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*House of Representatives,
24th September, 1891.*

APPROPRIATION.

ANALYSIS.

<p>Title. Address.</p> <p>1. Short Title.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">GRANTS OUT OF THE PUBLIC ACCOUNT.</p> <p>2. Grant of £1,140,406, and fees.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">APPROPRIATION OF GRANTS.</p> <p>3. Appropriation of £2,111,370 out of Consolidated Fund, and fees.</p> <p>4. Provision for salaries, &c., in Public Trust Office, £9,847.</p> <p>5. Provision for salaries, &c., in Insurance Department, £54,244.</p> <p>6. Government Insurance Department and Public Trust Office may make payments out of "Unauthorised."</p> <p>7. Authority to issue moneys payable under</p>	<p>agreements validated by "The Auckland Gold Fields Proclamations Validation Act, 1869."</p> <p>8. Subsidies to be paid to local bodies.</p> <p>9. Indemnity.</p> <p>10. Certain advances made out of the Consolidated Fund to be sanctioned.</p> <p>11. Moneys payable for roads or other public works may be paid over to local bodies.</p> <p>12. Provision for charges or expenses incurred by local governing bodies.</p> <p>13. £30,000 to be transferred to Public Works Fund in aid of roads to open up lands before sale.</p> <p>14. Section 3 of "The Public Revenues Acts Amendment Act, 1890," to apply to counties. Schedules.</p>
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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to apply a Sum of Money out of the Consolidated Fund and other Moneys to the Service of the Year ending the Thirty-first Day of March, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this present Session.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,—We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the House of Representatives of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, towards making good the supply which we have cheerfully granted to Your Majesty in this session of Parliament, have resolved to grant unto Your Majesty the sums hereinafter mentioned, and do therefore most humbly beseech Your Majesty that it may be enacted: And be it enacted by the General Assembly of New Zealand in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Appropriation Act, 1891."

GRANTS OUT OF THE PUBLIC ACCOUNT.

2. The Colonial Treasurer may issue out of the Consolidated Fund, and apply towards making good the supplies granted to Her Majesty for the services of the year ending on the thirty-first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, the sum of one million one hundred and forty thousand four hundred and six pounds, together with the amount of the fees hereinafter mentioned.

APPROPRIATION OF GRANTS.

Appropriation of
£2,111,370 out of
Consolidated Fund,
and fees.

3. All sums granted by this Act and the other Acts mentioned in Schedule A annexed hereto out of the Consolidated Fund, amounting, as appears by the said Schedule A, to two millions one hundred and eleven thousand three hundred and seventy pounds, together with the fees collected by such public officers as are authorised to retain the same in lieu of salary, are appropriated for the purposes and services expressed in the several votes in the Schedule B annexed hereto. 5

Provision for
salaries, &c., in
Public Trust Office,
£9,847.

4. And whereas by the eleventh section of "The Public Trust Office Act, 1872," it is enacted that the salary of the Public Trustee and of the other officers and servants in the Public Trust Office shall be such as shall be fixed by the General Assembly: Be it enacted that the said salaries, and contingencies, for the year ending the thirty-first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, shall be for the amounts set forth in Schedule C annexed hereto, not exceeding in the whole the sum of nine thousand eight hundred and forty-seven pounds. 10 15

Provision for
salaries, &c., in
Insurance Depart-
ment, £54,244.

5. And whereas by the thirty-ninth section of "The Government Insurance and Annuities Act, 1874," and the fourth section of "The Government Life Insurance Act, 1886," re-enacting the same, it is provided that the salary of the Commissioner and other officers and other contingent expenses shall be paid out of moneys from time to time appropriated from the Government Insurance Account for the purpose by the General Assembly: Be it enacted, the said salaries and expenses for the period ending the thirty-first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, shall be for the amounts set forth in the Schedule D annexed hereto, not exceeding in the whole the sum of fifty-four thousand two hundred and forty-four pounds. 20 25 30

Government Insur-
ance Department
and Public Trust
Office may make
payments out of
"Unauthorised."

