

SUPPLEMENT

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Colonial Secretary's Office, 15th July, 1875.

HE GOVERNOR directs the publication, for general information, of the following Report from the Postmaster for Jamaica for the Year ended 30th September, 1874.

By command,

EDW. E. RUSHWORTH, Colonial Secretary. REPORT OF THE POST OFFICE DEPART-MENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEP-TEMBER, 1874.

THE POSTMASTER FOR JAMAICA TO THE COLONIAL SECRETARY.

No. 2308.

General Post Office, 6th April, 1875.

SIR,

I have the honor to submit the Seventh Annual Report on the Post Office Department, being that for the Financial Year which ended on the 30th September, 1874.

REVENUE.

The Cash Collections were in excess of previous years, as shewn by the following Comparative Statement:-

Financial Year.	Postages.	Commission on Money Orders.	Miscellaneous.	Total.		
1871-72 1872-73 1873-74	£ s. d. 13,077 19 7 12,882 14 11 14,020 13 9½	£ s. d. 459 18 2 466 14 8 504 6 1	£ 8. d. 286 0 9 335 5 4 132 8 11½	£ s. d. 13,823 18 6 13,684 14 11 14,657 8 10		

but the Account is under adjustment.

EXPENDITURE.

records, was £15,773 7s. 1d. as against £14,559 ages, &c. was also increased by £304 18s. 2d. 0s. 4d. in preceding year. The greater part of that increase will be found under the head of Conveyance of Mails. It having become necessary, in March, 1874, to cancel the Contract with the Jamaica Railway Com- pare favorably with those of the preceding year.

I have again to note that no Remittance on Gratuity | pany for the conveyance of Mails, the substituted Ser-Account has yet been received for Letters carried to vices by road involved an increased Expenditure of and from New York under the Contract of the Atlas £122 4s. 10d. Services in connection with new Steam Ship Company with the Jamaica Government, Post Offices added £106 17s. 6d. and £402 7s. 0d. was the result of increased rates of payment under Contracts entered into during the preceding year. The re-The Expenditure of the Department, as shewn by its mittance to the United Kingdom on account of Post-

MONEY ORDERS.

The transactions of the Money Order Branch com-

	18	872-73.	1873-74.				
	No.	A mount.	No.	Amount.			
Jamaica Issue, payable in United Kingdom United Kingdom Issue, payable in Jamaica Proportion of Commission payable to Jamaica	5,419 262	£. s. d. 38,801 16 9 1,008 3 0 466 14 8	5,606 222	£. s. d. 43,152 1 3 863 11 7 504 6 1			

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CIRCULATION OF CORRESPONDENCE.

The Estimates taken of the rumber of Letters, &c. passing through the Office during the year gave the was as under :following result :-

INL	AND MAILS.	
KINGSTON.	Outwards.	Inwards.
Ordinary Letters	320,900	232,000
Registered Letters-		
Public	6,958	13,330
Official	6,194	3,190
Books	33,000	7,500
Newspapers	162,000	9,500
Gazettes	38,500	***
In addition to the a	have I OOG Tatton	a annough to

In addition to the above 1,926 Letters, supposed to be Valentines, were posted at the General Post Office on or about the 14th February, 1874.

Between District Offices there passed-

Ordinary Letters	***	206,850
Registered Letters	412	8,500
Books	***	12,500
Newspapers	***	16,200

OCEAN MAILS.

At KINGSTON.			
United Kingdom	Letters.	Books.	Newspapers.
Outwards	96,300	3,900	33,800
Inwards	100,900	33,700	268,700
Intercolonial-			
Outwards	28,800	900	8,100
Inwards	26,400	4,700	11,000
United States-			
Outwards	12,000	100	2,500
Inwards	12,900	1.500	12,200
Ship Mails-			
Outwards	1,800	8	50
Inwards	5,800	***	
AT OUTPORTS			
Ship Mails-			
Outwards	***	444	F=0
Inwards	140		***

In connection with the number of Letters, &c. received from and despatched to places beyond the island during the year, I find that the number of Vessels carrying Mails was as under:

OUTWARDS

Kingston-	Outports-
Under Contract 87 Not under Contract 77	Not under Contract N

77'		-1420	
Kingston— Under Contract Not under Contract 2	95 15	Outwards— Not Under	20

RETURNED LETTER BRANCH.

In the returned Letter Branch the work performed

LETTERS.

Returned to the United Kingdom, &c. 758 Reposted to Writers resident in King-	Unpaid. 1,649
ston 1,664	839
Reposted to Writers resident in the Country 3,138 Destroyed, being anonymous or illegi-	3,041
ble 505	830
Destroyed, Writers not having been found 1,173	1,844
NEWSPAPERS	

Unclaimed or Refused	2,148	551

The total loss to the Revenue on the

Newspapers

course, as Registered.

above, being-			
Letters	£52	1	8
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Amongst the Unclaimed Letters not Registered were found 102 that contained value to the extent of £133 5s. 2d. These were returned to the Writers in due

DISTRICT OFFICES.

