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## 1928-29.

Table I showing how the Amount issued from the Exchequer to meet the Expenditure in 1928-29 compares with the Estimated Expenditure.

|  | 1928-29. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total Expenditure provided for in the Budget. | Additional <br> Expenditure for which Supplementary Estimates were presented and Excess Votes. | Total Estimated Expenditure. | Amount issued to meet Total Expenditure |
| Ordinary Expenditure. | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Consolidated Fund Services. <br> Interest and Management of National Debt | 304,000,000 | - | 304,000,000 | 311,491,000 |
| Payments to Local Taxation Accounts | 14,200,000 | - | 14,200,000 | 15,203,000 |
| Payments to Northern Ireland Exchequer | 5,600,000 | - | 5,600,000 | $5,100,000$ |
| Other Consolidated Fund Services | 2,600,000 | - | $2,600,000$ | 2,807,000 |
| Total .. | 326,400,000 | - | $326,400,000$ | 334,601,000 |
| Supply Services. <br> Army Votes (including |  |  |  |  |
| Navy Votes | $\begin{aligned} & 41,050,000 \\ & 57,300,000 \end{aligned}$ | 115,000 | $\begin{aligned} & 41,165,000 \\ & 57,300,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 40,500 ; 000 \\ & 56,920,000 \end{aligned}$ |
| Air Votes ... ... . | 16,250,000 |  | 16,250,000 | 16,050,000 |
| Civil Votes ... | 223,804,000 | 3,469,000 | 227,273,000 | 222,493,000 |
| Customs and Excise and Inland Revenue Votes... | 11,777,000 | - | 11,777,000 | 11,637,000 |
| Total | 350,181,000 | 3,584,000 | 353,765,000 | 347,600,000 |
| Total Ordinary Expenditure | 6r6,581,000 | 3,584,000 | 680,165,000 | 682,201,000 |
| New Sinking Fund, 1928. | 65,000,000 | - | 65,000,000 | 57,509,000 |
| Self-Balancing Revenue and Expenditure. |  |  |  |  |
| Post Office $\ldots$ $\ldots$ <br> Road Fund $\ldots$ $\ldots$ | $\begin{aligned} & 57,314,000 \\ & 21,300,000 \end{aligned}$ | - | $\begin{aligned} & 57,314,000 \\ & 21,300,000 \end{aligned}$ | $21,131,000$ |
| Total Self-Balancing Revenue and Expenditure ... | 78,614,000 | - | 78,614,000 | 78,331,000 |
| Grand Total ... | 820,195,000 | 3,584,000 | 823,779,000 | 818,041,000 |

## 1928-29.

Table II showing how the Revende in 1928-29 compares with the Budget Estimate, and with the Revenue of the previous year, 1927-28.

*After concessions embodied in the Finance Act, 1928.
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## 1928-29.

## Table III giving the Exghequer Balance Sheet of 1928-29.



## Table IV.

## Debt Maturing Year by Year (approximate Totals).

N.B.-National Savings Certificates are shown at issue price, exclusive of accrued interest. External debt is shown at par of exchange. Loans marked * are being repaid by specific statutory Sinking Funds, included in the provision for New Sinking Fund.

