

Receipts and Payments for the Ten Years ended 31st March, 1920, and for the Years 1881-82, 1891-92, and 1901-2.

Year.				Receipts.	Payments.	Balance of Receipts over Payments.
				£	£	£
1881-1882	..	..	..	234,529	233,291	1,238
1891-1892	..	..	..	320,058	268,343	51,715
1901-1902	..	..	..	488,573	465,756	22,817
1910-1911	..	..	..	1,037,265	914,069	123,196
1911-1912	..	..	..	1,087,710	988,911	98,799
1912-1913	..	..	..	1,167,826	1,069,272	98,554
1913-1914	..	..	..	1,269,921	1,173,314	96,607
1914-1915	..	..	..	1,359,059	1,246,850	112,209
1915-1916	..	..	..	1,695,757	1,296,522	399,235
1916-1917	..	..	..	1,809,317	1,370,810	438,507
1917-1918	..	..	..	1,837,260	1,489,446	347,814
1918-1919	..	..	..	1,972,539	1,702,048	270,491
1919-1920	..	..	..	2,106,995	1,944,161	162,834
Totals for ten years ..				15,343,649	13,195,403	2,148,246

STAFF.

Comparative Return of Officers of the Post and Telegraph Department for the Years ended 31st March, 1919, and 31st March, 1920.

The total number of officers on the staff on the 31st March, 1919 and 1920, was as under:—

				31st March, 1919.	31st March, 1920.
Postmaster-General	...	...	...	1	1
Classified staff—					
Permanent—					
Administrative Division	...	...	...	4	4
Professional Division	...	...	...	33	35
Clerical Division	...	...	...	3,601	3,528
General Division	...	...	...	3,722	4,094
Temporary—					
Night-watchmen	...	...	...	2	6
Postmistresses and assistants	...	...	...	188	30
Switchboard attendants	...	...	...	313	267
Note-sorters, distributors, &c.	...	...	...	66	5
Postmen, messengers, and chauffeurs	...	...	...	331	242
Night telephonists	...	...	...	65	41
Other temporary employees...	...	...	...	...	151
Totals, classified staff	...	...	...	8,325	8,404
Employees not on classified staff—					
Country Postmasters and Postmistresses	...	...	...	2,280	2,252
Postmasters and telegraphists or telephonists who are Railway officers	...	...	...	143	141
Totals	...	...	...	10,748	10,797

HEALTH OF PERMANENT STAFF.

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

			Number on Staff.	Average Absence per Sick Officer.	Average Absence for each Officer employed.
				Days.	Days.
Men	...	...	6,444	15.57	7.46
Women	...	...	1,217	19.99	14.58

Nineteen officers died during the year.

PERSONAL AND STAFF.

The Right Hon. Sir Joseph Ward, who held the offices of Postmaster-General and Minister of Telegraphs, resigned on the 21st August, 1919. The Hon. J. G. Coates assumed the offices on the 4th September, 1919. In the interim the Hon. Sir William Fraser administered the Department.

Mr. F. D. Holdsworth, who, prior to taking up the position of Director of Postal Services with the New Zealand Expeditionary Force, was Chief Postmaster at Auckland, retired in October, 1919. Mr. Holdsworth had served for over fifty-one years.