

FEDERATED MALAY STATES.

REPORT ON THE POSTS AND TELEGRAPHS DEPARTMENT FOR THE YEAR 1920.

1. The estimated number of letters, post-cards, packets and parcels posted and delivered during the year was 25,996,098, an increase of 2,850,446 on the figures for 1919. The estimated figures for each State will be found in the comparative statement in appendix I and from that statement it will be seen that there was a decrease in the number of post-cards dealt with.

REGISTERED ARTICLES.

2. The number of registered articles posted was 415,416 and 367,526 were delivered. The articles posted show an increase of 42,484 and those delivered an increase of 32,819 over the figures for 1919.

PARCELS.

3. The parcels posted numbered 75,143 and those delivered 137,171. The parcels posted show an increase of 12,311 and those delivered an increase of 28,285 as compared with the figures for 1919.

CASH-ON-DELIVERY PACKETS.

4. Seven thousand seven hundred and thirteen packets bearing trade charges to the value of \$87,243 were posted, these figures showing an increase of 1,824 in number and \$23,883 in value. The packets received for delivery numbered 13,828 and bore trade charges to the value of \$168,565. The packets delivered show an increase of 2,582 in number and \$44,091 in trade charges as compared with 1919.

5. A Cash-on-Delivery service with the United Kingdom was brought into operation during the year. Two hundred and seventy-three articles to the value of £908 14s. were forwarded from the United Kingdom. The service is appreciated and there has been a steady increase in the number of parcels.

INSURANCE.

6. During the year 5,688 articles insured for \$1,075,747 were posted and 10,526 insured for \$2,282,833 were delivered. Articles posted show an increase of 2,694 in number and \$413,499 in value whilst those delivered show an increase of 4,663 in number and \$1,098,854 in value.

DEAD LETTERS.

7. In the Dead Letter Office 130,641 articles including 4,705 registered articles, were dealt with of which 79,343 were either returned to the sender or to the country of origin. The total number of articles dealt with includes 53,531 bearing letters taxed to the extent of \$4,516.

8. In the letters opened, local coin and notes to the amount of \$286.28, cheques and drafts to the face value of \$24,085.97, British postal orders to the value of £10 9s. 6d. and foreign currency, cheques and drafts to the estimated value of \$1,873 were found.

9. Fifty-two parcels were returned to the Dead Letter Office as "abandoned" and the contents have been sold or destroyed.

10. Two hundred and sixty-four letters bearing no address were posted.

POSTAL ORDERS.

11. Forty-eight thousand and eight British postal orders, valued at \$316,641, were issued, and 1,796, valued at \$10,638 paid. These figures show a decrease of 19,910 in the number of orders issued and an increase of 44 in the number paid. The value of those issued decreased by \$175,455 and of those paid by \$7. The revenue from these orders after deducting \$510 lost in exchange amounted to \$3,291 as against a revenue of \$8,907 in 1919.

MONEY ORDERS.

12. Money Orders to the value of \$6,696,439 were issued and those paid amounted to \$3,620,879. As compared with 1919 the orders issued show a decrease of \$761,575 and those paid an increase of \$803,326. The number of those issued decreased by 19,930 but the number of those paid increased by 3,385.

13. Nine thousand six hundred and thirty-six telegraphic money orders amounting to \$882,526 were issued, being an increase of 619 in number and \$115,683 in value.

14. The revenue paid in as commission on money orders amounted to \$116,585, a decrease of \$55,028 as compared with 1919. The revenue includes the gain on exchange on money order transactions, which amounted to \$58,955.

15. Money order offices were opened at Mentakab and Ulu Yam, making the total number of money order offices 97.

16. In appendix II will be found the number and value of the money orders issued on the various countries, and of those received from them for payment in the Federated Malay States. In April and May, certain members of the Chetty Community attempted to take advantage of the money order system to remit large sums from India to this country by money orders with the intention of profiting by the difference between the Bank's rate and the Federated Malay States Post Office rate of exchange. This attempt was met by the Post Office fixing its rate of payment of money orders at approximately the Bank rate on the date of receipt in this country and the abuse promptly ceased.

