

Out of the above expenditure in 1897, 1898 and 1899 the following amounts were paid for mail subsidies :—

STATEMENT OF THE AMOUNTS OF MAIL SUBSIDIES PAID BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND COMMERCE DURING THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1899.

Mail Subsidies.	Amounts paid by Department of Trade and Commerce.
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Canada and Australia.....	121,667
Victoria and San Francisco.....	5,000
Canada and Great Britain.....	134,610
Halifax, Newfoundland and Liverpool.....	20,000
St. John, Halifax and London.....	25,000
St. John and Glasgow.....	7,500
St. John, Dublin and Belfast.....	5,250
St. John and Halifax and West Indies and South America.....	78,000
St. John and Digby.....	12,500
St. John and Minas Basin.....	2,500
St. John and Halifax via Yarmouth.....	7,000
Grand Manan and Mainland.....	3,977
Prince Edward Island and Mainland.....	10,000
Magdalen Islands and Mainland.....	8,750
Dalhousie and Gaspé Basin.....	10,260
Pictou and Cheticamp.....	2,000
Pictou, Murray Harbour, Georgetown, &c.....	1,200
Port Mulgrave, Arichat, Causo, &c.....	7,457
Baddeck, Grand Narrows, &c.....	3,942
Halifax and Newfoundland via Cape Breton.....	2,000
Quebec and Gaspé.....	2,500
Prince Edward Island and Great Britain.....	5,000
Canada and Manchester, G.B.....	26,000
Port Mulgrave, St. Peter's and Irish Cove, &c.....	3,943
Promote Trade, South Africa.....	5,000
Canada and Japan.....	73,000
Total for 1899.....	584,056
" 1898.....	589,773
" 1897.....	553,812

The number of stamps, post bands, letter cards, post cards, &c., issued to postmasters during the year was 216,160,900, as compared with 163,546,340 in 1898, being an increase of 52,614,560, and almost the whole postal revenue is derived from this source, the amount received from the sale of stamps, post cards, letter cards, &c., in 1899 having been \$4,194,206.