Four new Post Offices were established during the year, viz :

On 5th December, 1873-"Ewarton," in the Parish of St. Catherine.

On 2nd February, 1874-"Guy's Hill," in the Parish of St. Mary.

On 1st August, 1874-"Cold Spring," in the Parish of St. Andrew, near Military Station at Newcastie.

On 15th September, 1874-" Mount Charles," in the Parish of St. Andrew, on the interior Road be tween Gordon Town and Bath (St. Thomas.)

RETURNS.

In conclusion I beg to submit the several Returns il for the year under review.

I have, &c.

(Signed) FRED. SULLIVAN, Postmaster for Jamaica.

The Honorable the Colonial Secretary, Kingston.

RETURN, Shewing the Number of Vessels Carrying Mails, and the Number of Mails Carried to and from Jamaica during the two Financial Years ended respectively 30th September, 1873-1874.

OUTWARDS.					INWARDS.					
	1872	1872-73.		3-74.	74. 1872-73.		2-73.	1873-74.		
	No. of Vessels.	No. of Mails.	No. of Vessels.	No. of Mails.		No. of Vessels.	No. of Mails.	No. of Vessels.	No. of Mails.	
				King	STON.					
Contract Packets	91	389	87	429	Contract Packets	92	213	95	212	
Ships	4.7	75	77	107	Ships	181	181	215	215	
Service of the servic		1		Our	PORTS.					
Nil	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Ships	22	22	20	20	

FRED. SULLIVAN, Postmaster for Jamaica.

		Letters, Ordinary	Registere Ordinary.	d Letters.		Newspapers.	Valentines.	Gazettes.				Letters.	Books.	Newspapers.
INLAND MA	VLS,		-			N	and the same of the same		CONTRACT PACKET A	ND SHIP MAILS.				
	itwards	320,900	6,958	6,194	33,000	162,000	1,926	38,500	Kingsi	ON.		334		
	wards		13,330	3,190	7,500	9,500	A.13111	*****	United Kingdom	Outwards		96,300	3,900	33,800
etween District Of		206,850	8,5	00	12,500	16,200	******	*****		Inwards		100,900	33,700	168,700
									Intercolonial	Outwards	***	28,800	900	8,100
	1		1.09							Inwards	***	26,400	4,700	11,000
							-		American Mail	Outwards		12,000	100	2,500
								-		Inwards	***	12,900	1,500	12,200
									Ship Mails	Outwards	9.8.4	1,800	8	50
										Inwards	***	5,800		
	9.1								OUTPO	ORTS.				
									Ship Mails	Outwards	444	*****	*****	
										Inwards		140	*****	
				_										000.00
Total		759,750	38,1	72	53,000	187,700	1,926	38,500	Total .		***	285,040	44,808	256,350

Total of Letters Returned to United Kingdom, &c.			Total of Newspapers Returned to United Kingdom, &c.			Letters Reposted to Writers Resident in Kingston.			Letters Resid		ted to Writers				Letters Destroyed, being Anonymous, or with illegible Signatures.			
Paid.	1	Unpaid.	Paid.	1	Unpaid.	Paid.		Unpaid.	Paid.		Unpaid.	Paid. Unpaid.		Paid.	Unpaid,			
No.	No.	Amount.	No.	No.	Amount.	No.	No.	Amount.	No.	No.	Amount.	No.	No.	Amount.	No.	No. Amount,		
758	1649	£30 5 10	472	620	£6 2 0½	1664	839	£12 12 2	3138	3041	£51 4 11	4802	3880	£63 17 1	505	830 £13 4 41		

Returned Letters Destroyed, being Unclaimed by Writers.		d by Writers.	Recoverable on Let-	Inland Postage for Re- direction, not Recover- able from Writers in Jamaica.	The state of the s	turned claimed or	to Publi Refuse recover	ewspapers Re- ishers as Un- ed, Postage ir- able.	Contents of	and Amount of of Unclaimed Let- Registered, but ontain Value, and	REMARKS.
Paid.	aid. Unpaid.		- Marie			Paid. Unp		Unpaid.	Reposted to Writers.		
No.	No.	Amount.	Amount,	Amount,	Amount.	No.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount,	
1173	1844	£28 0 3½	£9 6 10	£1 9 9	£52 1 3	2148	551	£2 12 111	102	£133 5 2	

STATEMENT SHEWING THE TRANSACTIONS OF THE MONEY ORDER BRANCH OF THE GENERAL POST OFFICE, JAMAICA, For the Financial Year ending 30th September, 1874.

