

Table of Claims.

| Year ending 31st May, | | | | | Number of Accidents for which Claims made. | Amount paid out to Claimants. | | | Expenses incurred by Underwriters in handling Claims. | | |
|-------------------------|----|----|----|----|---|-------------------------------------|----|----|---|----|----|
| | | | | | | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
| 1932 (five months only) | .. | .. | .. | .. | 5 | 595 | 0 | 0 | 145 | 3 | 6 |
| 1933 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 11 | 885 | 8 | 0 | 144 | 8 | 7 |
| 1934 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 12 | 720 | 2 | 6 | 151 | 10 | 10 |
| 1935 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 29 | 1,661 | 11 | 4 | 327 | 8 | 4 |
| 1936 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 38 | 1,224 | 9 | 6 | 478 | 9 | 2 |
| 1937 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 30 | 1,372 | 19 | 3 | 215 | 6 | 1 |
| Totals | .. | .. | .. | .. | 125 | 6,459 | 10 | 7 | 1,462 | 6 | 6 |

3. MOTOR-VEHICLES ACT, 1924.

(a) REGISTRATIONS OF MOTOR-VEHICLES, BY TYPES OF VEHICLE.

Under the Motor-vehicles Act a new vehicle is registered and simultaneously licensed for the ensuing year or part thereof. The license is renewable each year. If a license is not renewed, the registration is classed as "dormant," and after remaining "dormant" for two complete years is cancelled, the assumption being that the vehicle in question is permanently off the road. If, however, the vehicle is again brought into use after its registration has thus been cancelled, it is treated as a new registration. The registration figures set out hereunder, therefore, are not an exact record of the number of new vehicles introduced into our traffic system; they include an unknown but probably small number of vehicles which have been out of commission for more than two years.

The following table sets out the annual registrations since 1926 :—

| Year ended 31st March, | | | | | Cars. | Commercial Vehicles. | Cycles. | Total Registrations. |
|------------------------|----|----|----|----|--------|----------------------|---------|----------------------|
| 1926 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 18,811 | 4,409 | 5,130 | 28,350 |
| 1927 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 16,439 | 4,692 | 5,464 | 26,595 |
| 1928 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 12,531 | 3,399 | 4,560 | 20,490 |
| 1929 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 18,739 | 4,167 | 4,768 | 27,674 |
| 1930 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 20,802 | 5,745 | 4,300 | 30,847 |
| 1931 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 12,378 | 4,113 | 3,139 | 19,630 |
| 1932 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 6,151 | 2,656 | 2,058 | 10,865 |
| 1933 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 4,716 | 2,640 | 2,072 | 9,428 |
| 1934 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 5,551 | 3,339 | 1,956 | 10,846 |
| 1935 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 12,895 | 5,011 | 2,233 | 20,139 |
| 1936 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 19,469 | 6,445 | 2,421 | 28,335 |
| 1937 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 25,796 | 8,999 | 3,028 | 37,823 |

The foregoing figures have been incorporated in the following table, which shows the relative increase or decrease in the annual registrations measured according to the figures for 1926 :—

| Year ended 31st March, | | | | | Cars. | Commercial Vehicles. | Cycles. | Total Registrations. |
|------------------------|----|----|----|----|-------|----------------------|---------|----------------------|
| 1926 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| 1927 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 87 | 106 | 107 | 94 |
| 1928 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 67 | 77 | 89 | 72 |
| 1929 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 100 | 95 | 93 | 98 |
| 1930 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 111 | 130 | 84 | 109 |
| 1931 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 66 | 93 | 61 | 69 |
| 1932 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 33 | 60 | 40 | 38 |
| 1933 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 25 | 60 | 40 | 33 |
| 1934 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 30 | 76 | 38 | 38 |
| 1935 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 69 | 114 | 44 | 71 |
| 1936 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 103 | 146 | 47 | 100 |
| 1937 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 137 | 204 | 59 | 133 |