88.—Revenue and Expenditure of the Post Office Department for the quinquennial fiscal years ended 1898-1910, and fiscal years ended Mar. 31, 1911-31.

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Fiscal Year.	Net Revenue.1	Espendi- ture.	Deficit.	Surplus.
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1890	2,729,790 3,183,984 5,125,373	3,074,470 3,593,647 3,645,646 4,634,528 7,215,337	717,081 800,857 461,662	490,845 743,210
1911	9,146,952 10,482,255 12,060,476 12,956,216 13,046,650	7,954,223 9,172,035 10,882,805 12,822,058 15,961,191	2,914,541	1,192,726 1,310,220 1,177,671 134,158
1916 1917 1918 1919 1920	18,858,410 20,902,384 21,345,394 21,602,713 24,449,917	16,009,139 16,300,579 18,046,558 19,273,584 20,774,385	1111	2,849,271 4,601,804 3,298,836 2,329,129 3,675,532
1921 1922 1923 1923 1924	26,331,119 26,554,538 29,262,233 29,100,492 28,581,993	24,661,262 28,121,425 27,794,602 28,305,937 29,873,802	1,566,887 - 1,291,809	1,669,857 1,467,731 794,555
1926	31,024,464 29,378,697 30,529,165 31,170,904 32,969,293 30,416,106	30,499,686 31,007,698 32,379,196 33,483,058 35,036,629 36,292,603	1,629,001 1,850,041 2,312,154 2,067,336 5,876,496	524,778

[&]quot;Net revenue" is exclusive of salaries and allowances to postmasters and some other smaller items. The gross revenue in the fiscal year 1930 was \$39,984,126 and for 1931, \$37,486,252.

Auxiliary Services.—The auxiliary postal services—the issuing of money orders (including postal notes) and the facilities offered by the Post Office sayings banks-have expanded enormously since Confederation. In 1868, for example, there were 515 money order offices in operation, issuing orders to an amount of \$3,342,574. In 1931 the number of offices had increased to 6,401, while the value of orders issued was over 60 times as large as in the earlier year. In the following tables, illustrating the use of money orders and postal notes, it will also be noticed that the large number of 16,313,134 money orders, representing a value of \$167,749,651, was issued during 1931. The number of postal notes received and paid was 8.145,-855, with a value of \$14,681,376. It may be added that postal notes are issued payable to bearer and are in general use for the transfer of small sums, but money orders, on the other hand, are payable to order at a designated post office. Statistical tables showing deposits with the Government savings banks since Confederation and combined business of Post Office and Dominion Government savings banks, 1926-31, are included in the chapter on Currency and Banking. (See pp. 783-6).