6. Whenever it becomes necessary that money should be expended on account of the Government Insurance Department or of the Public Trust Office in excess of or without the appropriation of Parliament, the Government Insurance Commissioner or the Public Trustee, or either of them, may, with the sanction of the Colonial Treasurer, but not otherwise, pay such money in excess of or without the appropriation of Parliament; and such expenditure shall be charged to the Unauthorised Expenditure Account, and a statement thereof, certified by the Controller and Auditor-General, shall be laid before Parliament within ten days after the then next meeting thereof. 35 40

Authority to issue
moneys payable
under agreements
validated by "The
Auckland Gold
Fields Proclama-
tions Validation
Act, 1869."

7. The Colonial Treasurer is hereby authorised to issue and pay out of the Consolidated Fund all moneys lawfully payable to any Natives under and by virtue of the agreements validated by "The Auckland Gold Fields Proclamations Validation Act, 1869," or to any persons lawfully entitled to the lands from which the revenues accrue in virtue of any such agreement. 45

Subsidies to be paid
to local bodies.

8. There shall be issued and paid by the Colonial Treasurer out of the Consolidated Fund to the Council or Board of each county, road district, town district, and borough, in respect of the general rates described in the Schedule to "The Local Bodies' Finance and Powers Act, 1885" (in this section referred to as "the said Act"), levied for the year ending the thirty-first day of March, one thousand 50

eight hundred and ninety-two, and actually collected on or before the thirtieth day of June ensuing next after the said thirty-first day of March, one-fourth of the amounts to which they would be entitled under the plan of distribution described in the Schedule to the said

5 Act :

Provided that seventy-five per centum, and no more, of the amount which it is estimated by the Property-tax Commissioner may become payable to any local body may be advanced to such local body within the year ending the thirty-first day of March, one thousand

10 eight hundred and ninety-two :

Provided also that on receipt by the Property-tax Commissioner of returns, duly verified by the declaration of the Chairman or Treasurer of a local body, showing the amount of the rates aforesaid actually collected to the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight

15 hundred and ninety-two, the amount of subsidy found to be payable in respect of such rates, less the amount (if any) advanced as aforesaid, shall be paid to such local body ; and any sum advanced in excess of the amount so found to be payable shall be repaid by the local body to the Public Account or be recovered by the Colonial

20 Treasurer out of any moneys payable to such local body.

In case any doubt arises as to the several payments to be made under this section and the Schedule to the said Act, or as to payments to be made in respect of newly-formed districts wherein the Board has not had sufficient time to levy and collect rates, the Governor

25 in Council may authoritatively decide the amounts of such payments.

9. And whereas the Colonial Treasurer has, under the authority of section forty-five of "The Public Revenues Act, 1878," issued during

the twelve months ended the thirty-first day of March, one thousand

30 eight hundred and ninety-one, in excess of or without the appropriation of Parliament, the sum of ninety thousand eight hundred and sixty pounds fifteen shillings and twopence from the Consolidated Fund, and a further sum of eight hundred and sixty-four pounds

two shillings and one penny from the Government Insurance Account, and a further sum of one thousand one hundred and twenty-three

35 pounds eight shillings and sevenpence from the Public Trust Office Expenses Account, and has caused the said sums to be applied to the several purposes and services mentioned in the Schedule E hereto annexed: Be it enacted that the application and discharge of the

40 said sums are hereby sanctioned.

10. Whereas certain moneys, amounting in the whole to the sum of one hundred and sixty-two pounds, have been issued and paid out of the Public Account, during the present financial year, to the

45 Greymouth Harbour Board, by way of advances, to be repaid to the Consolidated Fund: Be it therefore enacted that the issue of the said moneys is hereby sanctioned, and the same shall be recovered out of the first moneys accruing or payable to such local governing bodies, and may be deducted or recovered by the Colonial Treasurer accordingly.

Indemnity.

Certain advances made out of the Consolidated Fund to be sanctioned.

Moneys payable for roads or other public works may be paid over to local bodies.

11. The moneys payable under this Act for roads or other public works may be paid over to such local governing bodies as the Minister for Public Works or other Minister may determine, upon such terms and conditions as shall be agreed upon between the said Public Works or other Minister and any such local governing body; and the Colonial Treasurer shall make all such payments in accordance with any such agreement. 5

Provision for charges or expenses incurred by local governing bodies.