| Year. | Security. | Internal. | External. | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1929-30 | $5 \frac{1}{2} \%$ Treasury Bonds ... <br> 3 \% Exchequer Bonds... <br> $4 \frac{1}{2} \%$ Treasury Bonds ... <br> $5 \frac{1}{2} \% 10$-year Bonds, $\$ 2,009,200$ <br> $5 \%$ Straits Settlements Dollar Loan | $\begin{gathered} £ \\ 30,168,000 \\ 15,640,000 \\ 14,571,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \frac{£}{\bar{Z}} \\ 4,312,000 \\ 4,000 \end{gathered}$ | \} 65,106,000 |
| 1930-31 | $5 \frac{1}{2} \%$ Treasury Bonds ... | 134,741,000 | - | 134,741,000 |
| 1932-33 | $4 \frac{1}{2}$ \% Treasury Bonds | 121,266,000 | - | 121,266,000 |
| 1933-34 | $4 \%$ and $4 \frac{1}{2} \%$ Treasury Bonds | 265,241,000 | - | 265,241,000 |
| 1934-35 | 5 \% Straits Settlements Sterling Loan <br> 5 \% Treasury Bonds ... | $\begin{array}{r} 1,753,000 \\ 114,608,000 \end{array}$ | - | $\} 116,361,000$ |
| 1936-37 | $5 \frac{1}{2} \% 20$-year Bonds, \$143,584,000 | - | 29,504,000 | 29,504,000 |
| 1940-41 | Anglo-French Loan $4 \frac{1}{2}$ \% Bonds \$13,850 ... | - | 3,000 | 3,000 |
| 1942-43 | 4 \% War Loan, 1929-42 | 79,685,000 | - | 79,685,000 |
| 1944-45 | $4 \frac{1}{2}$ \% Conversion Loan | 223,120,000 | - | 223,120,000 |
| 1945-46 | 412 \% War Loan, 1925-45 | 12,804,000 | - | 12,804,000 |
| 1947-48 | 5 \% War Loan, 1929-47 | 2,184,469,000 | - | 2,184,469,000 |
|  | 4 \% Victory Bonds* <br> $4 \%$ Funding Loan* <br> $3 \frac{1}{2} \%$ Conversion Loan* <br> 4 \% Consolidated Loan* <br> Consols, \&c. <br> Terminable Annuities ... <br> Treasury Bills <br> Ways and Means Advances <br> National Savings Certificates ... <br> 4 \% National Savings Bonds ... <br> Loans from certain Allied Governments <br> U.S.A. Government Loan-* <br> $\$ 4,453,000,000$ | $340,510,000$ $382,059,000$ $811,034,000$ $353,862,000$ $313,393,000$ $12,531,00$ $700,295,000$ $37,050,000$ $361,461,000$ 787,000 | - $135,450,000$ $915,000,000$ | $340,510,000$ $382,059,000$ $811,034,000$ $353,862,000$ $313,393,000$ $12,531,000$ $700,295,000$ $37,050,000$ $361,461,000$ 787,000 $135,450,000$ $915,000,000$ |
|  | Total outstanding on 31 March, 1929 | 6,511,048,000 | 1,084,684,000 | 7,595,732,000 |
|  | Deduct: <br> Victory Bonds, \&c., purchased by National Debt Commissioners, but not yet cancelled | 95,000,000 | - | 95,000,000 |
|  | Totals | 6,416,048,000 | 1,084,684,000 | 7,500,732,000 |

# Table V. <br> WAR LOANS TO DOMINIONS AND COLONIES. 

Capital Sums outstanding on 31 Maroh, 1929 :-
Interest is being paid on all these loans, and in the case of Australia, New Zealand and Trinidad, an annual Sinking Fund :-


## LOANS TO ALLIES, \&c.

## I. FUNDED-

Aggregate of agreed Annuity Payments due under Funding Agremements and
outstanding on 31 Maroh, 1929 :- H, 1929 :-

$$
\text { Allied War Debts :- } £
$$



Capital Sums outstanding on 31 March, 1929 :-
Relief and Reconstruction Loans :-
Repayable by instalments of principal and interest :- £ £
Belgium $\ldots$... $\ldots$... ... ... ... $9,000,000$
Belgian Congo ... ... ... ... ... ... $3,600,000$
Poland ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 4,484,000
Roumania ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 2,200,000

Hungary ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 22,000
Czecho-Slovakia ... ... ... ... ... ... 125,000
Serb-Croat-Slovene Kingdom ... ... ... ... 2,038,000
Austria ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 9,039,000
Olher Debts :-
Repayable by instalments of principal or of principal and interest :-


## II. NOT FUNDED

Capital Sums owing on 31 March, 1929 :-

France* ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 722,018,000
$1,656,055,000$
Relief and Reconstruction Loans :-
Armenia $\ldots$... $\ldots$... ... ... ... ... ...
Other Debts :-
Armenia ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... $1,104,000$
*Funding agreement awaiting ratification.

Table VI comparing the Estimated Expenditure of 1929-30 with that of 1928-29 and 1914-15.


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## Table (B)-Grant Services.

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

Table (C)-National Pensions and Insurance,

|  | Original Estimates for |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1914-15. | 1928-29. | 1929-30. |  |
|  | £000. | £000. | £000. | Increase or Decrease compared with 1928-29 £000. |
| Pensions charged on Defence Votes... | 6,966 | 16,819 | 17,035 | + 216 |
| Pensions charged on Revenue Votes (excluding Post Office) | 637 | 925 | 887 | - 38 |
| Civil Service Pensions (including Consolidated Fund Pensions) | 887 | 1,799 | 1,803 | + |
| Irish Police Pensions ... ... | 448 | ${ }_{6} 69$ | 1,801 | + 5 |
| Old Age Pensions ... ... ... | 10,111 | 33,647 | 35,497 | + 1,850 |
| War Pensions (including Merchant Seamen's Pensions and administration) | - | 57,627 | 54,114 | $-3,513$ |
| Payment to Widows' Orphans' and Old Age Contributory Pensions. Account ... | - | 4,000 | 4,000 | -3,513 |
| Grants to Insurance Schemes- |  |  |  |  |
| (i) Health ... ... | 5,807 | 6,493 | 6,241 | - 252 |
| (ii) Unemployment ... | 600 | 12,244 | 11,998 | 246 |
| Total $\ldots$ | 25,456 | 134,250 | 132,276 | -1,974 |

Table (D).-All Other Services.