17. Appendix III contains a comparative statement showing the value of the money orders issued and paid in the different State in 1919 and 1920.

SAVINGS BANK.

18. The number of depositors in the Savings Bank has increased by 1,412 during the year, 2,678 accounts being closed whilst 4,090 new accounts were opened. The total number of depositors on the 31st December was 11,682.

19. The amount to the credit of depositors has increased from \$994,807 to \$1,270,678. The average amount to the credit of each depositor has risen from \$96.87 to \$108.77. It was a record year for the Bank in all respects and had the abnormal increases in the first seven months continued at the same rate the balance would have shown an increase exceeding 50 per cent. During the final months of the year there was however an excess of withdrawals over deposits.

20. The amount of the deposits and withdrawals in each State will be found in appendix IV.

21. From the working account in appendix V it will be seen that there was a loss of \$3,899.

22. An investment account is given in appendix VI showing the sales and purchases during the year and the total investments on the 31st December. The sterling securities are shown at cost price.

23. Appendix VII contains a statement of assets and liabilities. The balance to the credit of the Savings Bank on the 31st December was \$78,542. Against this must, however, be set the depreciation in investments.

TELEGRAPHS AND TELEPHONES.

24. During the year 553,646 telegrams were despatched and 645,912 were received for delivery. As compared with the previous year there is an increase of 45,123 in the number despatched and 84,993 in the number delivered.

25. The revenue derived from telegraphs was \$320,499, of which \$226,977 are included in the stamp sales shown in appendix X.

26. The value of the telegrams sent free of charge for other Government departments was \$48,140.

27. The number of subscribers to the telephone exchanges on the 31st December was 1,633, an increase of 187. In addition there were 805 extension circuits, extension bells and private lines maintained by the department. These figures do not include the instruments maintained solely for the use of the police.

28. The revenue derived from telephones was \$268,224, this being an increase of \$25,736 on the figures for 1919.

29. A statement showing the length of telegraph and telephone lines, etc., in each of the years 1916—1920, inclusive, is given in appendix VIII.

30. On the 31st December, 1920, there were 2,504 miles of telegraph and telephone lines and 12,396 miles of overhead wire in the Federated Malay States, of which 9,600 miles were telephone wires. In addition there were 27½ miles of underground cables, containing 2,511 miles of wire, single line. These figures include 1,145 miles of telephone wire maintained by this department for the police but do not include the wires maintained by the Railway Department for their own use. The Posts and Telegraphs Department also owns 121 miles of telegraph line and 365 miles of wire in Johore.

31. The erection of this department's through line of poles between Parit Buntar and Johore Bahru was completed and all the main telegraph lines transferred thereto. A direct telegraph line between Taiping and Penang was also completed.

32. A trunk telephone line between Taiping and Ipoh was erected and an additional trunk line between Klang and Kuala Selangor. A phantom circuit was constructed between Kuala Lumpur and Seremban by the superimposition of a telephone circuit on the telegraph lines in order to afford temporary additional trunk line accommodation.

33. All work during the year has been greatly hindered owing to the difficulty of obtaining delivery of stores and on the 31st December there were 550 applications for telephone connections outstanding.

34. The cost of maintenance was \$331,192 and a further sum of \$463,297 was spent on construction and reconstruction of which \$351,997 were spent on telephone work.

35. A continuous day and night telephone service at all exchanges was introduced in August.

POST OFFICES.

36. A post and telegraph office was opened at Ulu Yam and a post office at Mentakab in place of the allowance offices previously existing and an allowance office opened at Malim Nawar. There are now 98 post offices at which officers of the Posts and Telegraphs Department are employed and 38 places at which postal business is transacted by station masters and others.

REVENUE.

37. The net revenue collected by the department was \$1,064,742, a decrease of \$234,579. Stamps to the value of \$1,266,760 were sold and credited to State revenues.

38. In appendix IX the amounts are shown under the various heads of revenue. It will be seen that there was a very large decrease under the heading sale of stamps. This is due to the fact that there was a very large sale of stamps in December 1919 which were used for fiscal purposes but which were not debited against the Post Office revenue until January 1920.

