APPENDIX A

DIVISION OF THE INDEX AND INFORMATION

INDEX

The work of indexing the manuscript documents of the Military or C series has been carried on systematically since my last report. Seventy-four more volumes have been indexed in this series.

Indexing of various other volumes has also been done in connection with the preparation of lists of published biographies, genealogies, etc., which are now of great help in furnishing information, by facilitating and expediting the work.

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SEARCHES

The number of requests for the production of documents and for information on the most varied subjects, made by Departments of the Public Service, by students of history, and other inquirers, both verbally and in writing, augments daily. As the Public Archives become better known to an ever increasing number of seekers after historical data, requests for information follow the upward trend. No less than 1,153 such requests have been received and attended to during the last two years, while the number for the preceding two years was 434, showing an advance of 719 or nearly two hundred per cent. This growing number of inquiries naturally results in a parallel increase of transcription.