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SOUTH AFRICAN EXPENDITURE:

CORRESPONDENCE RELATIVE TO PAYMENTS.

Laid on the Table of the House of Representatives by Act.

The Hon. the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Audit Office, 24th August, 1906. THE Controller and Auditor-General has the honour respectfully to inform the House of Repre-

sentatives that some further payments made on behalf of the Government in connection with its service in South Africa have, though unsupported by the vouchers necessary to audit, been passed by the Audit Office at the request of the Treasury; and he begs leave to submit a copy of correspondence on the subject.

I have, &c.,

J. K. WARBURTON, Controller and Auditor-General,

No. 1.

D. 06/561.

Defence Office, Wellington, N.Z., 5th April, 1906.

The Hon, the Minister of Defence.

Re Major Pilcher's Imprest Account.

I BEG to submit herewith vouchers for expenditure by Major Pilcher in his account from July, 1900, to December, 1904, which being unsupported by receipts credit could not be given for same by Audit Department when the accounts were submitted.

These accounts have been in the Imperial Pay Branch for a considerable time, and were referred to this office for action on the 27th January last.

A schedule showing payments by Major Pilcher unsupported by receipts was submitted for your decision in March, 1904, but unfortunately it appears to have been lost, and nothing has been done.

If you approve of these present payments, I will submit vouchers at once to Audit Department so as to have expenditure charged in account for 1905-06.

Notes re Vouchers.

Voucher 262, for £34 2s. 4d.: Payments to Lieutenant O. Hovell were made in accordance with instructions from this office.

Voucher 263, for £188 16s. 1d.: Expenditure on account of cabs, telegrams, stationery, petty

cash, &c.
Voucher 264, for £33 13s. 2d.: Expenditure charged by Major Pilcher in connection with Coronation Contingent.

Voucher 265, for £449 15s. 1d.: Expenditure on cables in connection with New Zealand contingents. A recovery of £120 7s. 2d. was made by Major Pilcher and credited to Consolidated Fund "Deposits, Miscellaneous."

Voucher 266, for £25 11s. 11d., is mostly on account of comforts for members of contingents.

Voucher 267, for £506 8s. 3d., is expenditure on account of comforts, &c., for New Zealand contingents out of moneys received from various sources by Major Pilcher, and which are credited to Consolidated Fund "Deposits, Miscellaneous."

1—B. 20c.

Voucher 273, for £72 11s. 7d.: These are miscellaneous payments made by Major Pilcher, being chiefly advances to members of New Zealand contingents whose accounts had been settled up before the debits were entered, and they appear to be irrecoverable except at considerable expense.

It would be hard to call on Major Pilcher to refund these amounts, and I would suggest that

they be written off and Major Pilcher's account credited accordingly.

Of the total amount of vouchers, £1,310 18s. 5d., for which your approval is requested, the sum of £626 15s. 5d. is at credit of "Deposits, Miscellaneous," leaving a balance of £684 8s. to be borne by the colony.

T. F. Grey,
For Under-Secretary Defence.

No. 2.

The Paymaster-General.

Have you any remark to make in respect to these matters, or papers bearing on subject?

R. J. S. 14/4/06.

Hon. Minister of Defence.

No papers. Several efforts have been made to square up Pilcher's accounts, but absence of receipted vouchers and other causes have presented grave difficulties. I think the course suggested by the Under-Secretary is correct and should be acted on, and Major Pilcher's account closed.

Jas. B. Heywood. 17th April, 1906.

Write off as recommended, and credit Major Pilcher's account accordingly.

R. J. S. 17/4/06

No. 3.

RECEIPTED vouchers are necessary to the passing of such claims to credit by an imprestee.

J.K.W., C. & A.-G. 27/6/06.

Hon. Defence Minister.

In view of Audit objection dated 27th June, 1906, I recommend the attached memorandum to the Hon. the Colonial Treasurer be signed by you.

T. F. Gray,

For U.-S. Defence. 11/7/06.

No. 4.

Defence Minister's Office, Wellington, 13th July, 1906.

Memorandum for the Hon. the Colonial Treasurer.

The Minister of Defence has the honour, with reference to the queries of the Audit Department dated the 27th June, and to the Defence Minister's direction of the 17th April last, in connection with unvouched expenditure by Major Pilcher, to inform the Hon. the Colonial Treasurer that it is regretted receipts were not obtained by Major Pilcher for the expenditure, and, it being impossible at this date to obtain them, the Defence Minister would refer the Hon. the Colonial Treasurer to a previous occasion on which the Audit Department passed similar unvouched expenditure for credit of Major Pilcher on account of the exceptional nature of the circumstances which surround the payments made, almost at the seat of war.

