

ADVANCES MADE TO CROWN TENANTS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND STOCKING OF HOLDINGS

Amounts advanced for the year ended 31st March, 1947 :—

For improvements	£2,546
For stock	£471
Number of Crown tenants to whom new advances made ..	31
Amount readvanced from sales of farm produce ..	£4,936

DISCHARGED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT ACT, 1915

The following particulars are supplied pursuant to section 14 of the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act, 1915 :—

TOTAL AREA PROCLAIMED SINCE INCEPTION OF THE SCHEME

Class of Land.	Area (Acres).
Ordinary Crown land	1,053,157
Land-for-settlements land	405,976
Cheviot Estate land	3,356
	1,462,489

Proclamations have been issued revoking the setting-apart of 258,143 acres of Crown land and 108,419 acres of land-for-settlements land.

From the inception of the soldier-settlement scheme in 1915 the total applications received number 15,181 and the allotments made number 4,114, covering a total area of 1,450,887 acres.

The Discharged Soldiers Settlement Account was abolished by section 6 of the Finance Act, 1937.

EXPENDITURE

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURE APPROVED DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1947

Name of Vote or Account.	Amount voted.	Gross Expenditure for Year ended 31st March, 1947.	Gross Expenditure for Year ended 31st March, 1946.
<i>Voted Expenditure</i>			
Vote, " Lands and Survey "—	£	£	£
Subdivision I	645,775	636,471	512,822
Subdivision II	133,352	79,333	79,167
Subdivision III	41,800	10,539	10,895
Total, vote " Lands and Survey "	820,927	726,343	602,884
Vote, " Land for Settlements "	73,285	49,234	47,850
Vote, " Small Farms Development "	5,858,700	3,516,744	3,168,722
Total, voted expenditure	6,752,912	4,292,321	3,819,456
<i>Other Expenditure</i>			
Land for Settlements Account: Expenditure from capital proceeds of sales of Crown lands	..	184,212*	176,604
Deposits Account expenditure and miscellaneous expenditure	..	25,635	71,937
	..	4,502,168	4,067,997

* Includes value of Crown lands transferred to Small Farms Account, £45,917, and interest on proceeds of sales of Crown lands under section 13 of the Land Laws Amendment Act, 1926, £127,439.