kimbolton, Matakahe, Newmarket, Utiku, and Woolston, and for additions to the offices at Eketahuna, Invercargill, and Manakau.

Public chiming-clocks, towards the cost of which the Government gave subsidies, were erected in the post-office buildings at Greymouth, New Plymouth, and Taihape.

The generosity of Mr. F. H. Gibbons in defraying half the cost of the clock and bells for the new post-office at Taihape is commemorated in a memorial tablet placed in the vestibule of the Taihape Post-office.

The following general repairs, additions, &c., were carried out during the year: Akaroa, office repaired and painted; Arrowtown, completion of additions to post-office; Bealey, repairs to Lineman's residence; Blenheim, alterations; Carterton, store-room erected; Christchurch, alterations and enlargements; Nottingham's buildings (parcel-post office, Christchurch), alterations; Dunedin, electric light installed and additions to parcel-post office; Dunedin Telegraph Office, calcimining rooms; Dunedin North, additions completed; Gisborne, shed for dynamo; Hamilton, alterations; Hastings, alterations; Hawera, additions and improvements to office and residence; Hukerenui, erection of two rooms at railway-station for post-office; Kaiapoi, painting office and sinking a well; Lyttelton, repairs and painting; Mamaku, additions at railway-station for postal purposes; Marton, additions; Marton Railway, additional accommodation at railway-station for postal purposes; Masterton, painting, alterations, &c., for telephone exchange completed; Miller's Flat, additions and outbuildings provided; Napier, additions to telephone exchange completed; Ohakune, additions; Otahuhu, repairs and painting; Otaki Railway, erection of room for post-office; Otira, additions; Owaka, painting, and outbuildings erected; Papanui, painting, &c.; Porangahau, additions; Pungarehu, additions; Putaruru, additions at railway-station for postal purposes; Raetihi, additions; Raglan, raising building, drainage; Renwicktown, painting, &c.; Rotorua, additions, &c.; Runanga, additions at railway-station for postal purposes; Sydenham, painting; Takaka, repairs and painting; Tapanui, painting; Te Aroha, additions; Timaru, additions to caretaker's quarters and installation of electric light, alterations to accommodate new telephone switchboard; Waipukurau, additions; Wanganui, alterations; Wellington, alterations, including iron shutters to several windows for fire-protection purposes, and the fitting-up of temporary premises for several branches; Molesworth Street, stables repaired; Whakapara, additions at railway-station for postal purposes; Whakatane, additions.

GENERAL.

On the 1st January, 1908, the international system of distinguishing registered postal packets by means of registration labels, bearing the letter "R," the names of the offices of posting, and serial numbers, was introduced. The labels used are of two kinds—the one showing letter "R," name of office, and the serial number, for use at chief and permanent offices only, and the other showing letter "R" and a serial number, but not the name of the office, for use at railway, non-permanent, and country offices, the latter class of label being stamped with the name of the offices using them. The labels are issued in sheets, showing serial numbers, and each label is used in proper serial order. These labels are affixed to the address-side of the registered packet at the top left-hand corner, and all registered articles are advised on lists and letter-bills by the name of the office of origin, the number, and the

name of the office of destination, in place of by the names of the addressees, as formerly. The system, which has been in full working-order since the beginning of the present year, is found to economise time, and to considerably expedite the handling of registered correspondence throughout the Dominion.

In July, 1907, it was decided to prohibit the transmission through the post, unless enclosed in covers, "tinselled" cards, being cards ornamented with tinsel, mica, powdered glass, or similar substances.

The postage on *Hansard* has been reduced to 1d. per pound bulk rate; on other general Government publications weighing less than 1 lb. per copy, to 2d. per pound bulk rate; and on the *School Journal* and *Schoolmates*, to 2d. per pound bulk rate. These rates apply within New Zealand only.

The newspaper and printed-matter portion of mails at Auckland, Christchurch, Dunedin, and Wellington, for despatch to places within the Dominion are from the 1st February, 1908, closed half an hour instead of an hour earlier than the letter portion.

Newspapers posted in New Zealand are held for delivery at post-offices for one month only, in place of three months as heretofore, since the 7th November, 1907. Newspapers received from places beyond New Zealand are retained for the same periods as letters.

Sanatoria are now included in the list of institutions to which single copies of newspapers may be sent free of postage. If more than one paper is enclosed, a charge of 1d. is made for each extra copy.

Boxes have been placed in the chief post and telegraph offices in the four centres for the reception of written suggestions of officers of the Department for improvements in the service. A number of the suggestions so received has been adopted.

In the list of arrivals and departures of mails the name of the circulating office as well as that of the head office now appears in the Post and Telegraph Guide Supplement against the name of each post-office.

A private bag may now be rented by several persons, the first holder paying the usual initial rate of £2 per annum, and every other person joining in at the rate of 10s. each.

From the 1st January, 1908, all Government Departments are charged for the use of private letter-boxes.

POST OFFICE.

ARTICLES POSTED AND DELIVERED.

The number of articles posted in the Dominion and received from places outside the Dominion during the year 1907, as compared with the number in 1906, was as under:—

	1907.	1906.	Increase.
Letters—			
Posted in the Dominion	77,648,184	71,875,390	
Received from places outside the Dominion	5,952,132	5,526,807	
	<u>83,600,316</u>	<u>77,402,197</u>	6,198,119
Letter-cards—			
Posted in the Dominion	1,814,241	1,682,369	131,872
Post-cards—			
Posted in the Dominion	6,091,748	5,109,754	
Received from places outside the Dominion	630,268	688,054	
	<u>6,722,016</u>	<u>5,797,808</u>	929,208
Book and pattern-packets—			
Posted in the Dominion	21,208,925	21,112,390	
Received from places outside the Dominion	2,572,740	2,781,819	
	<u>23,781,665</u>	<u>23,894,209</u>	Decrease. 112,544
Newspapers—			
Posted in the Dominion	17,974,047	17,051,359	
Received from places outside the Dominion	7,443,026	6,665,072	
	<u>25,417,073</u>	<u>23,716,431</u>	Increase. 1,700,642
Parcels—			
Posted in the Dominion	680,935	352,209	
Received from places outside the Dominion	121,002	95,962	
	<u>801,937</u>	<u>448,171</u>	353,766

The letters increased 8·01, letter-cards 7·84, post-cards 16·04, newspapers 7·17, other printed matter and pattern-packets decreased 0·47, and parcels increased 81·57 per cent.

In 1906 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.

The average number of letters posted per head of population was estimated to be 84·48, or 86·46, including letter-cards. The averages in 1906 were 80·25, or 82·13 including letter-cards.

The Post Office receipts for the year amounted to £478,388 8s. 3½d., an increase of 9·04 per cent.

The expenditure was £351,443 14s. 11d., an increase of 7·22 per cent.

The balance of postal revenue over expenditure was £126,944 13s. 4½d.

WORK PERFORMED FOR OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

Among the many branches of Government work performed during the calendar year 1907 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 £62,647 12s. 2d., and on account of ordinary Customs work £2,661 6s. 5d.

Advances to Settlers receipts amounted to £544,527 19s., and payments to £534,772 16s. 2d.

Fishing licenses were issued by Postmasters to the value of £1,454 8s. 6d., and game licenses to the value of £2,257.

For the Government Insurance Department premiums were collected from the public amounting to £30,365 13s.

Publications sent out by the Government Printer and paid for through the Post Office brought in £280 10s. 5d.

The sum of £30,289 18s. 7d. was paid to Imperial pensioners by Postmasters.

Income-tax amounting to £170,495 8s. 3d., and land-tax £376,533 0s. 2d., were collected by Postmasters.

The sum of £6,575 2s. 6d., fees due to the Machinery Department, was received.

Under the Mining Act the receipts were £251 15s.

New Zealand Consols for £175 were sold on behalf of the Treasury.

£3,559 16s. was the amount paid for Official Assignees as dividends in bankrupt estates.

The amount paid to old-age pensioners through the Post Office was £323,251 1s. 7d.

On behalf of the Public Trustee £721,812 11s. 3d. was received, and £721,758 0s. 9d. paid.

Railway revenue amounting to £5,953 11s. 5d. was collected by Postmasters.

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

Receipts from the Hanmer Springs Sanatorium amounted to £2,226 5s. 6d.

Sheep rates amounting to £22,096 12s., and £50 17s. sundry amounts, were collected for the Stock Department.

Valuation Department fees paid to Postmasters reached £5,533 9s. 4d.

Claims on the General Government for £923,053 3s. 11d. were paid on behalf of the Treasury.

Discount-stamps numbering 2,853,312, for £2,972 4s., were sold, and 2,676,192, for £2,787 14s., 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 £120,975.

GROSS RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS.

The gross amount received by the Department during 1907 was £24,968,894 0s. 7d., of which £22,523,309 7s. 8d. was departmental, and £2,445,584 12s. 11d. on account of other departments.

The gross amount paid out was £24,863,410 7s. 9d., made up of £22,424,706 10s. departmental, and on behalf of other departments—to individuals £1,616,942 3s. 9d., and to accounts £821,761 14s.

The total gross receipts and payments were therefore £49,832,304 8s. 4d.

LETTER-CARRIERS' DELIVERIES.

Deliveries by letter-carrier were established at—Christchurch : Kaikoura. Napier : Waipukurau Wanganui : Ohakune. Wellington : Upper Hutt, Weraroa.

Letter-carriers' deliveries were extended as follows:—Auckland : Devonport to Takapuna. Christchurch (C.P.O.) : To Cashmere Hills, including area bounded by Dyer's Pass Road, Hackthorne. Cashmere and Whisby Roads ; North Opawa, delivery to include Richardson and Tabart Streets and Rhodes Avenue ; Shirley, delivery to include Philpott's Road and portion of Winter's Road to North Road ; Spreydon, delivery to include Stonebridge, Frankleigh, Conway and Rose Streets. Kaiapoi, to Sneyd Street, between Sneyd and Otaki Streets, and to Ohoka Road near railway-line. Kaikoura, to Kaikoura Wharf. Rangiora, afternoon delivery to include Southbrook district. Dunedin (C.P.O.) : North-east Valley, afternoon delivery to include the whole of Opoho, Gladstone, Dalmore, Woodhaugh, as far as Bishop's Grove, and Hawthorn to foot of Upper Junction Hill. Greymouth : Reefton, afternoon delivery to include town and suburbs. Wanganui (C.P.O.) : Aramoho delivery to half a mile beyond the Jubilee Home ; Gonville delivery to Heads Road as far as the Castlecliff Railway-crossing. Wellington : Levin, along King's Drive to Weraroa Road and returning by Queen Street ; Palmerston North, second delivery along North, Roy, Fritz, and Tram Streets to Boundary Road. Westport (C.P.O.) : to Orawaiti Bridge and along Nine-mile Road as far as Christie's.

Letter-carriers' deliveries were increased in frequency at—Christchurch (C.P.O.) : Daily to twice daily, Woolston, Opawa, Spreydon ; West Addington, Fendalton, Gresford, East Gresford, Richmond, Linwood Extension, and Riccarton deliveries, also in King, Huxley, Southampton, Montrose, Gibbon, Hume, Croydon, and Rogers Streets. Wanganui (C.P.O.) : Daily to twice daily, Gonville, Sedgebrook, Aramoho and St. John's Hill deliveries. Wellington (C.P.O.) : Daily to twice daily, Karori delivery.

NEWSPAPERS REGISTERED.

Twenty-seven newspapers were registered for transmission by post, and twenty-one were removed from the register.

RECEIVING-BOXES.

Sixty-seven receiving-boxes were established at : Auckland—City and suburbs, 9 ; Devonport, 1 ; Hamilton, 1 ; Hikurangi, 1. Christchurch—City and suburbs, 8 ; Ashburton, 1 ; Cust, 1 ; Kaikoura, 1 ; Methven, 1. Dunedin—City and suburbs, 6 ; Balclutha, 3 ; Half-way Bush, 1 ; Palmerston, 1. Invercargill—Winton, 2. Napier—City and suburbs, 1. Nelson—City and suburbs, 4. Wanganui—Town and suburbs, 1 ; Hawera, 2 ; Marton, 2 ; Waverley, 1. Wellington—City and suburbs, 11 ; Carterton, 1 ; Feilding, 1 ; Hutt, 1 ; Martinborough, 1 ; Otaki, 1 ; Palmerston North, 1 ; Woodville, 1. Westport—Town and suburbs, 1.

Sixteen receiving-boxes were closed at : Auckland—Hamilton, 1 ; Howick, 1. Christchurch—City and suburbs, 7. Dunedin—City and suburbs, 3. Thames—Te Puna, 1. Wanganui—Marton, 1. Wellington—Feilding, 1. Westport—Town and suburbs, 1.

DESIGNATION OF OFFICES.

The designations of offices were changed as follows : Auckland—Ararimu South to Ararimu, Limestone Island to Limestone, Oruru to Pakotai, Richmond Hill to West Lynn, Upper Queen Street to Grey Street Junction, Waihafara to Kaimaumau. Christchurch—Upper Waiiau Ferry to Upper Waiiau. Dunedin—Shag Valley to Glenpark. Greymouth—Twelve-mile Landing to Kamaka. Hokitika—Ryan's to Pekanga. Invercargill—Annandale to Wrey's Bush, Barkly Village to Barkly, Dalmore to Pahia, Longridge Village to Longridge, Mokomoko to Omaui, Oreti Plains to Oreti. New Plymouth—Uruti Road to Uruti. Wanganui—Matemateonga to Matemateonga, Moumahakinui to Ngutuwera. Wellington—Cross's Creek to Cross Creek, Greytown North to Greytown, Ihuraua Valley to Ihuraua, Muritai to Eastbourne, Saunders' Road to Saunders.

POST-OFFICES ESTABLISHED, ETC.

One hundred and one post-offices were established (of these, twelve were reopened offices) and twenty-one closed.

Opened.

Ahikiwi, Auckland	Mangawhae, Auckland.	Rukuhia, Auckland.
Akeake, Thames.	Manui, Auckland.	Ruatapu, Hokitika.
Anatimo, Nelson.	Marokopa, Auckland.	Ryans, Hokitika.
Arero, Gisborne.	Marton Junction, Wanganui.	Sedgebrook (reopened), Wanganui
Athol, Invercargill.	Marua, Westport.	Taramoa, Invercargill.
Aukopae, Wanganui.	Mata, Wanganui.	Tautuku, Dunedin.
Athenree (reopened), Thames.	Mataimoana, Wanganui.	Te Atatu, Auckland.
Awamangu, Dunedin.	Matawhai, Gisborne.	Te Hapara, Gisborne.
Awariki, Napier.	McDonald Downs (reopened), Christchurch.	Te Komiti, Auckland.
Awatea, Greymouth.	Mochau, Auckland.	Te Puia Springs, Gisborne.
Balmoral, Timaru.	Ngamoko, Napier.	Te Puna, Thames.
Cass (reopened), Christchurch.	Ngapaenga, Auckland.	Te Rangaakaupo, Wanganui.
Claudlands, Auckland.	Ohautira, Auckland.	Te Tua, Invercargill.
Dyerville, Wellington.	Okere Falls, Auckland.	Te Tuhi, Wanganui.
Eastown (reopened), Wanganui.	Ore Ore, Wanganui.	Tiakitahuna, Wellington.
French Farm, Christchurch.	Orini, Auckland.	Toi Flat, Napier.
Government Buildings, Wellington.	Oruoru (reopened), Auckland.	Uruwhenua, Nelson.
Hekēia, Invercargill.	Otarawao, Nelson.	Waitahanui, Auckland.
Hitaua, Blenheim.	Parakai, Auckland.	Waiharara, Auckland.
Hiwiroa, Invercargill.	Paranui, Auckland.	Waiohika, Gisborne.
Hohonu, Hokitika.	Pataua, Auckland.	Waihohonu, Blenheim.
Hopelands, Wellington.	Pinohia, Blenheim.	Waiotahi, Thames.
Horopito, Wanganui.	Pohenui, Blenheim.	Waiotama, Auckland.
Horotiu, Auckland.	Pokuru, Auckland.	Waiuta, Greymouth.
Jordan, Blenheim.	Porateko, Christchurch.	Wakatu, Nelson.
Kaiaka, Auckland.	Pouawa (reopened), Gisborne.	Wakaipa, Christchurch.
Karangarua, Hokitika.	Puaha, Christchurch.	Weheka, Hokitika.
Karitane (reopened), Dunedin.	Putati, Auckland.	West Lynn, Auckland.
Kenepuru Head, Blenheim.	Rangataua, Wanganui.	Whakapara, Auckland.
Kia Ora, Oamaru.	Rangitane, Napier.	Whenuakite, Auckland.
Lower Hangarua, Gisborne.	Rotokau (reopened), Wanganui.	Woodgrove, Christchurch.
Makarora Wharf, Dunedin.	Rototuna, Auckland.	Waimiro, Napier.
Mangapapa, Gisborne.	Ruakaka (reopened), Auckland.	Waitomo Caves, Auckland.
Mangatete, Auckland.		Wardville, Auckland.

Closed.

Awawaro, Wellington.	Manui, Wanganui.	Taratahi, Wellington.
Exhibition, Christchurch.	Okoha, Blenheim.	Te Tua, Invercargill.
Golden Cross, Thames.	Parahau, Blenheim.	Te Whiti, Wellington.
Ketu Bay, Blenheim.	Ratapiko, New Plymouth.	Upper Kuaotunu, Auckland.
Kiwitahi, Auckland.	Raukura, Wanganui.	Waihao Forks, Timaru.
Kohi, Wanganui.	Rotokari, Wanganui.	Wairere, Wellington.
Mangaramarama, Wellington.	Stronvar, Wellington.	Waitomo, Auckland.

The number of post-offices open at the end of the year was 2,064.

PARCEL-POST.

Since the 28th October, 1907, the limit of amounts for which parcels addressed to the United Kingdom are insured has been raised from £50 to £400. The rate is 1s. 6d. for £60 and 3d. for each additional £12 up to £396, and 8s. 9d. for £400. The limit in respect of certain other countries named in the Post and Telegraph Guide has also been raised to £400.

Parcels containing coin exceeding £5 sterling in value addressed to the United Kingdom and other countries sent through London are not now accepted.

The following table shows the number and weight of parcels posted during the years 1890, 1900, 1906, and 1907 :—

Postal Districts.	1890.		1900.		1906.		1907.	
	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	76,913	260,576 14	154,371	482,075 1
Blenheim	1,846	4,357 11	1,961	5,976 4	2,795	9,775 10	5,618	16,188 15
Christchurch ..	19,383	58,708 4	30,897	118,206 3	49,511	172,269 13	90,910	320,873 2
Dunedin	22,500	65,329 13	34,411	125,419 10	49,751	186,478 12	87,354	305,449 11
Gisborne	938	2,570 6	2,022	5,771 15	3,075	10,100 7	8,236	25,937 10
Greymouth	2,509	6,243 13	2,583	7,711 4	4,151	10,692 0	5,975	19,673 0
Hokitika	1,413	3,924 5	2,527	9,173 5	3,530	12,206 10	4,508	14,975 0
Invercargill ..	3,458	7,477 5	6,661	20,617 0	8,082	24,575 9	17,443	45,757 11
Napier	6,265	17,075 14	8,848	28,142 15	14,884	44,267 1	26,027	115,703 7
Nelson	4,723	13,370 7	5,261	16,916 4	7,380	22,278 2	14,032	37,801 12
New Plymouth ..	1,007	2,674 3	3,038	9,615 9	5,569	16,803 0	11,376	33,184 14
Oamaru	859	2,123 3	1,149	4,162 7	1,851	6,130 11	3,587	10,933 0
Thames	1,491	3,661 8	2,989	9,094 4	4,422	12,263 11	8,436	23,497 6
Timaru	2,013	4,774 8	1,743	5,294 1	3,341	9,291 11	6,659	19,151 15
Wanganui	4,035	9,563 8	8,846	28,206 10	16,122	52,085 9	34,076	99,592 15
Wellington	25,893	74,544 2	44,322	160,737 4	98,480	346,010 8	196,680	703,800 12
Westport	1,077	2,332 4	1,868	4,645 15	2,852	7,782 10	5,647	14,826 4
Totals	121,292	336,643 12	199,413	682,140 7	352,209	1,209,588 10	680,935	2,289,472 7

The following table shows the number and weight of parcels exchanged with the United Kingdom and the undermentioned places during the years 1906 and 1907 :—

Country.	Received.				Despatched.			
	1906.		1907.		1906.		1907.	
	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.
		Lb. oz.		Lb. oz.		Lb. oz.		Lb. oz.
United Kingdom and foreign countries (via London)	65,806	344,608 0	91,065	487,962 8	9,574	25,407 10	11,098	30,171 10
United States of America ..	6,757	18,088 9	4,924	13,349 5	1,384	2,942 7	1,124	2,381 9
Canada	491	719 0	509	1,090 0	255	461 5	377	668 12
Victoria	7,739	22,190 3	8,377	25,748 0	3,200	6,272 6	3,453	7,200 6
New South Wales	11,506	32,908 0	12,153	34,936 0	4,925	8,607 0	5,257	9,833 7
South Australia	494	1,274 7	528	1,394 14	521	991 2	502	1,083 15
Queensland	706	1,812 4	759	1,699 2½	742	1,262 7	749	1,382 12
Tasmania	442	1,142 4	483	1,196 0	748	1,433 10	707	1,425 8
Western Australia	357	809 4	359	812 2	587	1,087 9	530	1,065 15
Samoa	12	36 10	24	98 4	205	663 10	212	709 13
Fiji	87	223 14	133	314 2½	359	1,012 4	468	1,179 0
Ceylon	283	831 10	303	1,047 3½	123	293 9	103	347 0
Uruguay .. ..	..	..	..	..	64	185 7	88	247 8
Cape Colony	416	669 9	418	664 8	150	283 15	185	322 5
Natal	85	187 6	105	169 4	306	563 13	300	560 3½
India	781	3,141 8	862	3,954 12	236	631 0	256	717 3½
Totals	95,962	428,642 8	121,002	574,436 1½	23,379	52,099 2	25,409	59,296 14½

The declared value of parcels received from places outside the Dominion in 1907 was £310,219. The Customs duty collected amounted to £49,108 14s. 1d.

The declared value of parcels despatched to places beyond the Dominion was £27,395, as against £21,540 in 1906.

REGISTERED LETTERS.

The number of registered articles dealt with in 1907, compared with the numbers in 1890, 1900, 1906, and 1907, is shown below:—

Postal Districts.	1890.			1900.			1906.			1907.		
	From Places beyond the Dominion.	Registered in the Dominion.	Totals.	From Places beyond the Dominion.	Registered in the Dominion.	Totals.	From Places beyond the Dominion.	Registered in the Dominion.	Totals.	From Places beyond the Dominion.	Registered in the Dominion.	Totals.
Auckland ..	7,119	34,398	41,517	18,108	101,533	119,641	26,929	178,876	205,805	22,799	163,261	186,060
Blenheim ..	92	3,193	3,285	116	6,371	6,487	786	12,395	13,181	897	12,793	13,690
Christchurch ..	3,659	20,404	24,063	5,404	49,049	54,453	12,919	96,843	109,762	10,252	96,033	106,285
Dunedin ..	4,615	19,696	24,311	6,954	44,003	50,957	10,648	58,654	69,302	10,632	53,710	64,342
Gisborne ..	118	2,120	2,238	421	7,193	7,614	626	9,736	10,362	412	11,496	11,908
Grey mouth ..	102	8,879	8,981	680	11,606	12,286	633	13,181	13,814	393	12,121	12,514
Hokitika ..	95	2,579	2,674	94	4,344	4,438	555	13,312	13,867	634	6,371	7,005
Invercargill ..	1,740	9,819	11,559	3,352	24,989	28,341	6,588	32,593	39,181	8,745	31,509	40,254
Napier ..	999	10,911	11,910	1,659	26,685	28,344	3,378	50,883	54,261	3,159	36,680	39,839
Nelson ..	322	3,430	3,752	644	14,726	15,370	1,895	21,817	23,712	2,168	15,762	17,930
New Plymouth ..	341	3,372	3,713	1,310	16,903	18,213	2,839	22,317	25,156	2,938	22,106	25,044
Oamaru ..	278	2,505	2,783	120	8,880	9,000	147	8,094	8,241	792	8,598	9,390
Thames ..	130	4,781	4,911	267	19,912	20,179	324	23,128	23,452	324	22,834	23,158
Timaru ..	312	3,551	3,863	1,196	9,973	11,169	1,226	15,265	16,491	1,737	13,856	15,593
Wanganui ..	211	6,060	6,271	2,151	24,980	27,131	3,035	39,931	42,966	5,545	46,048	51,593
Wellington ..	6,129	30,369	36,498	9,513	85,915	95,428	22,731	171,662	194,393	34,263	154,189	188,452
Westport ..	112	3,254	3,366	354	6,974	7,328	589	9,233	9,872	1,438	9,145	10,583
Totals ..	26,374	169,321	195,695	52,343	464,036	516,379	95,848	777,970	873,818	107,128	716,512	823,640

OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

The system of payment by official stamps for the postages and telegrams of Government Departments inaugurated on the 1st January, 1907, has now been sufficiently long in existence to prove its utility.

Owing to the cordial co-operation of all the Departments concerned, the system has worked smoothly and well.

As was anticipated, payment by official stamps has largely reduced both the number of letters and telegrams, the increasing bulk of which under the former franking system was becoming a heavy burden upon the resources and staff of the Post and Telegraph Department. The postages prepaid or paid on delivery on official letters last year amounted to £21,611, and the revenue from telegrams to £9,093, or £31,704 in all. In 1906 the value of free letters was £56,898, and of telegrams £24,168, or £81,066 in all. It is evident that many unnecessary telegrams must have been sent under the old system, and the present reduction in number has released for the pressing demands of the rapidly increasing public business an equivalent in time to the services of a considerable number of telegraphists. This applies also, but to a much less extent, to postages, as the Government Departments have benefited very considerably by the initial rate for letters being applied to any weight up to 4 oz.

In order to lighten the work of Departments posting large quantities of letters or circulars at one time, such letters are accepted unstamped, provided that the total postage is paid in one sum. There is also an arrangement whereby unstamped letters posted throughout the Dominion, which were formerly franked by officials upon receipt, may be delivered and the postage thereon collected from the Department to which they are addressed.

To further facilitate accounting it is proposed to issue at an early date credit notes, which may be used when posting large quantities of mail-matter. These will take the place of the high-value stamps, and be accepted in lieu thereof from Departments in prepayment of postage.

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.	1907.
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	162,103
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	44,875
Reissued ..	107	185	141	148	219	178	265	*5,112	†13,373	203	234	265	358	336
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	29,216
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	153,942
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	390,472

* Including 4,011 troopers' letters. † Including 13,180 troopers' letters. ‡ Including 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 Dominion was 0.42 per cent., as against 0.37 per cent. in 1906.

55,946 book-packets and circulars were returned to foreign countries; 24,495 were returned to senders through the Dead-letter Office; 187,059 were returned by Chief Postmasters: a total of 267,500 book-packets and circulars, as compared with 220,657 in 1906.

7,652 letters were wrongly addressed; 17 letters were discovered to have been posted with previously used stamps; 4,599 unclaimed registered letters were dealt with.

4,420 newspapers and 2,769 books and other articles without addresses were received, many of which were subsequently applied for and delivered.

44,122 newspapers were returned to the publishers.

1,966 letters and 219 letter-cards were posted without addresses.

86 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.
724 post-office orders	1,663	5	6
60 bank drafts	6,431	1	8½
510 cheques	4,794	3	4
30 dividend warrants	38	8	5
11 promissory notes	591	11	0
1 credit note	110	18	2
Postal notes	323	9	6
British postal orders	50	4	0
Stamps	30	5	2
Bank-notes	449	0	0
Gold	31	0	0
Silver and copper	15	12	0½
Representing a total of	£14,528	18	10

In addition, 3 gold watches, 22 silver watches, 15 metal watches, 28 gold rings, 2 rings of other metal, 12 gold brooches, 28 greenstone brooches, 5 gold-mounted tusk brooches, 6 silver brooches, 6 metal brooches, 11 greenstone hearts, 13 greenstone pendants, 1 gold pendant set with pearls, 3 pendants of other metal, 3 gold watch-chains, 10 silver chains, 1 metal chain, 14 gold and greenstone tie-pins, 4 gold neck-chains, 1 gold cross, 2 pair of gold-mounted spectacles, 1 gold-mounted tusk, 1 silver-mounted tusk, 5 silver match-boxes, 4 glass bottles with silver tops, 3 pairs of gold sleeve-links, 2 pairs of sleeve-links of other metal, 2 silver salt-spoons with greenstone handles, 1 silver-backed hair-brush, 1 silver-backed comb, 1 silver bread-fork, 1 silver locket and chain, 1 glass dish with silver top, 1 silver spoon with greenstone handle, 3 silver butter-knives, 2 silver jam-spoons, 2 silver vases, 3 silver buttonhooks, 1 silver nail-file, 1 silver shoe-horn, 2 glass dishes on silver trays, 1 silver medal, 2 silver-mounted hat-pins, 2 silver-mounted purses, 1 silver-mounted pincushion, 1 pair of silver serviette-rings, 1 silver pin-box, 2 hat-pins with greenstone heads, 1 greenstone penholder, 7 boar's tusks, 2 sets artificial teeth, 2 ivory elephants, 1 ivory fan, 1 nickel spoon, 6 table-knives, 2 packets, 5 sheets, and 1 book of used stamps, 41 Tattersall tickets, 13 pawn tickets, 6 share certificates, 1 steerage single ticket (Melbourne to Wellington), 1 saloon single ticket (Opotiki to Auckland), 1 saloon single ticket (Paeroa to Coromandel), 1 order for a steerage passage (Lyttelton to Auckland), 1 order for a steerage passage for two adults (Napier to Gisborne), 1 order for a third-class passage (London to Wellington), were dealt with.

The number of inland, intercolonial, and international articles received and disposed of during the years 1906 and 1907 was as under:—

	1906.					1907.				
	Lett.	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	115,347	3,035	1,040	24,407	1,675	140,494	1,183	1,588	22,955	..
Returned by Chief Postmasters direct ..	111,491	..	6,175	154,578	10,261	145,085	..	8,857	187,059	44,122
Destroyed in accordance with law ..	16,737	1,100	*4,579	7,680	96,478	13,336	550	†9,669	3,447	79,998
<i>Australian.</i>										
Originally addressed to other States:—										
Returned to writers ..	6,221	..	406	455	..	6,648	60	211	504	..
Destroyed in accordance with law ..	948	45	711	199	..	623	35	1,287	220	..
Returned to other States as unclaimed	14,034	..	1,876	8,437	771	16,210	..	2,765	10,264	3,085
<i>International.</i>										
Originally addressed to other countries:—										
Returned to writers ..	10,453	..	1,066	1,205	..	11,715	120	420	1,036	..
Destroyed in accordance with law ..	1,499	85	1,871	380	..	1,095	65	2,556	335	..
Returned to other countries as unclaimed	13,862	..	2,290	31,575	1,743	22,843	..	3,057	45,682	2,197
Totals	290,592	4,265	20,014	228,916	110,928	358,049	2,013	30,410	271,502	129,402

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

† Including 4,000 tinselled

A sale of unclaimed articles from the Dead-letter Office for the period from the 1st January to the 31st December, 1905, was held by public auction on the 31st August, 1907. An upset price was fixed on lots containing dutiable articles.

MISSING LETTERS.

1,797 inquiries for letters and 1,434 for other articles alleged to have been posted and not delivered were made during 1907. In 926 of the inquiries for letters and 834 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.	
76	95	... Missent, misdelivered, or otherwise delayed through fault of Post Office.
74	60	... Delayed in delivery through fault of addressees.
21	13	... Not posted.
26	37	... Posted later than stated; forwarded by slower routes than letters of advice, &c.
140	71	... Defectively or wrongly addressed.
56	39	... Misaid or lost after delivery.
73	37	... Returned through Dead-letter Office as unclaimed, &c.
460	482	... Delivered. Reason for inquiry not given, but probably in most cases omission by addressees to acknowledge receipt.
926	834	

As instancing the recklessness with which the Post-office is charged with shortcomings when expected letters are not delivered, it may be mentioned that the allegation was made to a Chief Postmaster that four letters containing valuable enclosures had gone astray in the Post Office. Inquiry showed that one letter had not been posted, the second had been misaid by the addressee, the third had been duly delivered, and the fourth had been misaddressed.

MONEY-ORDERS.

Twenty-one money-order offices were opened during the year—namely, Clareville, Government Buildings, Hastwell's, Hinuera, Kakahi, Makatote, Mokai, Motu, Okoroire, Opuā, Orawia, Paekakariki, Puketapu, Tangiteroria, Tapawera, Te Kiri, Waharoa, Waiharara, West Lynn, Whareama, and Whatawhata. One office was closed—namely, Exhibition (Christchurch).

The number of offices open at the end of the year was 579, against 559 twelve months previously.

441,487 money-orders were issued, for £1,773,590 17s. 1d., as compared with 439,020, for £1,686,231 1s. 11d., in 1906, an increase of 2,467 in number and £87,359 15s. 2d. in amount.

337,791 money-orders, amounting to £1,523,907 17s. 4d., were paid, as against 332,560, for £1,434,038 6s. 5d., during 1906, an increase of 5,231 orders and £89,869 10s. 11d. in amount.

There were 73,763 telegraph money-orders issued, for £298,630 19s. 1d., as compared with 68,194 orders, for £261,488 3s. 11d., in 1906, an increase of 5,569 in number and £37,142 15s. 2d. in amount.

136,063 orders, for £383,790 12s. 9d., were issued on places beyond New Zealand, as against 137,370 orders, for £373,960 8s. 7d., during 1906.

32,012 orders, for £132,150 12s., were issued in places beyond New Zealand for payment in the Dominion, as compared with 30,776 orders, for £125,651 13s., during the previous year.

The commission received for money-orders amounted to £18,846 12s. 6d., as against £18,278 10s. 3d. received during 1906.

From the 1st July, 1907, a system of advice of payment of money-orders was introduced, whereby a remitter of a money-order issued in New Zealand on any money-order office within the Dominion,

the United Kingdom, Natal, Transvaal, Australia (and such other countries as may adopt the system) may, on the payment of a special fee of 2½d., obtain an official advice that the order has been paid.

Arrangements were made from the 1st November, 1907, for Chief Post-offices in New Zealand to send money-order advices direct to the paying-office in the United Kingdom, and for the London Office to send advices direct to paying-offices in New Zealand. Under the new arrangement the advice will, as a general rule, reach the office of payment early enough to permit of the cashing of the order directly it is received by the payee.

An exchange of money-orders between Papua and the Commonwealth of Australia has been established, and money-orders for Papua may be issued in New Zealand, drawn payable through the Brisbane office.

From the 1st January, 1908, the commission chargeable on money-orders of New Zealand issue was reduced. The rates now are: within New Zealand (including Aitutaki, Mangaia, Niue, Penrhyn, and Rarotonga), for each £5 or fraction of £5, 3d. The commission on orders for payment in the Australian States, Fiji, Samoa, and Tonga remains as formerly. For all other places to which money-orders may be sent the commission is 3d. for each £1 or fraction thereof.

Arrangements have been made for the exchange of money-orders between New Zealand and the German post-offices in Turkey, Morocco, and China.

In connection with the reduction from the 1st January, 1908, of the rate of commission on money-orders issued in the Dominion, the Department, in November, 1907, made representations to other Administrations for which the commission paid on the total amount of money-orders issued in New Zealand exceeded ¼ per cent. with a view to having the rate reduced, if possible, to a uniform rate of ¼ per cent., and offered to make a corresponding reduction on the rate charged in the opposite direction. As a result, the commission has in the case of Austria, Canada, Fiji, Orange River Colony, Tonga, and the Transvaal been reduced to ¼ per cent., and in the case of Cape Colony, Ceylon, Hong Kong, and Straits Settlements to ½ per cent.

SAVINGS-BANK.

Owing to the growing importance of Palmerston North, Savings-Bank ledgers were established there on the 1st May, 1908. The business at that office has for some time exceeded that of some Chief Offices, to which the keeping of ledgers has hitherto been exclusively confined. The special system set up to meet the requirements of a sub-office keeping ledgers has, however, worked smoothly and well.

The card-ledger system has now been given a thorough and exhaustive trial at Christchurch and Nelson. It has answered all expectations, and will, as opportunity offers, replace the old methods at other centres. It has been in use in Palmerston North from the inception of the new arrangements.

With a view to making a closer audit of Savings-Bank ledgers and depositors' pass-books at offices outside of Wellington, two Savings-Bank Inspectors have been appointed. Their duties will consist of a regular examination of the Savings-Bank ledgers and work, and the securing of uniformity of office methods. The officers selected will also act as inspecting accountants.

There were twenty-three offices opened during the year for the transaction of Savings-Bank business—namely, Clarendon, Fanning Island, Government Buildings, Hastwell's, Hinuera, Kakahi, Makatote, Mangamahu, Mokai, Motu, Okoroire, Opuia, Orawia, Paekakariki, Port Awanui, Tangiteroria, Tapawera, Te Kiri, Waharoa, Waiharara, West Lynn, Whareama, and Whatawhata. One office was closed—namely, Exhibition (Christchurch).

There were 563 offices open at the end of 1907, as against 541 at the end of the previous year.

74,671 accounts were opened and 53,644 closed, the net gain on the year's working being 21,027 accounts.

The number of depositors on the 31st December was 319,773, and the proportion of accounts per head of population was 1 in 3.09, as compared with 1 in 3.04 at the end of the previous year.

The deposits numbered 650,990, representing £9,351,663 19s. 7d., an average of £14 7s. 4d. per transaction.

The withdrawals numbered 433,796, for £8,125,123, an average of £18 14s. 7d. for each withdrawal.

The net amount added by depositors to their savings during the year was therefore £1,226,540 19s. 7d., plus £343,424 7s. 2d. interest earned and credited, making a total of £1,569,965 6s. 9d.

The total amount at credit of depositors increased from £9,953,265 11s. at the close of the previous year to £11,523,230 17s. 9d. on the 31st December last, representing a sum equal to £11 12s. 11d. per head of the entire population and £36 0s. 9d. to each depositor. Last year the figures were £10 19s. 1d. and £33 6s. 4d. respectively.

The interest credited to depositors since the Post Office Savings-Banks were established in 1867 now amounts to £3,800,845 6s. 9d.

The cost of working the Savings-Bank amounted to 4.2d. per transaction, or £19,000 for the year.

The cost of management per cent. on the total amount at credit of depositors was 0.16 per cent., or 3s. 4d. per £100.

The excess of deposits over withdrawals during the year constituted a record, amounting to £1,226,540 19s. 7d., a sum most nearly approached in the year 1906, when the figures were £1,000,050 14s. 10d.

POSTAL NOTES.

The poundage on postal notes was reduced from the 1st January, 1908, and a new series of notes issued. Postal notes at £5 having been withdrawn from circulation as from the 31st October, 1907, the present series consists of the following denominations: 1s., poundage $\frac{1}{2}$ d.; 1s. 6d., poundage $\frac{1}{2}$ d.; 2s., poundage $\frac{1}{2}$ d.; 2s. 6d., poundage $\frac{1}{2}$ d.; 3s., poundage 1d.; 5s., poundage 1d.; 10s., poundage 2d.; 15s., poundage 2d.; £1, poundage 2d.

For the first time on record, the number of postal notes sold and paid during the year reached over a million in each case.

The following were created postal-note offices during the year 1907-1908: Clareville, Cowes, Government Buildings, Hastwell's, Hinuera, Inaha, Kakahi, Kiwi, Makatote, Okoroire, Orawia, Paekakariki, Paengaroa, Pohuenui, Puketapu, Puketeraki, Rangataua, Tangiteroria, Tapawera, Waiharara, Whakarewarewa, and Whareama, a total of 22. Three offices were closed—namely, Brunswick, Exhibition (Christchurch), and Ketu Bay.

The number of offices at which postal notes were sold at the end of the year was 707, as compared with 688 on the 31st March, 1907.

1,092,631 notes, of the value of £347,300, were sold, as against 981,642, for £314,053 6s., sold during the previous year, an increase of 11.31 per cent. in number and 10.59 per cent. in value.

The postal notes paid numbered 1,082,516, of the value of £344,841 18s., as compared with 975,898, of the value of £312,411 9s. 6d., paid during 1906-1907.

The postal-note commission amounted to £6,864, as against £6,729 15s. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

BRITISH POSTAL ORDERS.

The amount for which British postal orders may be issued to any one person on any one day for payment to the same payee is now unlimited.

The Imperial postal-order scheme has during the past year been extended to include Bechuanaland Protectorate and Morocco (British postal agencies at Casablanca, Fez, Larache, Mazagan, Mogador, Rabat, Tangier, and Tetuan).

36,600 orders have been sold, valued at £19,564 12s., and 12,238, for £8,533 19s., paid. An extended table of the transactions is printed elsewhere.

The 20s. order is the most popular, sales having reached 30 per cent. of the total. Following in order of popularity are the 10s., 5s., 1s., 2s. 6d., with a percentage of 13, 9, 5, and 5 respectively.

The following reductions in the poundage on British postal orders sold in New Zealand are to be made from the 1st July, 1908:—

On orders of 2s. and 2s. 6d.	From 2d. to 1d.
On orders from 11s. to 15s., inclusive	From 3d. to 2d.

OLD-AGE PENSIONS.

The payments made during the last financial year numbered 158,782, as against 152,502 in the preceding year, an increase of 6,280, or 4.12 per cent.

The following is a comparative return showing the number and amount of old-age pension payments made during the financial years 1906-7 and 1907-8:—

RETURN showing the Number and Amount of Old-age Pension Payments made each Month for the Two Years ended 31st March, 1908.