The Defence Minister would request that the Hon. the Colonial Treasurer would under the circumstances resubmit the accounts to Audit under the conditions set forth, and on the assurance that the Department is quite satisfied with the nature of the payments, and to request that they

be passed accordingly.

ALBERT PITT,
Minister of Defence.

Secretary for the Treasury.—W.H.J. 17/7/06.

No. 5.

The Audit Office.

WILL you kindly reconsider the matter, and under the exceptional circumstances which were occurring at the time the expenditure took place you may see your way to pass the unvouched disbursements.

Jas. B. Heywood, Secretary. 18th July, 1906.

If the proposal of the Government that this expenditure should be passed without the receipted vouchers is subject to the condition of a report of the matter to Parliament, if I think it necessary, no objection will be raised by the Audit Office.

A simple statement should be furnished, showing in one column the amount of account to be passed, and the total amount of all.

J. K. WARBURTON, C. & A.-General.

21/7/06.

The Controller and Auditor-General.

The Defence Department will be asked to supply the statement as suggested.

It was, of course, understood that the matter should be reported to Parliament if you so desired.

J.Mc.G.,

For Colonial Treasurer. 21st July, 1906.

No. 6.
Unvouched Expenditure (Major Pilcher).
Summary.

| | Schedule. | Amount. | Remarks. | |
|------------------------------------|--|---|--|--|
| 1— *2 3 4 †5 6 7 | Voucher 263 " 265 " 266 " 273 " 267 " 264 (3971 " 262 Grand Total | 449 15 1 25 11 11 25 11 17 72 11 7 506 8 3 33 13 2 | Petty cash, salaries, stationery, comforts. Cables sent. Comforts for invalids, freight. Advances made and not recovered. Expenses Seventh Contingent. "Coronation Contingent. Balance of pay due Lieutenant Hovell. | |

^{*} Item 2, £449 15s. 1d., cables sent. A sum of £120 7s. 2d. has been recovered by Major Pilcher and credited to "Deposits, Miscellaneous," leaving a balance of £329 7s. 11d. payable by New Zealand Government.

† Item 5, £506 8s. 3d. This sum was received by Major Pilcher from various sources in South Africa, and is now at credit of "Deposits, Miscellaneous." The actual net debit to the colony will therefore be £684 3s.

No. 7.

STATEMENT of Accounts of Major Pilcher in connection with the Service of New Zealand Contingents in South Africa and at the Coronation, for which no Receipts were obtained to support Payments; being Accounts in addition to those reported in Parliamentary Papers B.-208, 1902, and I.-11A, 1903.

Schedule No. 1.

| | Date. | | Amou in Questi | | Item No. | Details of Expenditure of this Amount. |
|------|------------------|-------|----------------------|--------------|-------------|---|
| Nov. | 1901. 6 26 | | £ s. 5 0 | d. 0 0 | 611 621 | Petty cash for comforts, telegrams, &c. |
| " | 29 | | 5 0 | 0 | 2 | Rent of Agency Office. 28700 . Salary, typist and book-keeper. |
| | | | 3 0 | 0 | 3 | Petty cash for cabs, telegrams, &c. |
| | | - 1 | 6 0 | 0 | 4 | Board allowance, Sergeant Early, attached to office. |
| | | 1 | 5 0 | .0 | 5 | Board allowance, Sergeant Charlton, attached to office. |
| | | | 1 0 | 0 | 655 | Wreath, Sergeant Rule's funeral. |
| Dec. | 10 | • • • | 5 0 | 0 | 661 | Petty cash for cabs, telegrams, &c. |
| " | 18 | | 0 8 | 4 | 2 | Cheque-book. |
| | | | $2\ 10$ | 0 | 4 | Expenses Corporal Stack while attached to agency. |
| | | | 3 0 | 0 | 5 | Rent of office. |
| " | 20 | • • • | 0 9 | 0 | 6 | Sick-comforts to men. |
| | | . [| 0 10 | 0 | 7 | Stationery, Ross and Lewis. |
| | | | 1 16 | 0 | 9 | Sick-comforts, fruit, &c., Chudligh Bros. |
| | | - 1 | 3 5 | 0 | 670 | " Roper and Co. |
| " | 23 | | 3 0 | 0. | 4 | Salary, typist. |
| | | 1 | 5 0 | 0 | 5 | book-keeper. 83300 |
| | | | 0 10 | 0 | 7 | Sick-comforts, Geddis. 28800 |
| | | ļ. | 0 10 | 0 | 8 | Pay, office-boy. |
| " | 24 | | 2 0 | 0 | 9 | Comforts to men in Wynburgh Hospital. |
| " | 31 | | 6 0 | 0 | 683 | Board allowance, Sergeant Early, attached to office. |

