

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

Amounts advanced for the year ended 31st March, 1948 :—						£
For improvements	..	..	..	..	..	6,056
For stock	..	..	..	..	..	306
Readvances from sales of farm produce	..	..	..	..	..	4,878
Total						£11,240
Number of Crown tenants to whom new advances made..						26

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, 1948

Name of Vote or Account.	Amount voted.	Gross Expenditure for Year ended 31st March, 1948.	Gross Expenditure for Year ended 31st March, 1947.
<i>Voted Expenditure</i>			
Vote " Lands and Survey "—	£	£	£
Subdivision I	761,151	729,091	636,471
Subdivision II	361,503	402,041	79,333
Subdivision III	73,010	53,126	10,539
Total, vote " Lands and Survey "	1,195,664	1,184,258	726,343
Vote " Land for Settlements "	76,090	47,128	49,234
Vote " Small Farms Development "	5,678,150	4,039,625	3,516,744
Total voted expenditure	6,949,904	5,271,011	4,292,321
<i>Other Expenditure</i>			
Land for Settlements Account: Expenditure from capital proceeds of sales of Crown lands	..	214,045*	184,212
Deposits Account expenditure and miscellaneous expenditure	..	32,553	25,635
	..	5,517,609	4,502,168

* Includes value of Crown lands transferred to Small Farms Account, £3,657, and interest on proceeds of sales of Crown lands under section 13 of the Land Laws Amendment Act, 1926, £83,702.