39. In appendix X will be found the number of each denomination of stamps issued in 1919 and 1920.

40. The value of the services performed free of charge for other Government departments—such as transmission of correspondence and telegrams on official business and the maintenance of police telephone lines is estimated at \$132,000.

EXPENDITURE.

41. The expenditure amounted to \$1,818,290, annually recurrent expenditure being responsible for \$1,421,298 and special expenditure for \$396,992. The expenditure shows an increase of \$571,032 as compared with 1919, but is \$211,416 less than estimated. War allowances \$358,881 and acting allowances \$2,486 are not included in the above figures.

MISCELLANEOUS.

42. One hundred and thirty-six licences to collect letters for transmission to China were issued, 26 less than in 1919.

43. At certain post offices in districts where there is no dispensary or hospital 1,073 phials of quinine were distributed free of charge.

44. Import duties on tobacco, cigarettes, cigars, etc., imported by post were collected and the amount \$1,766, paid over to the Customs Department.

45. From the 1st January, a night service by express train between Kuala Lumpur and Penang was established and this enabled us to afford a much improved mail service.

STAFF.

46. Mr. T. A. Melville returned from leave on the 4th May and took up his appointment of Accountant, Mr. W. H. Green having acted up to the 4th May.

47. Mr. D. B. Evans, Assistant Telegraph Engineer, having been released from military duty, returned on the 2nd January and acted as Telegraph Engineer until the return from leave of Mr. C. G. Cadman on the 13th October.

48. Mr. H. J. Harris, Assistant Superintendent, returned from leave on the 6th July and Mr. V. C. Buckell, Assistant Telegraph Engineer on the 26th July.

49. Messrs. J. E. Cumming and G. H. N. Reay, Assistant Telegraph Engineers, left the department on transfer to the Railway Department and Mines Department.

50. Mr. T. Fitzgerald, Assistant Superintendent, proceeded on leave on the 26th February and has since been appointed Deputy Postmaster-General, British East Africa.

51. Mr J. C. Fuller, Assistant Telegraph Engineer, proceeded on leave on the 10th May and Mr. T. Lathan, Assistant Superintendent, on the 13th June.

52. Messrs. Gregson, Tremain, Galloway and Morice joined the department as Assistant Telegraph Engineers and Mr. R. G. Bennett as Stores Superintendent.

53. Considerable difficulty was again experienced in obtaining suitable men to fill vacancies in the subordinate staff.

KUALA LUMPUR,
9th April, 1921.

C. H. ALLIN,
Director of Posts and Telegraphs, F.M.S.

APPENDIX I.
CORRESPONDENCE POSTED AND DELIVERED IN 1920.

POSTED.

	Perak.	Selangor.	Negri Sembilan.	Pahang.	Total, F.M.S., 1920.	Total, F.M.S., 1919.	Increase.	Decrease.
Letters	3,900,390	4,534,920	1,479,504	475,410	10,390,224	9,174,568	1,215,656	69,960
Post-cards	184,340	241,774	75,660	16,432	518,206	588,166		
Newspapers and other packets	246,688	953,342	49,192	9,568	1,258,790	1,095,692	163,098	
Parcels	26,982	36,828	8,018	3,315	75,143	62,832	12,311	
Total posted, 1920 ...	4,358,400	5,766,864	1,612,374	504,725	12,242,363			
Total posted, 1919 ...	3,971,280	5,152,249	1,426,047	371,682	...	10,921,258		
Increase	387,120	614,615	186,327	133,043	...	...	1,321,105	

DELIVERED.

Letters	4,308,954	4,075,968	1,713,296	464,516	10,562,734	9,312,942	1,249,792	30,108
Post-cards	213,668	165,386	93,912	18,512	491,478	521,586		
Newspapers and other packets	991,874	968,318	465,868	136,292	2,562,352	2,280,980	281,372	
Parcels	53,479	51,212	22,239	10,241	137,171	108,886	28,285	
Total delivered, 1920	5,567,975	5,260,884	2,295,315	629,561	13,753,735			
Total delivered, 1919	4,902,431	4,864,965	1,921,045	535,953	...	12,224,394		
Increase	665,544	395,919	374,270	93,608	...	...	1,529,341	

TOTAL POSTED AND DELIVERED.

