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F O R T H E F I R S T S I X M O N T H S O F 1870, 1871, A N D 1872.

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POST OFFICE RETURNS.

1.—RETURN of the Amounts received at the General Post Office for Stamps sold during the First Six Months of the Years 1870, 1871, 1872.

HALF-YEAR.	AMOUNT RECEIVED.			INCREASE.			DECREASE.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
*1870.....	8337	5	9	1923	10	10
1871.....	6413	14	11
1872.....	6902	13	8	488	18	9

2.—RETURN of the Number of Letters posted in Tasmania for the United Kingdom and other places (exclusive of Intercolonial) during the first Six Months of the Years 1870, 1871, 1872.

HALF-YEAR.	NUMBER OF LETTERS.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
1870.....	20,146
1871.....	18,416	..	1730
1872.....	20,470	2054	..

3.—RETURN of the Number of Intercolonial Letters (or Letters for the Australian Colonies and New Zealand) posted in Tasmania during the first Six Months of the Years 1870, 1871, 1872.

HALF-YEAR.	NUMBER OF LETTERS.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
1870.....	56,025
1871.....	63,427	7402	..
1872.....	71,135	7708	..

4.—RETURN of the Number of Inland Stamped Letters and Packets posted in Tasmania during the first Six Months of the Years 1870, 1871, 1872.

HALF-YEAR.	LETTERS.	PACKETS.	INCREASE.		DECREASE.	
			Letters.	Packets.	Letters.	Packets.
1870.....	221,023	5769
1871.....	291,438	9428	70,415	3659
1872.....	355,566	10,603	64,128	1175

*NOTE.—On the 1st November, 1870, the Inland Letter Postage Rate was reduced from Four Pence to Two Pence per Half Ounce, and the Intercolonial Letter Postage Rate from Sixpence to Three Pence per Half Ounce.

A. C. DOUGLAS, *Secretary.*

General Post Office, 1st July, 1872.