## 1929-30.

Table VII comparing the Expenditure for 1929-30, on existing basis, with the Expenditure in 1928-29 as estimated in April 1928.

| Service. | Estimate, 1928-29. | Estimate, 1999-30. | Estimate for 1929-30 more $(+$ ) or less ( - ) than 1928-29. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ordinary Expenditure. <br> Consolidated Fund Services. | £ | £ | £ |
| Interest and Management of National Debt | 304,000,000 | 304,600,000 | + 600,000 |
| Payments to Local Taxation Accounts ... | 14,200,000 | 15,000,000 | + 800,000 |
| Payments to Northern Ireland Exchequer | 5,600,000 | 5,400,000 | - 200,000 |
| Other Consolidated Fund Services ... | 2,600,000 | 3,500,000 | + 900,000 |
| Total | 326,400,000 | 328,500,000 | + 2,100,000 |
| Army Votes(including OrdnanceFactories) | 41,050,000 | 40,545,000 | 505,000 |
| Navy Votes . | 57,300,000 | 55,865,000 | - 1,435,000 |
| Air Votes ${ }^{\text {Civil Votes }}$.. | 16,250,000 | 16,200,000 | 50,000 |
| Customs and Excise and | 223,804,000 | 223,325,000 | 479,000 |
| Votes | 11,777,000 | 11,569,000 | 208,000 |
| Total | 350,181,000 | 347,504,000 | 2,677,000 |
| Revenues, etc. ... | - | 15,560,000 | + 15,560,000 |
| Total Supply Services (excluding Post Office) | 350,181,000 | 363,064,000 | $+12,883,000$ |
| Total Ordinary Expenditure | 676,581,000 | 691,564,000* | + 14,983,000 |
| Sinking Fund | $65,000,000$ | $50,400,000$ | - 14,600,000 |
| Self-Balancing Revenue and ExPENDITURE. |  |  |  |
| Post Office ... | 57,314,000 | 58,110,000 | + 796,000 |
| Road Fund... | 21,300,000 | 22,600,000 | $+\quad 1,300,000$ |
| Total Self-Balancing Revenue and Expenditure | 78,614,000 | 80,710,000 | + 2,096,000 |

## 1928-29.

Table VIII giving the estimated Rates collected by Local Authorities in 1928-29.

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\begin{array}{lcrccccccccr}
\text { England and Wales } & & & & & & & & \\
\text { Scotland } & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & 166,250,000 \\
\text { Scon } & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & 21,918,000
\end{array}
$$

It is estimated that this total was divisible as follows, viz. :-


[^1]1929-30.

Table IX showing how the Estimated Receipts from Revenue in 1929-30 compare with the corresponding Receipts in 1928-29.

On basis of Existing Taxation.


Table X.-Showing the PROPOSED CHANGES IN TAXATION, Etc.
Changes not included in the first Finance Bill, but to be covered by subsequent legislation, are indicated by an asterisk.

## A.-CUSTOMS AND EXCISE.

## CUSTOMS.

Tea.-It is proposed to repeal the existing duties of 4 d . per lb. on foreign tea and $3 \frac{1}{3}$ d. per lb. on Empire tea, as from 22nd April, 1929.

## EXCISE.

Railway Passenger Fares.-It is proposed to repeal as from 1st April, 1929, the existing duties of 2 per cent. on urban passenger traffic and 5 per cent. on other passenger traffic.

Betting.-It is proposed to repeal as from 16th April, 1929, the existing duties of 1 per cent. and 2 per cent. on bets.
*It is further proposed as from 1st November, 1929, to repeal the annual duty of $£ 10$ on bookmakers' entry certificates, leaving in force the annual duty of $£ 10$ on bookmakers' personal certificates ; to impose in addition an annual duty of $£ 40$ in respect of each telephone used by a bookmaker for his business ; and to impose a duty of $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on stakes laid with a totalisator.
*Licence duties on brewers for sale, distillers, and tobacco manufacturers.
It is proposed to impose increased duties as follows :-


In the case of distillers no increase on the present duties will be charged in so far as the output of spirits on which the duty is calculated is delivered for purposes of methylation, or for use in art or manufacture under Section 8 of the Finance Act, 1902.

