

The revenue received through the Customs and Harbour Departments for the year greatly exceeded expectations, so that there was a surplus in total revenue.

The usual subsidy of £20,000 contributed by the New Zealand Government during the past several years was continued.

EXPENDITURE.

The ordinary expenditure for the year ended 31st March, 1929, is as shown hereunder, the figures for the previous year being also given for purposes of comparison :—

Head of Expenditure.	1927-28.	1928-29.
	£	£
1. Permanent charges	10,166	13,013
2. Administrator, Government House and Legislature	4,680	5,134
3. Secretariat	2,290	2,279
4. Native Affairs Department—		
(a) Upolu and general	9,572	7,191
(b) Savai'i section	6,216	5,087
5. Treasury and audit	2,553	2,047
6. Customs, taxes, and Marine—		
(a) Customs and taxes	2,757	2,610
(b) Harbour Department	3,425	2,906
(c) S.s. "Lady Roberts"	3,857	4,017
7. Justice Department	2,697	2,731
8. Police and Prisons Department	7,099	7,275
9. Health Department	25,597	24,367
10. Agriculture Department	4,990	4,285
11. Chinese Department	1,710	1,637
12. Post Office and Savings-bank	5,822	5,166
13. Radio-station	4,182	4,921
14. Education Department	10,222	7,738
15. Miscellaneous	15,768	12,190
16. Lands and Survey Department	2,977	2,255
17. Public Works Department (general and maintenance) ..	13,561	11,536
18. Public Works Department (new works)	3,281	2,070
Totals	143,422	130,455

DIRECT NATIVE REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

The revenue derived directly from the Native population and the expenditure incurred directly thereon during the year may be stated approximately as follows :—

(a) Revenue directly from the Natives	£ 8,443
(b) Expenditure directly on behalf of the Natives	49,761

These amounts may be set out in greater detail as under :—

(a) Direct Revenue from Natives, 1928-29.

Native taxes (personal tax and medical levy, fines, gun and dog taxes, water-rates, travel-passes, marriage fees, &c.)	£ 6,343
Court fees and fines (say)	500
Licenses and fees (motor, boat, &c.), (say)	600
Postal revenue (say)	1,000
	<u>£8,443</u>

In addition to the above, the Natives, along with other sections of the community, contribute indirectly to the revenue through the purchase of goods on which import duty is charged.

(b) Direct Expenditure on Natives, 1928-29.

(1) Payments directly to Natives :—

Salaries and wages—

Native Affairs Department Samoan staff and officials—	£
Upolu	4,275
Savai'i	2,818
	<u>7,093</u>
Other Departments : Samoan staff (Police, Education, Harbour, Medical, &c.)	12,087
Casual labour employed by—	
Public Works Department (say)	5,600
Other Departments (say)	500
	<u>25,280</u>