

POST AND TELEGRAPH STATISTICS.

## REVENUE and EXPENDITURE of POST OFFICE.

	£	£
REVENUE:—		
Gross Receipts from Letters, Post Cards, Newspapers, Books, and Parcels ... ..	39,159	
Commission on Money Orders and Postal Orders...	475	
Miscellaneous ... ..	10,838	
Total Postal Revenue ... ..	...	50,472
EXPENDITURE:—		
For salaries, wages and all expenses of Postal Service (including Money and Postal Order Business) within the Island ... ..	16,961	
For conveyance of Mails beyond the Island ...	15,790	
Total cost of Postal Service ... ..	...	32,751
Net Revenue ... ..	...	17,721

## MAIL SERVICE.

Between Malta and	Line of Steamers	Contract		Number of Mails	Total Annual Subsidy	Govt.'s share of Subsidy	Other Payments to Contractors
		Commencement	Termination				
Syracuse	Joseph Gasan	21. 2. 26	20. 2. 30	Six times weekly	£15,950	—	—
Do.	Transatlantica Italiana	—	—	Twice weekly	—	—	—
Tunis	Maltese Packet	4. 3. 25	20. 2. 30	Once weekly	3,000	—	—
Marseilles	P & O. and B.I.S.N. Coy.	14. 6. 28	—	Fortnightly	3,000	—	—

## Number of Post, Money Order, and Telegraph Offices

Post Offices	Money Order Offices	Telegraph Offices
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## Statement of the Estimated Total Number of Ordinary Letters, etc., dealt with

Posted in Malta and Gozo.		Disposed of in Malta and Gozo.	
Letters	3,755,900	Letters	2,531,000
Post Cards	114,200	Post Cards	112,100
Other articles	937,200	Other articles	1,497,600
	<u>4,807,300</u>		<u>4,140,700</u>
Received from abroad.		Despatched abroad.	
Letters	1,218,100	Letters	2,443,000
Post Cards	91,000	Post Cards	93,100
Other articles	692,500	Other articles	132,100
	<u>2,001,600</u>		<u>2,668,200</u>
	<u>6,808,900</u>		<u>6,808,900</u>

## Statement of the Actual Total Number of Registered and Insured Articles dealt with

Posted in Malta and Gozo.		Disposed of in Malta and Gozo.	
Registered	124,362	Registered	112,737
Insured	1,354	Insured	1,107
	<u>125,716</u>		<u>113,844</u>
Received from abroad.		Despatched abroad.	
Registered	104,296	Registered	115,871
Insured	1,087	Insured	1,334
	<u>105,383</u>		<u>117,205</u>
	<u>231,099</u>		<u>231,099</u>
INTERNAL.		EXTERNAL.	
Parcels	177	Received.	Despatched.
		65,732	13,220

## Postal Orders dealt with

British Postal Orders issued	Number 52,342	value £18,874	0. 0
.. .. paid	.. 24,904	.. 11,643	0. 0

## Statement of the Amount of Money Order Transactions between Malta and the United Kingdom, and between Malta and other Colonies or Foreign Countries.

	Issued in Colony	Advised for payment in Colony
	£	£
United Kingdom including Canada, United States of America etc. ... ..	25,256	25,823
Australia, Egypt, India, Gibraltar and Foreign countries	3,601	20,814
Total ... ..	<u>28,857</u>	<u>46,637</u>

### Rates of Postage and Charges, In and From Malta.

#### BRITISH AND FOREIGN POSTAGE—LETTERS.

*Post Office Act of 1924 (No. III of 1924) and Government Notice No. 263 of 1925.*

Letters to the United Kingdom, British Colonies, British Possessions, British Protectorates, H.M. Ships abroad and United States of America and Tangiers:—											
Under 1 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.	
for every additional oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.	
Letters to all other places not mentioned above,	{	for the first 1 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.	
		for any additional 1 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.	
Applicable to Foreign Countries and the places mentioned above	{	Single postcard	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.	
		Reply postcard	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.	
		Newspapers, Books, Printed papers etc., for every 2 oz. or part thereof	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d. + 1d.
		Commercial Papers, for the first 10 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.
		for every additional 2 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.
Patterns and Samples, for the first 4 oz.	{	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.	
		for every additional 2 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.

#### LOCAL POSTAGE—LETTERS.

*Post Office Act 1924 (No. III of 1924) and Government Notice No. 198 of 1924.*

Letters not exceeding 1oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.
for every additional oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.
Single postcard	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.
Reply postcard	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.
Printed Matter, Book packets, etc., for every 2 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d. + 1d.
Newspapers—For every 2 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.
In the case of a local newspaper exceeding in weight 2 oz. the rate for each will not be more than										
Commercial Papers, for the first 4 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.
for every additional 2 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.
Samples, for every 4 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.

#### PARCEL POST.

##### A. Local Parcels.

*Post Office Act 1924 (No. III of 1924) and Government Notice No. 198 of 1924.*

The prepaid rates for Parcels exchanged within the limits of these Islands are as follows:—

	s.	d.
For a parcel not exceeding 1 lb. in weight	...	3
“ exceeding 1 lb. but not exceeding 3 lbs.	...	6
“ “ 3 lbs. “ “ 6 “	...	9
“ “ 6 “ “ “ 11 “	...	1 0

##### B. Foreign Parcels.

*Post Office Act 1924 (No. III of 1924) and Government Notices No. 82 of 12th. March 1926, Nos. 11 and 12 of 7th. January, 1927.*

	Weight not exceeding				
	2 lbs.	3 lbs.	7 lbs.	11 lbs.	22 lbs.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
To United Kingdom	...	1 6	2 8	3 9	5 10
Egypt	...	1 8	2 4	3 0	—
France via Tunis	...	—	—	3 3	5 8
Italy and Tripoli	...	—	—	2 0	4 3
Gibraltar	...	1 0	2 0	3 0	—

##### C. Foreign Parcels.

On parcels between Malta and all other Foreign localities, exchanged through the medium of any of the abovesmentioned places with which a direct service exists, the full postage comprises, in addition to the rates chargeable from Malta to any of the aforesaid Countries, the onward postage from those Countries to the place of destination.

