

DETAILS OF ESTIMATES FOR THE

PUBLIC WORKS ACCOUNT—*continued*

VOTE—HOUSING CONSTRUCTION— <i>continued</i>	1948-49.		1947-48.	
			Voted.	Expended.
	£		£	£
OTHER CHARGES FOR AND INCIDENTAL TO—				
Contribution towards cost of termite-control, New Plymouth	435		435	(a)
House-construction: works expenditure ..	6,500,000		6,000,000	5,347,449
Interest	75,000		79,000	49,185
Land purchase, servicing, and site development—	£			
Works	500,000			
Other expenditure	500,000			
	1,000,000		1,000,000	828,254
Motor-vehicles—	£			
Purchase	30,000			
Maintenance	19,000			
	49,000		45,000	19,745
Office expenses	80,000		75,000	(b) 93,008
Office furniture, fittings, and equipment ..	7,500		2,500	7,993
Overtime and meal allowances	3,000		1,200	2,544
Payments to the Post and Telegraph Depart- ment	9,000		8,500	8,506
Plant and machinery	7,000		10,000	9,865
Contingencies	1,000		171	..
Compassionate grant to widow of deceased officer .. .. .	..		190	190
Compensation paid for felling of trees on private property .. .. .	..		7	7
Compensation for damage to land resulting from the Department's developmental work at Wanganui .. .. .	..		300	300
<i>Ex gratia</i> payment to L. Kitto in recognition of services in extinguishing a fire in a State house at Dunedin .. .. .	..		10	10
Expenses of officers travelling overseas .. ..	..		797	(c) 795
Cost of operating and maintaining marshalling- yards at Auckland and Wellington on behalf of the War Assets Realization Board .. ..	..		500	612
	7,731,935		7,223,610	6,368,463
TOTAL	8,024,926		7,490,622	6,638,991

(a) Anticipated expenditure did not occur within the year. Provision has again been made in the current year's estimates to meet the commitment.

(b) Increase attributable to the augmentation of the Housing Division's activities during the year

(c) Investigation of modern constructional methods in United States.