

YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH, 1944.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE—continued.

Number of Persons.			1943-44.	1942-43.	
1943-44	1942-43			Voted.	Expended.
		VOTE—AGRICULTURE—continued.	£	£	£
		<i>Subdivision No. I.—Head Office—continued.</i>			
		<i>SALARIES—continued.</i>			
		OTHER SALARIES.			
169	144	169 (£65 to £615)	36,593	32,065	40,340
		Cadets' lodging-allowances	310	170	
		Officers on loan from other Departments	200	245	
171	146	Allowances for performing special or higher duties under Public Service Regulations Nos. 24A and 209	208	55	
		Cost-of-living allowances	3,367	3,419	
		Estimated credits-in-aid under Section 51 of the Public Revenues Act, 1926 (see end of vote)— £			
		Services to other Departments, &c.			600
			43,036	38,204	40,340
		OTHER CHARGES FOR AND INCIDENTAL TO—			
		Advertising, photographs, books, newspapers, and other publications	300	400	290
		Bicycles and motors: Repair costs of vehicles damaged in collisions with Government cars and incidental damage costs	100	100	134
		Freight, cartage, and transport charges	20	30	12
		Fuel, light, water, furniture, office, and fire-watching requisites, insurance, cleaning offices, outbuildings, yards, and approaches	2,250	2,000	2,409
		Law-costs	25	20	25
		Nauru and Ocean Islands audit fee (recoverable)	5	5	
		Overtime and meal allowances (including fire-watching)	750	350	(a) 1,413
		Post-office charges for collection of fees, &c.	20	20	10
		Postage, telegrams, and rent of boxes	4,000	4,000	3,727
		Preparation and distribution of <i>Journal of Agriculture</i> (part recoverable)	10,500	8,500	(b) 9,039
		Preparation and distribution of publications (part recoverable)	150	300	59
		Printing and stationery	1,750	1,750	1,160
		Rents of offices	7,500	7,500	7,765
		Telephone services (including installation, extensions, maintenance, rent, and calls)	650	575	655
		Transfer and removal expenses	200	300	200
		Travelling allowances and expenses	1,250	1,000	(c) 1,050
		Upkeep and improvement of buildings and fences on departmental reserves and grounds: Wages and other expenses	30	30	25
		Contingencies, including unforeseen expenditure incidental to the Head Office items of the division	20	20	(d) 2
		Estimated credits-in-aid under Section 51 of the Public Revenues Act, 1926 (see end of vote)— £			
		<i>Journal of Agriculture</i>			5,000
		Publications, &c.			75
			5,075		
			29,520	26,900	27,975
		<i>Total—Subdivision No. I</i>	72,556	65,104	68,315

(a) The calls under Services' vegetable-production rendered this overtime inevitable.

(b) Overexpenditure due to increase in cost of paper.

(c) Approximately 14 officers travelling. Allowances, £500; expenses, £450; motor-hire, £50; motor mileage, £50.

(d) Clothing damaged in course of official duties, £2.