	JAMA	ICA ISSUE	υ	NITED	COMMISSION ACCOUNT.					
Payable in United Kingdom		Void Order	Payable !	in Jamaica.	Paid in	Jamaica.	Void Order Account.	Total Commissions Collected on Orders Issued in Jamaica on		
Number.	Amount.	Forfeited to Revenue.	Repaid to Remitter.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Amount.	the United Kingdom.	
5606	£. s. d. 43,152 1 3		£. s. d. 5 13 7	222	£. s. d. 863 11 7	220	£. s. d. 849 19 7	£, s. d. 5 7 6	£. s. d. 926 0 6	

COMMISSION ACCOUNT.

Proportion of Jamaica Com-				Proportion of Commission on Additional					t to Jamai-	Total Amou	nt to	be carried	Actual Amou	nt Pai	d to Credit	
mission placed to Credit of mission placed to Credit of			United Ki	n Issued to	ca, being	a, being Commission on			to Revenue on Commission			of Revenue on Commission Ac-				
the United Kingdo	Ja		Credit of Jamaica.			Transfer of Orders.			Account.			count during the Period.				
£. s. d.		£.	8.	d.	£.	8,	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	8.	d.	£.	8.	d.
481 1 4		494	19	2	8	19	11	0	7	0	504	6	1	504	6	1
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					E.	S.	d.	SALARIES-
Postages on Unpaid Cor	respondence received	at District Pos	t Offices	***	1,152	5	6	Salary of Postmaster for Jamaica 600 0 0
					263	0	À	Salaries of Clerks 2,008 5 0
Postages on Unpaid Cor		from the omited	a Kinguom	***				Wages of Sorte's, Letter Carriers, and Office Woman 425 16 8
Postages on Unpaid Shi	p Letters	***	**	***	516	1	5	Wages of Auxiliary Letter Carriers 39 18 6
Postages on Unpaid Cor	respondence received	from Foreign 1	Places	112	88	4	7	Salaries of District Postmasters 1,648 13 11 Travelling Supervisor's Salary 214 3 4
Postages on Unpaid Corr	espondence received a	t the General I	Post Office	***	348	5	2	CONVEYANCE OF MAILS-
Redirected Packet Lette	rs	***	161	203	28	4	08	By Contractors 5,995 5 10 Special Services 115 9 2
					10050			Ship Letter Gratuities 88 6 6
Stamps Sold by the Dep	artment	***	***	***	10,050	13	94	Proportion of Packet Postages placed to Credit of the United Kingdom 3,584 18 9
Stamps Sold by the Star	mp Commissioner	**	***	***	2,328	12	6	SERVICES—
Rent of Subscribers Bo	tes		***	***	68	15	6	Making and Repairing Mail Bags 27 2 3 Candle and Oil Account 5 16 9
				-				Stationery 17 5 9
Commissions on Money	Orders	3.0	***	570	504	6	1	Advertizing 24 10 0 Yard Cleaner 4 8 0
Fees for Detention of I	acket Letters in Kings	iton	***	***	21	2	6	Allowance to Officers for Services Performed out of Office Hours 111 18 9
Pine teament						-		Letter Carriers Uniforms 43 19 3
Fine Account	***	**	***	***	37	5	04	Repairs to Couriers Clocks 30 12 6 Water Supply at the General Post Office 2 8 0
Miscellaneous	in	64	843	**	6	8	0	Supervisor's Travelling Charges 151 13 4
								Poor Rates on Portion of Post Office Premises occupied by District Postmasters \ 106 0 3
								as a Private Residence
								Stores Imported through Agency of the General Post Office, London 22 13 0 Contingencies 97 12 0
								Enamelled Iron Sign Plates and Letter Box Labels for District Post Offices,
								Handcuff Padlocks, and Brass Labels for Mail Wrappers
								Freight and Wharfage of Furniture for District Post Offices 20 0 3 Wages of Acting Letter Carrier 22 0
					1			Allowance to Letter Carrier employed at Spanish Town Post Office until appoint-
								ment of Permanent Assistant Poundage on Stamps sold by District Postmasters, and at the General Post Office 91 11 10
								Discount on Stamps sold by Stamp Commissioner 115 2 3
					1			DRAWBACK ENTRIES—
					1			Redirected Letters 381 18 4
								Unclaimed Letters sent through Returned Letter Branch 185 10 34 Redirected and Dead Packet Letters 28 4 04
								Specimen Postage Stamps transmitted to Foreign Countries 0 7 1
					15,433	1	101	£16,369 6 10
				3.	10,400		103	210,589 6 10
								FRED. SULLIVAN, Postmaster for Jamaica.