Month.	1906-7.		1907-8.	
	Number of Payments.	Amount.	Number of Payments.	Amount.
April	12,191	£ 25,285 s. 12 d. 8	12,982	£ 26,597 s. 2 d. 1
May	12,459	25,802 12 11	13,149	26,938 3 6
June	12,451	25,765 4 6	13,153	26,931 3 4
July	12,581	25,962 17 3	13,280	27,194 14 3
August	12,645	26,098 2 7	13,252	27,110 12 8
September	12,652	26,067 16 6	13,253	27,134 13 6
October	12,806	26,334 15 0	13,270	27,146 15 5
November	12,829	26,371 5 1	13,279	27,159 17 6
December	12,959	26,637 0 2	13,279	27,158 10 3
January	12,873	26,437 13 2	13,292	27,212 6 2
February	13,060	26,782 14 3	13,228	27,284 0 8
March	12,996	26,659 1 8	13,365	27,352 13 10
Totals	152,502	£314,204 15 9	158,782	£325,220 13 2

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

Postal District.	1906-7.		1907-8.	
	Number of Payments.	Amount.	Number of Payments.	Amount.
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Auckland	31,409	64,401 3 10	33,147	67,914 19 1
Blenheim	1,763	3,549 2 10	1,797	3,665 7 9
Christchurch	24,767	51,109 18 10	26,008	53,565 2 6
Dunedin	23,563	48,133 16 7	24,828	50,225 6 8
Gisborne	1,278	2,460 13 9	1,238	2,263 5 2
Greymouth	6,129	13,059 12 3	6,016	12,744 12 2
Hokitika	6,103	12,988 3 4	6,303	13,360 7 0
Invercargill	9,756	20,286 16 1	9,842	20,366 18 3
Napier	5,337	10,673 18 3	5,580	11,018 1 3
Nelson	3,316	6,716 0 5	3,397	6,887 12 3
New Plymouth	2,987	5,933 12 1	2,902	5,798 17 3
Oamaru	2,980	6,176 15 6	3,365	6,930 10 4
Thames	5,665	11,983 5 1	5,795	12,169 1 6
Timaru	5,203	10,594 0 0	5,500	10,957 9 9
Wanganui	4,427	9,278 3 10	4,592	9,575 15 6
Wellington	14,298	29,375 12 7	14,821	30,022 10 7
Westport	3,516	7,484 0 6	3,651	7,754 16 2
Totals	152,502	£314,204 15 9	158,782	£325,220 13 2

INLAND MAILS.

Owing to an alteration in the steamer service to Russell and other northern ports necessitating the rearrangement of the mail-service, the offer of the Northern Steamship Company to convey mails from Auckland to Mangonui was approved on the 8th November, 1907, conditionally on a launch meeting the steamer at Whangaroa. The launch service was obtained. The new service gives increased facilities to the settlers in the north. The arrangement is for one year.

An overland weekly mail-service was authorised between Motu and Opotiki, so as to provide a through service from Gisborne to Opotiki by the inland road. The contract is for one year only, from the 1st October, 1907, as the route is likely to be materially shortened in about twelve months' time.

A daily mail-service joining the railheads of the North Island Main Trunk Railway was instituted between Ohakune and Makatote on the 19th September, 1907.

As from the 1st February, 1908, the New Plymouth Harbour Board has undertaken the duties of landing, checking, and despatching mails at New Plymouth Breakwater, also shipping and weather-reporting. Captain Hood, of the Harbour Board staff, performed the work for eight years previously.

Serious fires in the Forty-mile Bush interfered with mail-services in January, 1908.

By way of trial, departmental locked late-letter boxes were in September, 1907, placed on the gangways of the ferry-steamers running between Wellington and Lyttelton. The boxes are opened by postal officers at each port of destination. The trial has proved satisfactory, no complaints respecting letters posted in them having been made.

The Chatham Islands two-monthly mail-service contract has been let to the Canterbury Steam Shipping Company (Limited) for three years from the 1st May, 1908, at £350 per annum. The steamer will leave Lyttelton about the 1st June, August, October, December, February, and April of each year.

The Blenheim-Nelson mail-coach capsized over an embankment on the Wakapuaka Road on the 21st May, 1908. The driver and three passengers escaped without serious hurt.

A special holiday train, Tadmor to Nelson, collided with the Nelson-Riwaka mail-coach at Appleby Crossing on 1st February, 1908. The mails were not damaged. A passenger was killed, and two other passengers and the coach-driver were injured, the latter seriously.

From the 4th February, 1908, the Nelson-Longford and Westport-Longford coaches made Murchison the end of the stage, instead of Longford.

As the mail-coach was crossing the Buller River at Nine-mile, six miles from Westport, on the 10th May, 1908, the ferry-punt broke loose, and the coach fell into the river, the horses being drowned. The passengers and mails were saved.

During the winter and spring of 1907, June-September, the usual interruptions in mail-services occurred. None of the stoppages was prolonged, however, and services were performed with commendable regularity.

As there is no tourist traffic at all, and very little traffic of any kind from Fairlie to the Hermitage, during the winter, the winter mail-service, which has hitherto been performed by motor-car to Lake Tekapo twice weekly and thence by coach to Lake Pukaki weekly, is now performed, from the 1st May to the 31st October, by coach over both stages.

The Auckland Electric Tramways Company has agreed to issue special tickets available for departmental employees in uniform. The estimated cost for the year for letter-carriers, Post Office messengers, and Telegraph message-boys is £306.

In Wellington the conveyance of letter-carriers and telegraph message-boys is arranged for by agreement between the City Council and the Department.

From the 1st October, 1907, all letter-carriers, Telegraph message-boys in uniform, and mails in charge of officers of the Post and Telegraph Department have been carried over the Karori and Miramar sections of the electric tramway system under arrangement with the Karori and Miramar Borough Councils.

The premiums for renewal of the insurance policy for mail-contractors for the year 1908 amounted to £206.

The number of contracts for inland mails in operation in 1907 was 693.

There were in addition 555 services not under bond.

The length of inland postal routes by road (counted one way only) was 12,218 miles, and the total number of miles travelled 3,342,307, at an average cost of 3·76d. per mile. In 1906 the respective mileages were 11,601 miles and 3,031,034, at an average cost of 3·65d. per mile.

Ordinary railway-trains with mails travelled 3,946,871 miles.

The estimated sum payable to the Railway Department for the conveyance of mails by ordinary trains was £46,699.

OCEAN MAIL SERVICES.

Suez Service.

In pursuance of arrangements which were in progress at the date of the last report, the steamer from Wellington to Sydney has sailed regularly every Friday, beginning the 26th July, 1907, making a close connection with the outward Suez mail at Sydney. The Union Steam Ship Company of New Zealand (Limited) is paid £15,000 for twelve months for the service. At the end of twelve months the service is again to come under consideration.

The English mail which left Wellington by the "Monowai" on Friday, 6th September, 1907, missed connection with the outward Suez steamer at Sydney, 10th September, owing to the breaking of the vessel's rudder-shaft at 3 a.m. on the latter date, 220 miles off the New South Wales coast. The "Monowai" was picked up by the "Mokoia" on the 12th September, and towed to Sydney, reaching that port on the morning of Sunday, the 15th, her mail going forward by the "Mongolia," due to leave Adelaide, 19th September.

The s.s. "Ulimaroa," which left Wellington at 10.40 p.m. on the 5th June, 1908, with a Suez mail, reached Sydney at 11.30 p.m. on the 9th idem, too late to connect with the express train.

The Suez mails which left Wellington by the s.s. "Maheno" on the 19th June at 6.40 p.m. arrived in Sydney on the 23rd at 8.15 p.m., half-an-hour late for the express train connecting with the mail boat at Adelaide. A special train, engaged at a cost to the New Zealand Government of about £230, was despatched at 9.30 p.m., and arrived in Melbourne in time to connect with the mail train for Adelaide. The late arrival of the "Maheno" at Sydney was attributed to a heavy westerly gale.

San Francisco Service.

An English shipping firm, Andrew Weir and Company, established a regular service between America, New Zealand, and Australia. The firm's offer to the United States Postal Department was accepted for the conveyance of mails to New Zealand and Australia. The line of steamers is called the Australian Mail Line, and the service commenced with the departure of the s.s. "Foreric," from San Francisco, on the 30th August, 1907. The service is four-weekly between San Francisco, Auckland, and Sydney, and the steamers have the option of calling at certain ports in the Pacific. The time allowed between San Francisco and New Zealand is about twenty-three days. The average of the first nine voyages was, however, a little over twenty-six days. Until March, 1908, the steamers did not call at a New Zealand port on the outward voyage from Australia, but, commencing with the s.s. "Foreric's" departure on the 30th March, Auckland is the final port of departure in Australasia. The service is not subsidised by the New Zealand Government, but Postal Union rates are paid for the conveyance of mails from New Zealand. At present only cargo and mails are conveyed by these vessels. English mails from the Dominion are not forwarded, but small mails from the United Kingdom are received *via* San Francisco when better despatch offers by that route.

Vancouver Service.

The "All Red" route was made the text of a leading article in the London *Times* of the 18th December, 1907. The *Times* pointed out the advantages to New Zealand of a twenty-five days' mail-service with the United Kingdom, and to Australia, although well served by the Suez route, of having an alternative route.

The Board of Trade committee set up to consider the feasibility of a fast mail service to New Zealand and Australia by way of Vancouver is expected to report immediately.

It is understood that negotiations have been proceeding between the Commonwealth Postal authorities and the Union Steam Ship Company with regard to the extension of the Vancouver mail-service for twelve months from the 1st August, 1908. The existing contract dates for two years from the 1st August, 1907, with the right to determine it at the end of the first year on four months' notice. Negotiations for continuing the contract after the 31st July, 1908, were concluded. The "Moana" is withdrawn until July, and the "Manuka" substituted. This is provided for in the present contract.

Mails from southern ports for despatch from Auckland *via* Vancouver sometimes were not delivered at Onehunga in time to be put on board the vessel for Fiji by noon, the regular time of departure, and inconvenience and delay to the steamer were caused. The Union Steam Ship Company has therefore extended the time of sailing to 2 p.m.

The steamers of the Vancouver service ceased calling at Fanning Island on the northward voyage owing to the delay occasioned by the stoppage there prejudicing the steamers' arrival at Vancouver on contract time. The last call on the outward voyage was made by the R.M.S. "Aorangi," which left

Brisbane on the 23rd January, 1908. The contracting Governments have consented to the steamers calling at Fanning Island on every alternate southward trip, commencing with the R.M.S. "Moana," from Vancouver, on the 27th March last. As a consequence of the latter arrangement the post-offices at Honolulu and Vancouver have been requested to make up direct mails for Fanning Island, instead of forwarding correspondence *via* Sydney and Suva, as before. Mails from New Zealand are despatched by every outward Vancouver mail, and by the Pacific cable steamer "Iris" as opportunity offers.

Miscellaneous.

Direct mails are now made up in New Zealand for Shanghai and Japan. The mail for Shanghai, which is addressed to the British Post Office there, contains correspondence for places north of the Yangtze River. The mail for Japan contains all correspondence addressed to that country.

The British Post Office at Shanghai makes up closed mails for New Zealand.

A closed mail addressed to Buenos Aires is made up for despatch by all direct steamers. Such mail includes all correspondence addressed to the Argentine Republic and Patagonia.

The French Post Office intimated in November last that in future closed mails would be made up for Auckland: (1) By the Paris-to-Modane office, every Saturday (*via* Brindisi or Naples and by English mail-boats); (2) by the Paris (R.P.) office, on Saturday evening, every four weeks, as from the 23rd November, *via* Marseilles and by French mail-boats.

The s.s. "Warrimoo," with seven bags of mail-matter from Christchurch to Australia on board, grounded on Farewell Spit at 5.15 p.m. on the 15th September, 1907, and was towed off at 1.15 p.m. next day. She then proceeded to Port Chalmers for examination, but did not tranship the mails.

The "Turakina," for London, with letter-mails, parcel-mails, and empty receptacles from Auckland on the 26th September, 1907, put into Wellington on the 4th October, 1907, on fire. All mails were saved, and were reshipped by the "Corinthic" on the 10th October. Of the "empties," all boxes were destroyed, and only 176 of the bags were fit for further use.

A fire was discovered on the Shaw, Savill, and Albion Company's steamer "Ionic," at the Glasgow Wharf, Wellington, on the 20th May, 1908. The vessel was to leave for England on the following day. The small portion of mail which was on board at the time of the fire was undamaged.

RECEIPTS and PAYMENTS on Account of the SAN FRANCISCO, PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL, and ORIENT MAIL-SERVICES for the Year 1907.

San Francisco Service.

DR.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Payments by weight—									
On mails from New Zealand (five voyages) ...	2,819	0	7						
On mails from Fiji ...	6	11	4						
				2,825	11	11			
Interprovincial service, mail agents, &c. ...				1,184	17	5			
Transit charges { San Francisco to New York ...				889	15	8			
{ New York to Queenstown ...				518	16	10			
							5,419	1	10
CR.									
Postages collected in the Dominion ...				2,361	5	3			
Contributions from Fiji... ..				6	11	4			
							2,367	16	7
Net cost to the Dominion							£3,051	5	3

293,937 letters and post-cards, 139,769 books, and 275,572 newspapers were received from, and 253,213 letters and post-cards, 27,636 books, and 29,988 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, 33.60 days, as against 31.79 days in 1906; and from London to Auckland 37.67 days by the Oceanic Line and 41.25 days by the Weir Line, as compared with 33.47 days in the previous year. The shortest delivery was made in thirty days.

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

DR.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Payment to P. and O. and Orient lines* ...	4,915	10	2			
Transit charges across Australia ...	1,853	1	6			
Transit charges across Europe ...	1,434	4	7			
Gratuities to Australia ...	8,445	10	9			
Payments for Australian-New Zealand transit on behalf of United Kingdom and foreign offices ...	3,202	6	2			
				19,850	13	2
CR.						
Postages collected in the Dominion ...	11,948	2	8			
Postages, &c., from London and foreign offices ...	3,202	6	2			
				15,150	8	10
Net cost to the Dominion				£4,700	4	4

* Payment for Orient line at Postal Union rates on actual weight of correspondence conveyed. Payment for P. and O. line based on statistics taken from 1st to 28th July, 1906.

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—3,066,706 letters and post-cards, 902,517 books, and 3,705,326 newspapers; despatched—1,682,468 letters and post-cards, 206,978 books, and 194,294 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 1907 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	40	35	37·67	41	37	37·69	42	37	38·35
Auckland to London	45	36	41·25	41	36	38·50	42	37	40·46
London to Wellington	38	30	33·60	42	35	38·77	40	38	39·23
Wellington to London	41	36	38·67	42	35	37·55	43	37	38·04
London to Dunedin	46	38	42·75	41	38	38·65	40	38	38·65
Dunedin to London	35	35	35·00	42	38	39·77	44	41	42·15
London to Bluff	42	37	39·67	40	38	38·15	39	38	38·15
Bluff to London	47	39	44·25	41	38	39·27	43	41	41·65
	36	36	36·00						
	43	38	40·42						
	48	40	45·00						
	37	37	37·00						

*Oceanic Steamship Company.

† Weir Line.

The several subsidised sea mail-services, the subsidy-payments for the year 1907, 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.		Max.	Min.	
Auckland and San Francisco	£ 2,819	s. 0	d. 7	Mar., 1870	Feb., 1907	5	5,925	1 10·84
Auckland and Fiji	1,690	0	0	June, 1880	..	13	2,334	1 1·87
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., 1909	939	6	0 2·56
Auckland and Great Barrier	250	0	0	Oct., 1891	Dec., 1909	52	120	0 9·62
Auckland, Whangaroa, and Mangonui	126	0	0	Nov., 1907	Nov., 1908	52	368	0 1·58
Dargaville and Tangiteroria	90	0	0	Nov., 1893	Dec., 1909	104	46	0 4·51
Helensville and Matakoho	150	0	0	Jan., 1881	Dec., 1909	52	118	0 5·87
Helensville and Dargaville	500	0	0	Jan., 1881	Dec., 1909	156	170	0 4·52
Horeke, Kohukohu, Rawene, Koutu, Rangi Point, Opononi, and Omapere	96	0	0	Jan., 1889	Dec., 1909	104	48	0 5·77
Russell and Opuā	120	0	0 ^(a)					
Wellington, Ketu Bay, Homewood, Maori Bay (and other offices), and Havelock	70	0	0	Jan., 1889	Dec., 1909	(as required)	..	..
Wellington and Motueka	600	0	0	Dec., 1891	Dec., 1909	26	183	0 10·44
				Nov., 1902	Dec., 1909	43	210	
Picton, offices in Sounds, and Havelock	97	10	0	Jan., 1907	Dec., 1909	26	164	0 6·05
	100	0	0 ^(b)					
	102	10	0 ^(c)					
Nelson, Totaranui, Takaka, and Collingwood	107	10	0 ^(d)	..	Dec., 1909	104	130	0 1·76
Nelson and Croixelles	99	0	0	..	Dec., 1909	104	130	0 1·76
Westport and Karamea	100	0	0	Jan., 1904	Dec., 1909	52	44	0 10·49
Westport and Little Wanganui	450	0	0	June, 1886	Dec., 1909	36	102	1 11·20
Hokitika, Okarito, Bruce Bay, Paringa, Haast, Okura, and Jackson's Bay	450	0	0	Jan., 1895	Dec., 1909	12	82	1 11·20
Lyttelton and Chatham Islands (including Pitt Island)	600	0	0	Jan., 1886	Dec., 1909	6	384	5 2·50
Bluff and Half-moon Bay	300	0	0	..	Mar., 1908	6	1,050	0 11·43
Bluff and Ruapuke Island	300	0	0	July, 1886	Dec., 1909	52	48	0 4·85
Bluff and Cromarty	45	0	0	Sept., 1903	Dec., 1908	26	26	1 3·95
Interprovincial service in connection with San Francisco line	275	0	0	April, 1893	Nov., 1908	12	208	2 2·44
New Zealand and Australia (Wellington-Sydney)	719	5	0	Nov., 1886	Mar., 1907	6	..	..
	6,500	0	0	Dec., 1906	June, 1908	26	..	..
	15,000	0	0 ^(e)	..	..	52 ^(e)	1,200	4 9·69

(a) Subsidy increased, 1st August, 1907.

(b) Pinohia included and subsidy increased, 15th May, 1907.

(c) Hikoekeoa included and subsidy increased, 27th May, 1907.

(d) Waihothonu included and subsidy increased, 1st December, 1907.

(e) Subsidy and frequency increased, 28th July, 1907.

TELEGRAPHS.

The International Telegraph Conference of 1908 opened at Lisbon on the 4th May. A report of the Conference proceedings will appear later.

The report of the Superintendent of Electric Lines on his visit to Great Britain and other countries to examine into telegraph and telephone methods, was presented by command of His Excellency the Governor to both Houses of Parliament on the 25th October, 1907.

Inland telegrams from the 16th May, 1907, and intercolonial and international cable messages from the 21st October, 1907, bearing an unregistered code address have been delivered to the ascertained addressee on the payment of a fee of 6d., 2s. 6d., and 5s. respectively.

The charge for ordinary Press telegrams transmitted on departmental holidays for evening papers was reduced from 1s. to 6d. from the 19th August, 1907, for each hundred words or fraction thereof.

Telegrams in plain language relating to betting or to investments on the totalisator or in coded language reasonably supposed to relate to betting or to investments on the totalisator are forbidden by "The Gaming and Lotteries Act Amendment Act, 1907," to be delivered on any racecourse. Money-order telegrams addressed to a racecourse are refused. Telegrams or money-order telegrams addressed otherwise than to a racecourse are accepted, even though they relate to betting.

A cipher code has been introduced which considerably reduces the number of words necessary in weather-forecast telegrams.

Telegram pictorial cards conveying Christmas greetings were used at the more important telegraph-offices during the last Christmas season for received telegrams, in place of the special forms hitherto used. The special forms and cards were used on and between the 18th and 24th and the 27th and 31st December.

Amended regulations governing the transmission of telegrams by telephone to or from telegraph-offices and telephone bureau charges were brought into force from the 1st January, 1908. The regulations provide for a fee of £1 per annum, or 3d. for each transmission not exceeding three minutes, to be charged for telephoning telegrams at all chief offices and first and second grade sub-offices. At all other offices no charge will be made.

Telegram forms embossed with a sixpenny stamp were issued on the 9th January, 1908. They are bound up in books of twenty forms, interleaved, and are sold to the public at 10s. per book.

From the 23rd January, 1908, telegrams are delivered free at Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch, and Dunedin for a distance of three miles between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. and for a distance of a mile and a half after 6 p.m. At first and second grade post-offices, as well as at all other chief post-offices, the limits are two miles up to 6 p.m. and a mile and a half after that hour. Carriage beyond these limits is at 6d. per mile up to three miles: beyond three miles, delivery to be made by special messenger, and the cost to be added.

Amended conditions under which private lines will be constructed and maintained by the Department appeared in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the 23rd January, 1908. They provide for a reduction of the cost formerly charged.

The regulations under "The Electric Lines Act, 1884," have been altered to provide for uniform charges when a telegraph-office is reopened by special request for Press purposes, whether the application for reopening is made by the Press Association or by individuals.

Typewriters for receiving telegrams have been in use for some years now, but their use has been confined to a few officers who supplied their own machines. It has been decided to supply at an early date a number of typewriting machines for the use of officers receiving telegrams, and to make a special payment to the officers selected to use them. Officers who at present own their machines may sell them to the Department. A tender to supply the Department with Fox type-writers with special keyboard for telegraph purposes was accepted.

The price of books of telegram forms interleaved for use with carbonic paper was reduced from 1s. to 9d. on the 22nd February, 1908.

The total value of the telegraph and telephone business for the year ended the 31st March, 1908, including miscellaneous telegraph receipts and Government telegrams, was £348,749 17s. 1½d., as compared with £325,007 15s. 7½d. for the previous year, an increase of £23,742 1s. 6d., or 7·31 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	"
1907-8 ...	6,958,279	" 12·96	222,926	" 10·2	"

The following table shows the number of telegrams forwarded and the revenue derived therefrom during the four quarters of the financial years 1906-7 and 1907-8 respectively:—

Quarter.	Number of Telegrams forwarded.		Increase per Cent.	Revenue.				Increase per Cent.	
	Year ended 31st March, 1907.	Year ended 31st March, 1908.		Year ended 31st March, 1907.		Year ended 31st March, 1908.			
				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
June quarter ...	1,388,546	1,621,204	16·76	47,078	0	2½	51,937	4	5½
September quarter ...	1,338,072	1,594,727	19·18	44,976	12	1½	50,921	8	9
December quarter ...	1,616,765	1,835,583	13·53	51,908	18	11½	58,794	16	0½
March quarter ...	1,816,697	1,906,765	4·96	58,337	9	2	61,272	9	2
	6,160,080	6,958,279	12·96	202,301	0	5½	222,926	18	5

The telegraph receipts for the financial year, including telephone-exchange subscriptions, private-wire rents, &c., amounted to £344,251 0s. 6d., compared with £307,520 15s. 11½d. in 1906-7, an increase of £36,730 4s. 6½d., or 11·94 per cent.

The expenditure was £357,581 1s. 3d., as against £291,359 12s. 6d. for the previous year, an increase of £66,221 8s. 9d., or 22·73 per cent.

There were 9,656 miles of line and 29,344 miles of wire at the close of the year—an increase of 703 and 2,313 miles respectively.

The net expenditure out of Public Works Fund for telegraph-extension was £155,491 8s. 6d, as compared with £114,067 19s. 9d. in 1906-7.

The number of private wires and subsidised lines was 389, compared with 351 in 1906-7. The amount received for rent, maintenance, &c., was £2,206 6s. 4d., as against £2,123 3s. 8d. in 1906-7.

The total number of telegraph and telephone offices open at the close of the year was 1,611. Of these, 280 were telegraph offices and 1,331 were telephone offices.

The number of telegrams of all codes forwarded during the last financial year was 7,042,923, an increase of 646,591, or 10·11 per cent. over 1906-7.

The proportion of paid telegrams per head of population was 7·42, and 6·84 the previous year.

The number of ordinary telegrams forwarded was 5,040,044, of the value of £159,244 3s. 7½d., compared with 4,548,532, of the value of £148,659 5s. 3½d. in 1906-7, an increase of 491,512 and £10,584 18s. 4d.

The urgent telegrams numbered 255,525, of the value of £15,621 13s. 2d., an increase of 19,794 in number and £1,281 14s. 10d. in amount.

The average value of each ordinary telegram was 7·58d., and of each urgent telegram 1s. 2·67d.

452,536 Press telegrams, of the value of £21,201 8s. 1½d., were forwarded in 1907-8, as compared with 389,917, valued at £18,089 1s. 4d., forwarded in 1906-7—an increase of 62,619, or 16·06 per cent., in number, and an increase of £3,112 6s. 9½d., or 17·2 per cent., in value.

The value of each Press telegram averaged 11·24d., as against 11·13d. in 1906-7.

The bureau messages numbered 1,210,174, of the value of £26,858 13s. 6d., as compared with 985,900, of the value of £21,212 15s. 6d., in 1906-7—an increase of 224,274 in number and £5,645 18s. in amount.

The average value of each bureau message was 5·33d., as against 5·16d. in 1906-7.

TELEGRAPH MESSENGERS' DELIVERIES.

Telegraph-messengers' deliveries (by departmental messenger) were established as follows: Auckland—Mount Eden, Papakura, Te Kuiti, Upper Symonds Street; Christchurch—Waiatu; Wellington—Brooklyn.

TELEGRAPH-OFFICES OPENED AND CLOSED DURING FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1908.

Opened.

Anatimo	Kaiuma	Muripara	Ruahine
Arero	Kakahu Bush	Netherton	Ruakaka
Aria	Kakahu School	Newstead	Sedgebrook
Arthur's Point	Kanieri Forks	Ngakuta	Slope Point
Awamangu	Karamea Heads	Ngarara	South Hillend
Awariki	Karitane	Nihoniho	Spreydon
Balmoral	Katea	Nydia Bay	State Collieries
Brookside	Kelburne	Ohaupo Bureau	Sutton
Brydone	Kinohaku	Okau	Swannanoa
Cass	Kiwi	Okere Falls	Swyncombe
Castle Hill	Lake Kanieri	Okukari	Tahakopa
Centre Island	Lake Pukaki	Okuku	Taringaturi
Christchurch North	Langridge	Okura	Tatare
Clarkville	Lower Ruakaka	Onamalutu	Tauhinu
Copnoor	Mahunga	Onapua	Taupirikaka
Coutt's Island	Maina	Oparure	Tautuku
Crofton	Mairoa	Opawa	Te Awaite
Croixelles	Makarewa	Otangiwai	Te Karaka
Dyerville	Makarora	Otarawao	Te Kowhai
Eastown	Makarora Wharf	Otarere	Te Ngae
Elaine Bay	Makatote	Paekakariki	Te Puia Springs
Eureka	Mangatuna	Pahia	Te Taho
Evansdale	Maori Bay	Pakorari	Te Towaka
Eyreton	Mareretu	Papatowai	Te Weka
French Pass	Marima	Paringa	The Peaks
Gordonton	Marton Junction	Parnassus Ferry	Tiakitahuna
Government Buildings (Wellington)	Matahuru	Pinohia	Upcot
Haast	Matarawa	Piopio	Wahipai
Hakahaka	Matawai	Pori	Waihaha
Haunui	Matuku	Port Charles	Waiharakeke
Havelock Suburban	Maungatautari	Pnaha	Waikawa Bay
Hekeia	Maungatawhiri	Pukekariki	Wairangi
Hinehaka	Maungawera	Pukepito	Waitati Bureau
Hopelands	Mautoroa	Puketoto	Waitomo Caves
Horotiu	Medbury	Puketowai	Waiuta
kamatua	Meremere	Purahi	Walton
Jordan	Mokai	Rakahuri	Weld's Hill
Kahuika	Mokoreta	Rakauroa	Whareama
Kaiaka	Molesworth	Rangataua	Whatamango
Kaimatarau	Morrison's Bush	Reidston	Whatanihi
Kainui	Moturakau	Riponui	Willowbridge
	Moutoa	Rototuna	Woodhill.

Closed.

Awawaro.

Exhibition Christchurch.

Macleod's Terrace.

SUMMARY.

Number of offices open on 31st March, 1907, 1,447 ; opened during year, 167 ; closed during year, 3 ; number of offices open on 31st March, 1908, 1,611.

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

		Average Value.	
		Year	Year
		1907-8.	1906-7.
The total number of ordinary telegrams increased by	491,512, or 10·81%	} £10,584 18s. 4d., or 7·12%	} 7·58d.
and relative receipts by			
The total number of bureau communications increased by	224,274, or 22·75%	} £5,645 18s., or 26·62%	} 5·33d.
			5·16d.

The number of Government telegrams forwarded was 84,644, valued at £4,498 16s. 7½d., as compared with 236,252, valued at £17,486 19s. 8d.—a decrease of 151,608 in number and £12,988 3s. 0½d. in amount.

73,763 money-orders, for £298,630 19s. 1d., were transmitted by telegraph, as against 68,194, for £261,488 3s. 11d., in 1906-7, an increase of 5,569 telegrams.

The number of paid forwarded telegrams to every hundred letters posted in New Zealand for delivery within the Dominion was 8·76, as against 8·57 in 1906-7.

OCEAN CABLE SERVICES.

The strike of telegraph operators in America, which lasted from the 13th August to the 30th October, 1907, disorganized traffic for a short time. While messages for New York and Boston *via* Eastern were accepted as usual, those for other places were subject to delay and were accepted only at the risk of the senders. The matters in dispute were finally settled on the 13th November.

Interruptions to traffic by the Pacific route were not numerous, and were of short duration. Snow-storms in the vicinity of the Canadian land-lines were mostly the cause of the interruptions.

In the matter of cable-interruption, it must be borne in mind that every slight interruption or delay on the Pacific cable is reported. It will be found on investigation that the average delay from interruption and unavoidable causes is fairly equally distributed over all routes.

The Norfolk Island to Southport (Queensland) section of the Pacific cable developed a high resistance fault, and the cable steamer "Iris" cut the cable on the 23rd April, 1908, and removed the fault. Communication was restored on the 26th April.

The laying of the Cocos-Batavia cable was completed on the evening of the 12th April, 1908.

Continuous attendance was given by the Pacific and the Eastern Extension cables and New Zealand offices on the occasion of the breakdown of the "Monowai," 12th to 15th September, 1907.

The contract for the construction of a wharf at Auckland for the Pacific cable steamer was completed during the year, and a contract for mooring-gear was let.

There has been an increase of 9·56 per cent. in the number of messages, and an increase of 2·70 per cent. in the value, of the Dominion's ordinary outward international cable traffic for the year ; while the ordinary traffic to Australia shows increases of 9·91 per cent. in the number of messages and 6·84 in the value. The proportion of cable messages to and from New Zealand transmitted by the Pacific cable was 87·31 per cent. of the total traffic.

New Zealand's proportion of the deficit of £54,923 12s. 2d. on the fifth years' working of the Pacific cable, 1906-7, amounted to £6,102 12s. 5d.

New Zealand's proportion of the loss on the working of the cable for the year ended the 31st March, 1908, is stated at £7,730.

The receipts and working-expenses of the Pacific cable for the year ended the 31st March, 1908, are estimated as under :—

		£			£
Traffic revenue	...	107,820	Annuity and renewals	...	109,545
Estimated deficit	...	66,368	Working-expenses	...	62,823
		<u>£172,368</u>			<u>£172,368</u>

Of the ordinary paid business, the Pacific obtained—in 1903, 82 per cent. ; in 1904, 86 per cent. ; in 1905, 87 per cent. ; in 1906, 89 per cent. ; and in 1907, 88 per cent. ; the Eastern Company's share being 18, 14, 13, 11, and 12 per cent. during the same years.

The New Zealand figures for the past five 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
1907	102,490	1907	13,610

There has been a slight increase in the number of Press messages, the figures for which are as follows:—

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
1907	515	1907	1,359

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 New Zealand has given the Pacific route 89 per cent. of the ordinary business to Australia.

Cable Business.

The number and value of cable messages forwarded from New Zealand during 1907 are shown in the following statement:—

Via Pacific.

Destination.	Ordinary.		Press.	
	Number of Messages.	Value.	Number of Messages.	Value.
International ...	24,953	£ 39,266 3 3	38	£ 54 14 0
Australia ...	77,537	15,245 16 3	477	124 19 5
Total for 1907 ...	102,490	54,511 19 6	515	179 13 5
Total for 1906 ...	94,199	52,515 19 11	668	431 13 10

Via Extension.

Destination.	Ordinary.		Press.	
	Number of Messages.	Value.	Number of Messages.	Value.
International ...	4,146	£ 5,402 13 6	112	£ 214 7 0
Australia ...	9,464	1,985 12 3	1,247	609 5 0
Total for 1907 ...	13,610	7,388 5 9	1,359	823 12 0
Total for 1906 ...	11,522	7,134 9 5	1,147	858 13 11

The Dominion's outward international and Australian cable business, not including Press, for the years 1906 and 1907 was as follows:—

International.

	Number of Messages.	Value.
		£ s. d.
1907 ...	31,456	45,389 8 7
1906 ...	28,711	44,196 3 5
Increase	2,745 = 9.56 per cent.	£1,193 5 2 = 2.70 per cent.

Australia.

	Number of Messages.	Value.
		£ s. d.
1907 ...	84,644	16,510 16 8
1906 ...	77,010	15,454 5 11
Increase	7,634 = 9.91 per cent.	£1,056 10 9 = 6.84 per cent.

There was a total increase of 10,379 messages, and an increase of £2,249 15s. 11d. in value.

The number of cable messages received in New Zealand during 1907, exclusive of Press, was as follows :—

		<i>Pacific.</i>			
		International.		Australia.	
1907	...	...	17,134	...	52,696
1906	...	...	17,071	...	50,145
		Increase	63	Increase	2,551
		<i>Extension.</i>			
		International.		Australia.	
1907	...	...	11,020	...	23,273
1906	...	...	8,870	...	19,482
		Increase	2,150	Increase	3,791

The forwarded and received cable Press business for the ten years ended the 31st December, 1907, was :—

Year.	Forwarded.			Received.				
	Number of		Value.	Number of		Value.		
	Messages.	Words.		Messages.	Words.			
			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
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
1907	1,874	135,325	1,003	5	5	4,204	405,498	2,423 4 11

TELEPHONE EXCHANGES.

Eight new exchanges were opened and one closed during the year, and the number of subscribers increased by 2,999.

The total number of exchanges now is 112, made up of 30 central and 82 sub-exchanges.

The total number of connections is 23,881, compared with 17,403 in 1907. They may be classified as follows : Paying, 18,091 ; free, 337 ; bureaux, 1,974 ; extensions, 3,479.

New connections numbered 4,023, and those given up 1,024.

The increase in subscribers is equal to 17.23 per cent.

Connections on extension lines, not hitherto counted, are this year included, in accordance with the practice of almost all other countries.

On the 31st March, 1908, there were 1,039 miles of telephone line and 16,816 miles of wire.

The following is a comparative return of telephone-exchange connections for the years 1907-8 and 1906-7 :—

Exchange.	Number of Subscribers or Connections:	
	March 31, 1908.	March 31, 1907.
Ashburton	197	161
Auckland	3,184	2,224
Cambridge	61	50
Devonport	48	42
Onehunga	28	28
Blenheim	261	198
Picton	70	50
Christchurch	2,978	2,162
Akaroa	41	35
Cust	15	8
Doyleston	11	7
Duvauchelle	16	7
Kaiapoi	41	...
Leeston	17	12
Lincoln	10	5
Little River	16	9
Lyttelton	19	18
Rangiora	27	18

Exchange.	Number of Subscribers or Connections:	
	March 31, 1908.	March 31, 1907.
Southbridge...	8	5
Sumner	24	23
Dannevirke	184	145
Dunedin	2,713	1,995
Balclutha	43	34
Clinton	10	6
Kaitangata	20	14
Milton	38	27
Mosgiel	30	24
Palmerston	28	20
Port Chalmers	34	26
Tapanui	19	...
Waikouaiti	9	9
Feilding	244	191
Kimbolton	21	12
Rongotea	23	20
Sanson	5	1
Gisborne	626	466
Greymouth	295	240
Reefton	69	56
Hamilton	178	119
Hawera	202	162
Eltham	58	39
Kaponga	16	7
Manaia	26	12
Otakeho	...	8
Patea	46	37
Hokitika	139	124
Kumara	23	18
Ross	18	15
Invercargill	635	457
Balfour	8	6
Bluff	63	51
Edendale	14	9
Gore	175	124
Lumsden	25	18
Mataura	15	12
Otautau	35	29
Riversdale	26	19
Riverton	28	17
Winton	45	35
Woodlands	6	5
Wyndham	22	12
Lawrence	48	35
Levin	56	...
Masterton	387	302
Alfredton	18	...
Carterton	86	54
Eketahuna	76	69
Featherston	51	37
Greytown North	44	32
Martinborough	71	54
Napier	726	497
Hastings	463	333
Waipawa	64	47
Waipukurau	49	36
Wairoa	124	78
Weber	17	3
Nelson	382	307
New Plymouth	403	347
Inglewood	36	30
Opunake	35	25
Waitara	31	13
Oamaru	284	238
Ngapara	8	5
Pahiatua	123	98
Woodville	45	34
Palmerston North	580	451
Ashhurst	25	...
Foxton	66	50
Longburn	12	5
Rotorua	146	109
Stratford	146	121

Exchange.	Number of Subscribers or Connections:	
	March 31, 1908.	March 31, 1907.
Thames	113	100
Paeroa	56	43
Te Aroha	54	...
Waihi	84	67
Timaru	448	344
Fairlie	22	12
Geraldine	83	63
St. Andrew's	15	7
Studholme Junction	8	4
Temuka	32	24
Waimate	83	51
Wanganui	681	529
Bull's	21	15
Hunterville	26	15
Marton	116	76
Okaiawa	5	6
Taihape	53	...
Waverley	23	13
Wellington	3,781	2,706
Hutt	5	...
Westport	159	140
Whangarei	125	95
Totals	23,881	17,403

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

Cable messages may now be accepted within the Dominion for transmission "by wireless" from certain land stations in Canada and the United States of America respectively to such of the steamers of the trans-atlantic steamship companies as are fitted with the necessary apparatus to receive them between the terminal ports. They are subject to additional prepaid post and telegraph charges. The address and signature of all cable messages are transmitted free of charge over the wireless system, but the usual cable rates are chargeable on each complete outgoing message to the terminal land station.

The first message by wireless telegraphy despatched from New Zealand to an oversea country was transmitted on the 3rd February, 1908, from the Prime Minister of this Dominion to the Hon. Alfred Deakin. The message was despatched from H.M.S. "Pioneer," at Wellington, to H.M.S. "Psyche" in Port Jackson, the battleship "Powerful" acting as "repeater" at sea within twelve of fourteen hours' steaming-distance of Sydney. The interval of time between losing the New Zealand signals and picking up the Australian was six hours.

A Radiotelegraph Division in connection with the International Telegraph Bureau was established at Berne on 21st May, 1907. The division was to begin its duties at a date to be fixed later.

While the system of wireless telegraphy has been brought into use to a considerable extent on ships of war and other ocean-going vessels for use between ship and ship, and ship and shore, it does not seem to have attained any great commercial development, and in a certain sense it must be considered as not having wholly emerged from the experimental stage.

The Marconi Company has erected a large and powerful station at Clifden, in Ireland, between which place and America Press messages are now being transmitted.

A wireless-telegraph station has been for some time in course of erection at Coltans, in Italy, and will be completed in a few months. It is expected that this will be the most powerful station in existence.

A little more than a year ago Mr. Valdemar Poulsen discovered a means of producing continuous undamped waves from an arc in hydrogen. By this means the loud noise that results from spark-transmission, and the need of transforming the low to very high voltages, were obviated, and it was claimed that the attuning could be done so closely as to permit of a much greater number of stations operating, without interference, in a given area. Experimental stations have been in operation for some time, but nothing definite seems to have been arrived at as to marked superiority of one system over another. Other systems claim to have equally good methods of producing undamped waves and of attuning.

At Cullercoats, in Northumberland, the company operating the Poulsen system has established a comparative station where, in a four-roomed building, they have a spark system occupying three rooms, and the undamped continuous wave system occupying one room. The power is about 8-h. With the spark system the voltage has to be raised to 50,000, and the highest voltage with the other system is about 3,000. One mast 220 ft. high does for both systems. Both seem to be equally effective on the open water, but it is claimed that the Poulsen system can attain further distances than the spark system over intervening land. Distances of 900 miles are accomplished with the power mentioned.

It is stated that some ships are discarding the spark, and equipping the Poulsen, system.

These experiments do not enable very definite conclusions to be formed as to the relative merits of the systems.

Aboard ship the power is usually much below 8-h., and it is with these smaller powers that comparisons of relative efficiency would prove most useful.

No ships visiting the New Zealand waters, except war-vessels, are equipped with wireless-telegraph apparatus. The foreign-going vessels which trade to these waters are on the return voyages within the reach of wireless shore stations along the coasts of Great Britain, but appear to consider it unnecessary to set up wireless apparatus on the ship to avail themselves of these coastal facilities.

The Dominion has not yet any wireless station to communicate with ships. The Department is keeping itself informed of wireless-telegraph developments, and will be prepared to carry out any work of the kind should it be decided to establish wireless stations. Probably a conference of representatives of naval, military, marine, telegraph, and commercial interests to consider their requirements would be an advisable preliminary step.

TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE.

The new switchboards at New Plymouth, Wanganui, Palmerston North, Napier, Gisborne, and Nelson telephone exchanges have been supplied with the breastplate equipment, which enables each attendant to use her own transmitter. The other larger exchanges are being similarly equipped.

NEW ZEALAND CABLE SERVICES.

On the 31st May, 1907, No. 4 Lyell Bay cable developed a fault about 11½ knots from the Lyell Bay side. Repairs were completed on the 23rd June.

A new cable of 42½ knots was laid across Cook Strait from Lyell Bay to White's Bay on the 5th December, 1907, to provide additional communication between the two islands.

On the 7th December, 1907, No. 3 cable became faulty about five knots from the Oterangi Bay end. The cable was repaired on the 21st December.

No. 2 Oterangi Bay cable broke on the 6th January, 1908, about nine miles from Oterangi Bay and its repair was completed on the 19th January.

No. 4 Lyell Bay, which had a fault in it that did not entirely interrupt the working of the cable, was cut into and repairs effected on the 20th January, 1908.

