

DEPOSITS ACCOUNT.—INTEREST ON CASH BALANCE INVESTMENTS ACCOUNTS.

<i>Receipts.</i>				<i>Disbursements.</i>			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Balance from 1930-31—				Amounts allocated to various			
Amounts allocated to				Accounts—			
State Advances Ac-				Ordinary Revenue Account			
count not paid over	11	14	7	(interest on other Public			
Amount not allocated..	708	18	1	Moneys) in respect of			
				balances of—			
			720 12 8	Ordinary Revenue Account	23	17	11
Interest on investments—				Local Bodies Account ..	155	14	0
In New Zealand ..	40,943	10	5	Deposits Account ..	1,627	15	2
In London ..	31,183	4	1	Public Works Fund—			
			72,126 14 6	General Purposes Ac-			
				count ..	12,909	17	8
				Waihou and Ohinemuri			
				Rivers Improvement Ac-			
				count ..	9	17	2
				Discharged Soldiers Settle-			
				ment Loans Act 1920			
				Depreciation Fund Ac-			
				count ..	1,094	9	6
				Education Loans Account	16	15	11
				Kauri-gum Industry Ac-			
				count ..	1	15	2
				Loans Redemption Account	6,597	3	5
				Railways Improvement			
				Authorization Act 1914			
				Account ..	177	3	2
				Suspense Account (undis-			
				tributed) ..	8,848	5	9
							31,462 14 10
				Nauru and Ocean Islands Account			264 0 9
				Nauru and Ocean Islands Sinking Fund			
				Account ..			18 7 10
				Public Works Fund—			
				Electric Supply Account ..	2,633	6	2
				Electric Supply Sinking Fund Account ..	66	8	11
				Discharged Soldiers Settlement Account ..	3,061	19	7
				Discharged Soldiers Settlement Loans Act			
				1920 Depreciation Fund Account ..	265	6	3
				General Purposes Relief Account ..	608	12	7
				Hauraki Plains Settlement Account ..	190	18	0
				Hunter Soldiers Assistance Trust Account ..	157	4	1
				Hutt Valley Lands Settlement Account ..	149	9	6
				Land for Settlements Account ..	4,617	3	7
				Main Highways Account (Revenue Fund)			
				in respect of balances of Main Highways			
				Account—			
				Revenue Fund ..	3,780	13	6
				Construction Fund ..	4,650	17	11
							8,431 11 5
				Mining Advances Account ..			13 9 2
				Native Land Settlement Account ..	2,265	14	5
				Public Debt Repayment Account ..	262	15	6
				Rangitiki Land Drainage Account ..	115	9	9
				State Advances Account ..	29	19	1
				State Coal-mines Account ..	247	4	10
				State Coal-mines Sinking Fund Account ..	65	16	11
				State Forests Account ..	1,831	9	11
				Swamp Land Drainage Account ..	405	1	8
				Unemployment Fund ..	930	8	5
				Westport Harbour Account ..	204	14	1
				Working Railways Account ..	6,181	13	5
				Balance, 31st March, 1932—			
				Amount allocated State Ad-			
				vances Account not yet			
				paid ..	2	0	4
				Amounts not yet allocated..	8,364	6	2
							8,366 6 6
							£72,847 7 2
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Payments made from the New Zealand Public Account, London, not included in the Published Accounts.

In my report for last year attention was drawn to the fact that certain payments made out of the New Zealand Public Account in London under the authority of the Finance Act, 1928, section 20, are not charged against the appropriation provided by Parliament in that section, and are not submitted to the Audit Office for audit in terms of the Public Revenues Act, nor are they included in the Statement of the Revenue and Expenditure of the Public Account. The practice still continues as will be seen from the following figures. The position of such payments and the undesirable features of the system followed in connection therewith were fully set out in that report, and there is no need therefore for me to again traverse the matter in detail. I must, however, again place on record the fact that the exemption from Audit of payments made from public moneys, as has been done in many instances, must tend to open the way to the misappropriation or misapplication of public moneys.