12. The Colonial Treasurer is hereby authorised to issue and pay out of the Consolidated Fund, by way of temporary advance, any sum or sums, not exceeding one thousand pounds in the whole, for the purpose of defraying any charges or expenses incurred by or on behalf of any local governing body. 10

All such advances shall be repaid to the Consolidated Fund out of the first moneys thereafter accruing to such local governing body, and may be deducted or recovered by the Colonial Treasurer accordingly. 15

For the purposes of this section the expression "local governing body" means a County Council, Borough Council, Town Board, Road Board, River Board, and an Education Board, and includes any other body or persons however designated to whom any moneys are paid or payable out of the Consolidated Fund. 20

£30,000 to be transferred to the Public Works Fund in aid of roads to open up lands before sale.

13. The Colonial Treasurer may transfer the sum of thirty thousand pounds from the Consolidated Fund to the Public Works Fund, and may issue and apply the same to the purposes and services provided for by the vote for roads to open up lands before sale. 25

Section 3 of "The Public Revenues Acts Amendment Act, 1890," to apply to counties.

14. Notwithstanding anything contained in "The Counties Act, 1886," every county shall be deemed to be a local body within the meaning of section nine of "The Public Revenues Act, 1886," as amended by section three of "The Public Revenues Acts Amendment Act, 1890." 30

SCHEDULES.

Schedules.

SCHEDULE A.

GRANTS OUT OF THE CONSOLIDATED FUND.

UNDER the provisions of the Public Revenues Acts of 1882, 1883, and 1887	£445,964
Under "The Imprest Supply Act, 1891"	150,000
Under "The Imprest Supply Act, 1891 (No. 2)"	175,000
Under "The Imprest Supply Act, 1891 (No. 3)"	200,000
Under this Act	1,140,406
Total	£2,111,370

SCHEDULE B.

A SCHEDULE of Sums granted to defray the Charges on the CONSOLIDATED FUND for the several Services herein particularly mentioned, which will come in the Course of Payment during the Year ending 31st March, 1892.

ABSTRACT OF SCHEDULE B.		£	£
ORDINARY REVENUE ACCOUNT.			
Class I.—Legislative Departments		16,364	
Class II.—Colonial Secretary's Department		78,461	
Class III.—Colonial Treasurer's Department		50,465	
Class IV.—Justice Department		103,380	
Class V.—Postal and Telegraph Department		259,141	
Class VI.—Customs and Marine Departments		73,213	
Class VII.—Stamps and Deeds Department		18,440	
Class VIII.—Minister of Education—			
Education Department ...£371,776			
Lunacy and Charitable ... 41,918			
		413,694	
Class IX.—Native Affairs Department		20,987	
Class X.—Mines and Lands Department		46,289	
Class XI.—Working Railways Department		704,705	
Class XII.—Public Buildings and Domains Department		55,600	
Class XIII.—Defence Department		172,457	
			2,013,196
LAND FUND ACCOUNT.			
Class XIV.—Lands and Survey Department		96,674	
Class XV.—Rates on Crown Lands		1,500	
			98,174
TOTAL			£2,111,370

Appropriation.