No. 7.—Statement of Accounts—continued.

| Date. | | Amount in Question. | I N | iem Vo. | Details of Expenditure of this Amount. | | |
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| 1000 | | £ s. d | | | | | |
| 1902. | | £ s. d 5 0 0 | | 888 | Petty cash, cabs, telegrams, &c. | | |
| Jan. 6 | ••• | 3 15 | | 13 | " " " " | | |
| " 31 | ••• | 0 5 | | 20 | Exchange on cheques, Standard Bank. | | |
| Feb. 1 | | 1 10 | | 3 | Paid expenses on box to O.C. Seventh Contingent. | | |
| 4 | | | 4 | 5 | Paid interest on overdraft, Second Contingent Account. | | |
| ″ 8 | | 0 9.0 | 0 7 | 732 | Stationery for office. | | |
| " 10 | | | 0 | 5 | Petty cash, cabs, &c. | | |
| " 26 | | | | 745 | Comforts to invalid, per Nurse Peiper. | | |
| March 6 | | - - | | 756 | Petty cash, cab-hire, telegrams, stationery, &c. | | |
| 27 | ••• | _ | | 783 | Cable to Wellington, Lieutenant H. G. Heywood, Kit- | | |
| Jan. 21 | ••• | 1 0 (| 0 7 | 702 | chener's Fighting Scouts. | | |
| 90 | | 9.10 (| 0 7 | 716 | Refund to Major Powell on account of Captain Major, | | |
| " 30 | ••• | 2 10 (| · ' | 110 | Battery Account as per letter, 27th September, 1902. | | |
| Anvil 1 | | 0 8 | $_4$ | 783 | Cheque-book. | | |
| April 1 | ••• | | o l | 91 | Comforts, Trooper Spring. | | |
| ″ 5 | | | | 801 | general for invalids returning. | | |
| 12 | | | 0 8 | 811 | Rent of store for March. | | |
| " 29 | | 15 0 | 0 - 8 | 853 | Expenses, Major Pilcher's visit to hospitals, Nos. 11, 16 | | |
| ,, | | | | | 18, 20, and 25, and comforts for invalids. | | |
| | | | 0 | 4 | Expenses, Captain Jones, assistant in office, cabs. | | |
| | | 1 1 | 0 | 5 | Expenses, typing list of casualties, First to Eighth Con | | |
| 4.2 | | 7 0 | , , | 00.5 | tingents. Expenses, forwarding stores, Durban. | | |
| May 7 | | | | 885 | Petties, cabs, telegrams, &c. | | |
| , 17 | | - | | 908 - 928 | Tetties, cabs, tolograms, we. | | |
| , 26 | •• | | | 931 | Cheque-book. | | |
| " 28 June 13 | • • • • • | | | 971 | Petties, cabs, telegrams, &c. | | |
| 17 | ••• | | | 985 | Comforts for men in hospital. | | |
| ″ 18 | | | 0 | 8 | Petty cash. | | |
| " 30 | | | 0 10 | 018 | Wire to Pietermaritzberg. | | |
| ,, | | | 0 | 9 | Exchange on cheque. | | |
| July 7 | | | 8 10 | 021 | Rail-fare, Lieutenant Early, to Newcastle. | | |
| " 12 | | | 4 | . 8 | Comforts to invalids, s.s. "Salamis." | | |
| " | • | | | 077 | Shipping-charges on box, Sixth Contingent. | | |
| Aug. 19 | | | | 116 | Cheque-book. | | |
| $_{\prime\prime}$ 25 | • • • | _ | | $\frac{128}{135}$ | Petty cash. Extra cost of cable, Lieutenant Clark. | | |
| | | | $\begin{array}{c c} 8 & 1 \\ 9 & \end{array}$ | 6 | Exchange on cheque. | | |
| Comt 1 | | 8 11 | 9 | 8 | Sick-comforts distributed by Nurse Speed. | | |
| Sept. 1 Nov. 11 | • • • | | | 203 | Petty cash. | | |
| 97 | • • • • | | | 214 | Collecting and shipping baggage. | | |
| Dec. 16 | | | | 238 | Cheque-book. | | |
| 1903 | | | . | | | | |
| March 30 | | 5 0 | 0 1 | 279 | Salary, book-keeper. | | |
| April 2 | • • • • | | 0 | 83 | Petty cash. | | |
| June 30 | | | | .289 | Cheque-book, 4s. 2d.; exchange, 2s. | | |
| March 13 | • | | | 290 | Advance to Trooper H. McDonagh against pension. | | |
| | | 1 0 | $0 \mid 1$ | .298 | Collecting and delivering baggage from October, 1902, t | | |
| | | 0.10 | 0 | Ω | January, 1903. Erecting granite memorial at Klerksdorp. | | |
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Amount of Schedule No. 1, £188 16s. 1d.

