Other Charges for and Incidental to-

Item—Brothers Lighthouse Tramway, Tower, and Buildings, Repairs to, £270.

Burners (Smith-Ford) Purchase of, £150. New Lighthouse Tender: Balance, Purchase-money, £3,340.

728. The foregoing items are non-recurrent, and represent a reduction on 1932-33 appropriations. Saving, £3,760.

SUBDIVISION IV.—MERCANTILE MARINE.

Item—Salaries, £10,784.

729. Owing to reductions in staff, a saving of £600 in this item can be effected. Saving, £600.

Other Charges for and Incidental to-

Item—Advertising, Photographs, &c., £100.

- Examinations, Expenses in connection with, £250.
- Office Fittings and Requisites, £100.
- Postage, Telegrams, Rent of Boxes, £200.

Rent, £300.

730. Savings aggregating £320 in the above-mentioned items can be effected.

Saving, £320.

731. We draw attention to the fact that the residences of Superintendents of Mercantile Marine at the various ports are connected by telephone and that the cost is met by the Department. As the services of these officers are required after office hours solely by the shipping companies, it is considered that the cost of telephones should not be a charge upon the State. represent a saving of at least £50.

Saving, £50.

SUBDIVISION V.—INSPECTION OF MACHINERY.

Item—Salaries, £19,753.

732. The staff in this Branch of the Department has been substantially reduced, and the expenditure is now within the income from fees. It is considered, however, that it should be possible to co-ordinate further the duties carried out by this Branch of the Marine Department and those carried out by the Inspectors of Factories in the Labour Department.

733. Reductions in staff already effected represent a saving of £3,200 for 1932-33.

Saving, £3,200.

Other Charges for and Incidental to—

Item—Motor-vehicles, Purchase of, £150.

734. The purchase of new cars should be deferred for the present.

Saving, £150.

Item—Office Fittings and Requisites, £300.

735. This item should be reduced to a purely nominal one of, say, £50, and the purchase of additional office fittings should be deferred.

Saving, £250.

Item—Post and Telegraph Department: Payment for services rendered, £520.

Postage, Telegrams, &c., £500.

Printing and Stationery, £250.

736. The foregoing items should be reduced by £270 in all.

Saving, £270.

Item—Transfer and Removal Expenses of Officers, £900.

737. A saving of £800 in this item should be possible. Transfers of officers should be restricted the present.

Saving, £800.

Item—Travelling Allowances and Expenses, £3,290.

738. This item should be reduced to £1,500.

Saving, £1,790.

SUBDIVISION VI.—FISHERIES.

Other Charges for and Incidental to-

Item—Compassionate Grant to G. M. T. Burnett, £50.

Hakataramea Salmon-hatchery, Repairs to, £200.

739. These items are non-recurrent.

Saving in 1932-33, £250.