

Table No. 9.

REGISTERED ARTICLES.

The number of registered articles dealt with in 1920, compared with the number in 1890, 1900, 1910, and 1919, is as follows:—

	1890.	1900.	1910.	1919.	1920.
From places beyond the Dominion	26,374	52,343	132,493	179,989	191,115
Registered in the Dominion	169,321	464,036	993,675	2,296,827	1,937,344
Totals	195,695	516,379	1,126,168	2,476,816	2,128,459

DEAD LETTERS.

	1919.	1920.
Opened and returned to writers	262,126	228,258
Returned unopened to other countries	36,269	36,395
Reissued	212,368*	97,343*
Destroyed	32,247	34,523
Returned unopened by Chief Postmasters	254,216	265,143
Returned unopened to other countries by Chief Postmasters	43,244	38,792
Totals	840,470	700,454

* Includes letters addressed to soldiers.

Table No. 10.

PARCEL-POST.

The following shows the number and weight of parcels posted during the years 1890, 1900, 1910, 1919, and 1920:—

	1890.	1900.	1910.	1919.	1920.
Number	121,292	199,413	1,190,711	3,012,854	3,144,635
Weight	336,643 lb. 12 oz.	682,140 lb. 7 oz.	3,953,284 lb. 15 oz.	14,078,492 lb.	15,826,317 lb.

The following table shows the number and weight of parcels exchanged with the United Kingdom and the undermentioned places during the years 1919 and 1920:—

Country.	Received.				Despatched.			
	1919.		1920.		1919.		1920.	
	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.
		lb.		lb.		lb.		lb.
United Kingdom and foreign countries (via London)	114,256	637,400	211,214	1,219,881	33,025	164,031	21,540	79,283
New Zealand Expeditionary Force	384	1,423	..	..	9,851	33,593	..	..
United States of America	61,472	427,632	62,447	430,975	2,823	12,891	3,186	11,906
Canada	3,348	19,414	4,566	27,879	742	2,401	957	3,138
Victoria	15,889	83,397	23,218	126,347	3,262	9,728	3,989	12,701
New South Wales	27,462	138,939	33,733	158,169	6,033	19,233	7,831	24,496
South Australia	493	1,799	669	2,042	456	1,322	615	1,827
Queensland	873	3,089	1,306	4,684	729	2,331	1,033	2,920
Tasmania	215	573	261	589	487	1,197	594	1,474
Western Australia	330	696	462	1,093	378	1,083	426	1,195
Fiji	329	747	397	949	1,265	4,255	1,470	5,202
Ceylon	282	1,342	395	1,841	79	326	117	459
Cape of Good Hope	1,067	3,860	853	3,508	60	204	110	402
Natal	..	..	..	..	261	834	298	1,003
India	1,544	7,383	1,508	8,002	592	3,061	724	3,449
Tonga	45	138	54	215	617	2,515	825	3,501
Tahiti	23	90	58	327	566	2,895	781	5,123
Hong Kong	1,273	10,826	2,735	24,086	259	1,247	316	1,337
Straits Settlements	142	431	145	403	175	881	183	624
Solomon Islands	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3
New Hebrides	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Totals	229,427	1,339,179	344,021	2,010,990	61,660	265,028	44,998	160,044