Ordinary Revenue Account.	£	£
CLASS I.—LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENTS.		
Legislative Council	1,649	
House of Representatives	4,187	
General Expenses	10,528	
TOTAL CLASS I.		16,364
CLASS II.—COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.		
Minister's Salary	400	
Clerk of Executive Council	50	
Colonial Secretary's Office	1,795	
Ministers' Secretaries	700	
Messengers and Office-keepers	4,319	
Electoral Department	1,070	
Audit Office	6,175	
Registrar-General's Department	19,005	
Agent-General's Department	4,410	
Printing and Stationery	23,700	
Miscellaneous Services	16,837	
TOTAL CLASS II.		78,461
CLASS III.—COLONIAL TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT.		
Treasury Department	6,153	
Friendly Societies' Registry Office	1,470	
Property-tax Department	24,424	
Treasury: Miscellaneous Services	18,418	
TOTAL CLASS III.		50,465
CLASS IV.—JUSTICE DEPARTMENT.		
Department of Justice	1,165	
Crown Law Office	2,155	
Supreme Court	6,685	
Bankruptcy	6,417	
District, Resident Magistrates', and Wardens' Courts	42,529	
Criminal Prosecutions	9,300	
Coroners	2,000	
Prisons	29,370	
Miscellaneous Services	3,759	
TOTAL CLASS IV.		103,380
CLASS V.—POSTAL AND TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT.		
Post and Telegraph Salaries	157,310	
Telegraph Cable Subsidies	309	
Telegraph Cable Repairs	3,000	
Telegraph Extension	3,000	
Conveyance of Mails by Sea	29,891	
Conveyance of Inland Mails	25,191	
Carriage of Mails by Railway	1,000	
Miscellaneous Services	39,440	
TOTAL CLASS V.		259,141

Vote.		£	£
	CLASS VI.—CUSTOMS AND MARINE DEPARTMENTS.		
36	Customs Offices and Services	33,296	
37	Customs : Miscellaneous Services	1,820	
38	Marine and Harbours	28,515	
39	Marine : Miscellaneous Services	9,582	
	TOTAL CLASS VI.		73,213
	CLASS VII.—STAMPS AND DEEDS DEPARTMENT.		
40	Stamp Department	4,100	
41	Land and Deeds Registry	14,340	
	TOTAL CLASS VII....		18,440
	CLASS VIII.—EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.		
42	Head Office	2,315	
43	Public Schools	341,450	
44	Native Schools	14,075	
45	Industrial Schools	8,436	
46	School for Deaf-mutes	3,250	
47	Miscellaneous Services	2,250	
48	Lunatic Asylums	38,708	
49	Charitable	1,864	
50	Rotorua Sanatorium	1,346	
	TOTAL CLASS VIII.		413,694
	CLASS IX.—NATIVE AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT.		
51	Native Land Court	18,038	
52	Miscellaneous Services	2,949	
	TOTAL CLASS IX.		20,987
	CLASS X.—MINES AND LANDS DEPARTMENT.		
53	Mines Department	2,480	
54	Geological and Meteorological	2,105	
55	Miscellaneous Services	10,618	
56	Stock Branch	31,086	
	TOTAL CLASS X.		46,289
	CLASS XI.—WORKING RAILWAYS DEPARTMENT.		
57	Working Railways	704,705	
	TOTAL CLASS XI.		704,705

Vote.		£	
	CLASS XII.—PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND DOMAINS DEPARTMENT.		
58	Public Buildings	28,700	
59	School-Buildings	26,000	
60	Government Domains	900	
	TOTAL CLASS XII.		55,600
	CLASS XIII.—MINISTER OF DEFENCE.		
61	Defence Department	700	
62	Permanent Militia and Volunteers	53,587	
63	Stores and Magazines	3,564	
64	Miscellaneous Services	19,445	
65	Police	95,161	
	TOTAL CLASS XIII.		172,457
	Land Fund Account.		
	CLASS XIV.—LANDS AND SURVEY DEPARTMENT.		
66	Department of Lands and Survey	93,948	
67	Rotorua Sanatorium	640	
68	Miscellaneous	2,086	
	TOTAL CLASS XIV.		96,674
	CLASS XV.—RATES ON CROWN LANDS.		
69	Rates on Crown Lands	1,500	
	TOTAL CLASS XV.		1,500

SCHEDULE C.

	£	£
PUBLIC TRUST OFFICE EXPENSES ACCOUNT.		
PUBLIC TRUST OFFICE—		
Salaries	5,410	
Contingencies	4,437	
TOTAL		9,847

SCHEDULE D.

GOVERNMENT INSURANCE ACCOUNT.				£	£
SALARIES—					
Head Office	...	...	...	10,368	
Local Offices	...	...	...	4,376	
					14,744
OTHER CHARGES				...	39,500
TOTAL				...	54,244

SCHEDULE E.

