DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE-continued.

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

Amounts received in advance	£ s. d. 343,502 5 4 23,302 16 8 8,239 18 10	£ s. d. Land	119,085 19		s.	d.
Writings-off in Suspense	. 21,192 12 2 . 2,170 17 4 . 190.283 19 2	Outgoings 350 0 0	523 11	8 - 119,609	11	5
	. 100,200 10 2	Permanent improvements Additions	115,375 18 8,608 6	7 4		
		Furniture, fittings, and fixtures Additions and adjust-	9,793 8	,	4	11
		ments	934 13			
		Libraries Additions	3,481 8 805 8			
		Technical instruments and equipment Additions	4,102 12 7 105 11 6	7)		
		Mechanical office appliances Additions	1,732 4 4 42 17 8	1, 2 00 1 3		
		Motor vehicles and bicycles Additions	9,041 5 5 2,670 16 0)		
		Implements and tools Outgoings	149 8 8	5		
		Live-stock Farm crops and stores Services paid in advance Sundry debtors	• •	25,781 29,048 115	$\frac{2}{2}$	0 2
		Reserve for doubtful debts	318 7 10	10,437	4	- 1
	i	Suspense Account Revenue Account—Excess of expenditure over	• •	2,170		
	•	income		232,466	3	2
	£588,692 9 6			£588,692	9	6

A. R. STONE, Accountant.

I hereby certify that the Revenue Account, Working Accounts Profit and Loss 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 for assessed rents and interest for which the Department possesses no parliamentary appropriation, and also the value of assets transferred to other Departments for which the Departments concerned possess no parliamentary appropriation. The separate accounts for Ruakura Farm are not included, not having yet been passed by Audit. Further Audit requirements have been communicated to the Department.—G. F. C. CAMPBELL, Controller and Auditor-General.