On the 16th March, 1908, a cable of about 5½ knots in length was laid between Colac Bay and Centre Island to establish telephonic communication between the lighthouse on Centre Island and Riverton on the mainland.

On the 31st March, 1908, 4½ knots of cable were laid between Stephen's Island and Pawakaiwawa Bay on D'Urville Island, and 1½ knots between Terurutu Bay on D'Urville Island and Elmslie's Bay on the mainland of the South Island. Telephonic communication already extends as far as Elmslie's Bay, and when the land line on D'Urville Island, which is being erected, is completed Stephen's Island lighthouse will be connected by telephone with Nelson.

The whole of the Cook Strait cables and the cable from Wanganui to Wakapuaka are in good order. The cables in other parts of the Dominion are also in good working-order.

TELEPHONE TRUNK WIRES.

The demand for telephone trunk wires to connect outlying places with exchanges and the exchange in one locality with that in another does not diminish. In most cases telegraphic communication exists between the towns, but this does not always satisfy the public. A perusal of the record of works carried out in the different Inspectors' districts will show that much has been done during the year to meet these requirements, and the general extension of the telephone system has been on a scale in excess of the extension in previous years.

As stated in former reports, the carrying-capacity of a telephone circuit is limited to about fifty spoken communications a day, so that the growing requirements of the public for telephonic facilities between centres of population can only be met by a large capital outlay. Telegraph revenue shows a tendency to shrink where telegraph and telephone communication exist side by side.

The superimposed circuits introduced from time to time work satisfactorily, and wherever facilities exist in connection with new wires telegraph circuits are, when considered advisable, superimposed upon the new wires.

The following is a comparative statement showing length of new lines and wires, mostly telephone, erected in Inspector's districts during the last five years:—

	1903.		1904.		1905.		1906.		1907.											
	Poles.	Wire.	Poles.	Wire.	Poles.	Wire.	Poles.	Wire.	Poles.	Wire.										
Auckland ..	M. 44	ch. 50	M. 173	ch. 20	M. 62	ch. 70	M. 371	ch. 10	M. 63	ch. 30	M. 101	ch. 50	M. 135	ch. 60	M. 494	ch. 40	M. 139	ch. 60	M. 350	ch. 60
Christchurch ..	4	40	111	0	16	60	64	60	57	20	165	40	111	30	170	8	121	0	518	20
Dunedin ..	30	0	76	20	81	60	166	0	136	50	400	20	48	40	392	20	90	47	262	20
Nelson ..	47	23	51	30	3	20	3	40	25	15	152	1	146	67	217	49	245	16	484	77
Wellington ..	15	60	158	30	33	0	116	40	128	71	592	78	156	35	641	40	104	43	696	74
Totals ..	142	13	570	20	197	50	721	70	411	26	1,412	29	598	72	1,915	77	701	6	2,307	11

AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

Construction.

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

	Poles.		Wire.	
	M.	ch.	M.	ch.
Aria, branch off Paemako wire	9	0	9	0
Cabbage Bay - Port Charles	10	0	10	0
Cambridge-Karapiro and Maungatautari	2	40	11	0
Eureka, branch off Cambridge-Tauwhare line	5	40	5	40
Eureka (moving office)	0	40	0	40
Hamilton-Cambridge (metallic circuit)			28	0
Hamilton-Huntly, Morse wire			20	0
Hamilton - Newstead and Matangi	5	0	8	0
Hamilton - Rototuna and Gordonton	11	0	11	0
Hamilton - Te Awamutu			18	0
Helensville-Woodhill			5	20
Hukerenui to Towai, telephone wire (for Public Works Department)			4	40
Kaiaka, lead off Mangonui - Victoria Valley line	0	5	0	5
Maina and Punaromia, branch off Rotorua-Okere Falls	8	0	8	0
Mairoa, branch off Paemako wire	9	0	9	0
Mareretu, branch off Waipu-Paparua line	1	0	1	0
Matahuru, branch off Mercer-Taniwha	5	0	5	0
Maungatawhiri, branch off Mercer-Miranda wire	0	20	0	20
Mokai, branch off Taupo-Atiamuri wire	9	0	9	0
Muripara, branch off Rotorua-Waiotapu line	21	0	21	0
Ngaruawahia - Te Kowhai line	4	20	8	0
Otangiwai, branch off Ongarue-Ohura line	5	0	5	0
Paemako, branch off Te Awamutu - Te Kuiti wire			20	0
Paeroa-Netherton	3	60	5	60
Papakura-Manurewa			4	40
Pongakawa to Matata			20	0
Richmond Hill (moving office)	0	20	0	20
Riponui, branch off Whangarei-Hukerenui line	6	0	6	0
Rotorua-Okere Falls	0	40	3	60
Ruakaka, branch off Waipu-Marsden Point line			3	20
Te Aroha - Paeroa (metallic circuit)			26	0
Te Kowhai - Horotiu	0	10	0	10
Thames-Tauranga Morse wire			41	0
Waitomo Caves, branch off Te Awamutu - Te Kuiti wire	6	0	6	0
Walton, lead off Morrinsville-Putaruru wire	0	5	0	5
Waipu-Paparua diversion	17	0	17	0
Total	139	60	350	60

There are in this district 2,402 miles 30 chains of poles and 6,555 miles 60 chains of wire.

The following is a list of authorised works either in hand or yet to be begun :—

Works in progress—

- Ararua, new line.
- Batley, extension.
- Glen Murray - Woodleigh, new line.
- Hamilton - Te Awamutu, new wire.
- Hamilton - Te Kuiti - Paemako (metallic circuit).
- Hukerenui-Paiaka, new line.
- Nevesville, new line.
- Otorohanga-Raurimu, new line.
- Towai-Kawakawa, new wire.
- Towai-Marlow, new line.
- Waihungarua, new line.

Works to be put in hand—

- Aotea, extension.
- Hamilton-Tuhikaramea, new line.
- Ohaupo-Kaipaka, new line.
- Rukuhia, extension.
- Tatu, extension.
- Te Rapa, extension.
- Thames-Hikutaia, new wire to form metallic circuit.
- Titoki, extension.
- Waimana, extension.
- Waiwawa, extension.

Maintenance.

The lines have not been subject to many interruptions during the year. A large amount of overhauling has been done, the principal sections overhauled being :—

Taupo-Atiamuri line, on which spans were shortened, new poles erected in places, and deviations made to bring the line on to the road at several points.

The Cape Maria van Diemen line was thoroughly overhauled, 27 miles of No. 8 iron wire being substituted for the same length of No. 14 copper wire, which was found to break frequently.

The Tauranga - Katikati-Athenree line was rebuilt. A large number of new poles was used, the majority of the original poles being past further use. A total of 36 miles was rebuilt and is now in first-class order.

The Waipu-Dargaville line, which has been a source of much trouble for many years, is being rebuilt, and advantage taken of the opportunity to rearrange the circuits. The Maungaturoto Gorge, through which the old line runs, is very unsuitable for the erection of telegraph wires, and is being abandoned, but the telephone wire is being retained. To meet the extensions authorised, a new line is being erected between Waipu and Paparoa along a good road. Along this route No. 2 North Morse wire, and one telephone wire, will run. The erection of the line (17 miles) will also save the erection of 8 miles of new line to connect Mareretu.

Telephone Exchanges.

A new exchange was opened at Te Aroha, making the total number of exchanges open in the district 11. Four more (Opotiki, Takapuna, Tauranga, and Te Awamutu) will shortly be opened. A very substantial increase in the number of subscribers to most of the exchanges took place.

The connections in the Auckland exchange totalled 2,551, an increase of 327 for the year. Of these, 2,434 are paying, 27 are free, and 90 are bureau connections. There are also 633 extension telephones, an increase of 113 for the year; making a total of 3,184 telephones in use on this exchange, the increase over those in use last year being 440. An addition has been made to the switchboard, which now has accommodation for 3,100 subscribers.

The connections to the exchange involve the use of 120 miles 40 chains of poles and 2,617 miles 79 chains of wire. Of the latter, 2,179 miles 68 chains are in metallic cables, and 438 miles 11 chains are open aerial wire. In addition to the metallic-circuit wires in use, there are erected 2,366 miles 40 chains of spare wires in cables; some of these are to be used to convert present earth circuits to metallic, and the balance is to provide for future requirements.

Of aerial wire, 379 miles 62 chains have been replaced by double wire in leaden metallic cables during the year. The aerial wire replaced by metallic cables will be dismantled. Connections made metallically total 1,653.

The Cambridge exchange was fitted with a 100-number annunciator.

The exchange at Hamilton is to be fitted with new annunciators.

The total number of connections on all exchanges in the district is 3,422, an increase of 547 during the year. Of these, 3,170 are paying, 40 are free, and 212 are bureau connections. There are also 655 extension telephones in the district, making the total number of telephones in use 4,077, an increase of 663.

The length of lines in the district is 166 miles 77 chains, and of wire in use 2,953 miles 75 chains, exclusive of 82 miles 63 chains of dead wire, and 2,366 miles 40 chains of spare wires in metallic cables.

Offices.

Thirty-six new offices were opened during the year. The number in the district at the end of the year was 375, comprising 50 Morse and 325 telephone offices.

New offices at Cambridge, Devonport, and Waipu were occupied.

The operating-room at Hamilton was moved upstairs.

The telephone at Opuā was placed in a sound-proof box.

At Te Aroha a quadruplex translator set was fitted.

A quadruplex was fitted on the Tauranga-Opotiki wire at Tauranga, with a quadruplex repeater at Whakatane and a duplex at Opotiki.

At Auckland a quadruplex was fitted, with a quadruplex repeater at Whangarei.

A duplex set at Mangonui was fitted on No. 3.

Duplex sets were fitted at Auckland and Hamilton on the metallic circuit between those places.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

Construction.

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

	Poles.		Wire.	
	M.	ch.	M.	ch.
Aramoho-Eastown, new wire	0 40
Foxton-Moutoa, new line	3 0	6 0
Greytown-Matarawa, new line	3 0	3 0
Greytown - Morrison's Bush, new line	3 0	3 0
Hopelands, new line	0 10	0 10
Kelburne, new wire	1 45
Makuri-Coonor, new line	10 40	10 40
Mangamaire-Marima, new line	3 40	3 40

	Poles.		Wires.	
	M.	Ch.	M.	Ch.
Mangatoro-Awariki, new line	2	0	2	0
Mangatoro-Mangatuna, new line	6	0	6	0
Mangawhio, lead off .. .. .	..	..	0	1
Martinborough-Dyerville, new line	2	0	4	10
Marton-Crofton, new line	0	40	3	10
Marton-Marton Railway, new wire	1	0	1	66
Moeangiangi, loop	1	0	2	0
Mokoia-Meremere, new line	11	60	12	40
Moturakau, branch off Koeke line .. .. .	..	..	0	5
Ngarara, new line	1	0	1	0
Ohakune-Rangataua, new line	0	64	0	64
Paekakariki, lead off main line	0	1	0	1
Pahiatua-Mangatainoka, new wire .. .. .	..	..	2	65
Palmerston North - Pahiatua, completion of No. 10 Palmerston North - Masterton .. .. .	..	..	23	0
Rangiwahia-Ruahine, new line	4	40	4	40
Rongotea-Kaimatarau, new line	2	0	2	0
Saunders-Pori, new line	3	40	3	40
Shannon-Moutoa, new line	5	0	5	0
Taihape-Raetihi, new wire .. .. .	..	..	37	0
Tane extension	1	60	1	60
Te Karaka Bureau, new line	0	4	0	53
Te Karaka - Motu, new line	35	0	35	0
Te Puia Springs, branch line	0	20	0	20
Tiakitahuna, lead off	0	4	0	4
Tiraumea-Haunui, new line	2	0	2	0
Tokomaru Bay - Arero, new wire .. .. .	..	..	12	0
Tokomaru Bay - Port Awanui, new wire .. .. .	..	..	31	0
Tongaporutu-Okau, new line	5	0	8	0
Wanganui-Sedgebrook, new wire .. .. .	..	..	1	40
Wellington - Lyell Bay, new wire .. .. .	..	..	5	0
Telephone Trunk Wires—				
Dannevirke-Ormondville .. .. .	..	..	14	0
Featherston-Martinborough (metallic circuit) .. .. .	..	..	24	0
Feilding-Bull's-Marton .. .. .	..	..	24	0
Gisborne-Patutahi .. .. .	..	..	16	0
Marton-Bunnythorpe (metallic circuit) .. .. .	..	..	44	40
Marton-Taihape (metallic circuit) .. .. .	..	..	100	0
New Plymouth - Mahoenui .. .. .	..	..	91	0
Palmerston North - Ashhurst (metallic circuit) .. .. .	..	..	18	0
Palmerston North - Bunnythorpe (metallic circuit) .. .. .	..	..	12	40
Palmerston North - Levin .. .. .	..	..	29	0
Shannon - Palmerston North (metallic circuit) .. .. .	..	..	38	0
Stratford-Douglas .. .. .	..	..	25	0
Wellington-Petone (metallic circuit) .. .. .	..	..	22	0
Total	108	23	694	54
Deduct Kimbolton Junction, line transferred to the Kimbolton exchange	3	60	3	60
Net increase for the year	104	43	690	74

No. 8 railway wire purchased from the Railway Department 106 0

The lengths of lines and wires now maintained in this district are 2,477 miles 39½ chains and 9,256 miles 22½ chains respectively; the increase for the year being 104 miles 43 chains of line and 690 miles 74 chains of wire.

Seventeen private wires, aggregating 3 miles 73 chains, were erected.

There are 23 authorised but uncompleted construction-works. Some of these are nearing completion, and others will be proceeded with as soon as practicable. They include extensions to new districts, and new wires on present lines to improve existing services.

The following are the works in course of construction :—

- Apiti - Table Flat, new line.
- Dannevirke-Weber (metallic circuit).
- Hawera-Waverley (metallic circuit).
- Hunterville - Sandon Block, new line.
- Mangahei, new line.
- Marima-Nikau, new line.
- Marton-Hunterville (metallic circuit).
- Napier-Hastings (metallic circuit).

Napier-Wairoa (metallic circuit).
 Palmerston North - Shannon (metallic circuit).
 Rangitukia, branch.
 Taupo-Tokaanu, new line.
 Waimiro-Maku, new line.
 Waterfalls-Waihoki, new line.
 Wellington-Pahautanui-Paekakariki (metallic circuit).
 Wharerata-Morere, new line.

The following works will be commenced as soon as practicable :—

Dannevirke-Napier (metallic circuit).
 Kaponga-Rowan, new line.
 Makirikiri-Kakatihu, new line.
 Mataroa-Turangarere, Public Works line.
 New Plymouth - Opunake, new wire.
 Port Awanui - Kahukura Junction, new line.
 Wellington-Pahiatua (metallic circuit).

Maintenance.

The lines throughout the district are in good order. The following sections have been overhauled and strengthened with larger poles where necessary :—

	Miles.
Dannevirke-Weber	25
Featherston-Greytown	9
Featherston-Martinborough	12
Fordell loop	3
Gisborne-Patutahi	16
Hauiti - Port Awanui	43
Hunterville-Taihape	32
Kai Iwi - Waitotara	14
Marton-Bunnythorpe (part of section)	22
Marton Junction - Hunterville	16
Matamau-Makotuku	4
Napier-Moeangi	25
Nuhaka-Mahia	3
Pahiatua - Palmerston North	27
Palmerston North - Levin	29
Tarawera-Taupo (part of section)	40
Waitara-Mahoenui	57
Wanganui-Castlecliff (reconstruction)	4
Total	381

A deviation of 1 mile of line has been made on Matamau-Makotuku section, owing to the widening of a railway-cutting at the Mangatewainui Viaduct.

From the Petone office to the railway-station the line has been reconstructed, 30 ft. poles being used to replace poles which were too light for the number of wires the line is now carrying.

The line from Marton to Mangaonoho Railway has been straightened, the Railway Department's lines being placed on the left and this Department's lines on the right side of the railway-line. The work was done in conjunction with the erection of the Marton-Taihape metallic circuit.

The line from Marton Post-office to the railway-crossing has been reconstructed, 30 ft. poles being used.

One mile of line immediately south of Taihape has been dismantled, and reconstructed along the railway line.

No. 8 railway wire (Woodville to Mangatainoka and Newman to Wellington, 106 miles) has been taken over by the Department.

Very stormy weather was experienced in October, 1907, with heavy gales and floods, which caused many interruptions to traffic. Heavy lightning occurred, especially in the Taranaki section of the district, damaging lines, splintering poles, stripping arms, and fusing coils in telegraph and telephone instruments. During January and February, 1908, bush and grass fires were very prevalent, and lines suffered in many cases by falling trees and the burning of poles and arms.

Owing to the increased number of circuits, larger testboards at Feilding, Hastings, Inglewood, Marton, Masterton, New Plymouth, and Taihape have been installed. New testboards have also been fitted at Johnsonville, Ohakune, Paekakariki, and Raetihi.

A new quadruplex set has been installed at Napier, and a quadruplex repeater set at Palmerston North, which enables the latter office to work with Napier and Wanganui, while Napier and Wanganui also work with each other on the same wire.

A forked quadruplex repeater has been installed at Taihape, enabling Taihape and Wanganui and Wanganui and Raetihi to work direct on one wire.

At New Plymouth and Masterton the operating staffs and telegraph apparatus have been transferred to new rooms providing more accommodation.

The instrument-rooms at Marton and Hastings have been refitted.

A Morse duplex is now superimposed on the Masterton-Wellington metallic circuit.

Sound-proof cabinets have been erected in Mangatainoka and Te Nui offices for bureau purposes.

Telephone Exchanges.

Three new exchanges were opened as follows: Ashhurst, with 14 subscribers; Levin, with 35 subscribers; and Taihape, with 42 subscribers.

The exchange at Otakeho was closed.

In connection with the Wellington exchange, the metallic-circuit cable erected during the year contains 513½ miles of double wire, making a total of 2,653 miles erected to date. Of this, 1,494 miles of wire are in use, and 1,159 miles are spare for future use.

The total length of poles in use in connection with the Wellington exchange is 54 miles 79 chains, and of wire 3,321 miles 11 chains.

The length of metallic circuit cable erected to date of all sizes totals 35½ miles.

Six miles of existing lines in the city and suburbs were reconstructed with larger poles.

The main line from Kaiwarawara to the Wellington Telegraph-office has been overhauled, and two 30-core gutta-percha cables erected between Kaiwarawara and the esplanade, a distance of one mile. The aerial wires released by these cables were dismantled.

In the city 75 miles of aerial wire displaced by the erection of metallic circuit cables was dismantled.

The old line across the Evans Bay-Lyell Bay isthmus has been dismantled, and the wires were made metallic circuit and run along the tram route.

Owing to the work of straightening the railway-line between Petone and Wellington, 3 miles of new poles have been constructed along the new road-line. The telegraph wires and metallic-circuit cables from Petone and the Hutt will be erected thereon shortly. This work will be continued southwards as the railway-work progresses.

The total number of subscribers to the Wellington exchange on the 31st March, 1908, was 2,972 (an increase of 266 during the year). Of these, 2,803 are paying, 73 are free, and 96 are bureau connections. There are also 814 extension telephones, making a total of 3,786 telephones in use on the exchange. The total increase of telephones for the year was 430.

2,095 subscribers are connected by metallic circuits (including 190 partly so), leaving 877 subscribers still on earth-working circuits.

The switchboard-accommodation is nearly full. Two new sections have arrived, and will be put in position as soon as possible; but before this can be done an addition to the existing building is necessary. The work will be undertaken shortly.

On the 20th January, 1908, the work of laying conduits to provide for placing telephone cables underground was commenced. On the 31st March, 1908, 27½ chains of duct track had been completed, containing 227 chains of ducts ready to receive the cable.

Thirty-nine telephones were destroyed by fire during the year, as follows: At Eltham, 1; Gisborne, 2; Hastings, 12; Marton, 2; Napier, 1; Waipukurau, 1; Wanganui, 1; Wellington, 18; and Woodville, 1.

New multiple switchboards have been installed at Gisborne, Napier, New Plymouth, Palmerston North, and Wanganui.

Owing to an increasing number of subscribers, new annunciators have been installed at Eltham, Featherston, Levin, Marton, Okaiawa, Pahiatua, and Waitara.

A new switchboard, fitted for 400 subscribers, and a metallic circuit and bureau board, have been fitted at the Masterton exchange in a new room on the first floor.

The exchange at Dannevirke has been transferred to the new exchange-room, and a new metallic-circuit bureau board installed.

As the electric tramways now being established in Wanganui would interfere with the telephone earth system there, the installing of metallic circuits to serve that exchange has been laid out, and will shortly be begun.

A new line has been constructed for 3 miles south of Wanganui, and the exchange wires separated from the telegraph wires.

The establishment of exchanges at Kiwitea, Mangaweka, Mohaka, Shannon, and Tokomaru has been authorised, and construction is in progress or will be commenced early.

There are 44 exchanges in the district, an increase of 2 for the year. All are working satisfactorily.

The subscribers connected therewith aggregate 8,592, an increase of 1,416 for the year, as compared with 993 for the previous year. Of these connections 7,653 are paid for, 154 are free, and 785 are bureau connections.

Extension telephones at the various exchanges number 1,304, an increase of 246, making a total of 9,896 telephones in use, as against 8,234 last year. The number of telephones has increased by 1,662.

There are 420 miles 10 chains of poles in the district, and 6,552 miles 7 chains of wire, exclusive of 59 miles 56 chains dead wire and 1,159 miles of metallic cable wires unallotted.

Offices.

New offices have been erected at Blackburn, Johnsonville, Taihape, and Waikanae.

Thirty-one new offices were opened during the year, and two offices, Awawaro and Mangaramarama, were closed.

The following offices have been converted from telephone to Morse: Ohakune, Port Awanui, Raetihi, Rongotea, Tuparoa, Utiku, and Waipiro Bay.

Fourteen offices were made telephone bureaux.

There are now 426 offices in the district, 74 being Morse and 352 telephone.

Metallic Circuits.

To provide metallic circuits, additional wires have been erected and looped with existing earth working lines between the following places:—

	M.	Ch.
Dannevirke—Ormondville	14	0
Feilding—Bull's—Marton	24	0
Feilding—Bunnythorpe	6	40
Gisborne—Patutahi	16	0
New Plymouth—Mahoenui	91	0
Palmerston North—Levin	29	0
Stratford—Douglas	25	0
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	205	40

While, to meet growing requirements, metallic circuits have been erected between:—

Featherston—Martinborough	24	0
Marton—Feilding	38	0
Marton—Taihape	100	0
Palmerston North—Ashhurst	18	0
Palmerston North—Bunnythorpe	12	40
Shannon—Palmerston North	38	0
Wellington—Petone	22	0

Total-mileage trunk wires and metallic circuits	458	0
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Morse circuits have been superimposed on metallic circuits—Rongotea—Palmerston North, Wellington—Masterton.

NELSON DISTRICT.

Construction.

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

	Poles.		Wire.	
	M.	Ch.	M.	Ch.
Anatimo, extension	0	28	0	28
Blenheim—Nelson, Morse wire			88	16
Blenheim—White's Bay, Morse wire			12	20
French Pass, line	34	8	52	8
Havelock—Okaramio	11	0	11	0
Hinehaka Fork	0	65	0	65
Hokitika—Ross, Morse wire			18	37
Ikamatua, extension			1	40
Kaiuma, cut in			0	3
Kanieri, cut in			0	1
Kanieri Lake	8	4	8	4
Karamea, extension	1	77	1	77
Kiwi, cut in			0	3
Mangarakau, extension	2	0	2	0
Molesworth, line	56	56	59	16
Nydia Bay, line	28	0	28	0
Okura, line	56	67	56	67
Onamalutu, line	5	40	5	40
Onapua, cut in			0	3
State Collieries, extension	0	15	1	45
Tatare, cut in			0	3
Te Taho Fork	0	48	0	48
Tory Channel, line	33	35	33	60
Waiuta, extension	4	40	4	40
Weld's Hill Fork	1	0	1	0
Whatamango Fork	0	13	0	13
<i>Telephone Trunk Wire:—</i>				
Greymouth—Westport			97	0
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Total	245	16	484	77

Net increase for the year, 245 miles 16 chains of line, and 484 miles 77 chains of wire.

There are 1,411 miles 69 chains of line and 3,643 miles 15 chains of wire maintained in the district.

There are seven 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.

The following are the works referred to :—

In course of erection—

Belgrove-Kohatu.
Rotokino Fork.
Stephen's Island.

To be erected—

North Bank.
Teremakau Settlement.
Waihopai.
Waitaha Settlement.

Submarine Cables.

This matter is dealt with under "New Zealand Cable Services."

Maintenance.

The main lines throughout the district are in good order.

The sections Ross to Okarito, Kumara to Otira, Kaikoura to Clarence River, and the Karamea line have been overhauled and strengthened. The overhaul of other sections is now in progress.

During September, 1907, a very heavy snowstorm was experienced on the Longford section, 51 poles and 350 arms being broken. Heavy bush-fires occurred in parts of the district during February, 1908, and the lines suffered considerably in consequence.

A telegraph duplex circuit has been superimposed on the Westport-Greymouth metallic circuit, thus doubling the Morse accommodation between those two places.

Telephone Exchanges.

There are nine telephone exchanges in this district, with a total of 1,334 connections, of which 1,091 are paying, 39 free, and 204 bureau connections.

The number of extension telephones in use is 82, making the total number of telephones connected with exchanges in the district 1,416, an increase of 216 during the year.

The Nelson exchange has 13 miles 53 chains of line and 198 miles 58 chains of wire. The number of connections is 350, of which 312 are paying, 14 free, and 24 bureau-connections. There are 32 extension telephones, making the total number of telephones in use 382.

The new branching multiple switchboard at the Nelson exchange has been completed, and is now working, giving every satisfaction.

The Greymouth exchange has 27 miles 3 chains of line and 181 miles 35 chains of wire. This exchange is now in the new building, and a new equipment of switchboards and a bureau-board were provided.

The Blenheim exchange has 27 miles 13 chains of line and 143 miles 78 chains of wire. The exchange has been rearranged to meet the growth of business.

The nine exchanges in the district are connected by 82 miles 77 chains of line and 652 miles 23 chains of wire.

The metallic circuits used for telephonic communications, and the Morse superimposed on the several telephonic circuits, are giving entire satisfaction, and are a great aid to public business.

Offices.

Forty-four new offices have been opened during the year, making a total of 230 offices in the district, of which 28 are Morse and 202 are telephone offices.

Nelson is now working direct to Wanganui, the cable which was formerly terminal at Wakapuaka being connected to a land line so as to make Nelson the terminus. Wakapuaka no longer transmits the work between the two islands that passes over the cable, this work being performed at Nelson.

Kohutu and Ross have been converted into Morse stations.

On the transfer of the post and telegraph office at Greymouth to the new building a new telegraph-equipment was provided.

The offices at Burnett's Face, Kaikoura Wharf, Karamea, Kenepuru Heads, Mangarakau, Ngakawau, Pakawau, Reefton Railway, Tadmor, Waiho Gorge, and Wakapuaka Suburban have been removed to other premises. Several offices have been refitted.

Additions and alterations are now being made to the lineman's residence at Reefton.

CHRISTCHURCH DISTRICT.

Construction.

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

	Poles.		Wire.	
	M.	Ch.	M.	Ch.
Balmoral extension	0	25	0	25
Cass, cut in .. .. .	..	..	0	5
Castlehill, cut-in office .. .. .	..	..	0	3
Christchurch - Christchurch North	0	40	2	0
Christchurch-Opawa	0	2	0	8
Christchurch-Spreydon (metallic circuit) .. .. .	..	..	5	20
Cust-Okuku	16	40	16	40
Doyleston-Brookside	2	60	4	40
Hilton-Wahipai	12	40	12	40
Islington-Templeton (metallic circuit) .. .. .	..	..	3	54
Kaiapoi-Swannanoa	13	0	16	0
Kaikoura-Pukekakariki	1	0	21	0
Lake Tekapo - Lake Pukaki	30	0	30	0
Medbury - The Peaks	11	40	11	40
Little River - Puaha]	1	40	3	40
New Brighton, made metallic circuit .. .. .	..	..	3	20
Studholme Junction - Willowbridge	1	0	3	0
Upper Riccarton, made metallic circuit .. .. .	..	..	3	0
Telephone trunk wires—				
Christchurch-Rangiora, second metallic circuit .. .. .	..	..	34	0
Doyleston-Southbridge, second trunk .. .. .	..	..	5	65
Rangiora-Balcairn, for Amberley Trunk .. .. .	..	..	9	40
Timaru-Waimate, second metallic circuit .. .. .	..	..	64	0
For Railway Department—				
Car-shed, Waiau Ferry, to Culverden .. .. .	..	..	16	60
Totals	90	47	266	20

Of the above, 9 miles 42 chains are on wooden poles, the remaining 81 miles 5 chains on iron.

The total length of poles and wire at the close of the year was 1,180 miles 57 chains and 4,155 miles 48 chains respectively.

The following are the authorised works either in hand or yet to be begun :—

Works in progress—

Christchurch-Rakaia-Methven trunk (metallic telephone circuit).

Christchurch-Timaru trunk (metallic telephone circuit).

Timaru-Albury new wire.

Works to be put in hand—

Conway-Waiau, new wire.

Fairlie-Pusey, new line.

Pukaki-Glentanner-Hermitage, new line.

Maintenance.

The main south line from Timaru to Glenavy has been thoroughly overhauled and strengthened, spans shortened, and a large number of double iron rails erected. The section is in first-class order. North of Timaru the main line has been removed from the road to the railway-line between Orari and Rangitata, thus slightly shortening the line. Double iron rails have been used and long arms substituted for two-holed arms. This work has been completed between Rangitata Island and Winchester, provision being made for a metallic-circuit trunk wire between Christchurch and Timaru.

From Hornby, the main line south is being reconstructed. Double iron rails are being used and provision is being made for additional wires. Two gangs of men are employed, and the work is being pushed along, so that no delay shall occur in providing a trunk wire for the Rakaia and Methven sub-exchanges, about to be installed.

About 7½ miles of line between Rangiora and Balcairn have been reconstructed to carry an additional wire for the Amberley subexchange.

The main line from Kaikoura to Greenhills (21 miles) has been strengthened and put in good order. The section between Conway and Wandle Downs has also been attended to. A number of additional poles have been put in to shorten spans where snowstorms have in previous winters given trouble. Other sections have required no special attention, and, beyond minor repairs effected by linemen, nothing further has been done.

Telephone Exchanges.

A new sub-exchange was opened at Kaiapoi with 20 subscribers, and another at New Brighton with 1 subscriber.

A sub-exchange was opened at Amberley on the 1st April, 1908, with 8 subscribers. All the connections have been run, and the trunk wire completed to Rangiora.

Two other sub-exchanges have been authorised—viz., Rakaia and Methven, and the work of construction is now in hand.

There are now 3 chief exchanges and 18 sub-exchanges open in the district.

The work of preparation for a central battery switchboard at Timaru is being pushed forward. Many poles have been replaced, messenger wires run, and a number of service wires erected to connect with pole-boxes, which will be placed in position when the cables are run. The gas-engine and drying-out apparatus are already in working-order, and everything will be in readiness for the switchboard when it comes to hand. The necessary alterations to the building are in the hands of the contractor.

Metallic-circuit work in Christchurch is progressing satisfactorily. Thirty-seven miles of cable of various sizes have been suspended since the commencement of conversion work. Of this, 1,399 miles 15 chains of wire are in use, and 901 miles are spare for converting existing earth-circuits and for future requirements, making a total of 2,300 miles 15 chains of metallic-circuit wires erected since the installation of the system was begun. Nearly 1,000 miles of open aerial earth-circuit wires displaced by metallic circuits have been dismantled.

The number of subscribers now on metallic circuit is 1,364, and the circuits are all working satisfactorily.

Two new sections are being added to the switchboard, increasing the capacity to 3,300.

There are 2,350 connections on the Christchurch exchange, of which 2,232 are paying, 44 free, and 74 bureau-connections. The increase for the year was 189. The total number of telephones in use on the exchange, including extensions, is 2,978, an increase of 290.

There are 723 extension telephones in use throughout the district, 628 of which are in Christchurch.

The total number of connections in the district is 3,391, as compared with 2,975 last year, which shows an increase of 416. With extension telephones the total number of telephones in use is 4,111, an increase of 526.

The total length of poles in use in the district is 204 miles 27 chains, and of wire 3,212 miles 7 chains. This is exclusive of 36 miles of dead wire.

Offices.

Twenty-seven new offices have been opened, and one office—Waihao Forks—closed during the year. There are 236 offices in the district, of which 63 are Morse and 173 are telephone stations.

The postal and telegraph business at Rakaia has been removed from the railway-station, and a temporary building is being used.

Alterations are being carried out at the Timaru office in view of the installation of a central battery switchboard in the exchange. Instrument-tables are being refitted and rearranged, and other improvements are in progress. The battery-room is to be downstairs.

The removal of the telephone-exchange at Ashburton to a room upstairs has effected a much-needed improvement in the telegraph arrangements.

A new office is in course of erection at Geraldine, business being carried on in the old building, which has been shifted to make room for the new one.

DUNEDIN DISTRICT.

Construction.

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

	Poles.		Wire.	
	M.	Ch.	M.	Ch.
Albert Town - Makarora	42	0	42	0
Balclutha-Owaka	6	0	21	0
Catlins River - Tautuku	22	0	22	0
Edendale-Brydone .. .. .	..	..	4	0
Gimmerburn Junction - Ranfurly .. .. .	..	..	1	0
Hillend-Pukepito	8	0	8	0
Invercargill-Makarewa	1	0	1	0
Kelso-Heriot .. .. .	..	..	5	0
Lime Hills - South Hillend	6	40	6	40
Mossburn-Matuku	6	60	6	60
Otago Heads - Harrington Point .. .. .	..	..	1	0
Otara - Slope Point	8	40	8	40
Owaka-Katea	3	20	4	40
Puketeraki-Karitane	1	0	1	0
Riversdale-Waikaia, Morse wire .. .. .	..	..	14	0
Riverton - Centre Island	2	0	9	40
Totaratahi-Reidston .. .. .	..	..	2	40
Wyndham-Mokoreta	14	0	14	0
Telephone trunk wires—				
Dunedin-Gore (Metallic circuit) .. .. .	..	..	200	0
Dunedin-Oamaru (metallic circuit) .. .. .	..	..	146	0
Total	121	0	518	20

The district contained 2,182 miles 60 chains of poles and 5,732 miles 60 chains of wire at the close of the financial year.

The following is a list of authorised lines either in hand or yet to be begun :—

Lines in course of erection—

- Clifden—Wairoto, new line.
- Dunedin — Waipori Falls, new wire.
- Invercargill—Otautau, second trunk wire.
- Riversdale—Kaweku, new line.
- Tuatapere—Puysegur Point, new line.

Lines authorised, but erection not yet begun—

- Drummond—Otautau, new wire.
- Dunrobin — Moa Flat, new line.
- Edendale — Seaward Downs, new line.
- Hakataramea — Rocky Point, new line.
- Outram—Clark's, new line.
- Patearoa—Paerau, new line.

Submarine Cables.

This matter is dealt with under “New Zealand Cable Services.”

Maintenance.

The condition of the lines throughout the district has continued satisfactory. No faults of any consequence occurred during the year. About 400 miles of line were overhauled.

Telephone Exchanges.

A new exchange was opened at Tapanui, with 7 subscribers, making the total number of exchanges in the district 26.

At Invercargill larger poles have been erected and lead cables run out, in preparation for the conversion of the exchange to metallic-circuit working, to be ready for the new central battery switch-board, expected shortly.

The annunciators in use at Gore will shortly be replaced by others more suitable, and a special bureau board now ready is to be installed.

The connections with the Dunedin exchange total 2,162, an increase of 167 for the year. Of these, 2,063 are paying, 26 free, and 73 bureau-connections. There are also 551 extension telephones, making a total of 2,713 telephones in use on the exchange, an increase for the year of 212.

Good progress has been made in substituting the metallic-circuit system for the earth circuits in Dunedin. 1,999 subscribers' connections have been made metallic circuit, leaving 163 yet to be converted. It is expected that the whole exchange will be changed over to metallic circuits at an early date.

The number of miles of poles in use in this exchange is 79 miles 40 chains, and of wire 2,482 miles 40 chains. Of the latter 1,981 miles 40 chains are in metallic cables, 371 miles are metallic open aerial, and 130 miles earth circuit aerial, and there are 692 miles of metallic circuit wires in cables for future use. 200 miles of dead wire displaced by metallic circuits are to be dismantled.

The total number of connections in the district increased from 3,227 to 3,663, an increase of 436 for the year. 3,130 are paying, 46 free, and 487 bureau-connections. The extension telephones numbered 718, an increase of 71, making the total number of telephones connected to the exchanges in the district 4,381.

The total length of lines in the district is 164 miles 50 chains, and of wire in use 3,146 miles, exclusive of 902 miles 38 chains of dead and unallotted metallic circuit wires.

Offices.

Twenty-eight new offices were opened during the year, bringing the total in the district up to 340, of which 72 are Morse and 268 telephone offices.

The offices at Owaka and Ranfurly were converted from telephone to Morse.

Table No. 1.

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
1907	18,846	12 6	305,424	1,389,800	4 4	58,565	193,356	5 3	77,498	190,434	7 6	441,487	1,773,590	17 1

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.			
	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
1907	305,424	1,389,800	4 4	10,315	55,032	3 3	21,697	77,118	8 9	337,436	1,521,950	16 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 1906 and 1907.

ISSUED IN NEW ZEALAND.

Where payable.	1906.		1907.	
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
United Kingdom and Foreign Offices through United Kingdom	48,168	£ 163,390 s. 11 d. 4	45,712	£ 144,011 s. 2 d. 7
United States of America	10,933	20,875 12 6	9,397	16,581 12 7
Austria* .. .. .	..	..	2,573	30,365 7 4
Canada	597	2,344 5 5	574	2,021 6 0
Cape Colony	229	793 10 3	256	869 1 3
Ceylon	147	474 14 5	154	559 8 1
Fiji	149	556 8 3	152	766 8 0
Germany	1,000	2,595 15 4	869	2,383 14 4
Hong Kong	333	1,077 9 11	307	1,170 1 11
India	743	2,436 10 1	721	2,475 5 6
Natal	77	373 4 5	123	528 1 8
New South Wales	37,737	85,365 12 5	38,015	87,476 6 3
Orange River Colony	8	15 2 0	11	76 19 0
Queensland	3,073	9,098 9 10	2,935	8,904 7 3
Samoa	19	55 11 4	14	14 8 5
South Australia	1,772	5,225 18 10	1,914	5,774 13 0
Straits Settlements	36	183 13 1	36	119 0 5
Tasmania	4,982	12,496 3 4	4,445	11,466 0 4
Tonga	9	17 1 3	27	83 7 5
Transvaal	162	659 9 8	176	768 9 6
Victoria	25,756	61,583 2 11	25,929	62,732 5 4
Western Australia	1,440	4,342 2 0	1,723	4,643 6 7
Totals	137,370	373,960 8 7	136,063	383,790 12 9

* Direct money-order exchange from 1st January, 1907.

DRAWN ON NEW ZEALAND.

Where issued.	1906.		1907.	
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
United Kingdom and Foreign Offices through United Kingdom	7,724	£ 36,811 s. 8 d. 0	7,687	£ 38,289 s. 4 d. 9
United States of America	1,964	8,608 16 0	2,044	10,685 4 2
Austria* .. .. .	..	..	18	93 18 11
Canada	449	2,661 11 4	365	1,625 0 8
Cape Colony	372	1,866 11 8	265	1,410 11 8
Ceylon	28	57 19 0	25	76 7 4
Fiji	723	2,130 0 2	820	2,814 12 3
Germany	134	733 14 2	118	720 15 3
Hong Kong	70	320 4 8	81	376 9 11
India	267	1,272 1 3	292	1,267 12 2
Natal	171	675 4 2	170	768 18 9
New South Wales	7,311	23,458 6 8	7,923	25,134 9 7
Orange River Colony	41	243 19 6	36	231 3 0
Queensland	1,344	4,654 9 5	1,352	4,784 18 5
Samoa	492	4,406 0 8	448	5,243 0 2
South Australia	780	2,697 11 11	866	2,837 6 1
Straits Settlements	32	83 15 9	46	205 11 5
Tasmania	1,760	7,475 7 5	1,928	7,761 19 7
Tonga	150	867 13 9	225	1,615 15 1
Transvaal	566	3,330 6 2	500	3,102 3 9
Victoria	5,068	16,237 12 5	5,602	18,004 12 1
Western Australia	1,330	7,058 18 11	1,201	5,100 17 0
Totals	30,776	125,651 13 0	32,012	132,150 12 0

* Direct money-order exchange from 1st January, 1907

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, 1908.

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.	£	s.	d.
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	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	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	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	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	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	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	6
1892-93 ..	48,612	38,849	..	22,088	..	33,012	16,072	32,747	9,904	12,330	5,369	28,969	..	247,902	87,856	18	0	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	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	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	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	0
1897-98 ..	81,958	69,981	..	38,617	..	60,843	26,968	55,748	15,463	19,477	7,904	32,179	798	409,866	134,378	9	6	6
1898-99 ..	86,529	72,710	..	41,991	..	64,386	28,448	59,631	16,202	19,990	8,193	32,696	673	431,449	139,957	4	0	0
1899-1900	93,762	77,431	..	44,384	..	70,416	30,680	63,787	16,957	21,393	8,539	33,491	607	461,447	147,686	8	6	6
1900-1901	85,478	68,068	13,834	52,691	14,702	80,630	24,497	71,001	13,304	23,875	6,799	35,067	560	490,506	154,485	16	6	6
1901-1902	49,529	30,255	62,285	70,683	65,467	109,663	..	92,708	..	32,128	..	43,042	556	556,316	173,317	5	0	0
1902-1903	54,268	33,409	70,122	76,613	75,700	119,593	..	102,641	..	34,508	..	48,852	558	616,264	191,904	13	0	0
1903-1904	61,379	37,514	85,909	86,626	89,276	134,270	..	114,755	..	38,030	..	58,629	656	707,044	220,069	11	0	0
1904-1905	65,484	40,263	86,711	96,228	99,739	154,281	..	130,480	..	42,317	..	69,206	633	785,347	250,123	7	6	6
1905-1906	74,389	45,358	98,503	108,493	114,411	167,430	..	143,216	..	46,228	..	76,508	788	875,324	276,279	7	6	6
1906-1907	82,417	54,375	106,311	120,321	128,384	187,083	..	159,045	..	51,559	..	91,193	954	981,642	314,053	6	0	0
1907-1908	89,906	58,202	124,052	136,392	143,854	205,500	..	171,951	..	57,637	..	104,714	423	1,092,631	347,300	0	0	0

* First issued on 17th June, 1886.

