

REPORTS.

INTERIM REPORT OF THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE ON THE ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE OUT OF THE CONSOLIDATED FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1913.

THE Public Accounts Committee, to whom were referred the estimates of expenditure out of the Consolidated Fund for the year ending 31st March, 1913, have the honour to report that they have carefully considered the following classes, and recommend that they be allowed to proceed :—

- Class II. Department of Finance.
 „ III. Post and Telegraph Department.
 „ IV. Working Railways Department.
 „ VI. Native Department.
 Native Land Settlement Account.

The Committee also recommend that Class X, Defence, be allowed to proceed with the amended schedules as proposed by the Minister of Defence and which are attached hereto.

I am directed to report these several resolutions, and ask that the Committee be granted an extension of time until Friday, the 16th instant, to consider the remaining classes.

9th August, 1912.

J. B. HINE, Chairman.

SALARIES, IMPERIAL GENERAL STAFF AND NEW ZEALAND STAFF CORPS.

Salaries:—

	£	£
1 Major-General	1,000	
2 Colonels at £750 and 1 for 6 months	1,875	
5 Lieut.-Colonels at £575	2,875	
1 Director of Ordnance and Artillery	650	
1 Army Service Corps Officer	600	
5 General Staff Officers at £550 (4 at £550 and 1 for 6 months at £550)	2,475	
6 Majors at £475	2,850	
22 Captains—		
5 at £400	2,000	
3 at £375 (6 months at £350 only)	1,087	
14 at £350 (5 for the whole year and 9 for 6 months only at £250)	4,450	
	—	7,537
30 Lieutenants—		
10 at £300 (6 months at £250 only)	2,750	
10 at £275 (6 months at £250 only)	2,625	
10 at £250 (1 for 6 months)	2,625	
	—	8,000
4 2nd Lieutenants at £160 for 4 months and £200 for 8 months	746	
	—	746
77		£28,608

Royal New Zealand Artillery:—

3 Majors at £475	1,425	
5 Captains (2 at £375 for 6 months and £350 for 6 months, 2 at £350, 1 at £250 for 6 months and £350 for 6 months)	1,725	
4 2nd Lieutenants at £160 for 3 months and £200 for nine months	760	
	—	£3,910

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- Class I. Legislative Department.
 „ V. Public Buildings, Domains, and Maintenance of Roads.
 „ VII. Justice Department.
 „ VIII. Mines Department.
 „ IX. Department of Internal Affairs.
 State Coal-mines Account.
 Public Trustee's Account.
 New Zealand State-guaranteed Advances Account.

I am directed to report these several resolutions, and ask that the Committee be granted an extension of time until Friday, the 23rd instant, to consider the remaining classes.

16th August, 1912.

J. B. HINE, Chairman.