

DETAILS OF ESTIMATES FOR THE

DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS—*continued.*

Number of Persons.		1942-43.	1941-42.	
1942-43	1941-42		Voted.	Expended.
VOTE—EXTERNAL AFFAIRS—<i>continued.</i>				
<i>Subdivision No. I.—Head Office—continued.</i>		£	£	£
OTHER CHARGES FOR AND INCIDENTAL TO— <i>continued.</i>				
Printing and stationery		80	120	56
Telephone services (including installation, extensions, maintenance, rent, and calls)		110	110	103
Travelling allowances and expenses		30	50	(a) 8
Contingencies, including unforeseen expenditure incidental to the other items of the vote		20	20	
		1,890	1,360	1,537
<i>Total—Subdivision No. I..</i>		4,861	4,943	4,662
<i>Subdivision No. II.—New Zealand Reparation Estates.</i>				
SALARIES, WAGES, PURCHASE OF STORES, MAINTENANCE OF PLANTATIONS, AND GENERAL EXPENSES (including capital expenditure)—				
Improvements		1,557	5,162	1,617
Maintenance of plantations		29,617	22,716	24,433
Public Service Superannuation Fund contribution		58	57	62
Renewals		807	479	
Salaries and wages		2,410	1,918	2,133
Stores and general expenses		37,790	37,550	(b) 39,460
<i>Total—Subdivision No. II</i>		(c) 72,239	67,882	67,705
<i>Subdivision No. III.—Export of Bananas from Samoa.</i>				
Purchase of bananas, stores, and general expenses		75,850	107,625	94,167
<i>Total—Subdivision No. III</i>		75,850	107,625	(d) 94,167
<i>Subdivision No. IV.—Cook and other Islands.</i>				
<i>Subsidies, &c., to Cook and other Islands—</i>				
OTHER CHARGES FOR AND INCIDENTAL TO—				
Reimbursement of Samoan Administration for expenditure incurred on behalf of Tokelau Islands		600	750	262
Subsidy to—				
Cook Islands Administration		(e) 19,000	24,000	24,000
Niue Island Administration		10,000	10,000	10,000
<i>Total—Subdivision No. IV</i>		29,600	34,750	34,262

(a) Tram fares, £8; motor services, 3s. 3d.

(b) Overexpenditure due to increases in cost of stores, freights, and insurance, &c., and extra stores required as a result of plantations working to full capacity.

(c) Increased cost of stores, &c., and operation of new desiccated-coconut factory. All plantations working at full capacity and additional areas are being opened up to supply wartime requirements. Receipts for 1941-42 amounted to £91,715 (estimated, £64,166) and estimated for 1942-43 at £110,866. Increases due to higher prices ruling for all produce.

(d) Underexpenditure of estimate results from reduced shipping services, which also affect this year's requirements. Expenditure is fully recouped from proceeds of sales of bananas.

(e) Decreases due to reduction of Cook Islands expenditure and utilization of cash balances from 1941-42,