Expenditure for the Year ended 31st March, 1917, compared with the Year ended 31st March, 1916.

|   | Year ended<br>31st March,<br>1917.      | Year ended<br>31st March,<br>1916. | Increase.            | Decrease. |
|---|---|------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| Permanent Appropriations—   | £                                       | £                                  | £                    | £         |
| Civil List  | 27,473                                  | 20,280                             | 7,193                |           |
| Interest and Sinking Fund   | 4,014,792                               | 3,190,798                          | <b>823,9</b> 94      |           |
| Under Special Acts  | 988,301                                 | 574,000                            | 414,301              |           |
| Subsidies paid to Local Authorities   | 130,716                                 | 133,072                            |                      | 2,356     |
| Territorial Revenue   | 52,033                                  | 52,184                             |                      | 151       |
| Endowments  | 165,2 <b>3</b> 7                        | 173,692                            |                      | 8,455     |
| Old-age Pensions  | <b>453</b> ,085                         | 450,842                            | 2,243                | • • •     |
| Widows' Pensions  | 37,918                                  | 3 <b>6</b> ,265                    | 1,653                | • •       |
| Military Pensions   | 45,634                                  | 48,278                             |                      | 2,644     |
| War Pensions  | 180,166                                 | 13,744                             | 166,422              | ••        |
| Annual Appropriations—  | 6,095,355                               | 4,693,155                          | 1,415,806            | 13,600    |
| Legislative Department  | <b>34,93</b> 9                          | 34 ,480                            | 459                  |           |
| Department of Finance   | 106,722                                 | 90,004                             | 16,718               |           |
| Post and Telegraph Department   | 1,368,490                               | 1,294,712                          | 73,778               |           |
| Working Railways Department   | 2,871,977                               | 2,954,006                          |                      | 82,029    |
| Public Buildings, Domains, and Maintenance of Roads   | 94,939                                  | 100,780                            | •••                  | 5,84      |
| Native Department   | 24,191                                  | 24,877                             |                      | 686       |
| Justice Department  | 459,914                                 | 452,227                            | 7,687                |           |
| Mines Department  | 28,278                                  | 28,552                             |                      | 274       |
| Department of Internal Affairs  | 474,965                                 | 408,058                            | 66,907               |           |
| Defence Department  | 438,656                                 | 432,227                            | 6,429                |           |
| Customs, Marine, and Inspection of Machinery<br>Departments   | 169,865                                 | 161,225                            | 8,640                | ••        |
| Department of Labour  | 32,725                                  | 31,676                             | 1,049                |           |
| Department of Lands and Survey  | 192.992                                 | 235,322                            |                      | 42,330    |
| Department of Agriculture, Industries, and<br>Commerce  | 216,897                                 | 191,774                            | 25,123               |           |
| Education Department Services not provided for  | 1,406,264<br>41,601                     | 1,329, <b>1</b> 66<br>30,866       | 77,098<br>10,735     | ••        |
|   | 7,963,415                               | 7,799,952                          | 294,623              | 131,160   |
|   | 1,505,±15                               | 1,100,002                          |                      | ·         |
|   |   |                                    | 1,710,429<br>144,766 | 144,766   |
| Totals  | 14,058,770                              | 12,493,107                         | 1,565,663            | ••        |
|   |   |                                    |                      |           |
| PUBLIC WO   |   | ).                                 | _                    | £         |
| Balance brought forward on 1st April, 19<br>Receipts,—  | 916                                     | ****                               | 1                    | ,293,10   |
| Loan-money—   |   |                                    |                      |           |
| Aid to Public Works and Lan   | nd Settleme                             | ent Act.                           | £                    |           |
| 1914  |   | ,                                  | 00,000               |           |
|   | • | 00                                 |                      |           |
| Other receipts  | • | ••••                               | 7,345                | FOR 5     |
|   |   | <del></del>                        |                      | 507,34    |
|   |   |                                    | 1                    | ,800,44   |
| Expenditure,— Under appropriation   |   |                                    | 1                    | ,278,92   |
| Balance at 31st March, 1917   |   |                                    | *                    | £521,52   |
| * Note.—The balance on 31st March, 1917,<br>Cash in Public Account<br>Imprests in hands of officers of the Gove | •••                                     | follows :—<br>                     | £ 315,9 5,6          |           |

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