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 1907.

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.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
AUCKLAND ..	24,723	1,381 17 0	14,436 17 9	54,137	228,795 15 8	5,659	43,778	948,693 19 0	5,720	49,938	976,346 0 4	8 61 0 0
Ahuroa ..	72	1 19 6	268 10 0	12	47 12 6	3	17	192 10 0	..	..	..	..
Aitutaki ..	51	4 10 6	816 19 9	103	611 14 11	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Aoroa ..	227	7 10 0	746 13 5	45	248 9 5	15	167	661 18 0	3	53	750 9 6	..
Aratapu ..	674	36 11 6	2,722 10 7	214	1,131 5 7	38	504	5,945 8 0	21	179	3,231 17 10	..
Avondale ..	287	9 0 0	603 3 7	344	1,154 12 5	41	323	1,761 17 10	9	76	900 13 4	..
Awhitu ..	96	2 17 6	264 2 0	48	205 6 5	2	25	326 0 0	..	12	77 15 9	..
Bombay ..	213	6 13 0	702 7 11	42	175 19 3	16	184	1,859 18 7	4	71	872 6 4	..
Cabbage Bay ..	199	5 9 6	606 3 4	60	388 7 11	6	66	750 16 0	1	29	408 13 1	..
Cambridge ..	1,767	66 2 6	7,666 1 4	1,107	5,144 6 10	199	1,622	29,413 16 7	70	613	24,438 7 4	..
Clevedon ..	313	11 10 0	1,051 7 11	77	400 9 1	25	211	1,178 4 4	11	49	1,114 9 4	..
Coromandel ..	962	30 9 0	3,048 6 10	815	2,971 12 7	73	407	5,109 11 2	21	269	2,479 4 4	..
Dargaville ..	2,163	303 10 6	15,412 0 11	547	2,500 19 3	245	1,828	31,604 10 1	117	633	18,348 2 8	..
Devonport ..	607	26 7 0	1,830 2 11	1,071	4,391 7 5	65	795	5,497 12 7	21	217	1,839 18 1	..
Drury ..	283	9 1 0	799 10 9	124	488 13 9	18	181	1,494 9 0	4	62	905 6 0	..
Ellerslie ..	146	4 19 6	389 17 3	225	956 1 4	22	205	1,268 18 10	8	54	420 12 0	..
Fanning Island ..	31	4 15 0	410 11 6	1	0 3 6	12	37	959 0 7	..	1	49 19 0	..
Grey Lynn-Arch Hill ..	238	8 11 0	635 0 11	369	1,559 14 1	31	317	1,803 16 10	11	55	401 0 8	..
Gumtown ..	201	13 16 6	975 2 11	86	2,190 2 6	20	128	1,998 8 0	4	43	414 13 4	..
Hamilton ..	2,936	104 11 0	10,254 1 8	1,992	9,193 9 7	463	3,078	47,777 1 10	158	1,500	35,276 15 2	..
Helensville ..	715	29 5 6	2,362 12 11	288	1,165 2 7	87	580	5,729 18 7	37	274	3,178 12 11	..
Henderson ..	79	2 16 6	205 19 5	77	345 18 11	18	71	523 17 0	4	21	399 1 5	..
Hikurangi ..	627	20 3 6	1,951 7 6	82	370 4 3	42	408	3,778 10 4	17	198	3,389 11 11	..
Hinuera ..	11	0 6 6	33 16 3	..	..	6	10	23 17 0	2	7	26 18 10	..
Hoanga ..	161	5 0 0	396 10 8	14	96 10 0	5	108	651 4 0	4	19	209 8 0	..
Howick ..	109	3 10 6	251 12 0	123	611 4 5	17	159	713 12 0	6	76	444 7 4	..
Hukerenui ..	319	8 18 0	1,046 16 1	44	186 9 4	18	116	961 1 0	5	28	421 3 2	..
Huntly ..	1,507	52 15 0	5,134 6 0	350	1,619 12 7	131	1,126	11,649 14 9	49	420	7,400 1 7	..
Kaero ..	227	8 2 6	698 6 4	87	1,067 10 7	27	140	1,731 9 10	6	53	662 8 4	..
Kaihu ..	552	21 1 0	2,364 13 1	89	795 18 4	25	193	2,534 19 2	12	89	926 0 7	..
Kaikohe ..	385	59 1 0	3,000 13 1	41	264 11 11	45	360	4,893 15 5	18	111	3,301 12 6	..
Kaipara Flats ..	381	17 15 0	1,388 8 7	20	182 3 6	20	197	2,627 4 0	5	42	711 3 7	..
Kaitiaki ..	635	48 3 6	3,340 16 11	104	1,296 0 6	60	381	6,553 14 10	12	132	3,192 19 2	..
Kaiwaka ..	80	4 6 0	283 12 0	14	57 16 7	10	88	1,234 8 0	..	5	50 0 0	..
Kakahi ..	60	1 17 6	219 9 7	6	19 16 2	9	47	325 12 0	..	5	40 9 0	..
Kamo ..	255	8 0 0	803 0 9	125	594 19 0	22	223	3,348 15 10	13	150	2,752 1 7	..
Kaukapakapa ..	178	5 2 0	479 6 4	47	241 5 6	10	165	1,863 12 0	3	51	514 2 1	..
Kawakawa ..	532	18 15 0	2,054 18 8	199	812 18 6	41	365	3,133 7 11	12	163	3,248 2 9	..
Kawhia ..	409	12 12 0	1,265 19 2	155	844 19 1	40	188	2,177 14 8	5	91	771 4 7	..
Kihikihi ..	227	7 12 6	857 13 6	65	327 2 1	57	301	3,070 7 2	18	139	1,814 4 8	..
Kinohaku ..	126	3 2 0	421 16 3	17	209 8 8	5	13	128 15 0	1	8	71 0 6	..
Kiripaka ..	170	6 4 6	569 8 1	23	122 0 9	6	105	588 2 0	3	39	648 15 2	..
Kohukohu ..	480	14 12 6	1,621 9 11	73	697 17 3	25	301	2,395 7 0	11	113	1,387 10 1	..
Kuautunu ..	290	9 14 6	1,283 7 5	69	383 4 8	8	68	828 1 0	1	32	347 19 10	..
Leigh ..	53	1 14 6	203 14 11	9	33 5 6	15	51	760 11 0	1	8	365 18 5	..
Makatote ..	337	15 7 6	1,325 12 5	47	320 16 6	79	373	4,388 7 3	12	101	934 13 11	..
Mamaku ..	1,015	28 5 6	2,878 6 5	73	462 12 6	40	305	2,124 2 6	4	76	935 11 4	..
Mangaia ..	31	1 12 0	170 15 1	68	152 16 9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mangapai ..	172	4 19 0	538 5 9	31	136 5 11	10	50	964 13 0	1	37	1,334 14 2	..
Mangawai ..	331	30 8 0	1,777 8 11	44	398 15 1	30	235	4,045 18 0	3	34	1,050 2 2	..
Mangawhare ..	134	5 18 0	476 10 7	51	152 3 11	13	118	1,237 15 0	1	36	607 2 0	..
Mangonui ..	728	42 6 0	2,878 3 4	176	784 14 2	36	269	3,850 10 6	7	118	3,061 13 0	..
Matakana ..	436	33 3 0	1,981 2 6	68	542 5 11	32	154	3,047 5 0	3	52	979 15 1	..
Matakohe ..	212	5 11 6	611 5 7	33	167 19 3	21	155	2,076 1 0	6	52	622 13 7	..
Matamata ..	442	14 6 0	2,896 18 10	85	690 7 8	42	168	3,223 10 4	19	89	2,083 15 11	..
Maungaturoto ..	255	8 18 0	948 17 6	91	295 9 9	23	190	1,404 10 8	1	58	1,602 5 1	..
Mercer ..	347	11 14 6	1,057 7 2	86	434 19 8	23	157	1,222 7 3	2	72	542 11 9	..
Mititai ..	168	5 6 6	565 17 3	23	68 12 11	7	25	265 1 0	..	15	498 4 0	..
Mokai ..	234	9 10 6	1,016 2 2	18	125 6 8	81	319	3,123 15 2	9	45	415 12 1	..
Morrinsville ..	496	15 16 0	1,524 15 1	204	839 7 7	48	259	3,555 8 8	13	110	2,485 14 2	..
Mount Eden ..	212	6 13 6	398 5 4	243	882 15 8	12	88	443 15 0	6	16	85 8 3	..
Mount Roskill ..	114	3 11 6	186 6 5	145	499 15 0	9	100	387 10 0	2	7	32 3 0	..
Newmarket ..	981	38 6 0	2,682 19 1	726	2,810 0 3	110	1,133	6,846 7 7	19	165	1,966 15 8	..
Newton ..	2,174	83 2 0	5,501 0 2	1,925	6,347 17 2	298	3,458	27,093 13 11	70	428	3,938 13 2	..
Ngaruawahia ..	807	27 6 6	2,273 9 3	499	2,214 16 10	74	544	6,090 11 11	22	252	3,095 17 5	..
Niue ..	37	2 7 6	357 4 9	2	20 4 6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Northcote ..	202	9 4 0	671 15 10	141	571 1 5	25	348	715 4 0	9	43	219 11 7	..
Ohaeawai ..	308	20 16 0	1,521 11 4	59	401 18 2	20	148	3,141 4 0	10	63	2,544 11 4	..
Ohaupo ..	284	9 12 6	994 5 4	86	335 1 1	36	238	1,997 11 1	14	83	1,129 12 7	..
Ohura ..	269	8 14 0	1,676 17 3	51	410 4 7	22	61	2,657 16 11	6	46	1,393 10 9	..
Okaihau ..	126	4 15 0	448 4 3	29	166 8 5	12	90	1,857 0 0	3	36	1,230 16 5	..
Okoroire ..	81	2 11 0	246 10 2	23	131 7 9	14	36	697 1 6	3	16	154 15 6	..
Onehunga ..	935	38 16 0	2,734 2 7	1,360	5,232 9 0	104	716	9,994 9 11	39	289	4,481 11 3	..
Onewhero ..	248	8 15 0	882 4 5	23	139 1 9	20	76	1,197 5 0	3	35	504 0 1	..
Opononi ..	144	5 19 0	571 10 1	67	264 17 10	10	69	777 10 9	5	44	864 6 0	..
Opua ..	42	1 2 6	116 10 11	11	34 8 0	13	69	592 16 7	1	9	152 7 1	..

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 1907—continued.

Office.	Money-orders.					New Accounts opened.	Savings-banks.				
	Issued.		Paid.				Deposits.		Accounts closed.	Withdrawals.	
	No.	Commission.	Amount.	No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.
AUCKLAND—contd.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.			£ s. d.	
Otahuhu ..	380	13 14 0	1,198 7 11	414	1,540 15 11	76	916	5,644 19 1	19	182	3,173 9 11
Otorohanga ..	540	17 3 0	2,249 11 0	138	736 8 7	65	229	5,908 5 8	17	171	3,957 9 5
Pahi ..	118	3 14 0	354 17 10	81	281 15 2	5	77	712 7 0	2	37	287 1 1
Papakura ..	380	17 13 0	1,270 12 2	170	724 4 4	30	182	2,756 3 10	8	91	1,256 10 2
Paparoa ..	176	6 1 0	485 18 4	72	297 2 4	16	174	4,154 7 0	5	65	1,171 5 6
Papatotoe ..	66	2 9 6	158 8 6	28	175 19 9	16	136	1,199 6 0	1	28	407 1 3
Parnell ..	525	21 19 0	1,578 6 0	926	3,159 16 4	120	1,436	5,889 4 1	28	165	1,204 6 1
Parua Bay ..	280	12 4 6	1,029 18 5	45	230 18 11	14	133	2,186 3 0	4	34	607 12 6
Penrhyn Island	3	0 8 6	19 2 8	1	0 12 7	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pirongia ..	247	6 14 0	771 3 10	89	586 0 3	29	204	1,916 3 6	6	77	758 7 1
Pokeno ..	108	3 7 0	326 2 4	30	108 11 4	11	67	992 5 0	..	32	495 18 0
Ponsonby ..	851	34 12 6	2,169 14 6	1,672	6,138 18 1	159	1,574	7,164 3 8	23	174	1,027 6 0
Poroti ..	180	16 15 6	895 4 11	31	165 6 3	16	138	1,974 3 0	9	42	365 3 7
Port Albert ..	341	25 8 6	1,528 3 1	95	438 13 4	34	289	3,943 8 10	5	60	779 15 3
Port Fitzroy ..	27	0 14 6	72 9 0	6	14 9 10	1	7	207 2 0	1	5	7 9 4
Puhoi ..	54	1 7 6	124 3 9	8	23 5 7	19	99	2,913 17 4	1	14	446 14 10
Pukekohe ..	748	28 12 0	2,517 1 4	268	1,159 4 2	69	696	9,424 16 3	24	267	5,135 4 11
Putaruru ..	298	11 5 0	1,472 1 4	105	378 7 6	32	238	1,700 0 9	5	51	973 19 6
Raglan ..	381	11 19 6	1,316 12 8	153	628 1 10	25	208	1,620 7 0	7	94	987 19 10
Rangiriri ..	104	3 9 0	420 12 4	46	282 13 0	11	73	731 17 0	1	11	203 9 8
Rarotonga ..	473	29 3 6	3,614 12 3	554	3,842 17 9	..	..	..	..	..	..
Raupo ..	264	7 18 0	1,012 15 5	29	107 8 10	12	65	481 11 0	2	24	326 1 7
Raurimu ..	2,692	111 7 0	12,045 2 10	186	1,040 4 5	206	1,827	18,310 19 3	49	351	3,992 12 8
Rawene ..	339	10 7 0	1,122 8 3	147	678 14 1	20	164	1,197 0 2	7	82	1,056 19 5
Rehia ..	122	3 8 0	376 17 8	8	40 16 7	7	51	306 16 0	1	13	91 15 0
Rotorua ..	3,153	101 5 0	11,171 17 4	1,706	8,462 17 1	313	2,246	25,186 5 9	120	1,049	17,989 4 10
Russell ..	344	15 17 6	1,296 13 11	278	1,071 7 7	18	151	3,039 17 0	19	115	2,806 1 8
Saies ..	51	3 2 6	162 8 8	38	167 19 6	15	89	1,123 19 0	2	30	387 12 9
Strand Arcade	2,217	93 17 0	7,754 3 6	45	159 0 2	92	914	7,339 6 1	..	1	0 19 0
Taheke ..	95	2 11 6	210 7 2	25	67 18 8	15	51	401 13 0	3	12	161 7 5
Tairua ..	584	26 11 6	2,354 1 4	109	518 17 6	35	252	3,259 16 9	10	47	484 2 9
Takapuna ..	61	1 19 0	150 11 8	80	288 4 2	14	85	187 9 0	9	29	160 17 10
Tangiteroria ..	56	1 12 0	173 10 7	6	14 0 10	11	38	456 6 0	..	4	3 5 0
Tangowahine ..	239	6 12 0	771 13 4	28	297 5 11	16	226	760 6 0	6	46	302 9 0
Taumarunui ..	1,479	59 9 0	7,780 8 2	285	1,480 18 11	148	892	16,382 14 10	35	394	5,822 13 2
Taupiri ..	176	6 16 6	665 4 8	92	336 17 10	19	107	1,156 15 10	9	49	642 13 4
Taupo ..	337	10 19 6	1,299 11 5	108	987 18 6	35	190	3,001 18 7	7	75	1,505 3 11
Te Awamutu ..	549	20 11 6	2,103 7 3	324	1,516 8 7	80	577	9,454 10 0	33	211	5,330 2 9
Te Kopuru ..	960	51 12 6	3,561 5 5	162	1,147 7 7	77	730	7,305 19 10	22	177	4,785 13 4
Te Kuiti ..	1,031	32 9 0	4,149 0 3	337	3,723 19 0	110	466	8,985 18 0	23	215	5,814 17 6
Te Mata ..	123	3 12 0	330 15 9	27	177 5 10	6	35	340 4 0	1	13	98 1 0
Te Rauamoia ..	86	2 9 0	295 7 4	13	58 14 3	5	17	434 5 6	3	15	177 15 8
Te Uku ..	8	0 4 0	26 8 7	20	117 18 0	10	64	392 12 10	4	28	279 12 8
Tirau ..	147	4 18 6	432 17 7	57	498 18 9	15	99	2,759 11 11	6	51	1,748 7 9
Tokatoka ..	235	10 9 6	1,075 2 10	29	125 19 1	16	137	1,405 10 0	4	35	532 3 10
Towai ..	250	7 19 0	764 3 8	29	176 15 5	9	45	273 5 0	1	16	148 1 1
Tuakau ..	355	12 4 0	1,290 15 2	119	517 17 4	21	136	2,315 19 2	5	86	1,229 0 2
Upper Symonds Street	881	33 6 6	1,914 19 8	336	1,424 16 7	87	1,057	4,978 13 0	6	29	220 3 3
Wade ..	222	13 18 6	781 6 7	84	346 16 2	21	176	2,225 2 0	3	31	331 1 10
Waereanga ..	109	4 15 6	435 10 2	18	80 8 5	8	47	418 0 0	1	15	384 5 4
Waharoa ..	108	3 5 0	360 7 1	15	50 2 9	7	35	154 16 0	3	8	36 8 10
Waiharara ..	36	1 17 0	92 8 6	5	57 16 0	8	18	250 15 0	1	4	19 0 0
Waihopo ..	907	73 13 6	4,880 6 9	198	5,607 3 9	40	236	4,373 0 0	13	79	1,317 6 3
Waihou ..	232	6 14 6	1,077 14 3	38	265 9 1	13	88	2,090 7 6	5	54	2,234 17 8
Waikumete ..	20	0 11 6	30 13 2	48	130 2 5	4	17	46 10 0	..	3	10 14 0
Waimamaku ..	206	5 3 6	521 9 11	18	92 17 8	8	145	1,108 5 0	1	26	314 19 1
Waipu ..	1,951	61 8 0	4,368 8 6	150	869 15 7	40	449	9,330 12 1	13	146	3,932 9 2
Waiuku ..	647	24 6 0	2,241 13 4	218	1,071 9 0	69	665	10,736 17 2	22	181	3,534 5 6
Waiwera ..	86	2 13 0	236 3 1	34	160 3 2	14	58	446 0 6	2	17	155 9 5
Waotu ..	54	1 12 0	180 5 10	21	84 10 2	2	9	109 0 0	3	11	63 15 10
Warkworth ..	705	29 3 6	2,349 17 2	279	1,412 19 7	119	768	7,019 3 10	13	133	2,916 6 8
Wellsford ..	129	3 18 6	329 8 5	27	135 1 5	10	121	1,402 15 0	5	20	307 10 0
West Lynn ..	1	0 0 6	0 6 6	..	..	7	15	24 10 0	..	..	..
Whakapara ..	301	8 19 0	1,126 3 4	61	304 16 7	16	104	1,127 17 3	5	42	510 2 10
Whakapirau ..	152	6 9 0	618 14 1	26	85 15 9	11	137	587 2 0	4	27	457 9 3
Whangarei ..	2,788	104 13 6	10,752 15 0	1,345	5,892 11 2	340	3,215	46,973 0 11	134	1,296	30,670 7 8
Whangaroa ..	133	4 8 6	415 7 8	64	342 12 8	9	102	1,202 4 0	5	30	608 19 9
Wharekawa ..	119	15 16 6	753 12 3	8	103 18 1	10	92	1,531 19 0	..	2	100 0 0
Whatawhata ..	15	0 8 0	37 16 3	5	9 0 0	8	22	77 2 0	3	6	45 5 0
Whitford ..	43	1 5 0	106 8 2	30	157 2 5	3	21	131 19 7	1	5	31 5 4
Whitianga ..	1,039	31 13 6	3,350 10 4	173	893 0 6	34	296	3,635 18 3	26	149	1,941 18 6
BLenheim	3,723	152 9 6	14,938 7 8	2,006	11,396 10 8	723	5,479	111,800 7 2	612	4,921	108,368 4 3
Havelock ..	747	26 0 6	2,783 1 5	207	1,219 7 0	80	553	7,476 1 5	28	222	3,091 2 2
Kekerangu ..	52	2 11 6	179 5 11	4	9 19 6	2	19	474 5 0	..	3	6 12 0
Mahakipawa ..	85	2 19 0	321 8 1	8	36 15 0	6	34	251 2 0	4	26	280 18 9
Pictou ..	1,269	39 2 6	4,168 7 5	582	2,510 16 2	138	1,097	12,937 17 5	52	419	8,019 13 3

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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 1907—continued.

Office.	Money-orders.					Savings-banks.					
	Issued.			Paid.		New Accounts opened.	Deposits.		Accounts Closed.	Withdrawals.	
	No.	Commission.	Amount.	No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.
BLLENHEIM— <i>old</i> .		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
Renwicktown ..	124	5 9 0	394 18 6	36	222 9 11	22	227 1,668 1 6	2	26	240 1 0	
Seddon ..	385	13 12 0	1,167 4 6	78	316 18 2	64	419 4,980 18 5	10	83	932 3 0	
Spring Creek ..	240	10 10 0	741 6 8	78	437 10 3	26	200 1,655 16 10	2	30	494 10 10	
CHRISTCHURCH ..	19,737	1,003 3 6	82,687 15 7	32,032	166,163 19 3	7,642	81,751 131,703 17 8	7,871	71,561	135,008 17 4	
Addington ..	306	9 14 6	737 13 10	308	1,204 4 7	56	503 2,364 2 2	8	106	608 1 7	
Akaroa ..	520	22 13 0	2,122 8 6	209	884 14 2	68	769 16,426 0 3	31	272	7,744 6 9	
Amberley ..	260	10 0 0	964 17 5	153	506 9 5	53	407 5,654 10 4	14	142	2,565 9 6	
Ashburton ..	3,430	130 2 0	11,905 6 3	1,476	5,997 9 1	515	4,214 56,426 19 0	250	1,994	39,062 15 7	
Bealey ..	68	2 18 6	328 18 7	10	24 7 3	11	59 1,086 2 1	2	7	42 18 7	
Belfast ..	177	7 5 6	593 13 9	69	291 10 8	47	240 1,780 13 2	5	48	279 17 9	
Broken River ..	751	26 6 6	3,331 9 9	27	156 14 4	37	176 2,056 11 8	7	34	468 2 10	
Chertsey ..	124	3 6 0	304 10 6	41	98 19 5	11	99 2,010 2 4	2	46	713 8 5	
Cheviot ..	754	27 10 6	4,003 19 9	151	1,074 15 0	57	495 8,766 9 8	24	202	5,953 17 5	
Coalgate ..	118	4 11 0	597 10 9	14	37 8 2	13	69 914 5 0	2	21	805 15 6	
Culverden ..	204	8 11 0	871 3 7	108	459 9 6	24	173 1,727 12 5	6	61	1,889 10 11	
Cust ..	78	2 10 0	372 15 2	35	454 6 10	26	110 1,415 8 4	2	41	745 12 4	
Darfield ..	141	4 7 6	361 10 8	91	502 13 2	22	119 1,864 19 3	2	23	651 2 6	
Dunsandel ..	100	3 3 6	270 16 6	30	192 17 5	18	170 2,700 6 0	6	58	1,048 2 4	
Duvauchelle ..	157	5 18 6	495 6 8	59	208 12 6	19	156 1,856 15 4	7	44	645 11 10	
East Oxford ..	183	5 10 0	604 18 7	85	339 3 5	22	198 2,729 10 0	9	64	1,200 18 1	
Ellesmere ..	16	1 3 0	70 11 9	13	102 9 0	4	38 678 10 10	..	11	214 0 0	
Exhibition ..	369	18 3 6	1,369 14 2	70	397 6 6	10	510 4,764 4 0	2	11	49 10 4	
Glentunnel ..	144	5 11 0	631 6 2	24	53 8 4	11	95 1,200 11 3	3	35	690 3 0	
Greendale ..	67	2 3 0	228 10 7	6	35 3 6	4	27 276 19 6	3	10	59 2 0	
Halswell ..	23	0 18 0	63 19 11	8	32 3 2	9	105 428 9 7	..	26	114 0 3	
Hanmer Springs ..	643	23 0 6	2,525 0 6	149	917 6 10	47	380 3,337 0 11	8	89	1,164 18 7	
Hinds ..	84	3 6 6	245 19 11	16	64 10 8	6	53 453 10 0	3	14	101 6 10	
Hornby ..	115	3 10 0	377 4 7	33	203 10 10	9	183 963 16 11	6	31	215 12 9	
Hororata ..	71	2 12 0	298 15 5	32	127 11 5	14	74 752 7 8	1	37	468 1 8	
Islington ..	251	10 12 0	740 12 0	20	64 1 1	28	164 633 17 3	1	47	152 13 2	
Kaiapoi ..	684	25 7 6	2,670 10 11	387	1,616 11 9	139	1,483 20,806 18 7	71	627	15,679 0 8	
Kaikoura ..	1,212	38 12 0	6,425 3 3	245	1,206 13 6	107	631 9,716 12 9	29	251	5,629 3 3	
Kirwee ..	159	5 19 6	454 2 5	37	135 2 1	24	126 2,841 10 0	7	60	2,142 3 5	
Leeston ..	402	14 8 6	1,407 19 3	132	517 6 9	55	572 9,042 3 6	20	184	4,269 10 1	
Lichfield Street ..	2,783	113 16 0	9,051 12 2	89	268 7 3	161	3,149 19,421 14 8	2	32	368 9 7	
Lincoln ..	121	4 6 0	306 4 9	139	624 3 3	9	161 939 4 7	3	35	460 14 7	
Linwood ..	443	16 7 6	873 9 5	512	1,544 0 5	97	1,157 4,827 15 6	16	173	1,027 2 10	
Little Akaloa ..	37	1 11 0	135 5 11	10	46 7 6	6	48 579 15 10	1	13	272 13 5	
Little River ..	392	14 10 0	1,767 13 8	77	398 5 9	36	282 4,783 9 1	9	130	2,358 7 11	
Lytelton ..	2,066	98 16 0	7,424 13 11	1,286	5,819 9 5	316	3,286 30,934 13 4	123	1,079	16,848 14 7	
Mayfield ..	58	1 19 0	236 1 11	20	83 9 2	10	95 769 18 3	1	19	388 8 7	
Methven ..	499	20 14 6	2,206 9 7	91	365 7 1	51	328 4,180 12 11	12	74	3,034 9 9	
Mount Somers ..	124	5 0 0	369 5 5	59	302 14 4	7	83 855 13 0	..	26	628 6 11	
New Brighton ..	133	4 18 6	331 11 5	130	510 9 10	31	587 2,238 10 6	11	127	1,044 18 1	
Ohoka ..	48	1 12 0	128 0 6	33	105 2 9	10	48 179 9 6	1	19	103 12 1	
Oxford ..	319	8 10 6	932 11 6	127	924 10 6	32	233 2,916 10 5	24	96	2,309 2 2	
Papanui ..	300	10 9 0	773 1 4	245	833 3 0	58	530 5,476 18 3	6	117	1,310 14 0	
Pigeon Bay ..	96	3 13 0	375 19 11	14	82 1 10	7	74 1,061 8 0	1	11	168 6 10	
Prebbleton ..	54	2 2 6	142 1 3	40	255 9 1	8	37 359 13 0	3	24	135 4 9	
Rakaia ..	596	18 9 6	2,117 16 3	229	885 9 9	63	384 5,143 11 0	20	142	3,088 10 4	
Rangiora ..	989	40 14 0	3,575 15 4	616	2,260 5 11	236	2,097 38,459 17 1	85	879	18,583 6 7	
Rolleston ..	41	1 13 0	100 8 7	11	33 3 6	2	30 309 5 0	1	9	98 16 9	
St. Albans ..	277	10 1 6	681 3 8	326	1,180 5 1	64	758 5,857 18 3	5	118	1,357 17 10	
Scargill ..	233	8 6 6	867 7 6	26	144 7 4	17	97 860 13 3	2	24	323 19 5	
Sefton ..	99	3 3 0	313 17 4	119	537 8 7	17	127 1,670 10 0	9	54	671 13 7	
Sheffield ..	249	8 14 6	931 3 3	83	484 7 0	13	190 1,712 12 0	4	46	775 16 5	
Southbridge ..	256	9 6 0	795 17 7	83	289 19 11	40	288 3,862 6 6	12	138	1,335 2 1	
Springfield ..	230	8 19 0	824 18 6	157	533 16 9	23	189 2,369 0 2	5	51	456 8 4	
Springston Rail-way ..	73	2 11 6	277 13 8	35	104 1 3	11	77 1,218 9 8	2	21	414 6 3	
Sumner ..	130	4 10 0	344 12 9	140	543 1 6	47	443 3,376 1 0	16	149	1,143 1 4	
Sydenham ..	942	38 19 6	3,080 11 9	948	3,435 3 5	296	3,360 17,105 18 3	39	286	1,895 19 7	
Templeton ..	95	3 9 0	297 19 10	46	226 19 9	11	144 895 16 0	2	31	902 4 10	
Tinwald ..	101	4 1 0	295 13 6	41	221 19 8	11	94 691 17 3	8	37	557 2 10	
Upper Riccarton ..	151	5 7 0	480 15 3	124	734 17 10	22	181 1,682 3 1	1	25	452 18 0	
Waiau ..	441	13 2 0	3,341 13 8	82	467 12 0	34	304 3,634 16 3	10	124	1,206 2 10	
Waikari ..	281	10 10 0	1,139 15 4	92	468 19 9	37	297 6,061 1 10	5	114	2,314 14 3	
Waipara ..	92	3 0 0	302 16 9	56	123 15 4	7	74 716 11 2	2	18	316 5 2	
Whitecliffs ..	132	3 13 0	285 18 7	22	110 5 2	5	58 765 15 8	3	29	236 19 11	
Woodend ..	105	4 6 0	400 10 1	50	237 1 10	13	103 1,335 3 11	6	56	1,019 16 8	
Woolston ..	194	8 4 6	636 5 9	186	672 10 7	55	610 4,103 10 9	16	163	2,196 16 10	
DUNEDIN ..	16,804	766 4 0	66,710 6 2	33,178	148,129 18 3	4,846	54,429 825,393 10 6	5,009	48,583	865,336 19 8	
Alexandra South ..	1,392	44 13 6	4,907 5 3	443	1,990 6 10	67	813 10,354 16 4	35	364	6,674 11 10	
Allanton ..	133	4 9 0	368 7 1	32	146 5 1	9	103 1,100 4 1	4	33	388 11 9	
Balclutha ..	1,439	46 11 0	5,814 12 6	656	2,435 6 8	149	947 18,984 14 1	50	385	10,540 7 10	
Caversham ..	591	23 4 6	1,662 12 5	568	2,009 17 1	122	1,759 8,606 7 11	36	291	2,519 10 7	
Clinton ..	605	17 16 6	1,968 4 2	166	756 4 0	46	274 4,443 15 11	14	84	1,553 13 0	

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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 1907—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.
Clyde ..	670	20 8 0	2,352 1 10	228	941 4 10	25	263 3,599 17 5	19	107	3,003 15 8	
Cromwell ..	840	30 7 0	3,114 12 1	316	1,623 12 4	61	493 6,503 16 8	38	200	4,464 18 4	
Dunback ..	199	5 3 0	777 6 11	44	198 9 3	10	67 956 13 0	8	36	844 13 6	
Dunedin North	1,546	62 2 6	3,920 7 7	590	1,959 1 9	374	5,659 39,445 2 6	122	823	9,547 8 7	
Gimberburn ..	119	2 19 6	359 1 4	17	150 5 5	3	26 139 15 9	2	16	197 1 4	
Green Island ..	164	6 8 6	527 2 6	198	817 16 3	37	309 2,236 16 0	16	75	1,081 13 9	
Hawea Flat ..	122	3 9 0	441 5 6	19	161 9 0	4	18 163 18 0	3	8	459 3 5	
Heriot ..	258	8 12 0	705 13 8	81	251 13 9	30	135 2,143 7 8	7	54	1,722 6 1	
Hyde ..	306	8 0 0	841 6 8	43	208 12 6	1	31 218 12 6	1	24	146 5 0	
Kaitangata ..	1,468	47 18 6	4,371 10 10	312	1,503 18 2	109	998 11,079 13 10	52	287	6,852 3 0	
Kelso ..	240	7 12 6	719 4 3	41	178 7 11	10	81 1,346 16 11	3	29	1,278 10 0	
Kokonga ..	148	3 19 0	500 14 2	12	40 12 10	7	63 529 19 0	2	21	297 0 1	
Lawrence ..	1,363	43 6 0	5,121 12 9	685	2,564 17 11	85	790 12,745 4 11	31	371	7,314 14 0	
Lovell's Flat ..	80	2 15 0	211 5 10	17	50 17 2	8	82 1,053 19 6	3	20	630 0 8	
Macrae's Flat ..	286	8 17 0	875 10 11	41	213 12 2	8	46 554 17 1	1	10	86 17 6	
Matakanui ..	155	4 2 0	520 9 2	23	111 19 4	..	..	..	..	..
Middlemarch ..	616	18 18 0	2,342 11 10	134	675 18 2	22	194 4,064 18 6	10	104	2,959 7 1	
Miller's Flat ..	320	12 0 6	1,264 4 3	52	198 19 2	17	189 2,407 2 4	11	111	1,949 14 4	
Milton ..	943	30 5 0	2,876 8 8	759	2,729 9 6	149	1,147 18,589 0 9	56	497	9,991 9 4	
Mornington ..	204	8 9 6	552 4 10	254	1,024 10 8	92	1,176 3,946 6 10	6	92	624 7 5	
Mosgiel ..	676	22 3 6	2,220 1 1	616	2,595 12 11	109	1,143 13,376 8 1	36	361	9,190 19 11	
Naseby ..	848	22 13 6	4,078 8 10	383	1,415 14 7	40	285 5,456 8 6	24	120	2,973 13 1	
North-east Valley	173	5 13 6	449 6 4	212	710 19 7	51	467 2,356 17 0	7	49	363 1 0	
Ophir ..	534	13 17 0	2,330 19 2	113	783 19 5	37	169 2,602 2 9	27	95	2,013 16 5	
Outram ..	273	8 14 0	831 15 6	125	620 1 9	25	184 2,868 17 4	11	65	1,289 8 4	
Owaka ..	976	26 15 6	3,152 1 11	252	1,569 16 10	58	402 8,936 4 7	12	204	4,598 12 6	
Palmerston ..	642	20 1 6	2,583 12 1	458	1,741 13 1	85	739 11,385 6 4	33	308	6,177 19 11	
Patearoa ..	225	6 0 0	679 1 2	16	79 5 5	..	..	..	..	..
Pembroke ..	152	4 11 6	600 6 0	37	196 2 10	11	67 576 14 6	5	31	530 7 4	
Port Chalmers	1,575	66 7 0	5,031 3 2	834	3,296 3 7	244	2,781 22,137 15 1	96	704	11,267 16 0	
Portobello ..	81	3 3 0	281 10 8	48	262 12 10	10	155 850 14 4	4	24	231 12 11	
Puerua ..	124	2 15 0	380 18 9	80	255 5 1	4	70 669 7 0	2	24	224 6 8	
Ranfurlly ..	395	10 9 6	1,289 17 10	46	135 16 5	11	82 847 13 0	4	29	588 13 10	
Roslyn ..	343	13 4 6	860 8 0	299	1,355 16 7	135	1,618 6,884 8 8	29	204	1,798 9 8	
Rough Ridge ..	277	7 7 6	1,004 5 8	65	244 12 7	8	69 272 0 0	3	17	305 3 1	
Roxburgh ..	778	24 10 6	2,968 15 4	198	907 2 5	47	403 8,476 11 6	15	181	4,774 4 8	
St. Bathans ..	324	9 7 6	1,277 14 2	105	406 1 2	12	87 1,905 11 0	4	44	585 11 7	
Seacliff ..	248	8 5 6	796 3 11	266	1,141 11 4	19	195 2,761 14 0	8	42	786 18 5	
South Dunedin	593	20 15 0	1,489 3 9	783	2,681 17 4	146	1,999 11,257 11 3	34	305	3,457 15 9	
Stirling ..	237	8 3 6	716 18 5	134	357 10 9	18	112 989 10 7	13	45	867 3 5	
Tapanui ..	832	24 8 6	2,633 14 6	205	765 12 8	63	529 11,828 7 4	16	131	5,775 6 2	
Waihoia ..	146	4 13 0	450 11 8	76	322 14 7	18	125 975 13 3	5	45	818 2 11	
Waikaia ..	986	36 10 0	4,164 14 6	96	479 0 2	57	366 4,062 19 8	17	106	1,651 0 1	
Waikoikoi ..	63	1 15 6	185 19 8	3	7 17 6	..	..	..	..	..
Waikouaiti ..	537	17 6 6	1,998 17 8	321	1,207 9 4	45	337 6,070 2 9	15	124	2,426 5 6	
Waipiata ..	285	7 6 6	1,042 1 7	47	154 8 8	15	74 1,303 1 0	3	28	408 13 6	
Waipori ..	81	2 6 6	211 18 10	42	215 17 8	..	..	..	..	..
Waitahuna ..	274	9 7 6	1,150 10 7	97	569 16 8	20	120 3,341 13 5	6	92	1,753 18 0	
Waitati ..	194	7 12 0	689 16 3	74	388 19 4	6	129 1,381 4 10	5	40	481 4 6	
Wedderburn ..	150	3 13 6	481 15 3	15	77 11 4	10	45 494 10 3	1	10	93 13 0	
GISBORNE	6,260	274 6 0	27,180 3 1	2,877	13,619 5 9	1,774	11,673 189,719 3 7	1,217	9,401	166,458 14 6	
Motu ..	48	2 11 6	232 2 10	2	24 18 0	8	24 262 10 0	1	4	54 12 1	
Patutahi ..	66	2 5 0	258 15 2	17	115 1 0	21	78 757 13 0	4	26	208 17 5	
Port Awanui ..	121	3 18 6	428 11 1	45	158 7 3	20	62 896 15 3	3	9	298 7 10	
Te Karaka ..	291	11 12 0	1,097 13 10	67	362 2 2	42	190 2,417 6 3	10	82	976 3 4	
Tokomaru Bay	366	15 8 0	1,949 14 7	58	230 0 5	67	273 4,296 3 6	32	162	1,506 0 11	
Tolaga Bay ..	472	20 9 0	2,130 7 3	93	421 10 9	60	366 3,424 18 3	21	182	1,552 15 10	
Tuparoa ..	225	9 6 0	1,080 12 1	32	95 11 5	53	188 1,983 0 10	25	127	1,556 1 7	
Waipiro Bay ..	620	21 12 0	2,294 2 1	61	300 5 10	43	294 4,452 8 6	19	105	2,341 6 11	
Whatatutu ..	176	6 7 0	706 14 9	23	138 18 1	33	156 2,202 4 0	3	47	736 16 5	
GREYMOUTH	4,324	180 19 6	19,185 11 8	3,106	12,300 14 7	746	6,270 100,530 6 7	764	4,635	103,750 15 2	
Ahaura ..	397	12 3 0	1,369 18 4	92	462 7 6	16	138 996 2 8	3	60	435 3 2	
Blackball ..	827	30 12 0	2,738 19 10	72	370 12 9	128	682 5,353 12 8	13	150	2,186 9 2	
Brunnerton ..	359	12 14 6	1,033 10 2	145	421 0 11	38	291 3,287 2 3	8	100	1,461 15 1	
Heathdale ..	52	1 10 6	137 4 0	..	..	5	24 101 14 3	..	1	2 0 0
Moana ..	206	7 17 6	795 9 0	28	118 19 2	37	203 1,725 8 5	3	27	519 2 0	
Nelson Creek ..	175	6 1 0	714 8 11	13	54 2 0	2	53 717 4 0	2	20	411 10 4	
Ngahere ..	148	5 7 0	485 10 11	23	147 4 7	18	96 771 14 5	3	23	248 4 2	
Otira Railway ..	164	5 18 0	768 14 2	36	139 8 3	18	74 646 5 0	3	18	212 19 6	
Reefton ..	2,560	105 13 0	9,697 2 9	831	3,362 7 4	351	2,416 32,571 17 7	189	742	16,347 0 6	
Runanga ..	567	20 7 0	1,528 16 5	65	242 2 4	92	473 4,646 13 11	17	72	934 8 10	
Stillwater ..	90	2 5 6	283 5 11	14	52 18 6	3	49 342 11 1	2	18	214 14 2	
Totara Flat ..	124	4 12 6	498 14 5	38	170 2 6	13	83 809 15 6	3	23	326 19 10	
HOKITIKA	1,831	70 1 6	6,589 18 4	1,389	5,088 5 1	181	1,231 27,377 6 5	221	1,007	26,883 13 7	
Goldsborough ..	46	2 11 0	226 9 1	13	62 16 2	6	22 354 19 0	4	23	396 18 0	
Kumara ..	596	20 7 0	1,841 9 4	294	964 18 8	48	431 7,365 7 7	32	200	4,060 16 4	
Okarito ..	116	4 15 0	459 9 8	6	27 9 0	1	12 75 13 0	