UNAUTHORISED EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT OF THE YEAR 1890-91.

Consolidated Fund.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
FOR SERVICES NOT PROVIDED FOR.									
ORDINARY REVENUE ACCOUNT:—									
<i>Minister's Salary and Allowance:—</i>									
Amount paid to the Hon. E. Mitchelson, Minister of Native Affairs, by way of salary and house-allowance, from 4th October, 1890, to 24th January, 1891,—									
Salary	245	3	2						
House-allowance	61	5	9						
						306	8	11	
<i>House of Representatives:—</i>									
Gratuity to messengers for the session of 1890-91									
Dynamo for electric light apparatus at Parliamentary Buildings, and armature for same	271	18	11						
Services of electrician during session	83	15	0						
Freight on electric apparatus	13	17	7						
						429	11	6	
<i>Colonial Secretary's Department:—</i>									
Expenses in connection with the appointment of F. J. Moss, Esq., as Permanent Resident at Rarotonga									
Grass-seed supplied to sufferers by the Taranaki bush-fires	264	7	11						
Expenses in connection with Labour Conference held at Wellington	207	1	7						
Pension to J. Outram, from 1st April to 30th September, 1890	129	3	6						
Expenses under "The Adulteration Prevention Act, 1880"	94	0	0						
Payment to Rev. H. C. M. Watson, as a contribution towards expenses incurred in lecturing on New Zealand in England	409	17	9						
Salary of V. L. Willeston, Clerk, Audit Department, on leave of absence, from 1st to 30th April, 1891	150	0	0						
Expenses in connection with the Akaroa Election Petition	6	13	4						
Payment to Messrs. Brown, Skerrett, and Dean for legal services in the case Wellington Benevolent Contributors v. Local Bodies	20	2	11						
						242	4	3	
						1,523	11	3	
<i>Treasury Department:—</i>									
Refunds to Public Trustee of balances in under-mentioned intestate estates, under section 11 of "The Public Revenues Act, 1878,"—									
Patrick Kirk	£17	11	6						
John Stark	29	7	11						
John Froggart	25	7	5						
						72	6	10	
Amount advanced by the Government to County of Westland in respect of the claim for compensation re proclamation of Arahura and Teremakau Rivers as tailings-channels now required to be written off									
						482	0	6	
						554	7	4	
Carried forward				..	..	2,813	19	0	

SCHEDULE E—continued.

UNAUTHORISED EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT—continued.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward .. .. .	..	2,813 19 0	..
Consolidated Fund—continued.			
FOR SERVICES NOT PROVIDED FOR—continued.			
ORDINARY REVENUE ACCOUNT—continued.			
<i>Justice Department:—</i>			
Allowance to J. S. Hickson, Esq., late Resident Magistrate, Clyde, from 1st September, 1890, to 31st March, 1891..	87 10 0		
Part salary of Mr. Commissioner Edwards from 1st November, 1890, to 31st March, 1891	52 1 8	139 11 8	
<i>Customs Department:—</i>			
Refund of duty charged on machinery for drying-room at Convent, Christchurch	70 2 10		
Gratuity to Mr. J. G. Milsom, Writer, Customs, Christchurch, on his retirement in consequence of ill-health	187 16 0		
Refund of primage-duty charged on goods passed on 30th September, 1890, but not landed until after that date..	43 7 2	301 6 0	
<i>Education Department:—</i>			
Half salary of Mr. F. A. and Mrs. Green, Native-school teachers, Waikouaiti, while on leave of absence, from 1st February to 31st July, 1891	30 16 8		
Allowance to Mr. W. Creek, Native-school teacher, in lieu of pension from 1st February to 31st March, 1891 ..	8 3 7	39 0 3	
<i>Lunacy and Charitable Department:—</i>			
Compensation to Mr. J. Buchanan, attendant at Seacliff Asylum, for loss of office .. .. .	..	93 16 7	
<i>Native Department:—</i>			
Payments made to Natives on account of Mangere rents	406 3 5		
Passage of Mr. T. Mackay, attending Native Land Commission	3 0 0		
Advance payment on account of security for costs, &c., in appeal to Privy Council in case of Poaka and others v. Ward and others	300 0 0	709 3 5	
<i>Working Railways Department:—</i>			
Amount to make good imprest moneys stolen from Dunedin Railway-station .. .. .	..	641 3 9	
<i>Public Buildings Department:—</i>			
Amount expended in connection with the fire at the Old Printing-office, Wellington	581 5 1		
Expenses of road-formation at Milford Sound by prison labour	555 5 10	1,136 10 11	
<i>Defence Department:—</i>			
Compassionate allowance to widow of late Sergeant-Major Bell, Wellington	127 15 0		
Purchase of land for rifle-range, Polhill Gully, Wellington	840 0 0		
Passage of W. A. Bailey, Esq., to London, on his appointment to H.M. Middlesex Regiment	63 0 0		
Compensation to Sergeant-Major W. White for loss of office	155 2 6	1,185 17 6	
<i>Police Department:—</i>			
Cost of defending charge of perjury brought against Constable G. Gillespie	208 11 11		
Compassionate allowance to widow of late Constable Barry	136 17 6		
Compassionate allowance granted to children of late Sergeant P. Finnegan, Dunedin	191 12 6		
Carried forward	537 1 11	7,060 9 1	

