

*Appropriations for Consolidated Fund Services.*CLASS III.—POST AND TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT—*continued.*

Item.			1917-18.	
			£	£
	CARRIAGE OF MAILS BY RAILWAY.			
	VOTE No. 15.			
	CHARGES FOR AND INCIDENTAL TO—			
	Carriage of Mails by Railway—			
		£		
1	Special trains and trucks ...	2,650		
2	Ordinary mails ...	69,550		
			72,200	
	TOTAL—VOTE No. 15 ...			72,200
	MAINTENANCE OF TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE LINES.			
	VOTE No. 16.			
	CHARGES FOR AND INCIDENTAL TO—			
	Maintenance of Telegraph and Telephone Lines—			
		£		
1	Extra labour ...	40,000		
2	Material for repairs ...	57,000		
3	Rural telephones (assistance to settlers) ...	1,700		
4	Travelling-expenses of telegraph engineers and linemen ...	11,000		
5	Upkeep of s.s. "Tutanekai," and cost of cable repairs ...	6,000		
			115,700	
	Less estimated credits under section 48 of the Public Revenues Act, 1910 ...		4,600	
	TOTAL—VOTE No. 16 ...			111,100
	MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES.			
	VOTE No. 17.			
	CHARGES FOR AND INCIDENTAL TO—			
	Allowances—			
		£		
1	Forage ...	950		
	Lodging to cadets and cadettes, and non-clerical officers ...	21,000		
	Night clerks and miscellaneous ...	6,000		
	Tellers and for calculation of Savings-bank interest ...	3,500		
			31,450	
2	Cash Deficiencies—			
	Forged allotments warrant, Auckland	9		
	Forged allotments warrant, Wellington	42		
	Port Nelson Post-office robbery ...	1		
	Rai Falls Post-office fire ...	5		
			57	
3	Fees—			
	Carriage of private bags ...		600	
4	Mechanical Appliances, Bicycles, &c.—			
	Allowance to officers using their own bicycles, and to motor-cycle riders	3,000		
	Cash-registers for telegraph counters	550		
	Dickie stamp-vending machines (hire of)	320		
	Home savings-banks, purchase of ...	1,200		
	Purchase of motor-cycles, cars, and bicycles ...	10,000		
	Purchase of motor-oil ...	6,000		
	Repairs and hire ...	10,000		
	Typewriters, &c., and repairs to typewriters ...	1,000		
	Purchase of motor-cars ...	2,500		
			34,570	