against the net proceeds of the realization of German property. The General Liquidation Account with Germany, after giving effect to this amalgamation is as follows:—

GENERAL	Liquid.	ATIC	ON A	ACCOUNT WITH GERMANY.		
Payments in respect of admissions	£	s.	d.	Net proceeds of liquidation of £	s.	d.
and offers of compensation re				German property, rights, and		
claims under Article 297	21,389	4	7	interests in New Zealand		
Interest paid on awards of com-				credited to Liquidation Ac-		
pensation under agreement of				count, less withdrawals there-		
1st May, 1925	4	6	1	from 266,512 I	11	9
Balance due by Germany as at				German claims under Article 296		
30th April, 1925, in respect of				admitted by New Zealand		
Clearing Office transactions	0.405		0	Clearing Office during period		
under Article 296	2,495	2	0	1st May, 1925, to 31st March,	9	1
New Zealand claims under Article				1928 2,031	٠,	Т
296 admitted by the German Clearing Office during period				Cash paid by German Clearing Office during 1924	1.4	o
1st May, 1925, to 31st March,				Office during 1924 153 1	1. 11:	5
1928	2,607	2	e			
Balance in favour of Germany	2,001	0	U			
carried down	242.201	12	11			
£	268,697	9	7	£268,697	9	7
· ·			-	No. of the state o		
				Balance in favour of Germany		
				brought down £242,201 1	2	11

CLEARING OFFICE DUTIES: PROGRESS REGARDING THE DISPOSAL OF CLAIMS.

116. The claims received for settlement through the New Zealand Clearing Office to date are as follows:—

Claims under Article 296—					Total				
(a) Claims by New Zealand	nationals ag	ainst Ger	man	£	s.	d.			
nationals				53,034	3	8			
(b) Claims by German natio	nals against	New Zea	land	ŕ					
	••			211,386	16	8			
Claims under Article 297—				,					
(c) Claims by New Zealar	nd nationals	against	the						
		0		53,007	16	4			
				£317,428	16	8			

The following tables indicate the progress which has been made to date in connection with the disposal of claims:—

(a) Claims by New Zealand Nationals against German Nationals.

216 claims forwarded to the German Clearing Office through the	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Central Clearing Office				53,034	3	8
Claims wholly or partly acknowledged by the German firms and admitted by the German Clearing Office	22,431	3	5			
forwarded to New Zealand on behalf of the alleged German debtors						
Claims finally rejected and deemed to be withdrawn	•					
			;	£53,034	3	8

N.B.—(1) In addition to the £22,431 3s. 5d. admitted by the German Clearing Office as above, interest thereon as provided in the Treaty of Versailles, amounting to £6,806 15s. 5d., has also been credited to the New Zealand Clearing Office. The amount admitted, less a deduction of $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent., being Clearing Office commission thereon, has been paid by this Office to the New Zealand claimants.

(2) During the period under review claims totalling £571 2s. 5d. have been withdrawn by the New Zealand Clearing Office.

(3) During this period claims totalling £229 19s. 4d. have been admitted to the New Zealand Clearing Office.

(4) It will be noted that the claims lodged under this heading have now been wholly disposed of,