YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH, 1945

STAMP DUTIES DEPARTMENT-continued

| Number of Persons. | VOTE—STAMP DUTIES—continued | 1944–45. | 1943-44. | |
|-----------------------|---|--|----------------|--------------|
| 1944-45 1943-44 | | | Voted. | Expended. |
| | Subdivision No. I.—Stamp Duties—continued | | | |
| | OTHER CHARGES FOR AND INCIDENTAL TO—continued | £ | £ | £ |
| | Fuel, light, power, and water | 250 | 250 | 34 |
| | Interest on succession duty overpaid Law-costs | 50 | 100 | () 0/ |
| | Office-cloaning | 400 150 | 600 175 | (a) 38 18 |
| | Office equipment, fittings, and requisites, &c. | 75 | 50 | 16 |
| | Overtime and meal allowances | 2,000 | 1,000 | (b) 2,26 |
| | Postage, telegrams, and rent of boxes (part recoverable) Printing and stationery | 1,500 | 1,500 | 1,88 |
| | Refunds of overseas passenger duty paid by officers | 650 | 750 | 8 |
| | returning to Fiji from furlough in New Zealand and by | | | |
| i | officers transferred to Samoa or Cook Islands | 5 | 10 | |
| | Remission of interest on death duties on soldiers' estates Rent of offices | 250 | 50 | 26 |
| | Stamp production (printing) | $\begin{bmatrix} 3,100 \\ 2,750 \end{bmatrix}$ | 2,500 3,400 | 2,01 |
| | Stamping machinery | 20 | 50 | (c) 4,57 |
| | Telephone services (including installation, extensions, | | | - |
| | maintenance, rent, and calls) | 375 | 350 | 36 |
| | Transfer and removal expenses Travelling expenses and allowances | $\frac{350}{125}$ | 50 150 | (3) 1 |
| | Typewriters and calculating-machines, maintenance of | 20 | 25 | (d) 16 |
| | Valuation fees | 300 | 300 | (e) 7 |
| | Contingencies, including unforeseen expenditure incidental | _ [| _ | |
| | to the other items of this subdivision Expenses of removal of offices and alterations and renova- | 5 | 5 | (f) |
| | tions incidental thereto | | 400 | 4. |
| + | Refunds of estate and succession duty | | 140 | |
| | Refund of penalty paid on overseas passenger duty | | 33 | 3 |
| | Fire-watching expenses | | 5 | |
| | Estimated credits-in-aid under Section 51 of the Public | 1 | | |
| | Revenues Act, 1926 (see end of vote)— £ | | | |
| | Law-costs and miscellaneous | | | |
| | Postage on parcels of stamped forms 250 Salaries (including Subdivision No. II) 500 |]. | | |
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| | 825 | | | |
| | | 12,550 | 12,083 | 14,11 |
| | Total—Subdivision No. I | 45,265 | 39,483 | 43,67 |
| | Subdivision No. II.—Land and Deeds Registry | | | |
| | Salaries— | | | |
| , , | PROFESSIONAL DIVISION | 200 | | |
| 1 1 | 1 (£800) | 800 | 800 | |
| 122 110 | OTHER SALARIES 122 (£65 to £715) | 26,000 | 91 750 | |
| | | 36,000 | 31,759 | 36,50 |
| 23 111 | Cadets' lodging-allowances | 100 | 60 | |
| tal Number | Cashiers' allowances | 9 665 | 9 649 | |
| of Persons. | Cost-of-living allowances | 2,665 | 2,643 | I |
| 212 | and 209 | 50 | | |
| | | 80 600 | 25 007 | 20 50 |
| 1 | | 39,620 | 35,267 | 36,50 |

⁽a) Actions not yet completed.
(b) Increase due to shortage of staff owing to war conditions.
(c) Includes adjustments by General Post Office for years 1941-42 and 1942-43.
(d) Number of officers, 7. Travelling-allowances, £66; travelling-expenses, £96.
(e) Actions not yet completed.
(f) Refund of stamp duty, American Legation, £7 14s.; sundries, £1 2s 1d.; total, £8 16s. ld.