Total, 1920	9,926,375	11,027,748	3,907,689	1,134,286	25,996,098			
" 1919	8,873,711	10,017,214	3,347,092	907,635	...	23,145,652		
Increase	1,052,664	1,010,534	560,597	226,651	...	...	2,850,446	

APPENDIX II.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER AND AMOUNT OF MONEY ORDERS ISSUED AND PAID
IN THE FEDERATED MALAY STATES IN 1919 AND 1920.
ISSUED.

Country.	1919.			1920.			Increase.			Decrease.		
	Number.	Amount.		Number.	Amount.		Number.	Amount.		Number.	Amount.	
		Rupees or sterling.	Local currency.		Rupees or sterling.	Local currency.		Rupees or sterling.	Local currency.		Rupees or sterling.	Local currency.
British North Borneo ...	15	£ ...	\$ c. 348 97	24	£ ...	\$ c. 1,009 49	9	...	\$ c. 660 52			\$ c.
Ceylon	14,599	78,690 8 8	674,477 95	5,972	{ 23,784 2 5 Rs. a. 103,082 40	271,267 75	...	...	...	8,627	...	403,210 20
Federated Malay States Hongkong, China and Japan	70,378 1,351	... Rs. a. p.	2,320,114 26 77,800 65	71,165 866	... Rs. a. p.	2,697,303 69 54,212 56	787 ...	... ...	377,189 43 ...	485	Rs. a.	23,588 09
India	48,198	4,140,158 14 0	2,967,441 81	34,872	2,235,259 3 0	1,966,802 63	...	...	...	13,326	1,904,899 11	1,000,639 18
Johore	456	...	17,831 88	498	...	23,751 59	42	...	5,919 71			
Kedah	671	...	33,076 84	761	...	44,881 25	90	...	11,804 41			
Kelantan	312	...	7,559 67	367	...	9,594 42	55	...	2,034 75			
Sarawak	41	...	2,021 31	31	...	1,802 36	...	...	...	10	...	218 95
Straits Settlements ...	26,949	...	1,310,864 59	27,779	...	1,534,740 63	830	...	223,876 04			
United Kingdom ...	1,585	£ s. d. 5,422 6 4	46,477 30	2,290	£ s. d. 10,625 4 4	91,073 23	705	£ s. d. 5,202 18 0	44,595 93			
Total Issued ...	164,555	...	7,458,015 23	144,625	...	6,696,439 60	...	...	...	19,930	...	761,575 63
PAID.												
British North Borneo ...	67	£ s. d.	1,468 59	36	£ s. d.	918 43	...	...	...	31	...	550 16
Ceylon	184	1,056 11 4	9,056 32	243	{ 2,761 14 10 Rs. cts. 1,371 82	24,605 35	59	...	15,549 03			
Federated Malay States Hongkong, China and Japan	69,778 60	... Rs. a. p.	2,306,114 20 2,445 44	71,194 70	... Rs. a. p.	2,703,393 94 5,927 22	1,416 10	... ...	397,279 74 3,481 78			
India	1,035	78,034 1 0	52,643 44	1,897	378,744 10 0	349,115 59	862	300,710 9	296,472 15			
Johore	941	...	42,289 56	1,076	...	41,424 55	135	...	...	...	...	865 01
Kedah	575	...	21,855 75	586	...	25,762 38	11	...	3,906 63			
Kelantan	212	...	7,144 68	275	...	12,472 95	63	...	5,328 27			
Sarawak	16	...	716 74	20	...	519 68	4	...	...	...	...	197 06
Straits Settlements ...	5,910	...	363,966 75	6,649	...	439,854 09	739	...	75,887 34			
United Kingdom ...	224	£ s. d. 1,149 7 6	9,851 73	341	£ s. d. 1,956 10 2	16,885 45	117	£ s. d. 807 2 8	7,033 72			
Total Paid ...	79,002	...	2,817,553 20	82,387	...	3,620,879 63	3,385	...	803,326 43			
Grand Total Issued and Paid	243,557	...	10,275,568 43	227,012	...	10,317,319 23	...	...	41,750 80	16,545		

APPENDIX III.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF MONEY ORDERS ISSUED AND PAID
IN THE VARIOUS STATES IN 1919 AND 1920.

