

*Appropriations for Consolidated Fund Services.*CLASS VIII.—MINES DEPARTMENT—*continued.*

| Item. |                                                                                                          | 1917-18. |         |
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|       | MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES.                                                                                  |          |         |
|       | VOTE No. 41.                                                                                             |          |         |
|       | CHARGES FOR AND INCIDENTAL TO—                                                                           | £        | £       |
| 1     | Advances to oil-boring companies ...                                                                     | 4,000    |         |
| 2     | Advertising, books, newspapers, periodicals, and photos ...                                              | 100      |         |
| 3     | Assistance towards ambulance classes ...                                                                 | 100      |         |
| 4     | Assistance towards prospecting ...                                                                       | 5,000    |         |
| 5     | Assistance towards prospecting for coal and minerals other than gold ...                                 | 100      |         |
| 6     | Assistance towards races, drainage, and waterworks on goldfields ...                                     | 400      |         |
| 7     | Assistance to Thames Borough towards cost of repairing flood-damage and removal of mining debris ...     | 400      |         |
| 8     | Audit fees for inspection of accounts ...                                                                | 100      |         |
| 9     | Bonus for mineral oil ...                                                                                | 1,250    |         |
| 10    | Compassionate allowance to Louis Gabriel, Reef-ton, discoverer of gold, West Coast, South Island ...     | 25       |         |
| 11    | Compensation for damage to land by Moanatairi Aqueduct ...                                               | 88       |         |
| 12    | Compensation and expenses arising out of proclamation of rivers and resumption of land ...               | 50       |         |
| 13    | Construction of dam, Ralph's Mine, Huntly (half cost) ...                                                | 155      |         |
| 14    | Contribution to Puysegur Point telephone line ...                                                        | 50       |         |
| 15    | Cost of collecting goldfields revenue ...                                                                | 50       |         |
| 16    | Cost of removing house owned and occupied by Mr. S. Taylor, Stafford, to a safe site ...                 | 25       |         |
| 17    | Diamond and other drills and appliances (working expenses only) ...                                      | 500      |         |
| 18    | Expenses of Boards of Examiners, Mining and Coal-mines Acts ...                                          | 300      |         |
| 19    | Expenses in connection with conferences between Government, Miners' Federation, and coal-mine owners ... | 350      |         |
| 20    | Expert and temporary assistance, fees, wages, &c. ...                                                    | 300      |         |
| 21    | Extinguishing burning coal-seams ...                                                                     | 20       |         |
| 22    | Field surveys and expenses ...                                                                           | 10       |         |
| 23    | Fuel, light, water, freight, and cartage ...                                                             | 50       |         |
| 24    | Grants to libraries in mining townships ...                                                              | 20       |         |
| 25    | Instruments and apparatus ...                                                                            | 50       |         |
| 26    | Karaka Cut: Removal of debris (£1 for £1) ...                                                            | 50       |         |
| 27    | Legal expenses ...                                                                                       | 200      |         |
|       | Maintenance of Water-races—                                                                              |          |         |
| 28    | Waimea-Kumara ...                                                                                        | 1,200    |         |
| 29    | Mount Ida ...                                                                                            | 600      |         |
| 30    | Office rents, equipment, and cleaning ...                                                                | 200      |         |
| 31    | Outfit allowances for Inspectors of Mines ...                                                            | 208      |         |
| 32    | Payments and expenses under Workers' Compensation Acts ...                                               | 20       |         |
| 33    | Postage, telegrams, and rent of boxes ...                                                                | 300      |         |
| 34    | Printing and stationery ...                                                                              | 500      |         |
| 35    | Purchase of motor-car accessories, maintenance, &c. ...                                                  | 200      |         |
| 36    | Queen of Beauty pumping-plant maintenance ...                                                            | 20       |         |
| 37    | Refunds of rent, Section 154, Mining Act, 1908 ...                                                       | 50       |         |
| 38    | Reports on accidents ...                                                                                 | 20       |         |
| 39    | Schools of Mines ...                                                                                     | 3,500    |         |
| 40    | Stone-quarries Act: Administration expenses ...                                                          | 50       |         |
| 41    | Surveys of mining township sites ...                                                                     | 150      |         |
| 42    | Telephone subscriptions and expenses ...                                                                 | 80       |         |
| 43    | To cover defalcations and deficiencies of H. E. Radcliffe, late Chief Clerk, Mines Department ...        | 500      |         |
| 44    | Travelling allowances and expenses ...                                                                   | 1,500    |         |
| 45    | War bonus to officers of the Department ...                                                              | 425      |         |
| 46    | Work and material supplied by other Departments ...                                                      | 50       |         |
| 47    | Contingencies, including unforeseen expenditure incidental to the other items of the vote ...            | 50       |         |
|       |                                                                                                          | 23,366   |         |
|       | TOTAL—VOTE No. 41 ...                                                                                    |          | 23,366  |
|       | TOTAL OF CLASS VIII ...                                                                                  |          | £37,877 |