FINANCE.

REVENUE.

The statement hereunder shows the amount of revenue received during the financial year ended 31st March, 1931. For purposes of comparison the revenue for the previous year, 1929-30, is also shown.

| | 1929-30. | 1930-31. | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------|----------|----------|-----------|-----|-------|---------|---------|
| | | | | | | | £ | £ |
| 1. Native taxes | | | | | | | 2,238 | 1,837 |
| 2. (a) Customs, | 81,300 | 82,367 | | | | | | |
| (b) S.s. " La | | 3,376 | 601 | | | | | |
| Fées and cha | | 11,699 | 12,184 | | | | | |
| 4. Post Office a | | 6,548 | 4,760 | | | | | |
| 5. Radio-station | | | | | | | 3,570 | 3,524 |
| 6. Miscellaneou | s (rents, inte | 11,839 | 12,308 | | | | | |
| 7. Engineering | | 10,846 | 12,804 | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | 131,416 | 130,385 |
| | New Zeale | and Gove | rnment S | ubsidies. | | | | |
| General | | • • | | | | •• | 20,000 | 21,000 |
| Constabulary | | | | | | | 14,850 | • • |
| Military Police | | • • | • • | • • | • • | • • • | 4,598 | • • |
| | | | | | | _ | 39,448 | 21,000 |
| | | | | | | _ | | |

It will be noted that during the year under review the cost of the Constabulary has been borne by the Administration. The large fall in revenue shown under item 2 (b) is due to the fact that S.s. "Lady Roberts" was condemned and withdrawn from service in May, 1930. The fall in Post Office and Savings-bank revenue is largely due to the heavy withdrawals by depositors of their savings, due to the general trade depression, with consequent reduction of Post Office Savings-bank investments and loss of interest thereon. The remaining items call for little or no comment, the slight fluctuations being only such as might be expected when comparing one period of twelve months with another.

EXPENDITURE.

The ordinary expenditure for the year ended 31st March, 1931, is shown hereunder, also the expenditure for the previous year.

| He | | 1929-30. | 1930-31. | | | | |
|---|--------|----------|----------|--|-------|--------|--------|
| | | | | | l | £ | £ |
| 1. Permanent charges | | • • | | | | 11,071 | 11,071 |
| 2. Administrator, Governm | | 4,742 | 4,703 | | | | |
| 3. Secretariat | | | | | | 3,521 | 11,207 |
| 4. Native Affairs Departme | nt— | | | | | | |
| (a) Upolu and general | | | | | | 6,200 | 7,250 |
| (b) Savai'i section | | | | | | 3,392 | 2,448 |
| 5. Treasury | | | | | | 2,436 | 3,792 |
| 6. Customs and Marine— | | | | | | | |
| (a) Customs, taxes, Marine, and Harbour | | | | | | 8,135 | 9,623 |
| (b) S.s. "Lady Robert | s', | | | | | 3,351 | 902 |
| 7. Justice Department | | | | | | 2,709 | 2,888 |
| 8. Police and Prisons Depar | rtment | - | | | | | |
| (a) Police and prisons | | | | | : | 7,705 | 9,904 |
| | | | | | | 14,850 | 16,561 |
| 1 4 4 1 | | | | | ! | 18,016 | 18,224 |
| 0. Lands and Survey Depar | rtment | | | | | 1,647 | 1,791 |
| 1. Chinese Department | | | | | • • • | 1,387 | 1,407 |
| 2. Post Office and Savings- | bank | | • • | | | 4,902 | 5,008 |
| 3. Radio-station | | | | | | 4,134 | 3,656 |
| 4. Education | | | | | | 6,955 | 7,439 |