

## MINES DEPARTMENT.

## INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1924.

<i>Expenditure.</i>			<i>Income.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Advertising .. ..	67	17 3	By Interest .. ..	187	18 0
Assistance to prospecting, &c. ..	12,389	10 11	Registration and other fees ..	291	17 6
Depreciation .. ..	1,557	13 8	Sales of water .. ..	1,276	9 2
Drills, maintenance of .. ..	146	17 4	Timber royalties .. ..	429	11 3
Examinations .. ..	92	8 11	Goldfields revenue .. ..	19,126	8 11
Freight and cartage .. ..	13	15 0	Balance .. ..	36,039	17 4
Fuel, light, and water .. ..	19	13 0			
Instruments, repairs of .. ..	3	11 2			
Law-costs .. ..	342	1 5			
Office requisites .. ..	38	17 3			
Outfit allowances and field expenses ..	232	18 11			
Postages and telegrams .. ..	288	5 5			
Printing and stationery .. ..	392	7 11			
Rents .. ..	567	7 4			
Salaries .. ..	10,676	14 0			
Schools of Mines .. ..	3,113	8 6			
Telephones .. ..	160	7 2			
Travelling-expenses .. ..	2,068	16 0			
Wages and other assistance .. ..	261	0 0			
Water-races, maintenance of ..	224	1 7			
Experiments <i>re</i> inflammability of coal-dust .. ..	422	12 11			
Sundries .. ..	14	12 7			
Losses, sums irrecoverable, &c. ..	5,130	15 0			
Goldfields revenue due to local bodies	19,126	8 11			
	£57,352	2 2		£57,352	2 2
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Balance .. ..	36,039	17 4	By Balance .. ..	38,521	6 11
Interest on capital .. ..	2,481	9 7			
	£38,521	6 11		£38,521	6 11
To Balance .. ..	£38,521	6 11			

## BALANCE-SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH, 1924.

<i>Liabilities.</i>			<i>Assets.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Capital—Liability to Treasury, 31st March, 1923 .. ..	70,846	5 10	Land .. ..	4,349	0 0
Treasury Adjustment Account .. ..	29,861	17 6	Buildings .. ..	379	19 6
Depreciation reserve .. ..	8,609	10 10	Furniture and fittings ..	1,333	16 11
Sundry creditors .. ..	10,934	14 3	Less written off to Suspense ..	0	7 0
Deposits on coal-leases, &c. ..	2,310	15 2		1,333	9 11
Receipts, being proportion of consideration paid on assignment of coal-leases ..	50	0 0	Mechanical appliances .. ..	315	6 6
			Instruments .. ..	564	6 11
			Plant and machinery .. ..	239	11 3
			Less written off to Suspense ..	14	6 10
				225	4 5
			Library maps, &c. ..	5,918	6 2
			Less written off to Suspense ..	500	3 9
				5,418	2 5
			Mineral collections .. ..	9,640	2 6
			Motor-cars .. ..	834	9 4
			Less written off to Suspense ..	26	9 11
				807	19 5
			Drills and equipment .. ..	15,339	8 10
			Less written off to Suspense ..	425	12 7
				14,913	16 3
			Water-races .. ..	14,700	0 0
			Loans to oil-boring companies and others .. ..	17,791	2 10
			Less provision for losses of principal and interest ..	5,000	0 0
				12,791	2 10
			Sundry debtors .. ..	7,523	3 0
			Less written off to Suspense ..	338	18 0
				7,184	5 0
			Interest accrued but not due ..	53	16 8
			Stores and stocks on hand ..	125	6 8
			Plant, &c., from Firewood Depot .. ..	1,350	9 9
			Less written off to Suspense ..	765	5 11
				585	3 10
			Cash in hands of receivers ..	9,717	6 10
			Excess of expenditure over income—		
			Mines Department ..	38,521	6 11
			Geological Survey Branch ..	6,777	2 3
				45,298	9 2
			Less Coal-mines Act, 1908 .. ..	5,789	15 3
				39,508	13 11
	£122,613	3 7		£122,613	3 7

G. JAS. ANDERSON, Minister of Mines.

P. G. PEARCE, Accountant.

I hereby certify that the Revenue Account, Income and Expenditure Account, and balance-sheet have been duly examined and compared with the relative books and documents submitted for audit, and correctly state the position as disclosed thereby, except that the accounts include charges against the Department for furniture for which no payment has been made, and interest on capital for which the Department possesses no parliamentary appropriation, and assets transferred to other Departments for which no payment has been received. The Revenue Account includes rents for the period 1st July, 1923, to 30th June, 1924, and royalties for the period 1st January to 31st December, 1923.—G. F. C. CAMPBELL, Controller and Auditor-General.