ISSUED.

—			Perak.	Selangor.	Negri Sembilan.	Pahang.	Total.
			\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
1919	...	...	3,222,843 74	2,462,786 76	1,009,395 93	762,988 80	7,458,015 23
1920	...	...	2,903,450 58	1,981,003 27	942,410 12	869,575 63	6,696,439 60
	Increase	...	...	...	...	106,586 83	...
	Decrease	...	319,393 16	481,783 49	66,985 81	...	761,575 63
PAID.							
1919	...	...	1,443,260 10	952,409 44	262,663 24	159,220 42	2,817,553 20
1920	...	...	1,686,313 30	1,419,432 22	318,748 87	196,385 24	3,620,879 63
	Increase	...	243,053 20	467,022 78	56,085 63	37,164 82	803,326 43
TOTAL ISSUED AND PAID.							
1919	...	...	4,666,103 84	3,415,196 20	1,272,059 17	922,209 22	10,275,568 43
1920	...	...	4,589,763 88	3,400,435 49	1,261,158 99	1,065,960 87	10,317,319 23
	Increase	...	...	...	...	143,751 65	41,750 80
	Decrease	...	76,339 96	14,760 71	10,900 18	...	...

APPENDIX IV.

STATEMENT SHOWING SAVINGS BANK TRANSACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH DEPOSITORS' ACCOUNTS DURING 1920 AND
THE BALANCE DUE TO DEPOSITORS ON 31ST DECEMBER, 1920.

State.	Balance to the credit of depositors on 1st January, 1920.		Deposits.			Interest credited during the year 1920.	Withdrawals.			Balance to credit of depositors on 31st December, 1920.		No. of depositors on 31st December, 1920.	Average amount to the credit of depositors on 31st December, 1920.						
			No.	Amount:	Average value.		No.	Amount.	Average value.										
	\$	c.		\$	c.	\$	c.	\$	c.	\$	c.		\$	c.					
Perak ...	398,601	33	8,282	468,314	43	56	55	11,600	21	2,647	413,112	17	156	07	465,403	80	3,966	117	35
Selangor ...	433,982	83	11,831	711,197	61	60	11	14,249	92	4,613	576,617	59	125	00	582,812	77	5,529	105	41
Negri Sembilan	123,527	13	3,207	190,845	45	59	51	4,013	10	1,129	153,432	22	135	90	164,953	46	1,617	102	01
Pahang ...	38,696	52	1,092	72,823	00	66	69	1,315	63	309	55,326	71	179	05	57,508	44	570	100	89
Total ...	994,807	81	24,412	1,443,180	49	59	12	31,178	86	8,698	1,198,488	69	137	79	1,270,678	47	11,682	108	77

APPENDIX V.

GOVERNMENT SAVINGS BANK.

WORKING ACCOUNT.

Receipts.					Payments.									
				\$	c.								\$	c.
Balance to Credit of Savings Bank, 1st January, 1920	...	...		82,442	72	Working Expenses	...	...	...	...	...	...	15,581	97
Interest received on Investments during 1920	...	...		45,162	18	Less on Exchange	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,301	11
						Interest Credited to Depositors	...	...	...	...	...	...	31,178	86
						Balance to Credit of Savings Bank, 31st December, 1920:								
						Balance on 1st January, 1920	...	...	...	...	\$	82,442.72		
						Loss on year's transactions	...	...	...	...		3,899.76	78,542	96

APPENDIX VI.
GOVERNMENT SAVINGS BANK.
INVESTMENT ACCOUNT.