SCHEDULE E—continued.

UNAUTHORISED EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT—continued.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	411	6	8	18,460	19	11			
Consolidated Fund—continued.									
FOR SERVICES IN EXCESS OF VOTES—continued.									
ORDINARY REVENUE ACCOUNT—continued.									
Class V. Postal and Telegraph Department,—									
Vote 29—Telegraph Cable Repairs			0	16	1				
31—Mails by Sea			92	11	7				
32—Inland Mails	1,416	4	5						
34—Post and Telegraph, Miscellaneous	4,602	0	8						
Class VI. Customs and Marine Department,—									
Vote 35—Customs Offices and Services	586	1	8	39	11	11			
Class VII. Stamps and Deeds Department,—									
Vote 39—Stamp Department	299	6	7						
40—Land and Deeds Registry	134	1	5	90	8	0			
41—Stamps, Miscellaneous	0	6	3						
Class VIII. Education Department,—									
Vote 44—Native Schools	31	2	8	40	0	0			
49—Rotorua Sanatorium	104	18	4						
Class IX. Native Affairs Department,—									
Vote 51—Native Land Court	610	17	8	417	3	10			
Class X. Mines and Lands Department,—									
Vote 54—Geological and Meteorological	108	17	2						
55—Stock Branch	843	14	1						
56—Mines, Miscellaneous	1,622	3	2						
Class XI. Working Railways Department,—									
Vote 57—Working Railways	30,892	1	1	167	16	9			
Class XII. Public Buildings and Domains Department,—									
Vote 61—Government Domains	90	16	4						
Class XIII. Minister of Defence,—									
Vote 62—Defence Department	106	5	0						
63—Permanent Militia	6,703	2	2	632	16	4			
64—Volunteers	3,884	11	11	74	8	5			
65—Stores and Magazines	291	16	2						
66—Police	1,083	16	1	707	6	3			
67—Defence, Miscellaneous	2,642	4	0						
	£74,104	0	1	2,674	5	10			
				76,778	5	11			
LAND FUND ACCOUNT:—									
Class IV. Crown Lands and Survey Department,—									
Vote 71—Survey Department	759	5	0	1,354	2	5			
72—Miscellaneous	189	4	2						
	948	9	2	1,354	2	5			
	£75,052	9	3	4,028	8	3			
									79,080 17 6
TOTAL CONSOLIDATED FUND									£90,860 15 2
Government Life Insurance Department.									
FOR SERVICES NOT PROVIDED FOR.									
Agents' Salaries									582 5 10
Compensation for loss of office,—									
E. S. Ward Buller				106	10	7			
George Naylor				175	5	8			
									281 16 3
									£864 2 1
Public Trust Office.									
FOR SERVICES NOT PROVIDED FOR.									
Judgment and costs, Hatfield v. Public Trustee									942 1 7
Deficiency on sale of realty mortgaged									181 7 0
									£1,123 8 7