

Public Finance.—A statement on the subject appears on page 18 of this report.

Arms and Ammunition.—Statistics of the licenses for firearms issued as at 31st March, 1929, are as follows :—

European-owned :—

12-gauge shot-guns	..	..	..	..	..	..	36
16-gauge shot-guns	..	..	..	..	..	..	84
20-gauge shot-guns	..	..	..	..	..	..	95
410-gauge shot-guns	..	..	..	..	..	..	23
32-gauge shot-guns	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
24-gauge shot-guns	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
·303-calibre rifles ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
·300-calibre rifles ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
·44-calibre rifles ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
·405-calibre rifles ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
·38-calibre rifles ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
·22-calibre rifles ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	25
·45-calibre revolver	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
·38-calibre revolvers	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
·22-calibre revolver	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Total	..	..	..	..	..	..	283

Native-owned :—

Upolu—

Single-barrel breech-loading smooth bore ..	..	..	524
Double-barrel breech-loading smooth bore ..	..	..	35
Single-barrel muzzle-loading ..	..	..	472
			1,031

Savai'i—

Single-barrel muzzle-loading smooth bore ..	..	..	553
Double-barrel breech-loading smooth bore ..	..	..	3
			556

Total	..	..	..	..	..	1,587
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APPENDIX B.

LEGISLATION, ETC., PASSED DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1929.

EXTRACT FROM FINANCE ACT, (N.Z.), 1928.

As to expenditure of certain moneys advanced to Samoan Treasury.

6. Any moneys heretofore lent or that may hereafter be lent to the Samoan Treasury pursuant to section four of the Finance Act, 1926, as extended by section eight of the Finance Act, 1927 (No. 2), may be expended for such public purposes in Samoa, other than public works, as the Administrator thinks fit, and all payments heretofore made for any such purposes shall be deemed to have been lawfully made :

Provided that the aggregate amount so expended otherwise than for public works shall not at any time exceed thirty thousand pounds.

Provision for maintenance of Police Force at Samoa.

7. (1) The Minister of Finance may from time to time, without further appropriation than this section, pay out of the Ordinary Revenue Account of the Consolidated Fund such sums as are required in connection with the maintenance of the Military Police Force in Samoa, including the pay and allowances of the members of the force, the expenses incurred in connection with their appointment, outfitting, and transport, and any other expenses incidental to the maintenance of the force.

(2) This section shall be deemed to have come into force on the first day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-eight.

Application of profits accrued in Reparation Estates Account.

8. (1) The profits accrued to the New Zealand Reparation Estates Account for the year ended on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-eight, shall, without further appropriation than this section, be applied as follows :—

- (a) The sum of twelve thousand pounds shall be paid into and for the purposes of the Samoan Treasury :
- (b) Not more than fifty per centum of the residue thereof may from time to time be applied towards the development of the New Zealand Reparation Estates for purposes and in amounts to be approved by the Minister of External Affairs :
- (c) The balance shall be credited to the Reserve Fund referred to in section eight of the Samoa Amendment Act, 1926, to be administered as provided in that section.

(2) All moneys paid into the Samoan Treasury pursuant to this section shall form part of the public revenues of Samoa.