	\$	c.	\$	c.		\$	c.	\$	c.
Balance, 31st December, 1919—					Refund of ten Singapore Municipal Bonds, 1897 ...	1,000	00	1,000	00
Singapore 5 % Municipal Bonds, 1889 ...	68,985	00			Balance 31st December 1920.—				
" 5 % " 1893 ...	10,500	00			Singapore 5 % Municipal Bonds, 1889 ...	68,985	00		
" 4 % " 1897 ...	22,500	00			" 5 % " 1893 ...	10,500	00		
" 5 % " 1901 ...	35,000	00			" 4 % " 1897 ...	21,500	00		
" 5 % " 1902 ...	12,500	00			" 5 % " 1901 ...	35,000	00		
" 4 % " 1898 ...	10,000	00			" 5 % " 1902 ...	12,500	00		
" 4½ % " 1907 ...	20,000	00			" 4 % " 1898 ...	10,000	00		
" 4½ % " 1909 ...	150,000	00			" 4½ % " 1907 ...	20,000	00		
" 4 % " 1910 \$11,110 at 90	9,999	00			" 4½ % " 1909 ...	150,000	00		
Penang 6 % " 1891 ...	11,800	00			" 4 % " 1910 \$11,110 at 90	9,999	00		
" 5 % " 1889 ...	5,000	00			Penang 6 % " 1891 ...	11,800	00		
" 5 % " 1901 ...	5,000	00			" 5 % " 1889 ...	5,000	00		
Southern Nigeria 3½ % stock, £20,941 9s. 5d. at 95½	170,972	14			" 5 % " 1901 ...	5,000	00		
" 3½ % " £680 7s. 7d. at 88½	5,168	46			Southern Nigeria 3½ % stock, £20,941 9s. 5d. at 95½	170,972	14		
Antigua 4 % stock, £1,900 at 100½	16,387	50			" 3½ % " £680 7s. 7d. at 88½	5,168	46		
Grenada 4 % " £1,299 2s. at 100¼	11,162	16			" 3½ % " £1,255 8s. 9d. at 62¾	6,752	46		
St. Lucia 4 % " £400 at 100¾	3,454	29			Antigua 4 % stock, £1,900 at 100½	16,387	50		
Mauritius 4 % " £1,000 at 102¼	8,764	29			" 4 % " £400 at 72 7/8	2,481	43		
Trinidad 3 % " £10,042 10s. at 82 7/8	71,337	61			Grenada 4 % " £1,299 0s. 2d. at 100¼	11,162	16		
" 3 % " £3,258 2s. at 80¾	22,550	07			" 4 % " £2,100 at 73	13,140	00		
British Guiana 4 % stock, £800 at 99½	6,822	86			St. Lucia 4 % " £400 at 100¾	3,454	29		
Sierra Leone 3½ % stock, £1,490 9s. 4d. at 91½	11,689	50			" 4 % " £3,236 5s. 9d. at 72¾	20,180	57		
5 % War Loan £2,631 11s. 3d. ...	22,556	24			Mauritius 4 % " £1,000 at 102¼	8,764	29		
4 % Funding Loan £9,750 at 80 ...	66,857	13			" 3½ % " £200 at 61¾	1,058	57		
5 % National War Bonds £9,000 ...	77,142	86			Trinidad 3 % " £10,042 10s. at 82 7/8	71,337	61		
5 % War Loan £5,238 14s. 4d. at 95¼	42,770	39	898,919	50	" 3 % " £3,258 0s. 2d. at 80¾	22,550	07		
Purchases					British Guiana 4 % stock, £800 at 99½	6,822	86		
Gold Coast 6 % stock £11,764 2s. 4d. at 101¾	102,599	89			Sierra Leone 3½ % " £1,490 9s. 4d. at 91½	11,689	50		
5 % National War Bonds £12,627 13s. at 94 1/8	101,878	07			5 % War Loan £2,631 11s. 3d. ...	22,556	24		
5 % War stock £19,925 17s. 3d. at 85 1/8	145,387	64			4 % Funding Loan £9,750 at 80 ...	66,857	13		
5 % War stock £10,199 14s. 7d. at 84 7/8	74,203	04			5 % National War Bonds £9,000 ...	77,142	86		
Hongkong 3½ % Stock £100 at 64½	552	86			5 % " £12,627 13s. at 94 1/8	101,878	07		
Grenada 4 % " £2,100 at 73	13,140	00			5 % War Loan £5,238 14s. 4d. at 95¼	42,770	39		
Mauritius 3½ % " £200 at 61¾	1,058	57			Gold Coast 6 % stock £11,764 2s. 4. at 101¾	102,599	89		
Antigua 4 % " £400 at 72 7/8	2,481	43			" 3½ % " £1,820 7s. at 62 5/8	9,771	36		
Gold Coast 3½ % " £1,820 7s. at 62 5/8	9,771	36			5 % War stock £19,925 17s. 3d. at 85 1/8	145,387	64		
Southern Nigeria 3½ % Stock £1,255 8s. 9d. at 62¾	6,752	46			5 % " £10,199 14s. 7d. at 84 7/8	74,203	04		
St. Lucia 4 % Stock £3,236 5s. 9d. at 72¾	20,180	57	478,005	89	Hongkong 3½ % stock £100 at 64½	552	86	1,375,925	39
Total ...	...	1,376,925	39		Total ...	...	1,376,925	39	

