

STATISTICS RELATIVE TO THE ENEMY PROPERTY AND CLEARING OFFICE WORK.

24. The following is a list of the tables printed in the appendix to this report, containing statistics relating to the work entrusted to the Public Trustee under the War Regulations and the Treaty of Peace Order, 1920. The comparative tables referred to under the last three headings were compiled by the Controller to the Central Clearing Office and published in his Sixth Annual Report :—

- I. Statement of the cash amounts held in New Zealand but not yet credited to the Liquidation Account, and the property not yet liquidated.
- II. Statement of amounts released in New Zealand from the provisions of the War Regulations, the Treaty of Peace Order, 1920, and the Treaty of Peace (Austria and Hungary) Order, 1924.
- III. Statement of the amounts held on the 31st March, 1927, by the Public Trustee as Custodian of Enemy Property and Controller of the New Zealand Clearing Office.
- IV. Statement showing the progress made in New Zealand towards the disposal of Clearing Office claims.
- V. Statement of the position in regard to claims in respect of enemy debts under Article 296 of the Treaty of Versailles owing to Allied creditors by German debtors.
- VI. Statement of the position in regard to claims in respect of enemy debts under Article 296 of the Treaty of Versailles owing to German creditors by Allied debtors.
- VII. Statement of the position in regard to claims by Allied nationals under Article 297 of the Treaty of Versailles.

The work has progressed as far as the various circumstances and factors affecting it have permitted. The remaining work to be performed will not occasion a great deal of difficulty or labour, but is of such a nature that it cannot be brought to a speedy conclusion. Its finalization depends upon factors entirely beyond my control.

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J. W. MACDONALD,

Public Trustee, as Custodian of Enemy Property and
Controller of the New Zealand Clearing Office.

Wellington, 14th July, 1927.

APPENDIX.

I. STATEMENT OF THE CASH AMOUNTS HELD BUT NOT YET CREDITED TO THE LIQUIDATION ACCOUNT AND THE PROPERTY NOT YET LIQUIDATED.

Cash.

(1) Amounts held subject to the settlement of claims under Article 296 of the Treaty of Versailles	£	s.	d.
(2) Amounts held subject to the determination of contingencies	18,207	6	7
(3) Amount held subject to determination of the owner's nationality	97	10	2
	<u>£18,389 19 10</u>		

Property.

(The amounts shown are approximate only.)

(1) Interests in estates consisting of assets not realized or not yet realizable — e.g., unpaid purchase-money, mortgages not yet matured, &c.	£	s.	d.
(2) Property held subject to the determination of contingencies	13,422	0	0
(3) Property presenting inherent difficulties of realization, such as interests of German remaindermen, &c.	2,335	0	0
	7,630	0	0
	<u>£23,387 0 0</u>		

N.B.—(1) In the above figures no deductions have been made in respect of prior life interests.
(2) In addition there will be certain New Zealand Government inscribed stock (see paragraphs 10–12 of the report), as to which full particulars have not yet been received.