It is proposed that these changes should take effect at the commencement of the next licensing year, namely, 1st October, 1929, for brewers and distillers and 6th July, 1929, for tobaeco manufacturers.
*Liquor Retailers On-Licences.-(1) It is proposed to reduce by one-quarter the Excise duties payable on the retailers' on-licences specified under heading "C " of the First Schedule to the Finance (1909-10) Act, 1910, viz., the on-licences for spirits (publican's licence), beer (beerhouse licence), cider, wine or sweets, provided that the duty payable for a publican's licence or a beerhouse licence shall not fall below the minimum duty under Scale 3 in that Schedule as proposed to be modified in the following paragraph.
(2) It is also proposed to reduce the minimum duty payable for publican's and beerhouse licences under Scale 3 in the First Schedule to the Finance (1909-10) Act, 1910, as shown below :-

|  | Publican's Licence. |  | Beerhouse | Licence. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Present minimum duty. | Proposed minimum duty. | Present minimum duty. | Proposed minimum duty. |
|  | £ s. | £ s. | £ s. | £ s . |
| In areas which are not urban areas, and in urban areas with a population of less than 2,000 | 50 | No change | 310 | No change |
| In urban areas with a population of- <br> 2,000 and less than 5,000 |  |  |  |  |
| 5,000 \#, ", „ $10,000 \times$ | $\begin{array}{ll}15 & 0 \\ 15\end{array}$ | No change | 610 10 0 |  |
| 10,000 ", ", ", 50,000 | 20 0 | 100 | 130 | 610 |
| 50,000 ", ", ", 100,000 | 30 0 |  | $20-$ |  |
| 100,000 or above $\quad \ldots$ | 350 |  | 2310 |  |

It is proposed that these changes should take effect on 1st October, 1929.

## II.-MOTOR VEHICLE DUTIES.

*1. Motor Cycles. It is proposed to vary the scale so that $£ 110$ s. Od. shall be the rate of duty for motor-cycles not exceeding 224 lbs . in weight unladen, instead of 200 lbs.
*2. Goods Vehicles. It is proposed to reduce the rate of duty for goods vehicles over 2 tons but not exceeding $2 \frac{1}{2}$ tons unladen weight from $£ 40$ to $£ 35$, with a rebate of 20 per cent. in the case of vehicles fitted entirely with pneumatic tyres. The rates for goods vehicles of other weights, and for electrically propelled goods vehicles to remain unaltered.
*3. It is proposed to provide that for the purposes of the duties charged on mechanically propelled vehicles, a vehicle shall not be deemed to be an electrically propelled vehicle unless the electrical motive power is derived either from a source external to the vehicle or from an electric storage battery which is not connecter with any source of power when the vehicle is in motion.

## III.-INLAND REVENUE.

*It is proposed to amend the provisions of Section 55 of the Finance Act, 1927, relating to relief from stamp duty in respect of amalgamations and reconstructions of companies. This amendment remedies an omission in the Act of 1927 and its cost was included in the original estimates of the effect of the alterations in taxation that year.

## POST OFFICE.

It is proposed to extend from $l_{\frac{1}{2}}$ to 2 miles the radius from the nearest Exchange within which a telephone is provided without extra mileage charge.

It is proposed to provide call offices without charge or guarantee at about five-sixths of the number of rural Post Offices and rural Railway Stations notalready equipped.

## RATING RELIEF.

It is proposed that the complete exemption of agricultural land and buildings from rating in England and Wales and the corresponding relief in Scotland should take effect from 1st April, 1929, instead of 1st October, 1929, as provided by the Local Government Act. The estimated cost is $£ 2,570,000$ and will fall on the Rating Relief Suspense Account.

Table XI.-Showing the Estimated Effect of the Alterations Proposed in the Budget.


[^2]Table XII.-Customs and Excise Revenue under the several heads of Duty including changes proposed by the Chancellor of the Exchequer.


Table XII (continued).-Customs and Excise Revenue under the several heads of Duty, including changes proposed by the Chancellor of the Exchequer.


TABLE-XIII. I.-ORDINARY REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, 1929-30.


Estimated 1929 Revenue.

## II.-SELF-BALANCING REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

Post Office.-Revenue required to meet Post Office expenditure (including $£ 3,691,000$ Pensions) ... ... ... $58,110,000$ Road Fund-Motor Vehicle Duties apportioned to Road Fund
Total $\ldots$... $\ldots$.....

## III.-RATING RELIEF SUSPENSE ACCOUNT.

Balance on 1 April, 1929



[^0]:    * Note.-These figures include the new Exchequer Contributions of $\mathbf{8 1 5 , 5 6 0 , 0 0 0}$ to Local Revenues, etc. Omitting these contributions, the 1929 Estimates show a reduction of $£ 5$ ryy, 000 .

[^1]:    * These figures include the new Exchequer Contributions of £15 560,000 to Local Revenues, etc.

[^2]:    $\dagger$ This is the loss to the Exchequer. The loss to the Road Fund will be $£ 40,000$ in respect of Motor Cycles, and $£ 50,000$ in respect of Goods Vehicles.
    $\ddagger$ The cost, $£ 2,570,000$, will fall on the Rating Relief Suspense Account.
    Changes not included in the first Finance Bill, but to be covered by subsequent legislation, are indicated by an asterisk.