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	No.	Commission.	Amount.	No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.
HOKITIKA—contd.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Rimu ..	113	3 18 0	369 8 1	29	139 12 11	16	119 1 19 13 0	2	50	656 11 5	
Ross ..	458	14 9 6	1,540 16 3	136	616 15 6	32	195 3,993 3 8	17	139	2,750 5 9	
Stafford ..	182	6 17 0	710 1 4	36	137 5 0	10	45 491 14 0	9	53	595 3 1	
INVERCARGILL	6,355	27 11 6	24,387 7 10	6,613	26,882 11 6	1,512	12,176 220,392 1 5	1,374	9,645	217,989 8 6	
Arrowtown ..	488	15 12 6	1,770 6 5	121	702 16 10	26	195 3,780 12 3	10	106	2,151 18 1	
Awarua Plains ..	17	0 9 6	42 14 7	1	2 0 0	..	..	..	..	..
Balfour ..	261	9 2 0	848 4 4	50	307 14 5	23	145 2,268 13 0	9	79	2,036 2 2	
Bluff ..	797	32 14 6	2,745 17 11	513	1,913 13 4	94	913 10,963 12 10	25	327	5,379 13 3	
Clifden ..	35	0 18 6	119 12 2	4	26 4 6	..	..	..	..	..
Colac Bay ..	128	3 15 0	280 12 6	65	223 13 0	12	101 725 15 0	6	34	225 15 0	
Dipton ..	213	7 10 6	734 10 6	44	214 19 8	7	67 1,121 6 3	4	19	221 16 0	
Edendale ..	511	14 16 0	2,656 7 4	77	513 10 8	28	163 2,517 15 2	8	61	1,141 13 0	
Fairfax ..	104	3 1 6	286 8 4	26	123 9 5	8	57 470 16 0	1	12	132 18 6	
Fortrose ..	316	10 2 6	1,019 17 10	40	165 17 11	15	120 1,393 4 4	7	33	806 1 10	
Gore ..	2,899	97 10 0	9,271 15 3	1,353	5,453 13 5	355	2,503 52,657 5 4	151	1,163	33,916 1 8	
Half-moon Bay ..	257	7 9 0	803 17 5	46	283 2 10	10	70 884 17 7	2	28	205 11 4	
Kingston ..	139	4 3 6	365 10 11	8	52 2 0	8	70 1,143 10 0	..	11	220 0 0	
Lumsden ..	404	13 18 0	1,497 17 2	161	642 4 7	51	271 2,913 11 0	17	99	2,356 2 4	
Mataura ..	1,158	37 2 0	3,073 14 9	284	1,027 11 2	105	789 12,382 4 10	44	230	6,473 10 3	
Nightcaps ..	554	20 8 0	2,010 1 6	151	1,260 9 6	26	165 2,132 3 5	11	48	1,079 2 3	
Orawia ..	8	0 11 0	29 11 0	..	..	..	4 41 12 0	..	1	27 0 0	
Orepuki ..	963	29 18 0	3,178 11 4	151	718 3 1	51	423 4,662 11 0	22	170	2,890 15 6	
Otautau ..	755	27 1 6	2,333 8 2	284	1,046 16 7	90	464 5,927 10 9	21	160	2,900 2 4	
Pukerau ..	150	4 4 6	401 13 10	58	224 18 2	16	73 628 8 6	4	43	421 19 8	
Queenstown ..	743	22 18 6	2,425 15 11	421	1,866 11 6	60	365 4,934 15 10	31	188	2,997 15 11	
Riversdale ..	435	14 1 0	1,584 0 4	133	592 18 2	21	131 1,306 13 9	7	51	1,174 3 8	
Riverton ..	910	27 13 6	2,594 16 5	304	1,187 7 0	88	737 11,330 5 2	24	251	5,759 6 4	
Thornbury ..	79	2 16 6	309 2 4	13	43 10 5	4	44 462 19 0	2	22	269 15 5	
Waikaka ..	333	13 8 6	1,311 1 3	46	214 12 10	31	226 2,209 2 6	7	68	818 18 11	
Waipahi ..	208	6 7 6	710 7 11	63	152 15 4	3	32 897 12 0	1	14	469 7 10	
Wairio ..	40	1 11 6	164 17 1	12	33 1 7	8	26 536 4 9	1	5	24 9 0	
Winton ..	928	34 15 6	3,506 5 7	233	980 12 8	118	534 9,858 14 9	33	222	4,256 4 2	
Woodlands ..	148	5 8 0	453 14 4	681	654 16 11	9	117 825 5 9	2	15	337 16 11	
Wyndham ..	1,070	34 8 6	3,490 4 1	169	715 18 6	64	346 4,568 6 3	25	144	3,404 6 9	
NAPIER	6,382	288 18 0	28,529 17 11	6,350	38,301 16 10	1,769	15,504 231,332 18 10	1,903	11,955	237,092 10 0	
Blackburn ..	32	0 17 6	141 3 4	3	13 3 6	..	..	..	..	..
Clive ..	123	4 10 0	375 0 1	47	312 2 7	24	153 1,177 18 3	7	40	449 18 9	
Dannevirke ..	3,366	117 17 0	16,235 16 1	1,859	7,739 18 9	512	3,532 49,010 0 1	224	1,702	30,070 14 9	
Frasertown ..	151	6 3 0	510 6 8	49	211 13 0	30	128 1,969 6 4	9	60	1,358 5 8	
Greenmeadows ..	202	7 10 6	488 7 8	169	472 18 11	21	163 1,069 7 8	8	58	217 16 11	
Hastings ..	4,386	183 4 0	16,785 3 4	2,996	11,341 8 0	895	6,260 69,719 19 10	335	3,328	58,326 7 1	
Hatuma ..	119	3 11 0	318 17 2	30	153 19 6	5	28 222 4 0	1	16	326 12 11	
Havelock North ..	250	10 16 6	614 5 8	105	365 12 1	53	332 3,705 2 0	17	109	3,225 5 10	
Herbertville ..	87	3 9 6	299 10 5	28	242 0 0	17	90 1,070 16 4	3	12	167 16 5	
Kaikora North ..	371	11 8 6	1,076 11 11	105	391 9 4	38	299 3,293 18 1	11	112	1,298 0 8	
Kumeroa ..	121	3 17 6	400 11 7	20	82 8 0	9	51 583 17 0	5	19	243 18 8	
Makaretu ..	78	2 5 0	292 7 2	10	103 16 10	10	90 1,297 12 0	5	20	643 3 7	
Makotuku ..	374	12 6 6	1,188 11 8	70	265 8 11	31	248 2,511 8 8	11	109	2,309 13 4	
Mohaka ..	166	5 5 0	471 12 1	40	379 13 11	21	119 968 0 0	9	65	441 15 5	
Norsewood ..	664	21 15 0	2,211 17 7	141	525 13 11	59	377 4,350 4 1	30	172	2,555 8 3	
Ongaonga ..	265	9 3 6	1,617 14 3	56	318 19 0	23	190 1,710 12 11	14	81	1,209 6 8	
Opoutama ..	158	5 7 0	607 15 7	29	91 3 8	..	..	..	..	..
Ormondville ..	551	18 1 6	2,036 5 11	155	764 3 3	37	216 3,675 4 6	9	90	1,782 1 9	
Petane, H.B. ..	39	1 1 0	108 12 3	15	49 4 6	3	9 392 16 0	..	1	135 0 0	
Porangahau ..	471	17 16 0	1,782 7 4	67	279 10 11	25	157 1,672 12 7	9	68	1,218 14 3	
Port Ahuriri ..	1,081	46 15 6	4,912 3 1	593	3,420 10 11	111	1,104 7,246 1 10	20	175	1,618 11 9	
Puketapu ..	37	1 8 6	101 9 8	10	27 19 0	..	..	..	..	..
Takapau ..	460	15 17 6	1,537 15 0	105	438 15 2	33	202 3,051 17 8	13	87	2,209 12 10	
Taradale ..	268	9 10 6	952 8 6	112	438 8 6	40	340 2,457 13 8	18	65	638 7 8	
Te Aute ..	146	6 18 6	695 17 10	131	526 13 11	21	118 1,605 19 1	2	47	474 6 4	
Tikokino ..	469	15 12 6	2,080 17 2	61	312 12 6	37	272 3,267 9 9	10	89	1,549 12 7	
Waione ..	97	2 7 0	444 13 2	6	47 16 4	..	..	..	..	..
Waipawa ..	1,482	51 15 6	8,645 11 7	763	2,683 3 5	134	1,055 16,255 4 8	55	459	9,248 7 6	
Waipukurau ..	1,255	47 1 6	6,548 14 2	362	1,698 1 4	132	965 15,908 14 7	47	431	11,827 18 8	
Wairoa ..	999	40 4 0	3,631 0 7	376	1,543 3 8	146	861 15,395 19 9	65	463	9,204 11 6	
Weber ..	194	7 15 6	687 16 9	32	195 1 8	21	128 864 11 11	6	52	434 8 11	
Wimbledon ..	90	2 12 6	312 13 9	26	205 18 3	..	..	..	..	..
NELSON	4,848	205 11 0	18,476 16 1	5,675	24,378 10 6	1,096	8,053 180,264 3 1	1,134	6,865	194,988 2 8	
Belgrove ..	102	5 6 6	526 10 3	27	156 7 2	14	100 1,830 7 10	5	42	1,528 17 6	
Brightwater ..	248	9 8 6	797 11 10	74	334 7 0	17	187 2,403 0 6	7	64	1,196 11 0	
Collingwood ..	752	27 9 6	3,048 3 1	186	753 19 11	48	374 6,568 16 0	9	158	3,340 16 6	
Kohatu ..	122	3 18 6	400 3 2	64	207 19 5	8	62 843 8 9	1	20	221 12 4	
Motueka ..	1,119	39 9 0	4,056 7 5	309	1,115 3 3	70	560 7,405 3 1	35	278	6,740 0 7	
Ngatimote ..	157	6 6 6	548 16 5	30	130 13 7	4	63 1,202 4 2	7	67	664 12 10	
Puponga ..	198	8 2 6	817 0 6	29	163 0 6	18	129 1,927 7 4	2	51	595 5 7	
Richmond ..	387	12 18 0	1,209 17 9	274	1,083 4 1	39	420 3,985 5 7	10	148	1,519 13 10	
Riwaka ..	379	11 9 0	1,059 16 7	65	283 16 7	22	179 3,881 11 8	1	121	2,922 6 5	

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NELSON—contd.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Stoke ..	65	2 3 0	136 7 9	64	294 18 4	9	80	674 10 0	1	14	66 14 10
Tadmor ..	232	7 6 6	675 9 7	31	107 15 1	15	118	1,994 5 3	3	30	334 8 0
Takaka ..	1,093	37 4 0	3,851 10 4	214	1,014 10 0	73	556	9,359 3 2	25	291	6,221 14 0
Tapawera ..	7	0 4 6	21 12 2	..	..	1	6	42 0 0	..	1	15 0 0
The Port ..	402	15 17 0	1,314 3 8	143	489 18 5	45	367	4,093 10 3	10	51	691 4 1
Thorpe ..	139	4 5 6	397 2 5	27	153 9 3	11	120	1,064 1 0	..	25	544 18 6
Upper Moutere ..	179	7 6 0	675 13 0	26	104 6 11	16	96	728 3 10	6	48	685 14 0
Wakefield ..	394	14 7 0	1,416 3 11	179	866 8 4	38	366	4,138 13 11	8	106	2,679 14 9
NEW PLYMOUTH..	4,574	182 16 0	17,647 8 8	6,182	28,385 4 9	930	7,189	129,721 16 3	985	5,730	135,073 8 7
Fitzroy ..	78	2 10 6	171 0 1	20	49 12 4	19	81	238 13 4	..	15	47 5 0
Inglewood ..	1,476	51 0 0	5,011 4 6	391	1,623 14 2	197	1,745	19,598 1 5	66	606	10,617 6 5
Midhurst ..	339	9 18 0	887 1 3	54	220 14 10	24	149	1,451 1 0	10	99	1,063 13 1
Opunake ..	806	28 14 0	3,027 19 3	235	1,057 12 1	85	530	8,925 19 9	25	167	4,504 9 0
Pungarehu ..	560	17 6 0	1,281 13 1	109	719 8 4	25	185	4,106 5 2	4	62	1,266 0 2
Rahotu ..	326	11 4 0	1,068 1 10	63	257 9 0	22	144	1,877 18 0	8	43	533 10 7
Stratford ..	2,538	86 12 0	10,516 19 8	939	4,032 18 10	369	2,805	41,283 1 3	158	1,078	24,287 17 2
Tariki ..	126	4 0 0	402 14 4	39	172 2 9	16	84	1,520 17 8	5	54	720 12 5
Toko ..	231	7 14 6	681 3 9	59	242 10 10	40	155	1,757 11 6	11	78	1,236 10 7
Urenui ..	174	5 19 6	595 2 6	81	311 16 2	28	101	1,919 1 6	5	44	1,048 8 0
Waitara ..	938	32 11 6	2,998 13 1	317	1,663 4 3	151	1,165	13,957 1 5	52	400	6,109 3 5
OAMARU ..	5,208	154 7 6	45,111 6 2	2,985	24,855 19 0	689	6,074	120,448 18 5	767	5,196	123,788 12 5
Dunroon ..	299	6 11 0	2,487 14 7	83	502 12 10	12	133	953 10 0	3	32	527 7 6
Hampden ..	437	14 8 0	1,557 14 0	239	1,238 4 11	37	262	3,677 0 11	7	70	1,895 16 10
Herbert ..	154	4 11 0	633 3 6	65	380 15 4	14	145	1,897 18 5	3	44	593 0 2
Kakanui ..	66	2 2 0	213 12 2	43	220 6 2	3	11	117 3 0	1	7	184 13 3
Kurow ..	511	13 15 6	3,511 12 8	157	1,023 8 11	26	172	2,302 2 3	10	53	1,097 9 8
Maheno ..	196	6 6 0	598 8 8	69	450 1 6	15	58	1,165 13 9	2	20	352 9 5
Ngapara ..	205	5 13 6	902 10 11	42	220 8 1	12	95	999 13 1	6	29	476 8 10
Pukeuri Junction ..	30	1 2 0	84 8 5	12	56 1 0	5	34	243 13 9	1	8	51 14 10
Shag Point ..	121	3 7 0	283 2 6	109	413 13 0	8	90	341 14 10	9	32	301 16 6
THAMES ..	3,418	136 9 6	13,270 0 6	2,758	10,614 17 6	636	5,007	81,555 15 6	945	4,480	102,313 7 10
Karangahake ..	1,847	63 19 6	6,149 17 0	255	1,202 2 1	136	1,181	11,161 19 0	84	578	8,396 16 0
Katikati ..	348	11 2 0	1,098 2 3	90	348 5 7	35	259	2,910 2 9	11	125	1,364 9 5
Komata ..	696	27 8 0	3,128 7 7	27	128 19 3	46	500	3,332 8 9	18	139	1,751 14 0
Maketu ..	96	2 6 0	246 0 10	55	159 2 3	5	52	296 7 0	3	45	269 6 3
Omahu ..	72	3 10 6	259 10 11	19	77 3 8	11	40	606 14 6	2	18	86 1 6
Opotiki ..	1,157	40 6 0	5,063 1 2	337	2,175 12 4	197	714	22,992 6 1	54	423	12,051 5 10
Paeroa ..	1,433	46 18 0	4,879 19 5	761	2,915 3 11	129	1,068	10,719 15 5	82	527	7,322 6 10
Taneatua ..	222	6 16 6	775 0 9	31	262 13 4	26	97	533 6 3	8	24	455 17 8
Tauranga ..	1,003	34 5 6	3,772 4 2	696	3,302 9 11	169	1,045	28,148 6 11	66	630	17,518 6 1
Te Aroha ..	1,356	46 2 6	4,867 6 2	780	3,162 1 1	131	946	11,950 4 1	71	502	7,840 7 4
Te Puke ..	632	21 8 0	2,321 1 5	165	782 3 7	64	423	7,105 5 3	22	140	3,213 4 11
Turua ..	96	3 16 6	257 9 0	48	248 1 7	9	58	329 8 7	1	14	108 5 4
Waihi ..	4,395	156 15 6	14,552 5 3	1,324	4,809 14 10	526	4,604	47,698 13 9	253	1,945	33,296 18 9
Waikino ..	1,694	60 10 6	5,586 17 4	205	809 4 0	111	1,016	7,520 9 6	45	321	4,810 19 1
Waiorongomai ..	20	0 11 0	44 18 9	16	73 5 5	10	55	69 10 0	2	14	65 18 10
Waitekauri ..	200	5 17 6	594 18 11	52	638 6 6	13	117	925 19 7	2	35	415 16 4
Whakatane ..	659	21 7 0	3,066 7 3	214	1,659 12 2	88	315	6,405 3 8	24	141	3,464 7 1
TIMARU ..	5,736	232 3 0	42,372 6 8	3,703	16,932 2 6	1,374	12,091	224,133 10 2	1,344	10,100	224,417 19 4
Albury ..	258	5 4 0	2,844 6 10	34	144 9 8	17	111	1,470 1 0	2	17	281 18 3
Fairlie ..	532	19 7 0	2,909 10 8	132	814 8 4	45	411	4,648 3 2	14	127	2,153 8 2
Geraldine ..	832	28 6 0	3,449 9 1	342	1,254 10 6	130	1,048	18,319 0 3	64	446	10,015 4 10
Glenavy ..	264	6 8 6	995 17 4	357	641 11 2	9	42	493 15 5	7	36	511 7 1
Makihiki ..	103	4 8 0	453 3 7	36	194 4 4	16	92	1,181 15 10	6	38	351 15 7
Morven ..	207	5 15 6	1,010 18 9	32	96 12 5	18	106	1,178 1 5	5	40	990 17 7
Orari ..	167	4 0 0	510 16 6	31	222 6 7	12	79	925 4 0	5	45	527 4 1
Pleasant Point..	391	13 2 0	1,738 8 7	97	716 13 9	26	186	2,635 17 5	4	47	1,186 18 3
Rangitata ..	56	2 1 6	169 14 2	39	143 3 0	10	39	327 15 0	1	14	200 5 9
St. Andrew's ..	377	12 10 6	1,332 0 5	86	527 11 0	30	142	1,297 17 5	4	49	525 5 2
Studholme Junct.	106	3 5 0	453 16 3	42	246 8 2	16	63	234 6 10	4	26	138 19 11
Temuka ..	1,231	37 17 6	4,410 4 5	531	2,037 11 8	151	1,198	16,568 15 5	48	447	8,341 15 1
Waimate ..	2,631	80 7 6	20,494 16 4	918	4,249 16 6	281	1,953	33,102 5 6	125	1,037	23,831 15 10
Winchester ..	124	5 6 0	345 4 2	46	210 19 0	17	172	1,259 1 2	3	71	1,079 18 8
WANGANUI ..	7,233	304 2 0	31,944 11 6	7,089	33,982 3 2	1,757	14,757	242,863 1 8	2,166	13,077	274,191 15 4
A'lon ..	123	4 3 0	391 1 9	9	38 1 10	15	135	1,196 16 0	2	34	816 15 5
Aramoho ..	337	11 13 6	934 1 8	148	618 1 0	52	394	2,157 12 7	6	84	817 19 7
Awatuna East ..	92	3 2 6	292 7 3	6	27 3 9	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bull's ..	572	21 1 0	2,451 3 7	330	1,075 0 4	81	538	5,871 15 3	35	196	3,158 4 3
Castlecliff ..	167	5 15 0	381 10 11	31	114 13 11	15	162	914 10 8	2	26	258 8 3
Eltham ..	1,491	51 6 0	6,979 7 10	631	2,574 3 6	273	1,784	32,728 13 8	123	815	20,918 1 6
Fordell ..	173	5 18 0	627 16 5	30	237 16 9	23	151	2,546 18 9	1	20	226 15 8
Hawera ..	2,563	98 15 0	9,695 17 3	1,803	7,504 9 7	404	3,207	52,560 3 5	197	1,318	31,961 7 5
Hunterville ..	1,089	40 1 0	5,044 0 2	496	2,286 10 2	173	965	9,671 17 7	70	364	5,822 9 11
Hurleyville ..	124	3 13 0	346 0 3	8	15 8 0	15	70	342 7 0	8	24	190 17 3
Kaponga ..	572	20 10 0	1,930 13 1	89	378 18 3	97	640	8,742 3 0	39	196	4,858 13 6
Koeke ..	157	5 6 0	674 12 1	8	107 9 5	6	33	412 7 6	1	3	42 13 6
Makirikiri ..	67	2 5 6	179 12 0	30	136 15 2	12	55	408 5 0	..	5	15 14 6

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 1907—continued.

Office.	Money-orders.						Savings-banks.						
	Issued.			Paid.			New Accounts opened.	Deposits.		Accounts closed.	Withdrawals.		
	No.	Commission.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.		Amount.	No.		Amount.		
<i>WANGANUI—contd.</i>		£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Manaia ..	720	26 2 6	2,620 13 0	174	893 19 3	165	853 15,078 17 6	47	261 6,890 13 10				
Mangamahu ..	186	6 1 6	824 6 6	21	88 1 8	1	2 14 0 0	..	2 8 0 0				
Mangaonoho ..	121	5 0 0	518 12 3	32	141 13 4	18	141 992 14 0	3	25 377 11 3				
Mangaweka ..	1,031	26 13 0	4,202 8 10	310	1,435 12 5	95	576 7,351 8 2	38	270 3,513 11 1				
Manutahi ..	67	1 13 0	211 6 8	19	105 7 0	12	73 1,208 8 8	4	26 191 4 4				
Marton ..	1,535	54 4 0	8,183 11 0	1,105	4,221 10 1	236	1,714 24,122 8 6	99	854 15,541 2 0				
Mataroa ..	354	11 11 6	1,254 9 5	86	479 0 5	28	162 2,139 12 3	11	64 766 3 9				
Moawhango ..	297	13 1 0	1,974 12 4	30	154 1 8	16	81 1,390 14 11	4	28 763 4 0				
Normanby ..	208	6 16 6	534 3 2	99	364 3 2	37	255 3,228 5 3	12	81 1,692 18 1				
Ohakune ..	2,799	117 2 0	13,643 17 7	239	1,398 2 3	373	1,671 22,760 8 1	113	490 6,959 12 0				
Ohingaiti ..	312	10 3 0	1,138 17 0	64	269 18 11	22	133 720 16 6	3	49 512 5 9				
Okaiawa ..	164	5 4 6	605 12 4	50	195 18 6	23	216 1,700 16 2	7	69 1,019 8 6				
Otakeho ..	155	4 16 6	497 6 4	23	93 12 4	28	124 1,654 1 7	13	64 1,087 10 6				
Patea ..	979	34 12 0	3,316 8 5	340	1,294 7 9	125	837 11,777 14 3	60	389 7,984 3 5				
Pihama ..	148	5 5 6	491 14 9	13	87 5 8	19	121 2,809 0 4	5	24 919 18 1				
Raetihi ..	949	32 1 0	4,598 13 7	256	1,490 3 4	65	363 5,901 9 1	36	213 4,621 0 7				
St. John's ..	213	8 18 0	815 2 10	33	182 14 11	14	72 864 7 0	..	8 125 10 0				
Taihape ..	2,717	87 19 0	13,324 17 10	920	5,259 5 9	362	1,775 25,733 5 0	189	1,014 15,046 12 3				
Taoroa ..	140	6 13 6	659 9 4	6	11 16 5	22	98 889 7 11	3	16 511 8 5				
Te Kiri ..	5	0 3 6	16 3 2	1	1 1 0	7	10 91 6 8	..	.. 26 267 17 6		
Turakina ..	188	6 15 6	548 13 11	51	229 13 6	23	86 621 0 7	6	31 440 4 5				
Turangare ..	126	4 14 0	393 13 5	14	55 12 7	11	80 1,361 9 9	4	169 4,219 17 6				
Utiku ..	836	26 8 6	2,886 11 8	131	596 19 3	103	511 8,103 13 10	43	125 1,461 10 2				
Waiouru ..	650	27 14 0	2,845 2 4	88	400 0 8	116	587 6,785 18 6	34	111 1,179 14 8				
Waitotara ..	253	9 1 6	922 8 1	76	448 13 0	27	184 1,565 16 7	21	299 11,645 9 10				
Waverley ..	861	29 9 0	2,919 17 11	213	1,170 19 2	107	869 17,080 8 8	40	81,862 124,361 11 11				
<i>WELLINGTON</i>	30,314	2,302 6 0	126,878 18 9	52,807	231,595 16 0	8,905	79,146 1,176,364 11 6	9,546	81,862 124,361 11 11				
Adelaide Road ..	273	10 0 6	593 1 10	32	141 1 2	47	986 3,234 15 6	4	50 163 11 7				
Alfredton ..	169	7 3 6	672 6 10	39	153 16 5	32	186 2,931 1 2	8	79 893 18 2				
Apti ..	462	12 19 6	1,831 2 2	63	461 13 11	30	249 2,873 17 7	12	122 2,361 3 7				
Ashhurst ..	417	13 9 6	1,219 13 3	159	585 0 11	58	420 5,094 8 9	16	172 2,895 7 5				
Awahuri ..	171	8 12 6	752 11 9	38	142 18 9	20	176 848 11 0	3	66 937 11 10				
Ballance ..	46	1 3 0	166 3 5	19	87 19 0	6	35 207 4 5	..	5 135 0 0				
Brooklyn ..	231	7 4 0	556 3 1	105	317 13 7	68	443 1,154 10 0	1	28 55 11 9				
Bunnythorpe ..	144	4 14 0	543 14 5	61	323 7 3	13	157 989 4 0	6	83 1,024 7 11				
Carterton ..	1,441	49 12 0	5,952 7 9	763	3,347 3 4	169	1,769 19,477 2 5	81	712 14,252 7 6				
Castlepoint ..	19	0 11 0	52 12 8	3	4 10 0	4	29 257 3 0	..	1 2 0 0				
Chatham Islands ..	244	9 2 0	922 18 11	80	1,045 2 2	12	48 977 3 0	4	15 329 12 4				
Cheltenham ..	89	2 15 6	200 1 10	13	61 7 0	18	129 1,466 4 0	8	56 563 11 3				
Clareville ..	24	0 15 6	45 9 2	4	11 0 0	4	8 30 15 2	1	3 90 6 2				
Colyton ..	82	3 6 0	237 13 3	37	133 12 6	13	85 1,066 7 2	6	41 1,300 13 5				
Courtenay Place ..	1,256	51 9 6	4,294 14 3	84	288 5 7	152	2,545 12,201 10 11	12	173 1,066 10 6				
Cross Creek ..	..	..	..	..	..	6	68 675 0 1	..	..		
Eastbourne ..	114	5 5 0	312 6 6	36	96 5 5	9	69 292 1 0	2	11 74 12 3				
Eketaahuna ..	1,165	40 10 6	4,215 4 10	349	1,529 17 9	139	1,182 23,682 8 9	39	499 11,658 8 0				
Featherston ..	875	31 8 6	2,710 19 11	340	1,393 9 1	94	715 8,254 11 6	45	336 4,534 6 5				
Feilding ..	2,929	105 8 6	13,483 12 5	1,896	7,123 1 2	394	3,105 46,949 6 11	162	1,563 36,618 1 7				
Foxton ..	1,543	56 4 0	5,283 9 3	537	2,425 14 2	159	1,301 11,727 8 5	75	636 9,740 19 5				
Gladstone ..	41	1 17 0	168 4 1	15	62 19 6	7	51 346 6 0	1	8 60 3 4				
Govt. Bldgs. ..	375	18 1 0	1,375 16 2	3	15 10 0	17	341 2,686 19 0	..	57 128 7 10				
Greytown ..	903	30 14 0	3,161 13 10	487	2,052 4 11	81	874 10,432 12 6	44	416 6,526 15 6				
Halcombe ..	332	11 12 6	1,109 16 1	110	464 16 1	33	255 3,506 5 3	16	169 1,936 9 2				
Hastwell's ..	33	0 14 9	182 8 1	5	84 15 6	6	19 183 11 0	1	7 185 11 3				
Hinakura ..	92	3 4 0	300 16 11	12	59 9 7	9	30 254 3 0	..	..		
Hukauui ..	145	4 2 0	513 5 3	41	224 3 11	13	102 1,119 16 4	1	36 570 16 4				
Hutt ..	1,077	47 7 6	3,801 11 9	577	2,374 3 11	233	1,974 20,412 1 6	72	665 10,833 10 11				
Johnsonville ..	282	9 9 6	797 5 2	149	505 8 0	66	415 2,583 4 5	17	129 1,288 11 5				
Kaitoke ..	150	5 0 0	436 5 5	15	53 4 0	5	63 921 3 0	..	13 101 8 0				
Kaiwarawara ..	51	1 12 6	106 17 8	33	208 12 8	13	148 638 4 5	7	21 126 17 3				
Karori ..	172	7 18 6	584 9 8	98	341 12 8	46	406 1,503 16 0	6	34 176 2 2				
Kilbirnie ..	130	3 15 6	308 15 8	155	647 16 4	12	187 538 14 2	1	21 140 0 8				
Kimbolton ..	459	14 13 0	1,654 12 0	129	596 6 6	41	328 4,659 8 11	11	96 2,750 2 9				
Koputarua ..	118	3 8 6	262 17 4	18	81 4 1	26	158 1,264 0 3	7	36 1,011 6 11				
Levin ..	1,698	56 4 0	5,911 18 0	625	2,283 5 2	186	1,254 15,330 12 7	70	693 14,824 12 2				
Longburn ..	238	7 19 6	590 11 0	74	399 10 1	38	416 2,010 18 6	15	154 1,460 1 10				
Makuri ..	232	5 15 0	761 15 8	42	170 1 4	19	70 442 0 3	3	38 328 2 11				
Manakau ..	290	10 8 0	1,092 19 9	57	267 12 7	31	204 1,291 15 4	5	60 543 18 8				
Mangatainoka ..	286	7 0 0	977 8 11	120	421 6 0	21	198 2,750 4 6	8	112 1,365 2 4				
Martinborough ..	888	32 7 6	4,190 14 2	260	1,025 18 4	106	603 5,968 1 4	53	335 4,112 17 4				
Martleston ..	4,612	176 13 0	18,658 4 6	2,577	11,074 8 9	717	6,196 71,099 2 3	360	2,964 47,554 17 2				
Mauriceville ..	164	5 3 6	514 17 8	41	190 7 2	10	126 1,645 12 5	1	55 832 13 1				
West ..	123	5 1 6	564 0 2	17	212 1 1	3	109 2,171 7 0	9	67 2,592 5 2				
Molesworth St. ..	2,086	87 7 0	5,989 6 0	144	583 12 7	296	3,888 17,358 1 0	32	325 2,249 9 3				
Ngahauranga ..	148	5 17 0	599 7 11	38	457 15 5	27	185 1,143 8 8	2	40 220 14 6				
Nireaha ..	125	3 9 6	518 13 4	28	181 16 1	9	69 789 12 0	4	36 1,147 1 0				
Otaki ..	1,031	36 2 6	3,856 0 4	548	1,962 9 6	111	903 8,752 17 6	57	368 6,488 3 10				
Paekakariki ..	12	0 13 0	40 14 4	4	10 5 6	1	12 116 10 0				

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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 1907—continued.

Office.	Money-orders.					New Accounts opened.	Savings-banks.				
	Issued.			Paid.			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.
Pahautanui ..	59	1 13 0	150 4 3	19	117 6 6	4	65	822 10 0	2	32	452 4 10
Pahiatua ..	2,244	71 11 6	10,608 14 2	1,203	4,671 8 2	279	2,087	32,386 12 4	125	820	20,457 18 6
Palmerston North	6,484	258 3 0	25,148 16 9	5,763	23,278 12 4	1,182	8,891	117,232 10 8	492	4,698	90,617 17 7
Paraparaumu ..	172	6 9 6	511 13 6	40	176 2 7	14	129	1,639 3 9	2	46	372 1 4
Petone ..	2,321	84 11 6	6,551 12 5	1,086	4,064 6 5	494	5,346	37,760 18 5	182	1,779	21,091 19 6
Pirinoa ..	90	2 19 0	261 15 3	19	140 16 0	7	23	420 14 0	2	2	9 3 10
Pohangina ..	123	5 2 6	596 15 3	70	528 19 5	14	79	764 15 6	4	19	275 11 5
Pongaroa ..	404	10 17 6	1,465 6 6	58	277 3 8	27	151	1,999 14 4	7	54	774 0 4
Porirua ..	222	8 13 6	786 12 2	85	276 4 8	16	145	994 15 6	2	24	268 17 2
Rakaunui ..	154	3 12 6	405 7 3	8	24 17 9	5	25	211 0 0	2	9	133 6 11
Rangiwhia ..	362	9 8 6	1,671 0 9	55	370 19 8	29	152	1,473 17 8	11	57	1,719 10 3
Rongotea ..	499	18 4 0	1,754 1 0	107	430 13 9	96	515	6,133 4 6	18	185	3,168 15 1
Sanson ..	130	4 4 0	385 15 11	70	255 16 11	29	156	1,724 1 3	9	65	1,332 19 6
Shannon ..	718	27 7 0	2,329 3 9	246	1,043 5 3	114	664	7,097 5 0	19	238	4,070 10 5
Taueru ..	84	2 15 0	253 15 7	25	124 15 3	1	37	210 1 4	2	20	144 9 7
Te Aro ..	6,154	246 11 0	16,582 11 8	623	2,334 9 3	1,167	16,420	78,771 13 6	116	825	7,849 16 8
Te Horo ..	141	5 8 0	455 13 3	27	128 9 7	23	123	729 15 3	4	40	546 19 0
Te Nui ..	193	7 14 0	1,026 2 3	32	99 19 9	32	193	2,635 16 9	7	52	736 14 4
Tinakori Road..	156	5 2 0	366 9 3	29	71 4 6	34	559	1,703 6 0	4	19	129 8 0
Tokomaru ..	167	5 17 0	451 17 2	15	67 6 11	32	161	1,197 5 10	2	39	434 15 9
Upper Hutt ..	580	23 1 0	1,772 9 1	220	911 17 4	65	448	5,308 10 10	13	175	2,178 4 7
Waikanae ..	449	15 6 0	1,603 4 8	51	202 12 2	27	201	1,877 10 1	12	102	1,888 14 1
Waituna West	187	6 0 0	534 2 5	30	152 0 0	17	96	1,394 19 0	5	26	376 9 8
Wellington South	2,302	95 10 6	6,676 5 3	1,360	6,071 2 8	673	8,512	47,652 17 11	180	1,464	12,833 8 8
Weraroa ..	550	16 17 3	1,651 5 5	166	683 14 9	76	895	3,569 9 1	17	206	4,170 11 8
Whakataki ..	92	3 2 6	422 8 3	12	113 16 0	4	31	232 1 0	2	9	62 17 9
Whareama ..	2	0 1 0	3 14 0	..	..	1	3	5 0 0	..	..	..
Woodville ..	1,780	55 0 6	6,529 15 3	683	3,053 15 8	121	1,256	19,233 3 11	53	598	13,927 12 5
WESTPORT ..	3,589	145 6 0	14,340 0 11	2,478	10,668 5 8	489	3,413	77,740 9 11	729	3,236	90,246 14 9
Addison's ..	10	0 6 6	20 18 11	7	26 10 0	..	1	49 0 0	..	..	..
Burnett's Face..	852	38 12 0	2,642 16 1	35	159 3 10	145	828	7,708 16 0	43	132	2,428 5 9
Capleston ..	76	2 6 0	210 6 6	21	153 8 3	4	34	388 16 0	4	7	35 13 5
Charleston ..	217	8 12 0	845 11 0	51	249 19 0	11	133	1,566 10 1	4	36	588 4 3
Denniston ..	1,267	63 1 0	6,453 17 8	159	511 19 6	160	1,322	11,654 0 1	60	267	4,658 3 10
Fern Flat ..	59	1 15 0	201 17 2	12	69 19 11	7	32	376 2 8	3	12	325 17 11
Granity ..	552	20 2 6	1,746 17 7	63	228 5 10	55	376	3,540 2 7	12	90	1,179 12 0
Inangahua Junc.	109	3 5 0	336 4 7	19	93 7 10	11	73	566 13 3	1	14	182 14 8
Karamea ..	541	18 11 0	1,889 18 5	95	794 5 0	31	143	2,316 2 5	4	52	1,125 14 10
Longford ..	93	3 18 0	562 16 9	13	103 19 10	2	16	304 3 1	..	9	279 0 0
Lyell ..	529	16 5 0	1,661 6 10	51	314 6 4	18	102	1,014 17 7	5	37	329 16 7
Millerton ..	1,151	49 13 6	3,647 17 3	57	286 1 3	211	1,561	11,743 11 11	35	219	4,199 2 1
Murchison ..	526	17 19 6	2,343 5 7	64	416 2 2	24	159	1,667 15 5	18	69	1,779 17 0
Seddonville ..	333	12 19 0	1,265 8 2	55	224 0 3	29	251	2,584 18 1	5	38	508 18 6
Up. Matakaitaki	76	2 3 6	192 4 9	4	11 2 4	..	21	128 1 0	1	3	163 8 8
Waimangaroa ..	276	8 15 0	1,146 7 3	44	109 13 10	13	107	804 18 7	2	29	222 17 6

SUMMARY.

POSTAL DISTRICT OF—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland ..	89,256	4,229 4 0	360,702 4 4	82,448	365,211 12 6	11,927	94,111	1,526,825 12 10
Blenheim ..	6,625	252 14 0	24,694 0 2	2,999	16,150 6 8	1,061	8,028	141,244 9 9
Christchurch ..	44,528	1,952 5 0	174,271 4 3	42,414	209,929 12 8	10,971	114,152	1,664,097 2 4
Dunedin ..	44,033	1,658 9 0	159,858 15 5	44,955	196,020 10 5	7,595	82,844	1,114,678 16 0
Gisborne ..	8,645	367 15 0	37,358 16 9	3,275	15,466 0 8	2,121	13,304	210,412 3 2
Greymouth ..	9,993	396 1 0	39,237 6 6	4,463	17,842 0 5	1,467	10,852	152,500 8 4
Hokitika ..	3,342	122 19 0	11,737 12 1	1,903	7,037 2 4	294	2,055	40,849 16 8
Invercargill ..	21,406	775 8 6	74,408 6 4	12,125	48,227 17 6	2,843	21,327	363,937 10 5
Napier ..	24,934	983 2 6	106,643 17 0	14,921	73,944 10 1	4,257	32,991	465,787 12 1
Nelson ..	10,823	418 12 6	39,429 5 11	7,417	31,638 8 4	1,544	11,836	232,405 15 5
New Plymouth ..	12,166	440 6 0	44,289 2 0	8,489	38,736 8 4	1,906	14,331	226,357 8 3
Oamaru ..	7,227	212 3 6	55,383 13 7	3,804	29,361 10 9	821	7,074	132,147 8 5
Thames ..	19,344	689 10 0	69,933 8 8	7,833	33,368 19 0	2,342	17,497	244,261 16 7
Timaru ..	13,015	460 2 0	83,490 13 9	6,426	28,432 8 7	2,152	17,733	307,780 10 0
Wanganui ..	30,774	1,145 15 6	131,731 9 5	15,102	70,166 8 11	5,038	34,485	526,364 1 10
Wellington ..	85,120	4,328 14 6	320,913 5 6	75,989	327,953 9 4	17,122	159,798	1,877,858 8 10
Westport ..	10,256	413 10 6	39,507 15 5	3,228	14,420 10 10	1,210	8,572	124,154 18 8
Grand totals ..	441,487	18,846 12 6	1,773,590 17 1	337,791	1,523,907 17 4	74,671	650,990	9,351,663 19 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 1906-7 and 1907-8.

Denomination.	Sold		Paid	
	1906-7.	1907-8.	1906-7.	1907-8.
s. d.				
0 6	604	776	53	72
1 0	1,926	1,936	292	330
1 6	926	894	119	161
2 0	1,193	1,373	270	327
2 6	1,785	1,823	369	531
3 0	1,042	1,107	186	198
3 6	733	604	154	85
4 0	743	823	101	147
4 6	386	447	40	60
5 0	2,905	3,311	876	1,062
5 6	292	363	29	35
6 0	640	687	84	88
6 6	259	325	29	53
7 0	555	563	40	51
7 6	522	579	66	90
8 0	363	411	45	52
8 6	262	346	26	28
9 0	245	286	22	31
9 6	187	202	21	22
10 0	3,869	4,803	1,227	1,428
10 6	332	328	55	61
11 0	226	232	17	35
11 6	90	102	16	14
12 0	317	315	47	74
12 6	241	213	31	48
13 0	177	225	14	28
13 6	100	111	13	20
14 0	148	197	20	32
14 6	51	78	12	9
15 0	572	808	160	328
15 6	54	60	4	17
16 0	124	154	14	31
16 6	64	62	11	13
17 0	116	101	13	13
17 6	116	151	6	6
18 0	155	213	23	20
18 6	121	141	5	11
19 0	440	498	17	19
19 6	2	3	5	4
20 0	8,815	10,949	4,713	6,282
21 0	..	..	216	322
Number ..	31,698	36,600	9,461	12,238
Value ..	£16,229 15s. 6d.	£19,564 12s.	£6,426 4s.	£8,533 19s.

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, 1907.

