

STATEMENT SHOWING THE DETAIL OF SUMS IRRECOVERABLE BY THE CROWN, ETC.—*continued.*

Department and Particulars.	Reason for writing off.	Claims abandoned.	
		Value of Stores.	Cash.
<i>Defence—continued.</i>			
Value of one Dennis motor-lorry handed over to Samoan Administration	Free gift by direction of Cabinet ..	£ s. d. 625 0 0	£ s. d. ..
Medical stores issued to Health Department	Receipt disputed by the Health Department	1 6 8	..
Value of clothing	Lost in "Tasman" wreck	12 12 0	..
Amount advanced by High Commissioner to a military scholarship-holder, to enable him to obtain a degree at Cambridge	All efforts to effect recovery unsuccessful	..	121 8 6
Value of goods stolen from A.S.C. grocery store, Buckle Street, Wellington	Culprits cannot be traced	5 3 7	..
Value of equipment	Lost in transit	417 5 10	..
Value of equipment and stores	Lost in flood at Eskdale Camp.. ..	566 18 4	..
<i>Education.</i>			
Stocks of clothing at Central Stores, Wellington, reduced by direction of Cabinet	The amount stated represents the difference between purchase and selling prices	1,144 7 5	..
<i>Forestry.</i>			
Value of equipment	Lost or broken	23 8 11	..
Value of plates, &c., Rotorua Conservation Region	Removed from mess-room	1 3 4	..
Value of workmen's hut, Greenvale Plantation	Destroyed by fire	25 0 0	..
Value of motor-cycle and side-car ..	Damaged by accident	35 0 0	..
<i>Health.</i>			
Value of equipment on issue to nurses ..	Lost	4 15 0	..
Value of stores at St. Helens Hospital, Auckland; Queen Mary Hospital, Hanmer; King George V Hospital, Rotorua; and the Otaki Sanatorium	Lost, stolen, or rendered unserviceable ..	895 12 7	..
Value of sera, Wellington	Lost while being removed	0 8 9	..
Value of stores	Handed over to various hospital clinics ..	658 0 3	..
Otaki Sanatorium and Isolation Hospital fees	Bad debts	..	79 1 3
Maintenance and treatment at St. Helens Hospital, Wellington	Debtors in poor circumstances	..	188 16 0
Value of anti-tetanus serum	Supplied in the interest of the public health, and irrecoverable	..	6 16 0
Cost of bacteriological examination ..	Tests in the interest of the public health and on behalf of a charitable organization	..	12 0 0
Sundry small amounts	Debtors untraceable	..	0 3 3
<i>Immigration.</i>			
Total amount of outstanding accounts owing by sundry booksellers in respect of booklet "New Zealand"	Efforts by distributors to effect recovery have proved fruitless	..	5 18 0
<i>Justice.</i>			
Hearing fees, tenement cases	Department unable to collect	..	5 3 0
Fees outstanding, Magistrate's Court, Christchurch	Impossible to trace person responsible for these shortages	..	0 17 0
<i>Labour Department.</i>			
Value of stores	Stolen, lost, or rendered unserviceable ..	20 1 2	..
Book of five factory-registration certificates	Lost	..	5 5 0
<i>Land and Deeds.</i>			
Fees short-paid in respect of two memoranda of transfer Nos. 24060 and 24061	Fees cannot be collected	..	1 0 0
<i>Lands and Survey.</i>			
Rents	Irrecoverable	..	679 18 0
Rents	Lessees dead or untraceable	..	69 18 3
Advance made from Waimarino Bush Fire Relief Fund	Losses on realization	..	817 0 6
Discharged soldiers settlement:—			
*Loans granted to discharged soldiers	Losses on realization	..	41,883 9 1
Mortgage	Reduced	..	100 0 0
Value of buildings	Reduced	..	185 0 0
Interest and rents	Realization of property insufficient to cover	..	2,256 0 2
Insurance premiums	Irrecoverable	..	1 6 0
Value of timber	Stolen (debtor deceased)	..	113 5 6
<i>Marine Department.</i>			
Fishing-gear imported in 1920 for Northern and Thames Fishermen's Union	Loss on realization	2,406 18 11	..
Tentage and three sectional steel masts at Three Springs	Destroyed by fire or lost	21 11 7	..
<i>Mines.</i>			
Shortage in coal stocks at depots ..	Loss due to handling, evaporation, and stone	1,001 10 7	..
Coal stocks	Free coal supplied to certain members of staff in 1921	11 13 4	..

* Further losses amounting to £35,328 are under investigation.