

RETURN continued, showing other Expenditure besides Direct Expenditure on Works.

Items.	Amounts.	Totals.
Harbour expenses—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Salaries, harbour staff, bar-soundings, &c.	1,489 7 10	
Snagging	882 13 5	2,372 1 3
Expenses of Board—		
Salary, Secretary (proportion not charged to works) ...	125 7 10	
Office-expenses " " ...	165 4 3	290 12 1
Interest, &c.—		
On Loan No. 1	7,818 3 11	
On Loan No. 2	1,264 12 10	
Sinking fund on Loan No. 1	1,509 19 4	
Overdraft (on back advances to Board)	7 3 6	10,599 19 7
Total	...	13,262 12 11

Summary of Expenditure.

Expenditure on works	£ s. d.
Expenditure not on works	64,038 19 3
	13,262 12 11
Gross expenditure	£77,301 12 2

MEMORANDUM AS TO RESULTS OF WORKS CONSTRUCTED UP TO 30TH JUNE, 1889.

Depth on Bar.—The following table shows the number of days in each year (from the financial year 1883–84 to the financial year 1888–89, inclusive) that the depths of water on the bar were as stated :—

Depth on Bar at High Water.	Before Works commenced.			Since Works in progress.			
	1883–84.	1884–85.	1885–86.	1886–87.	1887–88.	1888–89.	Three Months ended 30th June, 1889, multiplied by Four for Comparison.
8ft. and under 10ft.	41	51	29	54	18	...	...
10ft. " 12ft.	164	219	218	246	169	...	...
12ft. " 14ft.	140	91	109	65	144	...	...
14ft. " 16ft.	20	4	9	...	25	14	32
16ft. " 18ft.	1	...	...	...	4	108	116
18ft. " 20ft.	...	...	...	...	4	151	112
20ft. " 22ft.	...	...	...	...	2	88	104
22ft. and over	...	...	...	...	...	4	...
Total days in year	366	365	365	365	366	365	364

By this table it will be seen that, whereas during the period before the works commenced to operate the depths on the bar for over 300 days of the year varied from 8ft. to 14ft., during the past fifteen months the depths on more than the same number of days per annum have been from 16ft. to 22ft. This improvement is very considerable, and enables vessels of much larger tonnage to enter the port now than formerly.

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