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, Increase of Interest to the Close of the Year.	Average Amount standing to the Credit of each Open Account at Close of the Year.
		£ s. d.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£	s. d.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£	£ s. d.
Auckland	142	94,111	1,526,825 12 10	16 4 6	65,648	1,272,828 10 7	19 7 9	253,997 2 3	..	..	..	52,895 18 2	11,927	7,537	46,570	1,820,983 12 9	39 2 0
Blenheim	8	8,028	141,244 9 9	17 11 11	5,730	121,433 5 3	21 3 10	19,811 4 6	..	..	..	5,382 13 3	1,061	710	5,366	179,540 19 9	33 9 2
Christchurch	66	114,152	1,664,097 2 4	14 11 7	80,646	1,515,295 1 7	18 15 9	148,832 0 9	..	..	..	61,240 8 4	10,971	8,868	56,118	2,001,274 19 8	35 13 3
Dunedin	52	82,844	1,114,678 16 0	13 9 1	56,053	1,005,899 1 11	17 18 11	108,779 14 1	..	..	..	50,430 15 9	7,595	5,974	40,957	1,637,169 10 11	39 19 5
Gisborne	10	13,304	210,412 3 2	15 16 4	10,145	175,689 16 10	17 6 4	34,722 6 4	..	..	..	5,584 15 1	2,121	1,335	6,350	201,334 5 11	31 14 1
Greymouth	13	10,852	152,500 8 4	14 1 1	5,889	127,051 1 11	21 11 6	25,449 6 5	..	..	..	7,314 5 10	1,467	1,010	5,757	241,932 4 11	42 0 6
Hokitika	7	2,055	40,849 16 8	19 17 7	1,472	35,343 8 2	24 0 3	5,506 8 6	..	..	..	2,621 1 7	294	285	1,762	85,277 19 11	48 8 0
Invercargill	29	21,327	363,937 10 5	17 1 4	13,249	300,087 16 7	22 13 0	63,849 13 10	..	..	..	15,945 13 3	2,843	1,849	13,109	530,889 2 5	40 10 0
Napier	28	32,991	465,787 12 1	14 2 4	19,885	380,278 8 8	19 2 6	85,509 3 5	..	..	..	16,096 4 4	4,257	2,846	15,715	558,463 6 2	35 10 9
Nelson	18	11,836	232,405 15 5	19 12 9	8,380	224,957 7 5	26 16 11	7,448 8 0	..	..	..	9,850 13 4	1,544	1,264	8,579	314,979 13 6	36 19 6
New Plymouth	12	14,331	226,357 8 3	15 15 11	8,376	186,508 4 5	22 5 4	39,849 3 10	..	..	..	8,083 1 1	1,906	1,329	7,896	274,329 7 1	34 14 10
Oamaru	10	7,074	132,147 8 5	18 13 7	5,491	129,269 9 5	23 10 10	2,877 19 0	..	..	..	6,347 10 5	821	809	4,355	196,811 2 5	45 3 10
Thames	18	17,497	244,261 16 7	13 19 2	10,101	204,745 9 1	20 5 5	39,516 7 6	..	..	..	8,975 8 2	2,342	1,693	9,902	305,613 12 10	30 17 3
Timaru	15	17,733	307,780 10 0	17 7 2	12,540	274,554 13 7	21 17 11	33,225 16 5	..	..	..	11,931 1 1	2,152	1,636	9,537	390,987 6 8	40 19 11
Wanganui	39	34,485	526,364 1 10	15 5 3	20,870	431,026 8 0	20 13 1	95,337 13 10	..	..	..	16,389 14 3	5,038	3,445	17,023	571,805 17 10	33 11 10
Wellington	79	159,798	1,877,858 8 10	11 15 0	105,071	1,631,930 14 10	15 10 8	245,927 14 0	..	..	..	59,877 9 4	17,122	12,128	66,914	2,061,386 3 0	30 16 2
Westport	17	8,572	124,154 18 8	14 9 8	4,250	108,254 1 9	25 9 5	15,900 16 11	..	..	..	4,457 13 11	1,210	926	3,923	150,451 12 0	38 7 0
Totals for Colony in 1907..	563	650,990	9,351,663 19 7	14 7 4	433,796	8,125,123 0 0	18 14 7	1,226,540 19 7	..	19,000 0 4	20	313,424 7 2	74,671	53,644	319,773 11	5,523,230 17 9	36 0 9

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, 19

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 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 Deposits over Withdrawals during the Year.	Cost of Management during the Year.	Average Cost of each Transaction, Deposit or Withdrawal.			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.	
563	650,990	9,351,663	14	7	4	433,796	8,125,123	0	18	14	7	1,226,540	19,000	0	4	20	343,424	7	2	74,671	53,644	319,773	11,523,230	17	9	36	0	9
1906	593,764	7,907,154	12	5	4	386,536	6,907,103	17	17	17	51,000,050	17,000	0	4	16	291,191	19	1	70,206	47,526	298,740	9,953,205	11	9	33	6	4	
1905	509,112	6,625,744	0	10	3	346,022	5,984,184	12	2	17	5	11,641,559	16,500	0	3	93	259,081	7	6	60,015	43,113	276,066	8,662,022	17	1	31	7	6
1904	409,799	5,836,540	0	12	8	323,609	5,664,770	3	9	17	10	1,171,769	16,000	0	4	84	200,930	6	1	57,769	42,280	259,164	7,761,382	11	29	18	11	5
1903	444,510	5,661,592	15	2	14	301,076	5,343,828	5	9	17	15	0	15,000	0	4	83	187,130	2	8	57,047	40,837	243,675	7,388,681	18	7	30	6	5
1902	411,215	5,069,619	6	2	12	273,454	4,738,771	11	2	17	4	5	14,000	0	4	99	172,926	1	7	53,587	38,538	227,465	6,883,787	9	2	29	17	10
1901	380,808	4,611,456	6	1	12	247,854	4,230,193	6	2	17	1	4	11,500	0	4	39	146,169	2	5	46,086	31,724	107,408	5,809,552	5	3	29	8	7
1900	347,056	4,170,428	15	3	4	227,079	3,827,416	7	3	16	17	1	10,500	0	4	39	146,169	2	5	46,086	31,724	107,408	5,809,552	5	3	29	8	7
1899	313,783	3,644,980	9	10	11	206,940	3,417,298	19	8	16	10	3	9,500	0	4	38	134,917	19	3	41,362	28,284	183,046	5,320,370	14	10	29	1	4
1898	281,749	3,270,611	7	5	11	196,764	3,104,893	16	7	16	4	3	8,500	0	4	26	128,128	16	6	37,261	26,628	169,968	4,957,771	5	29	3	5	5
1897	267,615	3,187,219	2	4	11	179,555	2,891,160	5	8	16	2	0	8,000	0	4	29	137,240	8	0	36,394	24,821	159,331	4,744,924	18	1	29	15	7
1896	371	2,824,283	11	3	11	159,904	2,591,538	19	4	15	9	10	7,000	0	4	120	489,167	6	3	32,982	22,907	147,758	4,311,634	13	5	29	3	7
1895	217,393	2,794,506	16	0	17	159,904	2,369,333	6	7	14	16	4	7,000	0	4	145	129,489	19	6	30,261	22,001	137,683	3,895,543	0	3	28	5	10
1894	204,345	2,252,862	6	11	0	152,136	2,268,624	8	4	14	18	3	6,500	0	4	114	141,643	4	11	28,669	21,930	122,624	3,340,879	11	4	25	16	3
1893	327	2,027,945	7	10	15	136,739	1,822,521	11	8	15	5	5,500	0	4	29	111,700	1	1	29,755	19,599	122,624	3,241,998	7	10	26	8	6	
1892	186,945	1,878,270	6	4	10	116,628	1,821,348	18	1	15	2	0	5,500	0	4	104	104,098	17	0	26,232	18,171	112,528	2,863,670	12	10	25	9	0
1891	176,971	1,842,987	15	2	10	111,603	1,693,515	9	3	15	3	5	5,000	0	4	16	104,098	17	0	25,131	17,872	104,467	2,695,447	11	6	25	16	0
1890	162,938	1,658,543	3	5	10	106,868	1,500,437	9	5	14	0	9	5,000	0	4	45	92,319	0	6	23,710	17,256	97,208	2,441,876	8	7	25	2	4
1889	153,920	1,515,281	11	3	10	99,185	1,457,081	5	0	14	13	9	4,000	0	3	79	84,809	17	1	21,778	15,521	90,745	2,191,451	14	1	24	2	11
1888	200	1,544,747	7	11	10	96,204	1,387,471	1	10	14	8	5	4,000	0	3	78	78,080	6	0	20,307	16,543	84,488	2,048,441	10	9	24	4	10
1887	139,197	1,312,151	1	5	9	89,962	1,182,409	7	6	13	2	10	4,000	0	4	23	67,363	15	3	20,368	15,515	79,724	1,813,084	18	8	22	14	10
1886	271	1,379,959	1,248,405	6	11	89,182	1,336,287	6	4	14	19	8	4,000	0	4	23	65,825	9	0	21,071	16,757	74,871	1,615,979	9	6	21	11	8
1885	256	1,317,373	1,341,001	3	2	84,832	1,264,395	8	3	14	18	0	4,000	0	4	22	62,228	13	11	20,661	16,421	69,957	1,638,032	19	5	23	8	4
1884	243	1,227,909	1,178,474	4	1	80,800	1,195,931	0	11	14	16	0	4,000	0	4	57	57,381	13	7	20,228	16,447	65,717	1,499,112	5	7	22	16	3
1883	222	1,178,474	1,325,852	2	11	78,495	1,142,599	0	8	16	9	8	4,000	0	4	56	56,046	17	3	20,386	15,967	61,936	1,409,751	16	7	22	15	2
1882	207	1,129,952	1,189,012	2	7	69,308	1,142,599	0	1	16	9	8	4,000	0	4	52	54,900	19	11	25,059	14,505	57,517	1,470,950	13	6	24	3	4
1881	190	1,253,855	1,189,012	2	7	60,137	1,142,599	0	1	16	9	8	3,500	0	4	42	42,822	12	4	16,137	12,217	38,667	1,232,787	16	9	24	3	4
1880	178	81,660	804,441	18	10	57,446	780,504	13	4	13	11	8	3,500	0	6	32	32,822	12	4	16,137	12,217	38,667	993,765	16	10	23	7	6
1879	165	71,865	812,399	11	11	54,698	876,186	19	7	16	0	4	3,000	0	5	31	31,715	12	15	15,401	12,786	34,747	787,005	19	0	22	12	11
1878	147	69,908	762,084	12	0	42,746	742,053	14	3	16	0	4	2,500	0	5	31	31,715	12	15	15,401	12,786	34,747	819,071	8	2	25	9	9
1877	138	60,933	681,294	13	2	39,363	667,023	7	5	16	18	10	2,500	0	5	29	29,193	14	6	11,235	8,501	28,761	767,375	17	8	26	13	7
1876	124	57,295	664,134	12	6	36,486	696,281	7	4	17	12	8	2,500	0	4	28	28,762	4	7	11,255	9,472	26,127	723,910	17	5	27	14	9
1875	103	52,627	609,249	14	3	29,778	729,759	17	9	19	14	8	2,500	0	4	28	28,762	4	7	11,255	9,472	26,127	723,910	17	5	27	14	9
1874	97	39,223	580,542	5	14	21,268	620,155	8	9	20	16	5	2,250	0	6	28	28,762	4	7	11,255	9,472	26,127	723,910	17	5	27	14	9
1873	92	31,681	430,877	0	13	17,254	425,908	3	5	20	0	5	1,800	0	6	28	28,762	4	7	11,255	9,472	26,127	723,910	17	5	27	14	9
1872	97	24,642	312,338	18	4	14,773	261,347	16	3	17	13	9	1,550	0	7	24	24,171	0	5	6,205	3,816	17,132	770,836	18	0	35	9	0
1871	81	24,642	264,328	5	7	11,934	209,509	13	2	17	11	9	1,351	0	8	24	24,171	0	5	6,205	3,816	17,132	664,807	5	10	36	2	5
1870	70	20,489	240,898	5	9	11,934	209,509	13	2	17	11	9	1,351	0	8	24	24,171	0	5	6,205	3,816	17,132	664,807	5	10	36	2	5
1869	59	17,133	194,535	11	6	14,773	180,518	4	1	19	8	7	1,254	0	9	9	9,242	3	11	4,304	2,277	8,317	395,654	14	6	33	18	1
1868	55	13,014	104,535	11	6	14,773	107,094	17	3	16	16	6	1,186	0	10	7	7,412	8	10	3,839	1,801	6,290	231,311	1	5	33	10	3
Totals for Colony from 1st Feb. to 31st Dec., 1867	46	6,977	96,372	7	10	1,919	26,415	18	9	13	15	3	822	0	10	1	1,241	5	0	2,520	364	2,156	71,197	14	1	33	0	5

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, 1907.

	Balances on 1st January, 1907.		Transactions.				Balances on 31st December, 1907.					
	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.	Dr.				
MONEY-ORDER ACCOUNTS:—	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.				
Money-orders (general) ..	35,275	13 9	..	..	1,907,554	4 6	1,908,604	16 2		
United Kingdom, &c. ..	28,742	18 9½	..	..	156,278	13 5	177,882	1 1		
United States of America ..	292	10 7	..	..	16,802	3 8	17,888	17 2		
Australia ..	4,232	10 7	..	..	186,762	1 6	185,709	13 0½		
Austria ..	..	..	..	..	30,500	7 9	29,292	16 11
Canada ..	..	..	541	4 8	2,580	14 1	2,180	11 11		
Cape of Good Hope ..	..	..	276	16 2	1,552	9 10	1,430	10 9		
Ceylon ..	70	8 11	..	..	564	19 10	577	2 8		
Fiji ..	..	..	791	2 8	3,898	15 9	2,851	13 9		
Germany ..	2,498	7 5	..	..	2,401	12 10	2,882	19 9		
Hong Kong ..	129	5 8	..	..	1,181	15 11	1,222	11 8		
India ..	316	10 2	..	..	2,492	7 0	2,323	16 0		
Natal ..	..	..	54	11 10	924	16 0	783	2 8		
Orange River Colony ..	..	..	219	15 4	382	6 9	236	6 1		
Samoa ..	..	..	3,079	17 10	4,772	8 5	5,269	4 5		
Straits Settlements ..	..	..	0	2 9	120	4 2	207	12 6		
Tonga ..	..	..	560	5 3	1,266	1 9	1,626	0 5		
Transvaal ..	..	..	468	1 9	3,176	8 10	3,298	3 11		
Commission ..	..	..	666	13 5	1,307	10 1	1,872	1 11		
SAVINGS-BANK ACCOUNTS:—												
Deposits and withdrawals ..	9,953,265	11 0	..	..	9,695,088	6 9	8,125,123	0 0		
Transfers ..	5,094	4 10	..	..	849,640	9 0	848,374	4 1		
POSTAL ACCOUNTS:—												
Stamps ..	198,684	19 3	..	..	669,234	18 2	669,725	10 5		
Postal Guides ..	7	3 10	..	..	571	10 6	570	19 4		
Postal notes ..	95,586	3 5	..	..	414,207	12 6	349,138	9 6½		
Private box and bag rents ..	..	..	..	..	9,286	11 10	9,286	11 10
Money-order commission ..	..	..	..	..	19,221	1 6	19,221	1 6
British postal orders—H.O. a/c ..	72,654	7 6	..	..	2,425	0 10	20,192	5 10		
C.P.M.'s a/c ..	50,153	7 11	..	..	20,192	5 10	19,676	1 7		
London a/c ..	..	..	..	..	19,150	9 0	19,150	8 8
B.P.O. commission ..	..	..	..	..	227	3 7	227	3 7
Postal revenue ..	8,833	11 3	..	..	435,561	1 7	435,653	2 0		
TELEGRAPH ACCOUNTS:—												
New South Wales Telegraphs ..	308	10 4	..	..	5,635	5 6	5,692	12 6		
New Zealand & Australian Cable ..	113	1 1	..	..	3,415	7 11	3,387	14 10		
Pacific Cable Board ..	1,809	3 9	..	..	51,692	14 6	51,540	16 9		
Telephone-exchange receipts ..	..	..	..	..	115,053	4 8	115,053	4 8
Special messenger receipts ..	..	..	..	..	359	0 9	359	0 9
Maintenance of private wires ..	..	..	..	..	2,334	15 3	2,334	15 3
Registration of code addresses ..	..	..	..	..	1,086	17 1	1,086	17 1
Cable deposits ..	117	1 8	..	..	2,848	0 2	2,830	4 8		
Telegraph revenue ..	1,298	9 1	..	..	402,654	16 0	401,355	2 8		
GENERAL ACCOUNTS:—												
Post Office Account ..	..	..	557,923	9 0	6,840,750	11 2½	6,417,279	9 2½		
Postmasters and Telegraphists ..	..	..	488,830	6 2	15,553,912	13 4½	15,640,307	12 6		
Investments ..	..	..	9,698,999	13 0	1,454,475	0 0	3,228,737	0 0		
Accrued interest on investments ..	..	..	94,399	12 4	94,399	12 4	119,378	12 11		
Miscellaneous receipts (general) ..	1,799	3 3	..	..	9,132	1 8½	9,218	8 6		
Foreign postage ..	14,148	17 5	..	..	5,729	2 1½	5,280	8 4		
Miscellaneous expenses ..	30,932	14 8	..	..	781,957	0 6	923,053	3 11		
Discount-stamps ..	1,888	0 0	..	..	3,067	10 0	2,787	14 0		
FOR OTHER DEPARTMENTS:—												
Advances to Settlers ..	5,647	7 11	..	..	544,527	19 0	534,772	16 2		
Alcoholic Liquors Sales Control Act, 1895 ..	..	..	..	..	25	12 6	25	12 6
Arms Act licenses ..	6	0 0	..	..	154	0 0	152	0 0		
Audit fees ..	3	0 0	..	..	13	6 8	16	6 8		
Clerks of Court ..	6	0 0	..	..	180	16 11	181	18 11		
Customs dues (H.M.C.) ..	303	8 5	..	..	2,661	6 5	2,851	9 7		
Customs duty (parcels) ..	5,348	10 0	..	..	62,647	12 2	62,139	0 4		
Education Department ..	..	..	..	..	5	0 0	5	0 0
Electoral receipts ..	0	1 0	..	..	0	8 0	0	8 0		
Factories Act ..	1	0 0	..	..	76	13 9	77	11 9		
Fishing licenses ..	157	3 0	..	..	1,454	8 6	1,494	19 0		
Game licenses ..	..	..	..	..	2,257	0 0	2,257	0 0
Geraldine County Council ..	..	..	..	..	551	6 2	551	6 2
Goldfields revenue ..	10	2 7	..	..	126	12 0	131	8 2		
Government debentures ..	4,700	0 0	..	..	120,975	0 0	125,150	0 0		
Government Insurance ..	3,334	1 7	..	..	30,365	13 0	31,507	0 2		
Government Printer ..	153	16 4	..	..	280	10 5	433	18 8		
Hobson County Council ..	..	..	..	..	378	16 0	378	16 0
Homing-pigeons Protection Act ..	..	..	..	..	0	1 0	0	1 0
Imperial pensions ..	1,333	13 10	..	..	36,700	0 0	30,289	18 7		
Income-tax ..	1,310	15 6	..	..	170,495	8 3	171,794	0 0		
Land-tax ..	1,413	19 1	..	..	376,533	0 2	376,262	0 0		
Licensing Act ..	..	..	..	..	20	0 0	20	0 0
Machinery ..	707	0 0	..	..	6,575	2 6	6,550	15 0		
Mining Act ..	477	0 0	..	..	251	15 0	294	5 0		
Miners' Guides ..	1	5 6	..	..	..	..	..	..
New Zealand Consols ..	..	..	..	..	175	0 0	175	0 0
Official Assignee ..	3,311	3 2	..	..	3,559	16 0	6,870	6 8		
Old-age pensions ..	26,688	7 1	..	..	324,100	0 0	323,251	1 7		
Old-age pensions (miscellaneous) ..	..	..	..	..	0	3 7	0	3 7
Public Trust ..	25,180	2 4	..	..	721,812	11 3	721,758	0 9		
Railways ..	834	15 1	..	..	5,953	11 5	6,558	4 3		
Registration of births, &c. ..	250	12 3	..	..	2,409	2 0	2,398	3 3		
Rents ..	26	4 4	..	..	306	16 10	300	2 2		
Sanatorium, Hanmer Springs ..	266	11 4	..	..	2,226	5 6	2,265	5 1		
Sheep rates ..	50	19 0	..	..	22,096	12 0	22,100	3 0		
Stock Department ..	0	10 0	..	..	50	17 0	51	7 0		
Valuation revenue ..	2	2 0	..	..	5,533	9 4	5,535	0 0		
Miscellaneous revenue ..	17	17 3	..	..	102	19 7	103	8 9		
Suspense Account ..	1	1 5½	..	..	1	11 0½	0	13 4		
Profit and loss ..	257,007	6 0	..	..	454,806	1 6	457,356	0 1		
Totals ..	10,846,804	12 2	10,846,804	12 2	42,688,222	10 10½	42,688,222	10 10½	12,420,043	15 0½	12,420,043	15 0½

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, 1907.

Description of Securities, &c.	Nominal Value.			Value at Cost Price.			Accrued Interest on 31st December, 1907.		
	£	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 1900" Debentures, 4 per cent.	200	0	0	199	0	0	1	6	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, 4 per cent.	2,000	0	0	2,000	0	0	6	11	6
"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 1903" Debentures, 4 per cent.	48,525	0	0	48,525	0	0	970	10	0
"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 1905" Debentures, 4 per cent.	20,500	0	0	20,500	0	0	410	0	0
"The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1906" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	500,000	0	0	500,000	0	0	8,750	0	0
"The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1907" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	200,000	0	0	200,000	0	0	2,780	16	8
Canadian Debentures, 4 per cent.	10,700	0	0	10,869	0	0	36	7	0
Canadian Stock, 4 per cent.	30,496	17	2	30,801	2	10	103	12	1
Canadian Stock, 3½ per cent.	34,022	11	8	33,852	9	3	101	2	8
Canadian Stock, 3 per cent.	5,000	0	0	4,800	0	0	12	14	9
Canadian Stock, 2½ per cent.	13,666	15	11	10,933	8	9	29	0	4
"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. . .	194,200	0	0	194,200	0	0	2,830	10	7
"The Consolidated Stock Act 1884" Debentures, 3½ per cent. . .	283,500	0	0	283,500	0	0	4,371	7	8
"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 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, 4 per cent.	75,000	0	0	72,000	0	0	632	17	6
"The Defence and other Purposes Loan Act 1870" Debentures, 4½ per cent.	8,100	0	0	8,100	0	0	..	..	..
Dunedin Garrison Hall Debentures, 4½ per cent.	5,000	0	0	5,000	0	0	97	7	11
"The General Purposes Loan Act 1879" Debentures, 4 per cent.	5,200	0	0	4,342	0	0	43	17	7
Gold Coast Stock, 3 per cent.	18,000	0	0	15,120	0	0	45	17	3
"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 Act 1906" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	410,000	0	0	410,000	0	0	1,179	9	1
"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 Advances to Workers Act 1906" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	140,000	0	0	140,000	0	0	1,444	2	0
"The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act 1886" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	231,500	0	0	231,500	0	0	2,686	0	7
Greyhound Harbour Board Debentures, 4 per cent.	165,000	0	0	165,000	0	0	3,240	5	6
Hamilton Borough Debentures, 4½ per cent.	3,000	0	0	3,000	0	0	56	4	4
Hokitika Harbour Board Debentures, 5 per cent.	7,225	0	0	7,225	0	0	230	2	3
Hongkong Stock, 3½ per cent.	14,260	17	5	14,117	8	0	..	..	..
"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.	80,000	0	0	80,000	0	0	460	5	5
"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
Inscribed Stock, 3½ per cent.	618,000	0	0	618,000	0	0	11,273	17	10
Inscribed Stock, 3 per cent.	2,260,495	11	1	2,244,582	18	0	18,602	11	6
"The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act 1900" 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.	1,750	0	0	1,750	0	0	20	11	11
"The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act 1900" Debentures, 4 per cent.	650	0	0	650	0	0	2	12	4
"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, 3½ per cent.	23,000	0	0	23,000	0	0	402	10	0
"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
Leeds Corporation Stock, 3 per cent.	14,000	0	0	12,280	0	0	35	13	5

Table No. 8—continued.

SECURITIES, &c., standing in the Name of the Postmaster-General on Account of the Post-Office Savings-Bank Fund on 31st December, 1907—continued.

Description of Securities, &c.	Nominal Value.			Value at Cost Price.			Accrued Interest on 31st December, 1907.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
"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.	1,086,000	0	0	1,086,000	0	0	12,315	5	3
"The Maori Land Settlement Act 1905" Debentures, 4 per cent.	600	0	0	600	0	0	11	5	10
The Maori Land Settlement Act Amendment Act 1907" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	50,000	0	0	50,000	0	0	517	16	2
New South Wales Debentures, 4 per cent.	19,800	0	0	20,097	0	0	65	1	10
New South Wales Stock, 4 per cent.	5,486	6	7	5,815	10	2	18	0	8
New South Wales Stock, 3½ per cent.	85,000	0	0	84,575	0	0	244	10	5
"The New Zealand Consols Act 1894" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	27,590	0	0	27,496	5	0	400	1	2
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
Reading Corporation Stock, 3 per cent.	6,500	0	0	5,795	3	9	16	11	2
"The Reserve Fund Securities Act 1907" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	800,000	0	0	800,000	0	0	10,509	10	10
"The Scenery Preservation Act 1903" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	30,000	0	0	30,000	0	0	172	12	1
Sheffield Corporation Stock, 3 per cent.	963	15	10	838	10	0	2	9	1
South Australian Debentures, 4 per cent.	24,700	0	0	24,850	0	0	83	18	3
South Australian Stock, 4 per cent.	4,851	0	5	4,970	8	11	16	9	6
South Australian Stock, 3½ per cent.	39,000	0	0	38,220	0	0	115	18	6
Southern Nigeria Stock, 3½ per cent.	17,000	0	0	16,320	0	0	50	10	8
"The State Coal-mines Act 1901" Debentures, 3½ per cent. ..	100,000	0	0	100,000	0	0	872	12	0
"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
Thames Harbour Board Debentures, 4 per cent.	10,000	0	0	10,000	0	0	99	14	6
"The Public Revenues Act 1893" (Treasury bills), 3½ per cent.	449,200	0	0	449,200	0	0	..	..	..
Transvaal Stock, 3 per cent.	42,602	18	5	40,046	14	11	108	11	0
Trinidad Stock, 4 per cent.	2,861	9	10	2,918	14	5	9	14	5
Victorian Debentures, 4 per cent.	10,000	0	0	10,100	0	0	33	19	5
Victorian Stock, 4 per cent.	43,233	17	4	43,650	15	2	146	17	6
Victorian Stock, 3½ per cent.	84,000	0	0	82,320	0	0	249	13	11
Victorian Stock, 3 per cent.	12,379	19	10	10,708	13	10	31	10	10
Wellington City Council Debentures, 4 per cent.	75,600	0	0	75,088	0	0	1,117	16	7
Wellington Harbour Board Debentures, 4½ per cent.	28,900	0	0	28,900	0	0	420	12	8
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 .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	961	7	11
Totals	11,515,979	1	6	11,473,254	13	0	119,378	12	11

Table No. 9.
POST-OFFICE SAVINGS-BANK.

Balance-sheet for the Year ended 31st December, 1907.

<i>Dr.</i>	£	s.	d.	<i>Cr.</i>	£	s.	d.
Balance to credit of depositors on 1st January, 1907	9,953,265	11	0	Withdrawals during 1907	8,125,123	0	0
Deposits during 1907	9,351,663	19	7	Balance to credit of depositors on 31st December, 1907	11,523,230	17	9
Interest credited to depositors, 1907	343,424	7	2				
	<u>£19,648,353</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>9</u>		<u>£19,648,353</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>9</u>

Liabilities and Assets.

<i>Dr.</i>	£	s.	d.	<i>Cr.</i>	£	s.	d.
Balance to credit of depositors on 31st December, 1907	11,523,230	17	9	Securities (<i>vide</i> Table No. 8)	11,473,254	13	0
Balance of assets over liabilities	254,457	7	5	Accumulated profits	254,457	7	5
	<u>£11,777,688</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>2</u>	S.B. cash in Post Office Account	49,976	4	9
					<u>£11,777,688</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>2</u>

Profit and Loss.

<i>Dr.</i>	£	s.	d.	<i>Cr.</i>	£	s.	d.
Interest credited to depositors during 1907	343,424	7	2	Balance forward, 1st January, 1907	257,007	6	0
Interest paid on debentures purchased by Department, ex div.	532	0	7	Interest received during 1907	335,313	0	10
Paid Public Account, for expenses of management during 1907	19,000	0	0	Accrued interest on 31st December, 1907	119,378	12	11
Balance to next account	254,457	7	5				
	<u>£617,413</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>2</u>				
				Less accrued interest on 31st December, 1906	94,999	12	4
				Sundry receipts	114	7	9
					<u>360,292</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>5</u>
					<u>£617,413</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>2</u>

Table No. 10.

RETURN showing the Total Number of Post-Office Savings-Bank Accounts open on the 31st December, 1907, classified according to the Balances at Credit.

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 £600.	Exceeding £600.	Total Number of Accounts open.
Auckland	32,189	4,927	3,610	3,245	1,313	605	546	135	46,570
Blenheim	3,958	507	386	273	151	70	57	14	5,366
Christchurch	40,080	5,839	3,998	3,411	1,396	652	604	138	56,118
Dunedin	27,467	4,834	3,709	2,550	1,221	633	436	107	40,957
Gisborne	4,571	760	460	309	119	61	51	19	6,350
Greymouth	3,893	620	471	415	179	86	83	10	5,757
Hokitika	1,100	201	165	157	87	34	16	2	1,762
Invercargill	8,751	1,570	1,145	886	417	171	144	25	13,109
Napier	11,028	1,782	1,119	936	477	194	139	40	15,715
Nelson	5,942	963	631	556	218	102	88	19	8,519
New Plymouth	5,556	856	565	431	202	196	74	16	7,896
Oamaru	2,816	522	357	363	165	71	50	11	4,355
Thames	7,324	1,066	619	473	211	107	85	17	9,902
Timaru	6,526	1,106	753	604	261	124	126	37	9,537
Wanganui	12,508	1,749	1,150	838	402	176	149	51	17,023
Wellington	49,552	6,986	4,439	3,301	1,300	600	571	165	66,914
Westport	2,751	420	303	257	100	39	43	10	3,923
Totals, 1907	226,012	34,708	23,830	19,005	8,219	3,921	3,262	816	319,773
Totals, 1906	212,605	33,314	21,748	17,752	7,585	2,841	*1,506	†1,395	298,746

* Exceeding £400 and up to £500.

† Exceeding £500.

Table No. 11.

INLAND MAIL-SERVICES ESTABLISHED, EXTENDED, ETC.

District.	Name of Service.	Frequency.	Remarks.
Auckland	Wade Post-office - Wharf	As required ..	Established.
	Waiharara-Kaimaumu	"	"
	Hamilton-Claudlands-Rototuna ..	Daily	"
	Hangatiki Railway-station - Waitomo Caves	"	"
	Rukhia Post-office - Railway-station	"	"
	Waharoa-Wardville	"	"
	Harapepe - Harapepe Creamery (no post-office)	Thrice weekly ..	" (See CURTAILED.)
	Taupiri-Orini	"	"
	Henderson - Te Atatu	Twice weekly ..	"
	Paranui-Oruru	"	"
	Pokuru - Te Pahi Railway-station ..	"	"
	Ruakaka - Junction of Ruakaka, Wai-pu, and Marsden Point Roads	"	"
	Waiuku-Ruakohua	"	"
	Wayby-Wellsford	"	"
	Auckland-Whangaroa-Mangonui ..	Weekly	"
	Awanui-Mangatete	"	"
	Kaihu-Taheke	"	" (Summer service resumed.)
	Moeheu - Cabbage Bay	"	"
	Ohautira-Waingaro	"	"
	Papakura-Ardmore-Clevedon	"	"
	Parua Bay - Pataua	"	"
	Putati - Waitomo Caves	"	"
	Rawene-Whakapara	"	"
	Tairua-Whitianga	"	"
	Taupo-Waitahanui	"	"
	Whitianga-Kuaotunu	"	"
	Ngaruawahia-Harapepe	"	Frequency increased: thrice weekly to daily.
	Rotorua-Taupo	"	Frequency increased: thrice weekly to daily (for summer service).
	Helensville - Parakai, portion of Helensville-Parkhurst service	"	Frequency increased: twice weekly to daily.
	Kaipara Flats - Warkworth	"	Frequency increased: twice to four times weekly.
	Taupo-Tokaanu	"	Frequency increased: twice to thrice weekly (for summer service).
	Waereinga-Taniwha	"	Frequency increased: twice to thrice weekly.
	Whangaroa-Kaeo	"	Ditto.
	Glen Murray-Woodleigh	"	Frequency increased: once to twice weekly.
	Morrinsville-Tahuna	"	Ditto.
	Rotorua-Taupo	"	Frequency decreased: daily to thrice weekly (for winter service).
	Waikumete-Karekare	"	Frequency decreased: twice weekly to twice weekly in summer and once weekly in winter.
	Ngaruawahia, &c. - Harapepe to Ngaruawahia, &c.-Harapepe Creamery (no post-office)	"	Curtailed. (See ESTABLISHED.)
	Te Whaiti-Ruatahuna-Mangapohatu to Te Whaiti - Ruatahuna	"	"
	Helensville-Matakohe	"	Altered: by inclusion of Te Komiti.
Helensville-Parkhurst	"	" by inclusion of Parakai.	
Kiritehere - Te Maika	"	" by inclusion of Marokopa.	
Mangonui-Kaitaia	"	" by inclusion of Kaiaka after Peria.	
Tairua-Whitianga	"	" by inclusion of Whenuakite after Tairua.	
Kaihu-Taheke	"	Temporarily discontinued (for winter). (See ESTABLISHED.)	
Auckland: conveyance by electric tramcars of letter-carriers, messengers, and mails	"	Abolished. (Service now paid for by coupon as required, instead of as a mail-service.)	
Birkenhead-Freeman's	"	"	
Driving Creek - Tokatea	"	"	
Hangatiki Railway-station - Waitomo (rural delivery)	"	"	
Kuaotunu-Upper Kuaotunu	"	"	
Northcote (letter-delivery)	"	" as a mail-service (now performed by Departmental carrier).	
Northcote Post-office - steamer	"	" (Now performed by Departmental carrier.)	
Warkworth-Wellsford	"	"	
Whangamarino Post-office - Railway-station	"	"	
Blenheim	Picton Post-office - Railway-station - wharves	As required ..	Established.
	Portage - Kenepuru Head	Twice weekly ..	"
	Picton-Havelock and offices in Sounds	Fortnightly ..	"

Table No. 11—continued.

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

District.	Name of Service.	Frequency.	Remarks.
Blenheim— <i>ctd.</i> ..	Blind River Post-office—coach on main road	..	Frequency increased: twice to thrice weekly.
	Seddon—Kaikoura .. ..	..	Ditto.
	Blenheim—Molesworth .. ..	..	Altered: by inclusion of Jordan.
	Picton, &c.—Havelock .. ..	..	.. by inclusion of Hikoekoea after Picton, Pinohia after Maori Bay, Pohuenui after Bulwer in lieu of Ketu Bay (office closed), Ravenscliff (no post-office) after Picton, and Waihohonu after Bulwer.
	Picton, &c.—Te Awaite .. ..	..	.. by inclusion of Hitaua after Picton.
Christchurch ..	Punaruawhiti—Parahau .. ..	..	Abolished.
	Hawarden—Woodgrove	Daily ..	Established.
	Kowhai Bush Post-office—Railway-station	.. ..	.. (See ABOLISHED.)
	Little River—Puaha .. ..	.. ..	..
	Marshlands: delivery of correspondence by subsidised carrier	.. ..	.. (Renewal.)
	Springston Railway-station—Wakaipa	.. ..	..
	Cheviot—Spotswood—Hawkeswood—Conway Flat (at junction of road)—Hundalee—Kaikoura	Thrice weekly ..	..
	Conway Flat—Finger Post, Hundalee	.. ..	..
	Mayfield—Porateko .. ..	.. ..	..
	Woodgrove—McDonald Downs .. ..	.. ..	..
	Waiiau—Mendip Hills	Weekly ..	..
	Christchurch—Upper Riccarton .. ..	.. ..	Extended: to Sockburn (frequency once daily to Sockburn). (See ABOLISHED.)
	Cheviot—Spotswood, portion of Cheviot—Kaikoura service	.. ..	Frequency increased: thrice weekly to daily.
	Tormore—Domett—Cheviot .. ..	.. ..	Curtailed: to Domett—Cheviot (owing to railway-extension).
Barry's Bay—Wainui .. ..	.. ..	Altered: by inclusion of French Farm.	
Broken River, &c.—Kumara .. ..	.. ..	.. by inclusion of Cass after Broken River.	
Halkett Town—West Melton—Weedon's	.. ..	.. by inclusion of Weedon's Post-office (service now Halkett Town—West Melton—Weedon's Post-office—Weedon's Railway-station).	
Kowhai Bush—Springfield .. ..	.. ..	Abolished. (Owing to railway-extension.) (See ESTABLISHED.)	
Sockburn Post-office—Railway-station	.. ..	.. (Sockburn mail now carried by tram.) (See EXTENDED.)	
Dunedin ..	Karitane—Puketeraki Railway-station	Thrice weekly ..	Established.
	Balclutha—Awamangu	Twice weekly ..	..
	Tautuku—Papatowai .. ..	.. ..	..
	Pembroke—Cardrona	Weekly ..	.. (Winter service renewed.)
	Dunedin, &c.—Omakau (railway service)	.. ..	Extended: to Chatto Creek and Alexandra South.
	Owaka—Owaka Valley—Tahatika—Purekireki	.. ..	Frequency increased: twice to thrice weekly.
	Alexandra South—Clyde—Waenga—Cromwell	.. ..	Curtailed: to Clyde—Waenga—Cromwell (owing to railway-extension).
	Pembroke—Makarora .. ..	.. ..	Altered: by inclusion of Makarora Wharf.
	Roxburgh, &c.—Queenstown .. ..	.. ..	Altered: to Roxburgh, &c.—Alexandra South and Clyde, &c.—Queenstown (service divided owing to railway-extension; train service between Alexandra South and Clyde).
	Pembroke—Cardrona .. ..	.. ..	Temporarily discontinued: (for summer).
Gisborne ..	Gisborne—Mangapapa	Daily ..	Established.
	Pouawa Post-office—junction of Gisborne—Tolaga Bay Roads	Twice weekly ..	..
	Gisborne, &c.—Wairoa <i>via</i> Morere ..	Weekly ..	.. (During tourist season: see FREQUENCY increased.)
	Hangaroa—Lower Hangaroa .. ..	.. ..	..
	Motu—Opotiki .. ..	.. ..	..
	Waitakaro—Tuparoa .. ..	.. ..	.. (See ALTERED.)
Gisborne, &c.—Te Karaka (railway service)	.. ..	Extended: to Puha.	
Whakarau—Rakauaro .. ..	.. ..	.. to Matawai.	

Table No. 11—continued.

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

District.	Name of Service.	Frequency.	Remarks.
Gisborne— <i>ctd.</i>	Makauri Post-office - Railway-station	..	Frequency increased: daily to twice daily.
	Gisborne, &c. - Wairoa, <i>via</i> Morere..	..	Frequency increased: once to twice weekly. (See ESTABLISHED.)
	Te Karaka - Kanakanae ..	..	Frequency increased: once to twice weekly (periodical in terms of contract).
	Waipiro Bay, &c. - Port Awanui ..	..	Frequency increased: once to twice weekly.
	Whatatutu-Wheturau ..	..	Frequency increased: once to twice weekly.
	Gisborne, &c. - Wairoa <i>via</i> Morere ..	..	Frequency decreased: twice to once weekly (for winter: see ABOLISHED).
	Te Karaka - Kanakanae ..	..	Frequency decreased: twice to once weekly (periodical in terms of contract).
	Te Karaka - Whatatutu ..	..	Curtailed: to Puha (no post-office) - Whatatutu.
	Gisborne-Patutahi ..	..	Altered: by inclusion of Te Hapara.
	Gisborne, &c. - Tolaga Bay ..	..	Altered: by inclusion of Pouawa after Tatapouri.
	Gisborne - Waimata Valley ..	..	Altered: by inclusion of Waiohika.
	Tolaga Bay, &c. - Waipiro Bay ..	..	Altered: by inclusion of Apero after Tolaga Bay, and Te Puia Springs after Tokomaru Bay.
	Waitakaro - Waipiro Bay ..	..	Altered: by diversion of service from Waipiro Bay to Tuparoa.
Gisborne, &c. - Wairoa <i>via</i> Morere ..	..	Abolished. (Summer service: see FREQUENCY DECREASED.)	
Greymouth ..	Black's Point - Awatea ..	Twice weekly ..	Established.
	Upper Blackwater - Waiuta ..	" ..	"
	Greymouth-Barrytown ..	" ..	Frequency increased: once to twice weekly.
	Upper Blackwater - Waiuta ..	" ..	Frequency increased: twice weekly to daily.
Hokitika ..	Hokitika-Ruatapu (railway service)	Twice weekly ..	Established.
	Okarito - The Forks ..	Weekly ..	"
	Ryan's - Gillespie's Beach ..	" ..	"
	Waiho Gorge - Weheka - Ryan's - Karangarua ..	" ..	"
	Kumara-Greystone ..	..	Extended to Hohonu.
	Hokitika-Ross ..	..	Frequency increased: daily to twice daily on two days a week (30th April, 1907), and to twice weekly on three days a week (1st June, 1907).
	Hokitika-Ruatapu (railway service)	..	Frequency increased: twice to thrice weekly.
	Karangarua, &c. - Jackson's Bay ..	..	Curtailed: to Karangarua, &c. - Okura.
	Gillespie's Beach, &c. - Jackson's Bay ..	..	Altered: to commence from Karangarua instead of Gillespie's Beach.
	Invercargill ..	Balfour-Hiwiroa ..	Twice weekly ..	Established.
Te Anau - Glade House ..		" ..	" (Renewal, November to April.)
Waianiwa-Taramoa ..		" ..	"
Garston-Nevis ..		Weekly ..	" (Renewal.)
Glade House - Milford Sound ..		Fortnightly ..	" (Renewal, November to April.)
Invercargill or Bluff - Cromarty ..		Monthly ..	" (Renewal.)
Muddy Creek - Wendonside ..		..	Frequency increased: twice weekly to daily.
Centre Bush Railway-siding - Otapiri Gorge ..		..	Frequency increased: once to twice weekly.
Lumsden, &c. - Te Anau ..		..	Frequency increased: once to twice weekly (resumption of summer service).
Manapouri-Hillside Creek ..		..	Frequency increased: once to twice weekly (resumption of summer service).
Mossburn-Matuku ..		..	Ditto.
Lumsden, &c.-Te Anau ..		..	Frequency decreased: twice to once weekly (resumption of winter service).
Manapouri - Hillside Creek ..		..	Ditto.
Mossburn-Matuku ..	..	"
Glade House - Milford Sound ..	..	Abolished: for winter. (See ESTABLISHED.)	
Napier ..	Te Anau - Glade House ..	..	Ditto.
	Dannevirke-Rangitane ..	Daily ..	Established.
	Norsewood-Ngamoko ..	Daily (Sept.-April), four times weekly (May-Aug.)	"

Table No. 11—continued.

