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## ACCIDENT INSURANCE:

RETURN RELATIVE TO PREMIUMS RECEIVED AND TOTAL AMOUNT PAID OUT BY GOVERNMENT

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated the 25th July, 1913.

Ordered, "That there be laid before this House a return showing—(1) The amount of all premiums received by the Government and all companies for accident insurance; and (2) the total amount paid out during the twelve months ended 31st March, 1913, by the Government and all companies on account of accident insurance."—(Mr. McCallum.)

## RETURN.

- 1. The amount of all premiums received by the Government and all companies for accident insurance: £319,881 14s. 5d. is the total amount for the last year only. (Although the amount of all premiums received by the Government Office from its inception is recorded, similar information is not on record for some of the largest private offices, whose returns to the Treasury have been furnished for about ten years only, although they had transacted business before then.)
- 2. The total amount paid out during the twelve months ended 31st March, 1913, by the Government and all companies on account of accident insurance: £146,163 6s. 3d. is the total amount paid out in settlement of claims—not including expenses—for the last year for which returns have been furnished. (It is not possible to give the figures for the twelve months ended 31st March, 1913, because the offices vary in their practice, the financial year of some ending on the 31st December and some on other dates, but none on the 31st March.)

NOTE.—The above figures contain a certain proportion of plate-glass insurance, fidelity guarantee, &c., because private insurance companies often include in accident insurance all that is neither life, fire, nor marine.

J. H. RICHARDSON, Government Insurance Commissioner.

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