

EXPENDITURE.

The net expenditure actually charged for the seven months to the 31st October, 1928, was £12,664,379, as under :—

Permanent charges :—

	£	£
Civil List	15,295	
Interest	5,047,998	
Sinking fund	1,441	
Reduction of funded debt	190,486	
Repayment of Public Debt Act, 1925	100,000	
Under special Acts	3,023,448	
		8,378,668

Annual appropriations :—

Legislative Departments	64,495	
Prime Minister's Department	11,309	
Treasury Department	22,429	
National Provident and Friendly Societies Department	12,591	
Land and Income Tax Department	33,366	
Stamp Duties Department	56,197	
Public Buildings	37,036	
Government and other Domains	2,883	
Maintenance and Repairs to Roads	39,647	
Maintenance of Irrigation-works	7,045	
Native Department	16,181	
Department of External Affairs	40,782	
Cook Islands	18,675	
Department of Industries and Commerce	16,342	
Department of Justice	79,161	
Prisons Department	66,525	
Crown Law Office	3,512	
Police Department	195,777	
Pensions Department	94,872	
Mines Department	23,062	
Department of Internal Affairs	197,614	
Audit Department	19,794	
Public Service Commissioner's Office	3,539	
Printing and Stationery Department	109,591	
Mental Hospitals Department	184,922	
Department of Health	134,457	
Naval Defence	136,598	
Defence Department	233,473	
Customs Department	61,034	
Marine Department	61,289	
Department of Labour	33,694	
Department of Lands and Survey	128,719	
Scenery Preservation	1,715	
Valuation Department	30,397	
Electoral Department	31,967	
Department of Agriculture	245,515	
Department of Tourist and Health Resorts	41,200	
Department of Education	1,751,457	
Department of Scientific and Industrial Research	23,563	
Services not provided for	13,286	
		4,285,711
		<u>£12,664,379</u>

The above figures disclose the usual disparity between revenue and expenditure at this period of a financial year, and there are no indications so far that the estimate of a balanced Budget made earlier in the year will not be realized.