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

District.	Name of Service.	Frequency.	Remarks.
Napier— <i>ctd.</i>	Waione-Waimiro-Horoeka ..	Thrice weekly to Waimiro and twice weekly to Horoeka.	Established.
	Waikokopu-Morere	Fortnightly ..	"
	Maraekakaho-Kereru	" ..	Frequency increased: twice to thrice weekly.
	Dannevirke, &c. - Herbertville ..	" ..	Altered: by exclusion of Ngapaeruru and inclusion of Toi Flat after Mangatoro.
	Dannevirke-Ngapaeruru	" ..	" by inclusion of Awariki.
	Ngapaeruru-Mangatoro	" ..	" by exclusion of Mangatoro, and service starting from Dannevirke to Mangahei instead of from Mangahei to Ngapaeruru.
Nelson	Wakapuaka Suburban - Nelson ..	Thrice weekly ..	Established. (One way only).
	Takaka-Uruwhenua	Twice weekly ..	" (Delivering correspondence along route.)
	Anatimo-Motupipi	Weekly ..	"
	Nelson-Wairangi-Croixelles	" ..	"
	Takaka-Motupipi	" ..	Frequency increased: thrice weekly to daily.
New Plymouth	Tadmor Railway-station - Post Office ..	" ..	Abolished.
	Stratford, &c. - Rowan	" ..	Extended: to Kaponga.
	Stratford-Cardiff-Mahoe-Rowan	" ..	Frequency increased: thrice weekly to daily.
	Tariki-Ratapiko	" ..	Frequency increased: twice weekly to daily.
	Stratford, &c. - Whangamomona	" ..	Frequency increased: twice to thrice weekly.
	Whangamomona, &c. - Tahora	" ..	Ditto.
	Whangamomona, &c. - Tatu	" ..	Curtailed: to Whangamomona, &c.-Tahora.
Oamaru	Tariki-Ratapiko	" ..	Abolished.
	Kia Ora- Totara Railway-station	Daily ..	Established.
	Omarama - Lake Pukaki	Weekly ..	" (Resumed 1st Nov., 1907, in terms of contract).
	Alma - Railway-station (Deborah)	" ..	Frequency increased: daily to twice daily.
	Omarama - Lake Pukaki	" ..	Temporarily discontinued (1st May to 31st October): periodical, in terms of contract.
	Oamaru-Whitstone	" ..	Altered: service formerly between Whitstone and railway-station.
Thames	Puriri-Nevesville	Twice weekly ..	Established. (See ABOLISHED.)
	Waiotahi Bridge - Kutarere	" ..	" (Formerly Opotiki-Kutarere service.)
	Akeake-Tauranga	Weekly ..	"
	Taneatua-Whakatane	" ..	"
	Tauranga - Te Puke	" ..	Frequency increased: once to twice weekly.
	Mackaytown Post-office - Railway-station ..	" ..	Frequency decreased: four times to once daily.
	Hikutaia-Otamakitai-Wharekawa	" ..	Altered: by change of terminal office from Hikutaia to Omahu.
	Opotiki-Kutarere	" ..	" by inclusion of Waiotahi.
	Waihi, &c. - Tauranga	" ..	" by inclusion of Athenree after Waihi, and Te Puna after Aongatete.
Timaru	Golden Cross - Waitekauri	" ..	Abolished.
	Puriri-Nevesville-Puketui-Hikuai	" ..	"
	Waihao Downs - Grassy Hills	Twice weekly ..	Established: (rural delivery).
	Ma-warō Post-office - Railway-station	" ..	Frequency increased: once to twice daily.
	Pleasant Point - Hazelburn-Raincliff Station ..	" ..	Frequency increased: thrice weekly to daily.
	Fairlie, &c. - Hermitage	" ..	Frequency increased: twice to thrice weekly.
	Fairlie, &c. - Hermitage	" ..	Frequency increased: thrice weekly summer service resumed in full, in terms of contract. (See FREQUENCY DECREASED.)
	St. Andrew's - Bluecliffs (rural delivery) ..	" ..	Frequency increased: twice to thrice weekly.
	Fairlie-Kimbell - Burke's Pass-Lake Tekapo - Lake Pukaki - Hermitage ..	" ..	Frequency decreased: discontinued to Hermitage and reduced thrice to twice weekly to Lake Tekapo and once weekly to Lake Pukaki; for winter (1st May-31st Oct.), periodical, in terms of contract. (See FREQUENCY INCREASED.)

Table No. 11—continued.

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

District.	Name of Service.	Frequency.	Remarks.
Timaru— <i>ctd.</i>	Esk Valley (Upper Junction)—Kohika Settlement	..	Altered: to start from Upper Junction, instead of Esk Valley Schoolhouse.
	Fairlie, &c., Hermitage .. ..	..	Altered: by inclusion of Balmoral after Lake Tekapo.
Wanganui	Bull's—Junction of Turakina and Pukepapa Roads (rural delivery)	Daily	Established.
	Eltham—Mata—Rotokari	"	"
	Karioi—Ninia Railway-station	"	"
	Ohakune—Te Rangaakaupo—Horopito	"	"
	Turangarere—Waiouru railhead (railway service)	"	"
	Turangarere railhead—Turangarere—Waiouru	"	"
	Waiouru railhead—Waiouru Post-office	"	"
	Mangaweka—Manui	Thrice weekly ..	Re-established.
	Aukopae Post-office—river steamer..	Twice weekly ..	Established.
	Mataroa (rural delivery along Huia and Whaka Roads	"	"
	Waverley—Kohi, Karahak, and Putahi Roads (rural delivery)	"	" (See ABOLISHED.)
	Raetihi—Orautoha (Motete and Middle Roads, part rural delivery)—Pukekata	Weekly	"
	Raetihi—Oreore	"	"
	Waverley—Mataimoana (part rural delivery)	"	"
	Waverley—Okotuku and Motoroa Roads to Dessler's (rural delivery)	"	"
	Mataroa—Rangataua (railway service)	..	Extended to Ohakune Siding.
	Ohakune—Horopito .. ..	..	" Makatote.
	Raetihi—Orautoha—Pukekata (rural delivery)	..	" Hoehenga Road.
	Taihape—Turangarere—Waiouru ..	..	" Rangataua (by Public Works train).
	Utiku Post-office—Railway-station..	..	Frequency increased: four to six times daily.
	Rangataua—Ohakune .. ..	..	Frequency increased: once to twice daily.
	Taihape—Mataroa (railway service) ..	..	Frequency increased: once to twice daily.
	Raetihi—Ohakune—Rangataua (portion of Pipiriki, &c.—Tokaanu service)	..	Frequency increased: twice weekly to daily.
	Aukopae Post-office—River steamer	..	Frequency increased: twice to thrice weekly (10th April, 1907).
	Pipiriki—Taumarunui .. ..	..	Frequency increased: once to thrice weekly (15th Dec., 1907—30th April, 1908).
	Mangaonoho Post-office—Railway-station	..	Frequency decreased: thrice to twice daily.
	Rapanui—Westmere Railway-station	..	Frequency decreased: daily (summer), and four times weekly (winter) to four times weekly throughout the year.
	Waverley—Kohi (part rural delivery)	..	Frequency decreased: thrice to once weekly.
	Aukopae Post-office—river steamer..	..	Frequency decreased: thrice to twice weekly (14th May, 1907).
	Tokaanu, &c.—Pipiriki .. ..	..	Altered: now Tokaanu—Waiouru and Rangataua, &c.—Pipiriki (owing to railway extension) Karioi excluded from and Rangataua included in service.
	Wanganui, &c.—Pipiriki .. ..	..	Altered: by inclusion of Te Tuhi after Wanganui.
	Eltham—Rotokari .. ..	..	Abolished.
	Raetihi—Pukekata (part rural delivery)	..	" (See ESTABLISHED.)
	Turangarere railhead—Turangarere—Waiouru	..	" owing to railway extension (See ESTABLISHED.)
	Waverley—Kohi (part rural delivery)	..	"
Wellington	Wellington: Conveyance by tramway within the Wellington Ward and Suburbs of Brooklyn, Island Bay, and Kilbirnie, of all letter-carriers, &c.	As required ..	Established. (Renewal.)
	Wellington: Conveyance by tramway over the Miramar and Karori sections of tramway system of all letter-carriers, &c.	" ..	"

Table No. 11—continued.

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

District.	Name of Service.	Frequency.	Remarks.
Wellington— <i>ctd.</i>	Wellington Chief Post-office - Molesworth Street Post-office	Hourly clearances between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.	Established.
	Foxton-Moutoa-Shannon	Daily	"
	Himatangi Post-office - Railway-station	"	"
	Levin-Foxton	"	"
	Masterton - Homebush - Te Whiti - Gladstone-Longbush	"	"
	Rewa - Waituna West (daily), and rural delivery to Pakihikura (twice weekly)	" and twice weekly	"
	Komako: rural delivery along left bank of Pohangina River as far as Didsbury's	Thrice weekly ..	"
	Martinborough-Dyerville	"	"
	Raumai-Awahou-Komako-Piripiri	"	"
	White Rock - Homeburn	Weekly	"
	Chatham Islands (Waitangi)-Te Ngaio (no post-office)-Awarakau (no post-office)-Ohinemama (no post-office)-Kaiara (no post-office)-Waikaripi (no post-office)-Tuku (no post-office)	Eleven trips per annum, as required	"
	Alfredton-Waterfalls	"	Extended to Waihoki Valley.
	Carterton - Land's End	"	" Kaiwhata and Kummerstein.
	Featherston-Kahautara	"	" Wangaimoana.
	Masterton - Te Whiti	"	" Te Wharau, Land's End, and Flat Point. (See ABOLISHED.)
	Pongaroa-Korora	"	" Horoeaka and Waione.
	Wellington - Wellington South ..	"	Frequency increased: six times outwards and eight times inwards to ten outwards and eleven inwards daily.
	Wellington-Petone (railway service)	"	Frequency increased: four times outwards and five times inwards to four outwards and six inwards daily.
	Wellington-Hutt (railway service) ..	"	Frequency increased: three times outwards and four times inwards to three outwards and five inwards daily.
	Pahiatua-Mangahao-Ballance	"	Frequency increased: thrice weekly to daily.
	Featherston-Kahautara	"	Frequency increased: twice to thrice weekly.
	Karori-Makara	"	Ditto.
	Parkvale-Ahioruhe	"	"
	Parkvale-Waihakeke	"	"
	Mangamahoe-Ihuraua-Wairere	"	Curtailed: to Mangamahoe-Ihuraua.
	Horoeaka-Waione (portion of Pongaroa, &c.-Waione service)	"	Altered: by transfer from Wellington to Napier district.
	Nireaha-Atea	"	" now included in Eketahuna-Nireaha service.
	Pohangina-Piripiri	"	" now starts from Raumai instead of Pohangina.
	Brooklyn - Chief Post Office, Wellington (conveyance of parcels both ways)	"	Abolished.
	Chatham Islands (Waitangi)-Te Ngaio	"	" (See ESTABLISHED.)
	Flat Point - Homewood	"	" now included in Masterton - Land's End service. (See EXTENDED.)
	Gladstone-Longbush (rural delivery)	"	"
	Haunui - Alfredton - Waterfalls coach	"	" now included in Alfredton-Waterfalls service.
Kimbolton-Awawaro	"	"	
Masterton-Taratahi	"	"	
Wellington: Conveyance of letter-carriers, &c., and officers in charge of mails by tramway within the Wellington Ward, Island Bay, and Brooklyn	"	" (See ESTABLISHED.)	
Wellington-Miramar	"	"	
Woodville-Ballance-Mangahao ..	"	" (Pahiatua-Ballance service now daily). (See FREQUENCY INCREASED.)	
Westport ..	Upper Matakita - Warwick Junction - Maruia	Weekly	Established.
	Burnett's Face: letter-delivery by Postmaster	"	Altered: formerly a subsidised service.

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 Dispatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Auckland.	No. of Days.	Date of Dispatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Wellington.	No. of Days.	Date of Dispatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Dunedin.	No. of Days.	Date of Dispatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Sydney.	No. of Days.	Date of Dispatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Melbourne.	No. of Days.
1907. *January 5	1907. February 12	38	1907. January 5	1907. February 13	39	1907. January 5	1907. February 14	40	1907. January 5	1907. February 19	45	1907. January 5	1907. February 21	47
†January 26	March 2	35	January 26	March 3	36	January 26	March 4	37	January 26	March 7	40	January 26	March 8	41
*February 16	March 28	40	February 16	March 29	41	February 16	March 30	42	February 16	April 2	45	February 16	April 3	46
Maximum	...	40	...	...	41	...	...	42	...	...	45	...	...	47
Minimum	...	35	...	...	36	...	...	37	...	...	40	...	...	41
Average	...	37.67	...	...	38.67	...	...	39.67	...	...	43.33	...	...	44.67
†September 14	October 27	43	September 14	October 29	45	September 14	October 30	46	September 14	November 2	49	...	...	...
†October 12	November 22	41	October 12	November 23	42	October 12	November 26	44	October 12	December 30	49	...	...	...
†November 9	December 24	45	November 9	December 25	46	November 9	December 26	47	November 9	December 31	52	...	...	...
†December 7	1908. January 12	36	December 7	1908. January 14	38	December 7	1908. January 15	39	December 7	1908. January 17	41	...	...	...
Maximum	...	45	...	...	46	...	...	47	...	...	52	...	...	...
Minimum	...	36	...	...	38	...	...	39	...	...	41	...	...	...
Average	...	41.25	...	...	42.75	...	...	44.25	...	...	47.75	...	...	...

* By steamers of the Oceanic Company, † By steamers of the Weir Line.

TO LONDON VIA SAN FRANCISCO.														
MELBOURNE.			SYDNEY.			DUNEDIN.			WELLINGTON.			AUCKLAND.		
Date of Dispatch from Melbourne.	Date of Arrival in London.	No. of Days.	Date of Dispatch from Sydney.	Date of Arrival in London.	No. of Days.	Date of Dispatch from Dunedin.	Date of Arrival in London.	No. of Days.	Date of Dispatch from Wellington.	Date of Arrival in London.	No. of Days.	Date of Dispatch from Auckland.	Date of Arrival in London.	No. of Days.
1907. January 5	1907. February 14	40	1907. January 7	1907. February 14	38	1907. January 9	1907. February 14	36	1907. January 10	1907. February 14	36	1907. January 11	1907. February 14	34
January 29	March 12	42	February 2	March 12	38	February 4	March 12	36	February 5	March 12	35	February 6	March 12	34
March 8	April 30	53	March 10	April 30	51	...	...	...	...	...	...	March 23	April 30	38
March 27	May 1	35	March 28	May 1	34	...	...	...	...	...	...	April 1	May 1	30
April 10	May 20	40	April 10	May 20	40	...	...	...	...	...	...	April 18	May 20	32
Maximum	...	53	...	...	51	...	...	36	...	...	35	...	...	38
Minimum	...	35	...	...	34	...	...	36	...	...	35	...	...	30
Average	...	42	...	...	40.20	...	...	36	...	...	35	...	...	33.60

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 Service.

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

MELBOURNE.			SYDNEY.			BLUFF.			CHRISTCHURCH.			WELLINGTON.			AUCKLAND.		
Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Melbourne.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Sydney.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival at Bluff.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Christchurch.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Wellington.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Auckland.	No. of Days.
1907. Jan. 11	1907. Feb. 11	31	1907. Jan. 11	1907. Feb. 12	32	1907. Jan. 11	1907. Feb. 18	38	1907. Jan. 11	1907. Feb. 19	39	1907. Jan. 11	1907. Feb. 19	39	1907. Jan. 11	1907. Feb. 17	37
Jan. 25	Feb. 24	30	Jan. 25	Feb. 25	31	Jan. 25	March 4	38.	Jan. 25	March 5	39	Jan. 25	March 5	39	Jan. 25	March 3	37
Feb. 8	March 10	30	Feb. 8	March 11	31	Feb. 8	March 18	38	Feb. 8	March 19	39	Feb. 8	March 18	38	Feb. 22	March 8	38
Feb. 22	March 24	30	Feb. 22	March 25	31	Feb. 22	April 1	38	Feb. 22	April 1	38	Feb. 22	April 1	38	Feb. 22	March 31	37
March 8	April 8	31	March 8	April 9	32	March 8	April 16	39	March 8	April 17	40	March 8	April 16	39	March 22	April 14	37
March 22	April 21	30	March 22	April 22	31	March 22	April 29	38	March 22	April 30	39	March 22	April 30	39	March 22	April 29	38
April 5	May 5	30	April 5	May 6	31	April 5	May 13	38	April 5	May 11	36	April 5	May 10	35	April 19	May 12	37
April 19	May 20	31	April 19	May 21	32	April 19	May 27	38	April 19	May 28	39	April 19	May 28	39	April 19	May 26	37
May 3	June 3	30	May 3	June 3	31	May 3	June 10	38	May 3	June 11	39	May 3	June 11	39	May 17	June 17	37
May 17	June 16	30	May 17	June 17	31	May 17	June 24	38	May 17	June 25	39	May 17	June 24	38	May 17	June 24	38
May 31	July 30	30	May 31	July 1	31	May 31	July 8	38	May 31	July 8	38	May 31	July 7	37	May 31	July 7	37
June 14	July 14	30	June 14	July 15	31	June 14	July 22	38	June 14	July 23	39	June 14	July 22	38	June 14	July 22	38
June 28	July 28	30	June 28	July 29	31	June 28	August 5	38	June 28	August 6	39	June 28	August 6	39	June 28	August 5	38
July 12	August 11	30	July 12	August 12	31	July 12	August 20	39	July 12	August 21	40	July 12	August 21	40	July 12	August 20	39
July 26	August 25	30	July 26	August 26	31	July 26	Sept. 2	38	July 26	Sept. 3	39	July 26	Sept. 2	37	July 26	Sept. 1	37
August 9	Sept. 9	31	August 9	Sept. 10	32	August 9	Sept. 16	38	August 9	Sept. 17	39	August 9	Sept. 16	38	August 9	Sept. 15	37
August 23	Sept. 23	31	August 23	Sept. 24	32	August 23	Sept. 30	38	August 23	Oct. 1	39	August 23	Sept. 30	40	August 23	Sept. 19	41
Sept. 6	Oct. 6	30	Sept. 6	Oct. 7	31	Sept. 6	October 16	40	Sept. 6	October 16	40	Sept. 6	October 15	39	Sept. 6	October 14	38
Sept. 20	Oct. 20	30	Sept. 20	Oct. 21	31	Sept. 20	October 28	38	Sept. 20	October 29	39	Sept. 20	October 29	39	Sept. 20	October 27	37
Oct. 4	Nov. 3	30	Oct. 4	Nov. 4	31	Oct. 4	Nov. 11	38	Oct. 4	Nov. 12	39	Oct. 4	Nov. 12	39	Oct. 4	Nov. 11	38
Oct. 18	Nov. 17	30	Oct. 18	Nov. 18	31	Oct. 18	Nov. 25	38	Oct. 18	Nov. 25	38	Oct. 18	Nov. 25	38	Oct. 18	Nov. 24	37
Nov. 1	Dec. 1	30	Nov. 1	Dec. 2	31	Nov. 1	Dec. 9	38	Nov. 1	Dec. 10	39	Nov. 1	Dec. 10	39	Nov. 1	Dec. 9	38
Nov. 15	Dec. 15	30	Nov. 15	Dec. 16	31	Nov. 15	Dec. 23	38	Nov. 15	Dec. 23	38	Nov. 15	Dec. 23	38	Nov. 15	Dec. 22	37
Nov. 29	Dec. 30	31	Nov. 29	Dec. 31	32	Nov. 29	1908. Jan. 6	38	Nov. 29	1908. Jan. 7	39	Nov. 29	1908. Jan. 7	39	Nov. 29	1908. Jan. 5	37
Dec. 13	1908. Jan. 12	30	Dec. 13	1908. Jan. 13	31	Dec. 13	Jan. 20	38	Dec. 13	Jan. 20	38	Dec. 13	Jan. 21	39	Dec. 13	Jan. 20	38
Dec. 27	Jan. 27	31	Dec. 27	Jan. 28	32	Dec. 27	Feb. 3	38	Dec. 27	Feb. 3	38	Dec. 27	Feb. 4	39	Dec. 27	Feb. 3	38
Maximum	...	31	...	...	32	...	...	40	...	...	40	...	...	42	...	...	41
Minimum	...	30	...	...	30	...	...	38	...	...	36	...	...	35	...	...	37
Average	...	30'27	...	...	31'23	...	...	38'15	...	...	38'77	...	...	38'77	...	...	37'69

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 Service—continued.

TO LONDON VIA BRINDISI (P. AND O. 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.
1907. January 16	1907. February 22	37	1907. January 14	1907. February 22	35	1907. January 14	1907. February 22	39	1907. January 22	1907. February 22	31	1907. January 23	1907. February 22	30
January 28	March 8	39	January 29	March 8	41	January 29	March 8	38	February 5	March 8	31	February 6	March 8	30
February 12	March 22	38	February 11	March 22	..	February 11	March 22	39	February 19	March 22	31	February 20	March 22	30
February 25	April 5	39	February 25	April 5	..	February 25	April 5	39	March 5	April 5	31	March 6	April 5	30
March 11	April 20	40	March 11	April 20	..	March 11	April 20	40	March 19	April 20	32	March 20	April 20	31
March 28	May 3	36	March 25	May 3	..	March 25	May 3	39	April 2	May 3	31	April 3	May 3	30
April 9	May 17	38	April ..	May 17	41	April 23	May 17	39	April 16	May 17	31	April 17	May 17	30
April 22	June 1	40	April 20	June 1	42	April 23	June 1	39	April 30	June 1	32	May 1	June 1	31
May 6	June 15	40	May 4	June 15	42	May 7	June 15	39	May 14	June 15	32	May 15	June 15	31
May 21	June 30	40	.. ..	.. ..	..	May 20	June 30	41	May 28	June 30	33	May 29	June 30	32
June 3	July 14	41	.. ..	.. ..	..	June 3	July 14	41	June 11	July 14	33	June 12	July 14	32
June 17	July 27	40	.. ..	.. ..	..	June 18	July 27	39	June 25	July 27	32	June 26	July 27	31
July 1	August 11	41	.. ..	.. ..	..	July 1	August 11	41	July 9	August 11	33	July 10	August 11	32
July 15	August 24	40	.. ..	.. ..	..	July 16	August 24	39	July 23	August 24	32	July 24	August 24	31
July 30	Sept. 7	39	.. ..	.. ..	..	July 29	Sept. 7	40	August 6	Sept. 7	32	August 7	Sept. 7	31
August 13	Sept. 21	39	.. ..	.. ..	..	August 13	Sept. 21	39	August 20	Sept. 21	32	August 21	Sept. 21	31
August 27	Oct. 4	38	.. ..	.. ..	..	August 26	Oct. 4	39	Sept. 3	Oct. 4	31	Sept. 4	Oct. 4	30
Sept. 11	October 19	38	.. ..	.. ..	..	Sept. 13	October 19	40	Sept. 17	October 19	32	Sept. 18	October 19	31
Sept. 25	November 1	37	.. ..	.. ..	..	Sept. 23	November 1	39	Sept. 23	November 1	32	Sept. 24	November 1	31
October 9	November 16	38	.. ..	.. ..	..	October 7	November 16	40	October 15	November 16	32	October 16	November 16	31
October 23	November 29	37	.. ..	.. ..	..	October 22	November 29	38	October 29	November 29	31	October 30	November 29	30
November 6	December 13	37	.. ..	.. ..	..	November 4	December 13	39	November 12	December 13	31	November 13	December 13	30
November 20	December 27	37	.. ..	.. ..	..	November 19	December 27	38	November 26	December 27	31	November 27	December 27	30
December 4	1908. January 10	37	.. ..	.. ..	..	December 2	1908. January 10	39	December 10	1908. January 10	31	December 10	1908. January 10	31
December 18	January 24	37	.. ..	.. ..	..	December 16	January 24	39	December 24	1908. January 24	31	December 25	1908. January 24	30
December 31	February 7	38	.. ..	.. ..	..	December 30	February 7	39	January 7	February 7	31	January 8	February 7	30
Maximum ..	.. ..	41	.. ..	.. ..	42	.. ..	.. ..	41	.. ..	.. ..	33	.. ..	.. ..	32
Minimum ..	.. ..	36	.. ..	.. ..	35	.. ..	.. ..	38	.. ..	.. ..	31	.. ..	.. ..	30
Average ..	.. ..	38.50	.. ..	.. ..	37.55	.. ..	.. ..	39.27	.. ..	.. ..	31.58	.. ..	.. ..	30.62

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 VIA NAPLES (ORIENT PACKETS).

MELBOURNE.			SYDNEY.			BLUFF.			CHRISTCHURCH.			WELLINGTON.			AUCKLAND.		
Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Melbourne.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Sydney.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival at Bluff.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Christchurch.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Wellington.	No. of Days.	Date of Despatch from London.	Date of Arrival in Auckland.	No. of Days.
1907. Jan. 4	1907. Feb. 4	31	1907. Jan. 4	1907. Feb. 5	32	1907. Jan. 4	1907. Feb. 12	39	1907. Jan. 4	1907. Feb. 13	40	1907. Jan. 4	1907. Feb. 11	38	1907. Jan. 4	1907. Feb. 10	37
1907. Jan. 18	1907. Feb. 21	33	1907. Jan. 18	1907. Feb. 25	38	1907. Jan. 18	1907. Feb. 25	38	1907. Jan. 18	1907. Feb. 25	38	1907. Jan. 18	1907. Feb. 27	40	1907. Jan. 18	1907. March 1	42
1907. Feb. 1	1907. March 6	32	1907. Feb. 1	1907. March 6	33	1907. Feb. 1	1907. March 12	39	1907. Feb. 1	1907. March 13	40	1907. Feb. 1	1907. March 12	39	1907. Feb. 1	1907. March 11	38
1907. Feb. 15	1907. March 20	32	1907. Feb. 15	1907. March 20	33	1907. Feb. 15	1907. March 25	38	1907. Feb. 15	1907. March 26	39	1907. Feb. 15	1907. March 26	39	1907. Feb. 15	1907. March 24	37
1907. March 1	1907. April 2	32	1907. March 1	1907. April 3	33	1907. March 1	1907. April 9	38	1907. March 1	1907. April 10	40	1907. March 1	1907. April 10	40	1907. March 1	1907. April 12	42
1907. March 15	1907. April 17	32	1907. March 15	1907. April 17	33	1907. March 15	1907. April 22	38	1907. March 15	1907. April 23	39	1907. March 15	1907. April 23	39	1907. March 15	1907. April 21	37
1907. March 29	1907. May 1	32	1907. March 29	1907. May 1	33	1907. March 29	1907. May 6	38	1907. March 29	1907. May 7	39	1907. March 29	1907. May 7	39	1907. March 29	1907. May 5	37
1907. April 12	1907. May 16	32	1907. April 12	1907. May 16	34	1907. April 12	1907. May 22	39	1907. April 12	1907. May 22	40	1907. April 12	1907. May 22	40	1907. April 12	1907. May 23	41
1907. April 26	1907. May 29	32	1907. April 26	1907. May 29	33	1907. April 26	1907. June 3	38	1907. April 26	1907. June 4	39	1907. April 26	1907. June 3	38	1907. April 26	1907. June 3	38
1907. May 10	1907. June 11	32	1907. May 10	1907. June 11	33	1907. May 10	1907. June 17	38	1907. May 10	1907. June 18	39	1907. May 10	1907. June 18	39	1907. May 10	1907. June 16	37
1907. May 24	1907. June 26	32	1907. May 24	1907. June 26	33	1907. May 24	1907. July 1	38	1907. May 24	1907. July 2	39	1907. May 24	1907. July 2	39	1907. May 24	1907. June 30	37
1907. June 7	1907. July 10	32	1907. June 7	1907. July 10	33	1907. June 7	1907. July 15	38	1907. June 7	1907. July 16	39	1907. June 7	1907. July 17	40	1907. June 7	1907. July 14	37
1907. June 21	1907. July 24	32	1907. June 21	1907. July 24	33	1907. June 21	1907. July 29	38	1907. June 21	1907. July 30	39	1907. June 21	1907. July 30	39	1907. June 21	1907. July 28	37
1907. July 5	1907. August 7	32	1907. July 5	1907. August 7	33	1907. July 5	1907. August 12	38	1907. July 5	1907. August 13	39	1907. July 5	1907. August 13	39	1907. July 5	1907. August 12	38
1907. July 19	1907. August 21	32	1907. July 19	1907. August 21	33	1907. July 19	1907. August 26	38	1907. July 19	1907. August 27	39	1907. July 19	1907. August 27	39	1907. July 19	1907. August 25	37
1907. August 2	1907. Sept. 4	32	1907. August 2	1907. Sept. 4	33	1907. August 2	1907. Sept. 9	38	1907. August 2	1907. Sept. 10	39	1907. August 2	1907. Sept. 11	40	1907. August 2	1907. Sept. 8	37
1907. August 16	1907. Sept. 18	32	1907. August 16	1907. Sept. 18	33	1907. August 16	1907. Sept. 23	38	1907. August 16	1907. Sept. 24	39	1907. August 16	1907. Sept. 23	38	1907. August 16	1907. Sept. 22	37
1907. August 30	1907. October 1	32	1907. August 30	1907. October 2	33	1907. August 30	1907. October 7	38	1907. August 30	1907. October 8	39	1907. August 30	1907. October 8	39	1907. August 30	1907. October 7	38
1907. Sept. 13	1907. October 15	32	1907. Sept. 13	1907. October 16	33	1907. Sept. 13	1907. October 21	38	1907. Sept. 13	1907. October 22	39	1907. Sept. 13	1907. October 21	38	1907. Sept. 13	1907. October 20	37
1907. Sept. 27	1907. October 29	32	1907. Sept. 27	1907. October 30	33	1907. Sept. 27	1907. Nov. 4	38	1907. Sept. 27	1907. Nov. 5	39	1907. Sept. 27	1907. Nov. 6	40	1907. Sept. 27	1907. Nov. 5	39
1907. October 11	1907. Nov. 13	32	1907. October 11	1907. Nov. 14	33	1907. October 11	1907. Nov. 18	38	1907. October 11	1907. Nov. 19	39	1907. October 11	1907. Dec. 4	40	1907. October 11	1907. Nov. 19	39
1907. October 25	1907. Nov. 26	32	1907. October 25	1907. Nov. 28	33	1907. October 25	1907. Dec. 2	38	1907. October 25	1907. Dec. 3	39	1907. October 25	1907. Dec. 4	40	1907. October 25	1907. Dec. 5	41
1907. Nov. 8	1907. Dec. 10	32	1907. Nov. 8	1907. Dec. 11	33	1907. Nov. 8	1907. Dec. 16	38	1907. Nov. 8	1907. Dec. 16	38	1907. Nov. 8	1907. Dec. 17	39	1907. Nov. 8	1907. Dec. 15	37
1907. Nov. 22	1907. Dec. 24	32	1907. Nov. 22	1907. Dec. 25	33	1907. Nov. 22	1907. Dec. 30	38	1907. Nov. 22	1907. Dec. 31	39	1907. Nov. 22	1907. Jan. 1	40	1907. Nov. 22	1907. Jan. 3	42
1907. Dec. 6	1907. Jan. 7	32	1907. Dec. 6	1907. Jan. 8	33	1907. Dec. 6	1907. Jan. 13	38	1907. Dec. 6	1907. Jan. 14	39	1907. Dec. 6	1907. Jan. 14	39	1907. Dec. 6	1907. Jan. 12	37
1907. Dec. 20	1907. Jan. 22	32	1907. Dec. 20	1907. Jan. 23	33	1907. Dec. 20	1907. Jan. 27	38	1907. Dec. 20	1907. Jan. 27	38	1907. Dec. 20	1907. Jan. 29	40	1907. Dec. 20	1907. Jan. 30	41
Maximum	...	33	...	...	34	...	...	39	...	...	40	...	...	40	...	...	42
Minimum	...	31	...	...	32	...	...	38	...	...	38	...	...	38	...	...	37
Average	...	32.08	...	...	33.15	...	...	38.15	...	...	39.04	...	...	39.23	...	...	38.35

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, 1907.

Postal Districts.	Posted in the Dominion.						Received from Places outside the Dominion.						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	13,625,452	237,783	824,577	4,005,083	3,449,350	154,371	1,045,068	85,345	485,816	1,428,376	24,980	14,670,520	237,783	909,922	4,490,899	4,877,726	179,351	
Blenheim	963,274	22,360	33,670	194,349	258,076	5,618	73,877	3,485	23,575	106,869	1,499	1,037,151	22,360	37,155	217,924	364,945	7,117	
Christchurch	12,195,199	326,560	1,276,197	2,729,961	3,201,041	90,910	935,364	131,859	331,144	1,325,551	17,146	13,130,503	326,560	1,468,056	3,061,105	4,526,592	108,056	
Dunedin	9,620,142	215,904	892,944	4,238,769	2,417,708	87,354	737,862	92,420	514,163	1,001,173	10,630	10,358,004	215,904	985,364	4,752,932	3,418,881	97,984	
Gisborne	1,054,342	17,381	75,777	247,337	420,667	8,236	80,865	7,843	30,002	174,198	484	1,135,207	17,381	83,620	277,339	594,865	8,720	
Greymouth	924,785	11,817	55,744	118,705	334,026	5,975	70,924	5,769	14,399	138,320	5,519	995,709	11,817	61,513	133,104	472,346	11,494	
Hokitika	356,021	7,462	28,223	52,345	108,394	4,508	27,305	2,921	6,349	44,886	2,432	383,326	7,462	31,144	58,694	153,280	6,940	
Invercargill	4,476,592	70,356	388,999	994,180	906,500	17,443	343,348	40,261	120,594	375,381	1,760	4,819,940	70,356	429,260	1,114,774	1,281,881	19,203	
Napier	1,144,692	85,462	249,925	943,501	825,424	26,027	122,942	13,327	35,857	102,551	7,799	1,462,583	85,462	275,792	1,057,948	1,167,232	33,826	
Nelson	1,602,080	49,725	128,765	295,604	247,650	14,032	151,605	16,976	55,247	205,777	4,414	1,725,922	49,725	142,092	331,461	350,201	18,446	
New Plymouth	1,976,624	57,486	164,021	455,454	496,925	11,376	86,257	109,029	30,424	108,000	3,151	2,128,229	57,486	180,997	510,701	702,702	14,527	
Oamaru	1,124,661	33,670	48,867	196,005	143,988	3,587	86,257	5,958	23,775	59,625	1,456	1,210,918	33,670	53,925	219,780	203,613	5,043	
Thames	1,420,587	39,975	119,821	300,280	260,806	8,436	109,029	12,401	30,424	123,971	2,277	2,371,140	39,975	132,222	336,704	368,806	10,125	
Timaru	2,202,231	63,908	150,436	426,150	299,375	6,659	168,909	15,570	51,692	123,971	5,386	5,450,102	63,908	166,066	477,842	423,346	8,936	
Wanganui	5,061,862	145,223	410,683	1,399,801	1,022,281	34,076	388,240	42,506	169,893	423,327	5,386	5,450,102	145,223	453,189	1,569,694	1,445,608	39,462	
Wellington	16,363,465	421,577	1,197,521	4,529,933	3,474,729	196,680	1,251,596	123,943	549,481	1,438,860	29,115	17,615,661	421,577	1,321,464	5,079,414	4,913,589	225,795	
Westport	535,275	7,592	45,758	81,468	107,107	5,647	41,050	4,717	9,882	44,353	1,265	579,325	7,592	50,295	91,350	151,400	6,912	
Totals	77,648,184	1,814,241	6,091,748	21,208,925	17,974,047	680,935	5,952,132	630,268	2,572,740	7,443,026	121,002	83,600,316	1,814,241	6,722,016	23,781,665	25,417,073	801,937	
Previous year	71,875,390	1,682,369	5,109,754	21,112,390	17,951,359	352,209	5,526,807	683,954	2,781,819	6,665,072	95,962	77,402,197	1,682,369	5,792,808	23,894,209	23,716,431	448,171	

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 Dominion, during the Year ended 31st December, 1907.

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.		Newspapers.	Letters.	Packets.	Registered Articles.	News-papers.	Number.	Weight.	Postage.			
	Ordinary.	Registered.	Single.	Reply paid.	Ordinary.	Registered.	Ordinary.	Registered.											
									£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		
Inland ..	69,873,090	496,388	1,814,241	5,191,907	1,105	20,158,010	24,381	14,820,215	2,670,409	99,287	76,080	927,504	655,526	2,280,175	23,504	0	7	} 27,395 0 0	
Australian ..	1,989,290	47,029	..	313,072	..	441,957	6,579	1,199,026	16,666	325	1,242	48	11,198	21,992	742	19	9		
International ..	2,968,273	56,738	..	585,664	..	509,179	7,351	1,025,160	35,918	167	724	2,094	14,211	37,805	1,107	4	11		
Totals ..	74,280,653	600,155	1,814,241	6,090,643	1,105	21,109,146	38,311	17,044,401	2,722,993	99,779	78,046	929,646	680,985	2,289,472	25,354	5	3		..
<i>Posted.</i>																			
Australian ..	2,202,923	29,831	..	350,169	..	619,358	5,858	2,260,175	64,931	102	500	869	22,659	65,786	2,035	15	7	} 310,219 0 0	
International ..	3,581,216	59,516	..	290,098	..	1,937,893	9,592	5,181,982	13,310	2	445	..	98,343	508,650	10,407	9	8		
Totals ..	5,784,139	89,347	..	630,267	..	2,557,191	15,445	7,442,157	77,701	104	945	869	121,002	574,436	12,443	5	3		..
<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	£ 483 3 2	£ 6,045 2 4	£ 3,934 3 4	£ 2,443 2 11	£ 6,377 6 3	£ 3 9 10	
" 1867	757	1,498	21	55,621	15,331	70,952	£ 3,770 4 8	£ 12,810 14 9	£ 8,017 14 7	£ 2,541 4 11	£ 10,558 19 6	£ 3 7 1	Mileage tariff.
" 1868	1,110	2,223	31	72,241	26,244	98,485	£ 6,672 0 3	£ 18,324 3 10	£ 9,489 17 10	£ 5,406 7 3	£ 14,896 5 1	£ 4 17 4	
" 1869	1,329	2,495	45	106,070	50,097	156,167	£ 13,430 11 9	£ 31,951 2 1	£ 14,266 12 7	£ 8,547 4 9	£ 22,813 17 4	£ 6 8 6	
" 1870	1,661	2,897	56	122,545	62,878	185,423	£ 12,252 6 0	£ 29,470 7 4	£ 16,417 7 4	£ 14,120 4 10	£ 30,537 12 2	£ 8 9 11	Mileage tariff in operation up to 1st Sept., 1869; uniform as 6d. tariff from 1st Sept., 1869, to 31st March, 1870; and 1s. tariff from 1st April, 1870.
" 1871	1,976	3,247	72	253,582	59,292	312,874	£ 9,876 17 6	£ 32,296 6 2	£ 21,254 4 3	£ 11,344 3 8	£ 32,598 7 11	£ 5 19 6	
" 1872	2,185	3,823	81	344,524	67,243	411,767	£ 11,043 3 9	£ 39,164 13 9	£ 23,593 9 9	£ 8,858 19 7	£ 32,452 9 4	£ 4 2 3	
" 1873	2,356	4,574	93	485,507	83,453	568,960	£ 11,105 2 0	£ 50,786 0 9	£ 27,040 18 10	£ 9,479 5 4	£ 36,520 4 2	£ 4 1 11	
" 1874	2,530	5,782	105	645,067	107,832	752,899	£ 12,618 11 6	£ 59,127 10 4	£ 38,801 19 4	£ 15,021 17 11	£ 53,823 17 3	£ 6 3 11	
" 1875	2,986	6,626	127	786,237	130,891	917,128	£ 13,679 10 9	£ 68,981 3 0	£ 45,814 11 4	£ 14,240 19 7	£ 60,055 10 11	£ 4 16 4	
" 1876	3,154	7,247	142	890,382	160,704	1,051,086	£ 16,154 6 0	£ 78,869 16 4	£ 61,696 14 5	£ 21,074 8 8	£ 82,771 3 1	£ 5 18 10	
" 1877	3,259	7,423	155	952,283	172,159	1,124,442	£ 17,024 8 9	£ 82,669 4 0	£ 63,353 10 10	£ 17,931 8 0	£ 81,284 18 10	£ 5 12 11	
" 1878	3,434	8,035	182	1,065,481	194,843	1,260,324	£ 19,148 12 4	£ 92,432 14 2	£ 69,340 1 8	£ 18,259 4 9	£ 87,599 6 5	£ 5 10 0	
" 1879	3,512	8,117	195	1,201,982	246,961	1,448,943	£ 26,949 2 2	£ 112,351 2 4	£ 79,502 0 5	£ 17,299 7 10	£ 96,801 8 3	£ 5 0 9	
31st March, 1880	3,638	9,333	214	824,734	183,675	1,008,409	£ 19,707 6 3	£ 77,827 9 6	£ 68,651 10 10	£ 14,758 4 5	£ 83,409 15 3	£ 4 3 4	
" 1881	3,758	9,587	227	1,058,342	246,370	1,304,712	£ 27,021 3 8	£ 100,023 5 8	£ 78,224 1 8	£ 23,154 8 3	£ 101,378 9 11	£ 6 6 7	
" 1882	3,824	9,653	234	1,215,849	222,923	1,438,772	£ 22,737 16 4	£ 101,566 16 0	£ 69,165 5 0	£ 18,292 13 4	£ 87,457 18 4	£ 4 17 4	From 1st November, 1873, address and signature given in free.

