

YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH, 1944.

STATE COAL-MINES ACCOUNT—*continued.*

Number of Persons.		1943-44.	1942-43.	
1943-44	1942-43		Voted.	Expended.
VOTE—STATE COAL-MINES— <i>continued.</i>				
OTHER CHARGES FOR AND INCIDENTAL TO— <i>continued.</i>		£	£	£
Housing—				
Advances to workmen and officials for erection and purchase of dwellings		12,000	15,000	8,830
Erection of departmental dwellings and hutments		45,000	78,500	55,220
Purchase of residence and additions thereto for departmental officer		200	200	
Loan to enable purchase of bus for conveyance of workmen		1,250	2,500	1,135
Overtime and meal allowances		750	200	804
Postage, telegrams, and rent of boxes		500	500	227
Printing and stationery and publications, &c.		450	450	222
Prospecting and boring on State coal reserve		1,500	1,500	2,390
Prospecting and boring on Smoke-oh Creek area at Blackball		5,515	5,515	30
Public Service Superannuation Fund contribution		130	130	125
Refund, Mines Department, part expenses, Runanga School of Mines		45	45	45
Social amenities at State mines		850	850	475
Telephone services (including rent, installation, extensions, maintenance, and toll calls)		1,000	1,000	788
Transfer and removal expenses of officers		500	200	483
Travelling allowances and expenses and mileage allowances		600	500	(a) 687
Contingencies (including unforeseen expenditure incidental to the other items of the vote)		10	10	
Acquisition of coal-bearing land in the Waikato		..	9,845	
Collieries—				
Development and other capital expenditure—				
Blackball Colliery: Purchase of colliery		..	1,500	1,556
Mangapehi Colliery: Purchase price		..	25	
Tatu Colliery: Purchase price		..	25	
Depot—				
Capital expenditure—Christchurch Depot: Purchase of land		..	200	
Donation to Wellington Provincial Patriotic Fund		..	100	100
Erection and furnishing of boardinghouse at Dunollie		..	9,000	
Purchase of motor-car (Blackball)		..	175	175
Estimated credits-in-aid under Section 51 of the Public Revenues Act, 1926 (see end of vote)—		£		
Fares and expenses of miners to take up employment		50		
Return of deposits		100		
Sale of plant, railway tickets, &c.		3,000		
Miscellaneous		150		
		3,300		
		1,039,124	857,204	824,122
GROSS TOTAL		1,064,624	880,244	848,952
CREDITS-IN-AID (b)		3,300	3,100	3,239
NET TOTAL		1,061,324	877,144	845,713

(a) Number of officers, 20. Travelling-allowances, £229; travelling-expenses, £290; mileage allowances, £168.

	Estimated. 1943-44.	Estimated. 1942-43.	Recovered. 1942-43.
(b) Credits-in-aid	£ 3,300	£ 3,100	£ 3,239
Totals	3,300	3,100	3,239