#### SHARE OF POSTAGE ON PARCEL MAILS INWARDS.

A share varying from 4d. to 1s. 8d. is apportioned to this Island for every parcel received.

#### FEE ON INSURED LETTERS.

*Post Office Act 1924 (No. III of 1924) and Government Notices Nos. 198 and 222 of 1924.*

A fee of 4d. up to £5, 5d. up to £20 and of 1d. for every additional £20 up to £400 is levied on Insured Letters posted in Malta for delivery at any place in Malta.

A fee of 7d. is levied for the first £12 and of 4d. for every additional £12 of declared value on Insured Letters and Parcels and a fee of 1d. is payable to this Country on every £12 of declared value on Insured Parcels received at Malta.

#### SURCHARGED POSTAGE.

*Post Office Act of 1924 (No. III of 1924) and Government Notices Nos. 198 and 222 of 1924.*

Surcharged postage denoted by means of Postage due labels is collected on unpaid or insufficiently prepaid correspondence.

RATES OF POSTAGE AND CHARGES, IN AND FROM MALTA—continued.

PRIVATE BOXES.

An annual fee of one guinea payable in advance is charged for the rent of a private Box and a fee of two pounds for a private posting box or bag.

MONEY ORDERS.

*Post Office Act of 1924 (No. 111 of 1924) and Government Notices Nos. 222 and 223 of 1924.*

Commission on Money Orders chargeable at Malta:—

Local.				Foreign.			
For sums not exceeding £1		s.	d.	For sums above £10 and not exceeding £20		s.	d.
.. above £1 and not exceeding £3		0	2	.. .. 20 .. 30		0	8
.. .. £3 .. 10		0	3	.. .. 30 .. 40		0	10
		0	4				
For sums not exceeding £1		0	4	For sums above £20 but not above £22		3	0
.. above £1 but not above £2		0	6	.. .. 22 .. 24		3	3
.. .. 2 .. 4		0	9	.. .. 24 .. 26		3	6
.. .. 4 .. 6		1	0	.. .. 26 .. 28		3	9
.. .. 6 .. 8		1	3	.. .. 28 .. 30		4	0
.. .. 8 .. 10		1	6	.. .. 30 .. 32		4	3
.. .. 10 .. 12		1	9	.. .. 32 .. 34		4	6
.. .. 12 .. 14		2	0	.. .. 34 .. 36		4	9
.. .. 14 .. 16		2	3	.. .. 36 .. 38		5	0
.. .. 16 .. 18		2	6	.. .. 38 .. 40		5	3
.. .. 18 .. 20		2	9				

A supplementary fee of 1s. is payable for Telegraph Money Orders. This fee is retained by the issuing office. The Telegraphic Money Order Service is limited to the United Kingdom and to the Irish Free State.

No single money order can be issued for a sum exceeding £40.

Half per cent. of the value of money orders issued in Malta is payable to the Country of destination and half per cent. of the value of the money orders issued in Foreign Countries payable in Malta is paid to this Colony.

The Commission on Postal Orders is as follows:—

POSTAL ORDERS.

On values of 6d. to 2s. 6d. ... ..	1d.	On values of 20s. ... ..	2d.
On values of 3s. to 15s. ... ..	14d.		

TELEGRAPH CABLES.

The Eastern Telegraph Company, Limited, which connects Malta with England via Gibraltar is not subsidized by the Malta Government.

TELEGRAM TARIFF.

THE EASTERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY, LTD.

*Tariff per word from Malta.*

	s.	d.		s.	d.
To Africa:—			To Gibraltar	—	3
Algiers	—	3	.. Holland	—	5
Tangier	—	4	.. Hungary	—	4
Tripoli	—	2	.. India	—	1 5
Tunis	—	4	.. Irish Free State	—	5
.. Argentine Republic	3	2	.. Italy	—	2
.. Australia & New Zealand	2	6	.. Norway	—	5½
.. Austria	—	3½	.. Portugal	—	4
.. Belgium	—	4½	.. Russia	—	7½
.. Canada (various rates) from 1/3 to	3	0	.. Spain	—	4½
.. Ceylon	1	5	.. Sweden	—	5
.. Denmark	—	5	.. Switzerland	—	3½
.. Egypt (1st Region)	1	0	.. Turkey	—	7
.. France and Sarre	—	4	.. Union of South Africa	—	1 8
.. Great Britain	—	4	.. United States America		
.. Greece { Mainland	—	6½	(various rates) from 1/3 to	2	10
Islands	—	7	.. Yougoslavia	—	3½
.. Germany	—	4½			

## TELEPHONES.

There are three telephone installations :—

- (i) The Dockyard Service maintained by the Admiralty and used by the Naval Establishments ;
- (ii) The Military Service maintained by the War Department and used by the Garrison.
- (iii) The Melita Telephone Exchange maintained by private enterprise and made use of by the Colonial Government and the Community. The total length of aerial wires is 760 miles.

There is inter-communication through connection between the different Exchanges.  
Telephonic communication exists between Malta and Gozo.