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 Telegraphs 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.
31st Dec., 1882	3,974	9,848	1,361,817	208,372	1,570,189	90,933	11	20,608	11	111,242	3	73,554	9	122,451	6	96,005	15	4	From 1st November, 1873, address and signature given in free.
" 1883	4,074	10,037	1,379,483	219,917	1,599,400	93,822	3	21,555	19	115,378	2	73,034	4	119,210	6	92,264	11	0	
" 1884	4,264	10,474	1,433,458	220,847	1,654,305	95,634	5	20,855	19	116,490	5	70,036	6	120,015	10	90,078	0	4	
" 1885	4,463	10,934	1,533,406	240,867	1,774,273	101,952	8	24,860	0	126,512	17	77,082	4	120,900	6	97,982	10	6	
" 1886	4,546	11,178	1,583,717	252,549	1,836,266	106,638	12	27,281	4	133,919	16	77,473	10	121,402	18	98,875	8	9	
" 1887	4,646	11,375	1,589,771	245,623	1,835,394	106,548	4	30,205	11	136,753	15	76,580	10	121,321	9	97,901	12	9	
" 1888	4,790	11,617	1,548,233	217,630	1,765,863	106,311	11	23,164	13	129,476	5	72,201	13	123,262	1	95,463	14	5	
" 1889	4,874	11,827	1,589,457	213,830	1,802,987	106,462	7	24,218	9	130,681	7	75,426	9	126,007	1	101,433	11	0	
" 1890	5,148	12,812	1,734,381	226,780	1,961,161	110,696	17	26,070	12	136,767	10	75,845	1	127,546	2	104,391	10	5	
" 1891	5,349	13,235	1,746,115	222,149	1,968,264	117,633	15	24,840	5	142,474	1	85,658	4	1128,986	10	114,644	15	9	
" 1892	5,479	13,459	1,686,064	218,079	1,904,143	103,813	8	24,342	7	128,155	15	87,472	13	329,580	10	117,053	4	2	
" 1893	5,513	13,515	1,825,646	244,045	2,069,691	112,465	15	28,317	10	140,783	3	92,109	17	329,141	6	121,251	0	5	

For the Financial Years ended 31st March, 1895, to 31st March, 1908.

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.	£					s.	d.						
31st March, 1895	5,961½	14,881½	705	1,802,182	231,618	2,033,800	88,459	10	21,552	12	136,062	11	2	135,791	0	7	8	Cable subsidy, 6,492	
" 1896	6,245½	15,764½	743	1,899,632	224,579	2,124,211	97,178	10	25,933	12	148,955	18	8½	143,665	14	0	7	5	
" 1897	6,284	16,470½	780	2,285,001	235,168	2,520,169	100,385	16	29,248	19	251,843	11	6	152,752	18	0	8	8	
" 1898	6,484	18,024	824	2,469,415	226,818	2,696,233	99,798	8	36,422	6	160,725	5	2½	165,198	13	5	9	9	
" 1899	6,736	18,746	878	2,717,548	243,190	2,960,738	105,576	6	39,718	7	170,794	19	5	173,152	16	6	11	11	
" 1900	6,910	19,228	915	3,159,093	310,538	3,469,631	119,641	11	63,303	2	192,376	13	4½	181,034	11	3	1	1	
" 1901	7,249½	20,682½	991	3,534,444	363,684	3,898,128	137,861	1	49,117	0	222,305	8	0½	194,014	12	11	0	6	
" 1902	7,469	21,705	1,038	3,850,391	317,590	4,167,981	151,933	19	55,542	9	234,984	2	2	212,180	16	0	0	8	
" 1903	7,748	22,672½	1,103	4,271,218	288,086	4,559,304	160,343	7	62,151	8	248,934	19	4	245,805	10	7	0	0	
" 1904	7,779½	22,920½	1,153	4,671,904	293,203	4,965,197	166,535	18	71,028	6	261,941	6	6½	248,977	10	9	0	0	
" 1905	7,943½	23,704	1,200	4,900,495	259,250	5,159,745	171,001	13	79,061	7	270,660	13	1½	258,977	10	9	0	0	
" 1906	8,355	25,110	1,312	5,351,684	289,135	5,640,219	184,369	6	2	5	241,108	10	4	298,079	17	11	5	5	
" 1907	8,953	27,031	1,446	6,160,080	236,252	6,396,332	206,706	15	88,100	8	325,007	15	7½	291,359	12	6	0	0	
" 1908	9,656	29,343	1,611	6,958,279	84,644	7,042,923	227,398	6	116,852	13	348,749	17	1½	357,581	1	3	0	0	

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 ½d.

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 1907.

Postal Districts.	Letters.	Letter-cards.	Post-cards.	Books, &c.	Newspapers.	Parcels.
Auckland	5,660,828	132,078	559,888	1,083,498	1,011,023	40,854
Blenheim	244,181	5,697	27,291	46,390	54,339	3,709
Christchurch	5,086,282	118,673	448,334	1,600,484	1,009,584	38,242
Dunedin	4,417,290	103,064	1,023,558	2,307,082	1,188,446	21,119
Gisborne	451,238	10,528	28,140	32,075	69,612	3,737
Greymouth	483,689	11,285	69,244	60,457	110,843	8,907
Hokitika	121,850	2,843	22,102	13,091	37,305	2,367
Invercargill	1,879,024	43,841	203,547	1,028,374	224,635	9,756
Napier	1,336,926	31,193	102,911	403,376	257,065	6,929
Nelson	499,176	11,647	62,021	169,901	187,469	8,321
New Plymouth	731,822	17,075	86,770	152,636	243,340	6,052
Oamaru	512,844	11,966	88,564	122,647	71,431	2,156
Thames	719,508	16,788	86,202	215,830	166,332	6,565
Timaru	869,310	20,283	118,383	174,292	126,642	4,844
Wanganui	1,239,062	28,909	111,886	710,914	429,895	10,288
Wellington	6,252,197	145,876	1,159,157	3,438,856	1,511,007	37,851
Westport	212,743	4,964	24,072	49,448	42,216	5,144
Totals	30,717,970	716,710	4,282,070	11,609,351	6,741,184	216,841
Previous year	27,624,757	647,432	3,299,458	10,180,699	6,017,275	122,353

Table No. 19.

TABLE showing the Cash Revenue derived from Paid Telegrams of all Codes, the Value of Franked Government Telegrams, and the Number of Telegrams transmitted in the several Postal Districts of New Zealand for the Twelve Months ended 31st March, 1908.

Postal Districts.	Revenue derived from Paid Telegrams of all Codes.		Value of Franked Government Telegrams.		Total Value of Telegrams of all Codes.		Number of Paid Telegrams.	Number of Franked Government Telegrams.	Total Number of Telegrams of all Codes.
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.			
Auckland	39,783	0 8	675	8 4	40,458	9 0	1,251,955	13,967	1,265,922
Blenheim	4,386	18 1	223	6 8	4,610	4 9	129,523	4,441	133,964
Christchurch	23,823	13 3½	499	1 1	24,322	14 4½	701,939	8,678	710,617
Dunedin	19,939	6 2	294	16 5½	20,234	2 7½	619,925	4,679	624,604
Gisborne	6,899	17 1	71	16 5	6,971	13 6	186,763	1,375	188,138
Greymouth	4,785	0 10	189	14 6	4,974	15 4	136,784	3,789	140,573
Hokitika	1,956	15 11	13	3 7½	1,969	19 6½	58,995	192	59,187
Invercargill	11,346	0 3	160	15 2½	11,506	15 5½	356,126	3,344	359,470
Napier	15,051	15 1	135	8 10	15,187	3 11	497,669	2,659	500,328
Nelson	5,172	8 0	466	0 4½	5,638	8 4½	269,299	9,173	278,472
New Plymouth	6,653	0 10½	242	12 5	6,895	13 3½	205,355	4,956	210,311
Oamaru	3,120	8 10	37	4 3	3,157	13 1	85,808	721	86,529
Thames	6,775	8 6	33	2 7½	6,808	11 1½	196,592	593	197,185
Timaru	5,950	16 0	74	15 3½	6,025	11 3½	184,086	1,467	185,553
Wanganui	15,014	2 2	109	11 8½	15,123	13 10½	478,654	2,110	480,764
Wellington	48,798	18 5½	952	0 8	49,750	19 1½	1,500,666	16,706	1,517,372
Westport	3,468	8 2½	319	18 2	3,788	6 4½	98,140	5,794	103,934
Totals, 1907-8	222,925	18 5	4,498	16 7½	227,424	15 0½	6,958,279	84,644	7,042,923
Totals, 1906-7	202,301	0 5½	17,486	19 8	219,788	0 1½	6,160,080	236,252	6,396,332

Table No. 20.

TABLE showing the Paid Telegrams of all Codes forwarded during the Twelve Months ended 31st March, 1908, and the Revenue received therefrom.

Class of Telegrams.	June Quarter, 1907.		September Quarter, 1907.		December Quarter, 1907.		March Quarter, 1908.		Totals.	
	Number.	Revenue.	Number.	Revenue.	Number.	Revenue.	Number.	Revenue.	Number.	Revenue.
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Ordinary ..	1,179,631	51,957 3 5	1,136,933	50,377 19 0	1,337,831	56,444 7 3	1,385,649	59,243 15 3	5,040,044	218,023 4 11
Urgent ..	63,967	3,780 5 3	60,225	3,626 13 5	68,650	4,126 2 5	62,683	4,088 12 1	255,525	15,621 13 2
Press ..	105,214	5,318 17 6	113,227	5,580 3 10	114,639	6,122 7 5½	119,456	6,253 15 10	452,536	23,275 4 7½
Bureau ..	272,392	5,983 12 3	284,342	6,271 19 0	314,463	7,009 9 0	338,977	7,593 13 3	1,210,174	26,858 13 6
Gross totals	1,621,204	67,039 18 5	1,594,727	65,856 15 3	1,835,583	73,702 6 1½	1,906,765	77,179 16 5	6,958,279	283,778 16 2½
Less other lines and credits	..	15,102 13 11½	..	14,935 6 6	..	14,907 10 1	..	15,907 7 3	..	60,852 17 9½
Net totals, 1907-8	1,621,204	51,937 4 5½	1,594,727	50,921 8 9	1,835,583	58,794 16 0½	1,906,765	61,272 9 2	6,958,279	222,925 18 5
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

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, 1907.

Districts.	Number.	Telegraph Commission.	Value of Orders.
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland ..	13,508	675 8 0	58,895 17 1
Blenheim ..	1,288	64 8 0	5,107 14 7
Christchurch ..	5,338	266 18 0	24,098 1 1
Dunedin ..	4,279	213 19 0	17,229 6 4
Gisborne ..	2,880	144 0 0	14,490 6 6
Greymouth ..	2,568	128 8 0	10,690 14 8
Hokitika ..	767	38 7 0	3,095 11 6
Invercargill ..	3,367	168 7 0	10,682 3 4
Napier ..	5,984	299 4 0	22,407 0 10
Nelson ..	1,748	87 8 0	6,435 7 0
New Plymouth ..	2,556	127 16 0	7,843 0 6
Oamaru ..	1,013	50 13 0	2,324 14 6
Thames ..	3,577	178 17 0	13,408 6 9
Timaru ..	1,078	53 18 0	4,015 10 3
Wanganui ..	6,936	346 16 0	28,505 9 11
Wellington...	14,826	741 6 0	60,138 11 6
Westport ..	2,050	102 10 0	9,263 2 9
Totals, 1907	73,763	3,688 3 0	298,630 19 1
Totals, 1906	68,194	3,409 14 0	261,488 3 11

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.						
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	Total									
										£	s.			d.	Salaries and Allowances of Clerks, &c.	Materials and Linenou.	* Wear-and-tear, &c.	Rent, Fuel, Light, Paper, Printing, Binding, &c.	
Total for the year ended 31st March.																			
1882	116	21	16	2,531	14	0	613	5	2	285	0	0	253	0	0	207	16	0	8-17
1883	379	21	16	8,271	13	6	5,014	9	2	595	0	0	827	0	0	4,492	8	8	54-31
1884	715	21	16	15,604	17	6	7,746	16	7	695	0	0	1,560	0	0	3,653	7	4	23-41
1885	1,075	21	18	23,461	17	6	10,008	3	6	1,770	0	0	2,346	0	0	3,827	3	6	16-31
1886	1,710	20	8	37,319	12	1	12,094	1	2	2,849	1	3	3,731	19	2	5,011	19	7	13-42
1887	2,038	19	19	40,686	3	1	15,477	16	2	2,873	0	0	4,068	12	2	6,635	14	0	16-30
1888	2,153	22	19	49,407	5	0	16,881	8	6	3,119	10	0	4,940	14	6	6,239	4	1	12-63
1889	2,249	23	18	53,849	11	6	17,613	4	0	3,315	10	0	5,344	9	2	6,368	17	10	11-82
1890	2,402	24	4	58,229	3	0	18,581	11	7	3,790	0	0	5,823	0	1	6,387	1	6	11-00
1891	2,587	24	17	64,294	4	4	19,961	4	2	4,192	0	0	7,658	7	11	6,695	13	7	10-43
1892	3,080	24	16	76,579	1	8	18,571	7	8	4,630	0	0	9,168	15	1	8,544	15	6	4-63
1893	3,690	24	16	91,687	11	1	19,155	11	5	7,405	0	0	9,168	15	1	8,544	15	6	Loss.
1894	4,244	24	12	104,425	3	0	21,771	4	4	7,720	0	0	10,442	10	4	9,221	17	10	Loss.
1895	4,616	25	6	116,345	10	4	21,552	12	10	9,285	0	0	11,684	11	0	10,442	10	4	Loss.
1896	5,143	24	6	125,108	4	1	25,933	12	9	9,686	0	10	12,510	16	5	1,952	8	3	Loss.
1897	5,747	23	7	134,239	11	4	29,248	19	5	12,306	9	7	13,429	19	1	1,856	13	2	Loss.
1898	5,787	24	11	142,218	11	8	36,422	6	8	14,181	18	0	17,110	18	7	1,861	11	11	Loss.
1899	6,203	24	5	150,490	18	9	39,718	7	7	15,030	7	1	16,190	4	0	1,861	2	3	Loss.
1900	7,150	22	14	162,333	1	2	43,303	2	10	15,710	13	2	18,116	13	0	1,892	10	8	Loss.
1901	8,210	21	9	176,349	1	8	49,117	0	8	16,304	6	3	20,847	13	6	8,116	13	0	Loss.
1902	9,260	20	18	193,511	6	2	55,542	4	9	18,448	3	5	20,570	0	9	9,675	11	9	2-14
1903	10,633	20	2	213,966	10	8	62,151	8	11	20,885	13	3	22,078	4	11	10,698	6	2	2-46
1904	12,105	19	19	241,903	2	6	71,098	6	3	23,359	8	3	25,507	9	10	12,095	3	8	4-17
1905	14,423	21	19	295,029	7	2	79,061	7	4	25,121	16	1	26,781	19	6	14,751	9	4	2-69
1906	15,333	23	13	363,192	6	9	89,542	1	5	26,506	16	5	28,159	12	4	18,159	12	4	3-47
1907	17,403	24	2	420,088	12	1	100,814	1	3	32,913	16	8	32,004	8	4	21,004	8	6	1-89
1908	23,881	21	5	508,408	7	8	116,852	13	10	38,107	13	8	36,813	9	6	25,420	8	5	Loss.

* This column includes 5 per cent. for wear-and-tear, and 5 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, 1908.

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	52	46	11	5	..	16	1
Wellington	61	131	18	10	9	21	2
Nelson	39	10	8	7	..	4	..
Christchurch	27	87	6	4	..	9	2
Dunedin	79	103	2	1	..	7	1
Totals	258	377	45	27	9	57	6

District.	Number of Quadruplex Translator Sets.	Number of Telephones not connected with Exchange.	Number of Cells.				
			Leclanche.	Gordon.	Daniell.	Bichromate.	Storage.
Auckland	4	321	5,590	80	490	..	6
Wellington	8	131	9,496	725	1,230	84	47
Nelson	3	116	3,670	..	650	50	..
Christchurch	2	65	1,832	162	861	616	2
Dunedin .. .. .	..	118	4,954	..	660	42	4
Totals	17	761	25,542	967	3,891	792	59

Table No. 24.

TABLE showing the COST of MAINTENANCE of TELEGRAPH LINES for the Year ended 31st March, 1908.

District.	Miles of Wire.	Miles of Lines.	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 of Line.
			£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland	6,556	2,402	958 0 7	2,006 8 5	1,222 19 10	966 9 10	3,051 0 0	8,204 18 8	3 8 4
Wellington	9,256	2,478	2,454 1 5	3,445 18 0	9,287 11 4	4,374 10 6	2,610 0 0	22,172 1 3	8 18 11
Nelson ..	3,643	1,412	689 4 0	1,057 14 8	256 16 2	593 5 6	1,882 0 0	4,479 0 4	3 3 5
Canterbury	4,156	1,181	812 17 11	2,453 4 4	1,088 15 6	1,354 10 1	2,675 0 0	8,384 7 10	7 2 0
Otago ..	5,733	2,183	764 3 11	1,107 0 8	370 16 11	603 4 6	1,960 0 0	4,805 6 0	2 4 0
	29,344	9,656	5,678 7 10	10,070 6 1	12,226 19 9	7,892 0 5	12,178 0 0	48,045 14 1	4 19 6
Cables ..	..	352	194 1 10	2,694 17 11	116 5 6	821 17 7	265 0 0	4,092 2 10	11 12 6
Stores	130 17 3	843 3 11	6,416 5 1	..	432 0 0	7,822 6 3	..
Totals	6,003 6 11	13,608 7 11	18,759 10 4	8,713 18 0	12,875 0 0	59,960 3 2	..

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TABLE showing the EXPENDITURE on, and the Cost of, TELEGRAPH CONSTRUCTION during the Financial Year ended 31st March, 1908.

Line.	Expenditure.			Material from Stores.			Total Cost during the Year.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Telephone exchanges,—									
Ashburton	24	18	1	169	11	7	194	9	8
Auckland	5,730	15	7	5,918	2	10	11,648	18	5
Blenheim	108	9	11	442	7	1	550	17	0
Christchurch	5,583	17	6	8,090	9	5	13,674	6	11
Dannevirke	28	8	8	187	12	2	216	0	10
Dunedin	3,734	17	2	1,889	3	8	5,624	0	10
Feilding	78	16	3	253	17	8	332	13	11
Gisborne	660	15	1	2,774	1	11	3,434	17	0
Greymouth	34	12	9	300	19	4	335	12	1
Hamilton	144	15	11	197	15	7	342	11	6
Hawera	55	1	1	243	2	5	298	3	6
Hokitika	37	15	10	60	12	5	98	8	3
Invercargill	4,226	15	5	7,475	7	8	11,702	3	1
Lawrence	2	14	0	8	13	7	11	7	7
Levin	183	18	0	661	3	3	845	1	3
Masterton	239	10	10	850	7	0	1,089	17	10
Napier	1,162	17	2	5,011	14	2	6,174	11	4
Nelson	79	4	6	2,191	18	11	2,271	3	5
New Plymouth	269	4	5	2,408	19	1	2,678	3	6
Oamaru	34	12	8	57	9	1	92	1	9
Pahiatua	34	7	3	193	18	8	228	5	11
Palmerston North	461	3	7	2,628	14	5	3,089	18	0
Rotorua	25	5	1	111	2	8	136	7	9
Stratford	8	1	9	158	6	7	166	8	4
Thames	323	19	0	557	15	8	881	14	8
Timaru	1,132	15	7	3,675	5	2	4,808	0	9
Wanganui	1,424	2	10	3,805	16	7	5,229	19	5
Wellington	5,706	11	10	6,053	7	1	11,759	18	11
Westport	3	10	2	58	1	2	61	11	4
Whangarei	196	3	5	145	17	5	342	0	10
Total exchanges	31,738	1	4	56,581	14	3	88,319	15	7
Kaimaumu (Cape Maria van Diemen)	26	14	2	...			26	14	2
Mangatete (branch off Mangonui—Herekino line)	0	7	0	0	19	0	1	6	0
Herekino—Pukepoto (Mangonui)	1	14	6	5	1	6	6	16	0
Mangonui—Kaiaka	1	0	6	6	2	4	7	2	10
Kohukohu—Motukaraka	20	17	6	0	19	0	21	16	6
Towai—Marlow	70	10	0	20	13	5	91	3	5
Towai—Kawakawa ... ..	...			51	12	11	51	12	11
Whangae—Hupara	26	2	0	8	0	4	34	2	4
Hukerenui—Riponui	36	3	2	...			36	3	2
Kaipara Flats—Waiwawa ... ..	...			15	8	10	15	8	10
Hangatiki—Waitomo	93	3	10	0	19	0	94	2	10
Dargaville—Auckland ... ..	...			77	7	6	77	7	6
Matakohe—Ararua	1	7	6	0	18	0	2	5	6
Matakohe—Hukatere (Waihungarua)	1	3	0	25	19	7	27	2	7
Pouto—Tangaihi	0	2	6	0	18	0	1	0	6
Waihaha	3	14	0	9	12	9	13	6	9
Kiripaka—Ngunguru ... ..	...			5	11	10	5	11	10
Hukerenui—Piako	5	17	7	14	5	10	20	3	5
Waipu—Ruakaka	8	9	6	21	6	0	29	15	6
Whakapirau—Batley	0	6	11	35	11	9	35	18	8
Mareretu (Waipu—Paparua line)	11	8	11	...			11	8	11
Helensville—Woodhill	16	2	7	27	10	10	43	13	5
Papakura—Manurewa	12	17	2	13	12	8	26	9	10
Auckland—Tuakau ... ..	...			109	14	3	109	14	3
Auckland—Hamilton	55	9	4	2	9	9	57	19	1
Rukuhia ... ..	...			8	8	11	8	8	11
Glen Murray—Woodleigh	79	13	8	30	6	8	110	0	4
Aotea—Kawhia			16	6	2	16	6	2
Kawhia—Oparau—Hauturu—Kinohaku—Te Maika—Te Rauamo	11	4	6	3	16	8	15	1	2

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Line.	Expenditure.			Material from Stores.			Total Cost during the Year.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Waiharakeke (intermediate on Kawhia - Te Maika line)	...			5	10	3	5	10	3
Oparure-Paemako	88	19	11	6	3	0	95	2	11
Paemako-Piopio	...			5	15	11	5	15	11
Piopio-Mairoa	111	12	6	19	15	1	131	7	7
Pokeno-Maungatawhiri	5	9	9	0	18	0	6	7	9
Rangiriri-Churchill	4	1	0	0	19	0	5	0	0
Huntly-Ngaruawahia-Hamilton	37	16	6	127	13	9	165	10	3
Ngaruawahia-Te Kowhai	71	16	9	0	19	0	72	15	9
Ngaruawahia-Horotiu	2	4	2	5	15	11	8	0	1
Te Kuiti - Aria	43	17	9	2	7	9	46	5	6
Cabbage Bay - Port Charles	193	11	8	26	5	9	219	17	5
Taniwha-Matahuru	82	8	4	19	12	4	102	0	8
Tauwhare-Eureka	78	14	0	0	18	0	79	12	0
Hamilton-Gordonton	151	8	8	46	14	7	198	3	3
Hamilton-Cambridge	68	5	7	137	7	11	205	13	6
Hamilton - Te Kuiti	...			989	14	11	989	14	11
Hamilton-Tuhikaramea	1	5	9	24	10	5	25	16	2
Hamilton-Ohaupo-Te Awamutu	53	4	9	188	2	9	241	7	6
Hamilton-Newstead-Matangi	75	2	1	30	3	9	105	5	10
Hamilton - Te Rapa	...			19	10	4	19	10	4
Ohaupo-Kaipaki	20	0	11	0	6	0	20	6	11
Ongarue-Ohura-Tatu-Nihoniho	1	3	0	5	13	1	6	16	1
Otorohanga-Raurimu	92	10	9	...			92	10	9
Waharoa-Walton	1	18	5	5	16	4	7	14	9
Cambridge-Karapiro	19	14	0	21	16	8	41	10	8
Cambridge-Maungatautari	39	17	2	19	11	3	59	8	5
Mokai (off Taupo-Atiamuri line)	136	0	4	31	0	3	167	0	7
Te Ngae	0	7	6	5	15	7	6	3	1
Rotorua - Okere Falls	11	13	10	17	17	4	29	11	2
Rotorua - Te Wairoa	128	6	1	30	1	10	158	7	11
Muripara	232	0	3	0	5	6	232	5	9
Thames-Tauranga	104	6	1	196	3	8	300	9	9
Puriri-Nevesville-Hikuai	341	12	6	2	15	3	344	7	9
Paeroa-Netherton	71	5	7	30	7	6	101	13	1
Te Aroha - Paeroa	57	14	0	117	1	2	174	15	2
Taupo-Thames...	...			4	13	6	4	13	6
Aongatete (branch off Tauranga-Katikati wire)	1	7	0	0	18	6	2	5	6
Taupo-Tokaanu	197	8	0	114	8	4	311	16	4
Makatote	...			5	3	6	5	3	6
Pongakawa-Matata	41	15	1	60	16	9	102	11	10
Otarere	1	8	0	5	16	6	7	4	6
Taneatua-Waimana	2	8	3	34	7	9	36	16	0
Taneatua-Opouriao	20	13	6	1	16	0	22	9	6
Rangitukia (branch off Kahukura - East Cape line)	...			5	12	2	5	12	2
Te Karaka - Motu	152	8	11	143	12	3	296	1	2
Gisborne-Patutahi	51	3	0	17	19	6	69	2	6
Tuparoa	...			0	5	8	0	5	8
Wharerata-Morere	10	16	7	175	5	10	186	2	5
Gisborne - Mangapapa Valley	76	12	5	0	19	0	77	11	5
Tokomaru Bay - Port Awanui	117	12	3	60	12	8	178	4	11
Tokomaru Bay - Hikuwai (Arero)...	42	14	3	0	5	3	42	19	6
Waipiro Bay - Te Puia Springs	3	15	6	3	8	1	7	3	7
Dannevirke-Mangatoro-Weber	25	17	8	150	13	11	176	11	7
Dannevirke-Ormondville	17	16	0	321	17	1	339	13	1
Takapau-Ormondville	...			209	6	7	209	6	7
Ngapaeruru-Mangahei	0	9	0	58	14	11	59	3	11
Pongaroa-Watone	138	15	9	...			138	15	9
Mangatoro-Awariki	22	3	0	37	19	6	60	2	6
Mangatoro-Mangatuna	50	13	6	87	9	4	138	2	10
Moeangiangi (on Napier-Wairoa line)	...			9	17	10	9	17	10
Napier-Hastings-Dannevirke	31	8	4	252	11	2	283	19	6

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Line.	Expenditure.			Material from Stores.			Total Cost during the Year.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Napier-Wairoa (metallic circuit) ...	146	0	0	1,678	10	11	1,824	10	11
Stratford-Douglas ...	52	10	11	91	5	8	143	16	7
Tongaporutu-Okau ...	107	5	3	85	2	8	192	7	11
New Plymouth-Mahoenui ...	192	8	0	3	19	2	196	7	2
Eltham-Stratford (metallic circuit) ...	6	5	9	...	...	...	6	5	9
Hawera-Waverley ...	...	...	...	162	18	10	162	18	10
Normanby-Okaiawa ...	10	13	0	29	10	5	40	3	5
Mokoia-Whakamara-Meremere ...	52	8	2	159	2	1	211	10	3
Matapu ...	28	8	3	...	...	...	28	8	3
Waitotara-Taumatatahi ...	7	3	2	7	5	6	14	8	8
Wanganui-Sedgebrook ...	0	10	0	5	6	7	5	16	7
Wanganui-Eastown ...	0	6	0	11	13	1	11	19	1
Makirikiri-Kakatahi ...	0	19	10	...	...	...	0	19	10
Marton-Bull's-Feilding ...	146	8	4	109	9	1	255	17	5
Marton-Taihape ...	379	10	3	635	13	1	1,015	3	4
Marton-Crofton ...	3	13	3	24	11	11	28	5	2
Marton Railway ...	...	...	...	11	14	1	11	14	1
Hunterville-Sandon Block ...	9	0	11	107	13	4	116	14	3
Hunterville-Moturakau ...	3	10	4	7	5	6	10	15	10
Halcombe-Bunnythorpe ...	...	...	...	8	15	1	8	15	1
Bunnythorpe-Marton-Marton Junction ...	96	18	5	49	2	1	146	0	6
Taihape-Waiouru ...	0	2	0	...	...	...	0	2	0
Taihape-Rangataua ...	14	15	8	10	4	2	24	19	10
Taihape-Raetihi ...	104	2	4	4	13	11	108	16	3
Wellington conduit system ...	111	1	6	...	...	...	111	1	6
Kelburne ...	...	...	...	6	13	6	6	13	6
Wellington-Masterton ...	223	15	9	1	5	1	225	0	10
Wellington-Lyell Bay ...	29	4	0	48	8	2	77	12	2
Wellington-Hutt ...	44	8	3	134	8	1	178	16	4
Lyell Bay-White's Bay ...	155	14	0	...	...	...	155	14	0
Pahautanui-Paekakariki ...	3	7	0	104	0	1	107	7	1
Upper Hutt-Akatarawa ...	0	10	0	...	...	...	0	10	0
Greytown-Matarawa ...	19	17	2	40	5	4	60	2	6
Martinborough-Ngarara (Tableland) ...	10	1	6	16	7	2	26	8	8
Martinborough-Dyer Settlement ...	16	9	6	37	9	10	53	19	4
Featherston-Martinborough ...	58	14	10	94	18	6	153	13	4
Greytown-Morrison's Bush ...	13	8	4	...	...	...	13	8	4
Rongotea-Kaimatarau ...	30	0	4	...	...	...	30	0	4
Foxton-Moutoa ...	27	4	9	58	15	8	86	0	5
Tiakitahuna ...	0	15	0	7	1	11	7	16	11
Shannon-Moutoa ...	18	18	7	70	9	10	89	8	5
Masterton-Pahiatua ...	26	4	9	33	19	10	60	4	7
Masterton-Eketahuna ...	...	...	...	2	10	3	2	10	3
Masterton-Palmerston North ...	172	14	11	32	2	11	204	17	10
Palmerston North-Bunnythorpe ...	22	3	1	13	8	1	35	11	2
Palmerston North-Shannon ...	147	15	11	169	8	9	317	4	8
Palmerston North-Levin ...	...	...	...	85	17	1	85	17	1
Apiti-Table Flat ...	7	10	8	51	0	4	58	11	0
Woodville-Hopelands ...	2	10	6	5	14	5	8	4	11
Mangatainoka-Pahiatua ...	2	0	0	15	13	8	17	13	8
Ashhurst-Palmerston North ...	3	4	6	2	18	5	6	2	11
Tane Extension ...	21	5	6	34	0	0	55	5	6
Mangamaire-Marima ...	36	3	7	77	12	6	113	16	1
Whareama-Carswell's ...	24	0	7	25	14	0	49	14	7
Waione-Waimiro ...	...	...	...	3	17	0	3	17	0
Rangiwahia-Ruahine ...	65	8	1	54	18	10	120	6	11
Makuri-Coonor ...	150	1	5	151	7	6	301	8	11
Waimiro-Maku ...	1	0	0	18	0	1	19	0	1
Saunders-Pori ...	45	14	11	16	9	7	62	4	6
Tiraumea-Haunui ...	19	10	9	...	...	...	19	10	9
Waterfalls-Waihoki ...	24	18	1	0	15	1	25	13	2
Blenheim-Molesworth ...	1,187	7	3	699	5	7	1,886	12	10
Kaituna-Onamalutu ...	69	15	2	136	18	2	206	13	4
Havelock-Nydia Bay ...	356	14	4	4	2	10	360	17	2

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Line.	Expenditure.			Material from Stores.			Total Cost during the Year.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Fitzroy Bay - Pelorus	0	14	2	...	...	...	0	14	2
Havelock-Whangamoā	15	18	0	...	...	...	15	18	0
Havelock-Okaramio	79	2	0	164	14	2	243	16	2
Blenheim - White's Bay... ..	35	3	6	205	15	5	240	18	11
Picton - Te Awaite ... ..	...	...	...	290	0	1	290	0	1
Whatamango ... ..	...	...	...	4	3	5	4	3	5
Wakatahuri-Okoha	3	15	0	...	...	...	3	15	0
Tory Channel	508	4	7	425	11	7	933	16	2
Anatimo - Wainui Bay	8	1	7	6	3	7	14	5	2
Tadnor-Manu	8	4	0	...	...	...	8	4	0
Belgrove-Kohatu ... ..	...	...	...	33	9	0	33	9	0
Kiwi	0	14	4	6	8	10	7	3	2
Longford ... ..	...	...	...	7	15	10	7	15	10
Tapawera - Stanley Brook	1	17	7	...	...	...	1	17	7
Motupipi-Totaranui	5	12	0	0	18	4	6	10	4
Richmond Brook	24	6	8	36	16	6	61	3	2
Kainui ... ..	...	...	...	6	0	9	6	0	9
Nelson-Blenheim	269	10	1	469	12	6	739	2	7
Stephen's Island	166	1	2	106	5	1	272	6	3
Nelson - French Pass	631	0	6	19	10	2	650	10	8
Stuart's (Te Towaka)-Admiralty Bay ... ..	...	...	...	4	12	10	4	12	10
Grove-Whangamoā	0	13	6	...	...	...	0	13	6
Waihopai ... ..	...	...	...	39	10	4	39	10	4
Murchison-Hinehaka (The Punt)... ..	8	11	3	...	...	...	8	11	3
Karamea-Flagstaff	60	8	0	22	13	3	83	1	3
Murchison-Glenroy-Upper Matakītiki	204	2	7	1	10	9	205	13	4
Barrytown ... ..	...	...	...	12	18	8	12	18	8
Greymouth-Westport	118	3	11	...	...	...	118	3	11
Greymouth State Collieries	5	4	0	...	...	...	5	4	0
Rapahoe ... ..	...	...	...	0	18	5	0	18	5
Greymouth-Teremakau	1	13	0	...	...	...	1	13	0
Greymouth-Reefton-Westport	388	18	1	39	3	7	428	1	8
Little Grey Junction - Ikamatua	0	2	0	10	18	3	11	0	3
Reefton - Upper Blackwater	69	4	2	25	6	3	94	10	5
Reefton-Waiuta	33	4	2	...	...	...	33	4	2
Bruce Bay - Okura	524	16	3	2	2	6	526	18	9
Mahitahi-Okura	702	17	9	24	10	11	727	8	8
Waitaha Settlement	0	2	0	11	13	10	11	15	10
Hokitika - Te Taho	19	6	9	8	0	3	27	7	0
Hokitika-Ross	41	16	8	77	18	8	119	15	4
Hokitika-Callaghan's	1	9	0	...	...	...	1	9	0
Kanieri - Kanieri Lake	194	8	2	1	4	1	195	12	3
Lyell-Hokitika... ..	...	...	...	3	18	5	3	18	5
Cass ... ..	...	...	...	4	14	7	4	14	7
Otira ... ..	...	...	...	1	2	7	1	2	7
Culverden - Upper Waiau Ferry	29	17	0	...	...	...	29	17	0
Hawarden-Woodgrove ... ..	...	...	...	0	13	1	0	13	1
Springburn-Staveley	6	11	1	...	...	...	6	11	1
Springburn - Alford Forest	3	0	4	...	...	...	3	0	4
Castlehill (cut in Springfield-Bealey line)	3	5	5	4	17	3	8	2	8
Ashburton-Elgin	0	18	0	...	...	...	0	18	0
Cust - West Eyreton	0	13	2	2	12	6	3	5	8
Puketowai ... ..	...	...	...	0	17	0	0	17	0
Cust - Mount Thomas	282	0	6	0	15	3	282	15	9
Kowai Bush ... ..	...	...	...	0	8	4	0	8	4
Spreydon Bureau ... ..	...	...	...	11	3	9	11	3	9
Irwell ... ..	...	...	...	0	13	11	0	13	11
Doyleston-Brookside	82	15	0	15	9	0	98	4	0
Doyleston-Southbridge	32	18	2	22	6	1	55	4	3
Rakaia-Methven ... ..	...	...	...	75	5	7	75	5	7
Medbury - The Peaks	225	17	4	36	17	1	262	14	5
Rakaia-Highbank ... ..	...	...	...	0	15	7	0	15	7
Balcairn - Amberley (metallic circuit)	6	9	8	36	15	3	43	4	11
Ashley Bank-Loburn	1	19	4	1	19	4

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Line.	Expenditure.			Material from Stores.			Total Cost during the Year.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Rangiora - Christchurch (metallic circuit) ...	118	8	0	72	2	5	190	10	5
Eyreton-Kaiapoi ...	138	0	0	62	13	8	200	13	8
Christchurch-Opawa ...	0	11	6	5	13	0	6	4	6
Christchurch Tramway Board ...	73	16	8	...	...	...	73	16	8
Clarkville - Coutts Island ...	...	...	...	80	0	6	80	0	6
Christchurch - Timaru (metallic circuit) ...	4	15	7	2,148	17	4	2,153	12	11
Hilltop ...	3	9	0	1	17	8	5	6	8
Little River - Puaha ...	38	1	10	10	11	5	48	13	3
Parnassus Ford ...	1	5	1	...	...	...	1	5	1
Kaikoura-Greenhills ...	84	18	7	60	3	10	145	2	5
Kaikoura-Pukekakariki ...	...	...	...	15	17	6	15	17	6
Totaratahi-Reidston ...	...	...	...	16	6	2	16	6	2
Lake Pukaki - Hermitage ...	187	9	6	176	14	3	364	3	9
Tekapo-Pukaki ...	905	1	5	...	...	...	905	1	5
Studholme Junction - Willowbridge ...	25	13	7	14	11	7	40	5	2
Hilton-Wahipai ...	223	15	5	6	12	9	230	8	2
Lake Tekapo - Balmoral ...	4	6	4	9	2	6	13	8	10
St. Andrew's (metallic circuit) ...	89	0	5	...	...	...	89	0	5
Otaio-Makikihi ...	9	7	0	...	...	...	9	7	0
Makikihi-Hunter ...	0	16	4	...	...	...	0	16	4
Geraldine - Kakahu Bush ...	0	19	0	1	5	3	2	4	3
Timaru - Waimate (metallic circuit) ...	37	4	6	1	14	0	38	18	6
Fairlie - Cattle Valley ...	...	...	...	20	6	10	20	6	10
Outram-Clark's ...	...	...	...	80	6	4	80	6	4
Albert Town - Makarora ...	766	4	7	4	1	7	770	6	2
Heriot-Kelso ...	26	16	3	33	9	2	60	5	5
Catlins River - Tautuku ...	656	9	2	2	15	8	659	4	10
Owaka-Katea ...	59	1	11	...	...	...	59	1	11
South Hillend - Awamangu - Pukepito ...	352	5	3	20	10	9	372	16	0
Balclutha-Owaka (Morse) ...	210	9	0	73	9	1	283	18	1
Port Chalmers - Hayward's Point ...	...	...	...	18	16	2	18	16	2
Dunrobin - Moa Flat ...	...	...	...	31	17	9	31	17	9
Ranfurlly (Morse) ...	11	10	2	12	18	6	24	8	8
Patearoa-Paerau ...	62	9	8	...	...	...	62	9	8
Sutton-Middlemarch ...	10	11	7	...	...	...	10	11	7
Puketeraki-Karitane ...	32	15	2	8	3	9	40	18	11
Waikouaiti ...	9	8	0	20	13	10	30	1	10
Waitati Bureau ...	3	4	7	5	3	4	8	7	11
Dunedin-Oamaru ...	856	6	0	1,819	10	0	2,675	16	0
Dunedin-Gore (metallic circuit) ...	839	17	8	2,316	10	6	3,156	8	2
Dunedin-Berwick ...	6	18	0	...	...	...	6	18	0
Evansdale (lead off Waikouaiti metallic circuit) ...	2	12	0	5	15	10	8	7	10
Mossburn-Glenelg ...	...	...	...	31	3	10	31	3	10
Mossburn-Matuku ...	125	13	3	0	8	4	126	1	7
Greenhills-Mokomoko ...	65	15	4	...	...	...	65	15	4
Brown's-Hokonui ...	2	13	11	...	...	...	2	13	11
Wyndham-Mautoroa ...	2	9	0	5	17	5	8	6	5
Hekeia-Riverton ...	16	15	10	15	14	4	32	10	2
Invercargill-Otautau ...	91	17	0	737	4	6	829	1	6
Colac Bay - Centre Island (new cable) ...	125	18	8	42	18	0	168	16	8
Invercargill-Makarewa ...	21	8	3	10	15	7	32	3	10
Taringaturi ...	...	...	...	4	7	11	4	7	11
Queenstown - Arthur's Point ...	2	9	11	9	19	7	12	9	6
Otapiri Gorge ...	66	9	3	...	...	...	66	9	3
Riversdale-Waikaia ...	44	11	6	79	7	2	123	18	8
Riversdale-Kaweku ...	...	...	...	26	2	5	26	2	5
Edendale - Seaward Downs ...	...	...	...	32	16	2	32	16	2
Edendale-Brydone ...	10	6	9	23	9	2	33	15	11
Wyndham ...	59	16	7	8	0	10	67	17	5
Otara - Slope Point ...	165	13	6	35	8	8	202	2	2
Pukerau-Waikoikoi ...	140	0	0	...	...	...	140	0	0
Wyndham-Mokoreta ...	302	5	6	...	...	...	302	5	6
Otara-Haldane ...	1	10	0	...	...	...	1	10	0
Drummond-Otautau ...	...	...	...	50	4	2	50	4	2

Table No. 25—continued.

TABLE showing the EXPENDITURE on, and the COST of, TELEGRAPH CONSTRUCTION during the Financial Year ended 31st March, 1908—continued.

Line.	Expenditure.	Material from Stores.	Total Cost during the Year.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Tuatapere-Puysegur	950 16 7	312 8 10	1,263 5 5
Clifden-Lillburn	3 7 2	35 15 10	39 3 0
Mangarua ... ..	...	5 9 0	5 9 0
Te Tua	3 8 4	...	3 8 4
Glade House - Milford Sound	87 5 10	...	87 5 10
Dalmore-Pahia	0 10 0	4 1 2	4 11 2
	53,025 13 5	77,380 3 4	130,405 16 9
Purchase of material	102,465 15 1		
Total expenditure, 1907-8	155,491 8 6		
Total expenditure to 31st March, 1907	1,324,244 11 6		
Total expenditure out of Public Works Fund to 31st March, 1908	£1,479,736 0 0	Total cost of lines during 1907-8 ...	£130,405 16 9

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