APPENDIX VIII.

TELEGRAPHS AND TELEPHONES.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT SHOWING LENGTH OF WIRE, ETC.,
IN YEARS 1916-1920, INCLUSIVE.

Year.	Length of overhead line.	Length of overhead wire.	Length of under- ground cable.	Length of wire single line in cables.	Amount spent on construc- tion.	Earnings.	Cost of Mainte- nance.
	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	\$	\$	\$
1916	2,210	10,461	26 $\frac{1}{2}$	2,418	88,769	372,468	196,076
1917	2,276	11,211	26	2,406	232,931	421,822	193,410
1918	2,347	11,581	26	2,433	149,746	450,350	243,609
1919	2,372	11,829	26	2,433	254,281	524,256	260,000
1920	2,504	12,396	27 $\frac{1}{2}$	2,511	463,297	588,723	331,192

The department also owns 121 miles of line and 365 miles of wire in Johore.

APPENDIX IX.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUE COLLECTED BY THE
POST OFFICE IN 1919 AND 1920.

	1919.	1920.	Increase.	Decrease.
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Commission on Money Orders	171,613	116,585	...	55,028
„ British Postal Orders	8,907	3,291	...	5,616
Inter-State Telegrams	73,217	93,523	20,306	
Miscellaneous	25,636	31,448	5,812	
Postage on Bearing Letters	29,150	29,871	721	
Sale of Stamps	748,310	521,800	...	226,510
Telephone Receipts	242,488	268,224	25,736	
Total ...	1,299,321	1,064,742	...	234,579

APPENDIX X.

STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STAMPS, ETC., OF EACH
DENOMINATION ISSUED DURING 1919 AND 1920.

—					Particulars.	1919.	1920.
Postage Stamps ...	...	...	...	{	1 cent	2,209,467	990,710
					2 cents	1,671,856	1,776,790
					3 "	896,494	1,120,440
					4 "	6,888,186	7,854,540
					5 "	195,250	172,210
					6 "	250,080	186,280
					8 "	287,558	
					10 "	613,852	969,303
					20 "	584,180	667,990
					50 "	217,790	231,085
					1 dollar	96,558	106,998
					2 dollars	68,528	77,362
Revenue Stamps	...	...	...	{	5 "	72,462	75,768
					25 "	9,442	8,919
					100 "	635	1,112
					250 "	980	2,068
					Local single	469,435	463,745
Post-cards	...	...	...	{	Local reply	6,980	6,715
					Foreign single	6,750	7,870
					Foreign reply	425	475
					F size	10,571	25,700
Registered Envelopes	...	...	...	{	G "	81,764	72,743
					H "	3,790	4,501
					H ² "	1,855	2,981
					49 cents	1,502	1,578
2 cents Booklets		97 "	8,488	14,185
4 " " " "		25 "	...	406
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