

EXPENDITURE OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT DURING THE YEAR.

Salaries, cost-of-living bonus, temporary clerical assistance, allowance to officers performing higher duties, and allowance to police and other officers acting as departmental agents ..	£ 27,495
Advertising and publications	342
Fares, board and lodging, &c., advanced to persons proceeding to employment (see refunds below)	348
Fees paid to assessors of Industrial Councils	904
Legal and witnesses' expenses (see refunds below)	342
Postage, telegrams, telephones, and rent of letter-boxes.. .. .	1,266
Printing and stationery	2,366
Office requisites, fuel, and lighting	532
Travelling-allowances and expenses of Inspectors, members of Court of Arbitration, Conciliation Councils, &c., bicycles, motor-cycles, and motor-cars, and maintenance thereof ..	6,781
Upkeep of departmental residence	109
Miscellaneous expenditure—	£
Arbitration Court and Conciliation Councils	34
General	117
	151
Rent and rates on office accommodation	1,079
	<hr/> 41,715
Less refunds—	
Fares.. .. .	343
Legal and witnesses' expenses	154
From State Advances Department for services of officers in connection with workers' dwellings	1,000
Travelling-expenses recovered from defendants in cases taken by the Department and from persons to whom weights and measures services were rendered	198
From Government Statistician for services of officers	200
Miscellaneous	478
	<hr/> 2,373
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The above figures do not include a number of items for which provision for payment is made elsewhere than in the Department's vote—viz., salaries of Judge and members of Court of Arbitration (£3,430), messenger services, cleaning, &c.