No. 7.—STATEMENT of Accounts—continued. Schedule No. 2.—Statement of Cables sent.

| | Date. | | Amount in Question. | Item No. | 1 | Details of Expenditure of this Amount. |
|--------|---|---------|--|----------------|----------|--|
| 1,,,,, | 1901. | | £ s. d. | | | |
| Nov. | 6 | | 5 2 0 | 610 | Cable to | Premier, 102 words. |
| " | 13 | | $1 \cdot 0 \cdot 0$ | 612 | 11 | Defence re Captain Currie's deposit, 20 words. |
| | | | $2 \ 2 \ 0$ | 613 | , ,, | Premier, 42 words. |
| " | 18 | | 0 19 0 | 4 | " | " 19 words, re Lieutenant Bonar. |
| " | 18 | | 1 7 0 | 5 | . " | " 27 words. |
| | | | 0 19 0 | 6 | " | Defence, 19 words, re Major Andrew. |
| •, | 21 | • • • • | $\frac{2}{2}$ $\frac{1}{10}$ $\frac{0}{2}$ | 8 | " | Premier, 41 words. |
| | 05 | 1 | 2 18 0 | 9 | " | " 58 " |
| D." | 25 | •••• | $\begin{array}{cccc} 0 & 10 & 0 \\ 0 & 11 & 0 \end{array}$ | 620 | " | " 10 " " 11 " |
| Dec. | 5 | ••• | $\begin{array}{cccc}0&11&0\\0&16&0\end{array}$ | 657 8 | " | " 16 " |
| | | | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 9 | " | Defence, 24 words re Farrier Major Scott. |
| | 7 | | 3 0 0 | 660 | " | Premier, 60 words. |
| " | 18 | | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 3 | " | " 121 " |
| rr . | 20 | | $\overset{\circ}{2}\overset{\circ}{15}\overset{\circ}{0}$ | 672 | " | " 55 " |
| " | $\frac{23}{23}$ | | $0 \ 10 \ 0$ | 6 | " " | " 10 " |
| " | 30 | | 7 16 0 | 680 | ,,, | " 156 " |
| " | | | $2 \ 2 \ 0$ | 1 | , ,, | Defence, 42 |
| | | | 0.18 0 | $\overline{2}$ | , ", | " 18 words, re Colonel Jowsey. |
| | 1902. | | | | | |
| Jan. | 6 | | $2 \ 6 \ 0$ | 7 | ,, | Premier, 46 words. |
| ,, | 8 | | $2 \ 2 \ 0$ | 690 | ,, | " 42 " |
| | | - | 2 7 0 | 1 | ,, | " 47 words, re Major Andrew. |
| " | 13 | | $2 \ 11 \ 0$ | 4 | ,, | " 51 words. |
| " | 18 | | 3 2 0 | 9 | ,,, | " 62 " |
| | | | $2\ 11\ 0$ | 700 | ,, | Defence, 51 " |
| " | 25 | | 1 11 0 | 7 | ,, | Premier, 31 " |
| | | 1 | 0 17 0 | 8 | ,, | Defence, 17 " |
| " | 29 | | 1 1 0 | 711 | " | Premier, 21 words, re Captain Todd. |
| "# | 31 | | 3 11 0 | 717 | " | " 71 words. |
| | | | 0 14 0 | 8 | " | 14 " |
| " | 31 | • • • | 0 14 0 | 9 | " | Defence, 14 " |
| Feb. | 8 | • • • • | 5 12 0 | 728 | " . | Premier, 112 words, re Seventh Contingent. |
| " | 10 | • • • • | $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{12}{2}$ $\frac{0}{2}$ | 734 | .11 | , 32 words. |
| " | 13 | • • • | $\frac{3}{0}$ $\frac{1}{0}$ $\frac{0}{0}$ | 6 | " | , 61 , |
| | 00 | | $egin{array}{cccc} 2 & 2 & 0 \ 1 & 18 & 0 \end{array}$ | 7 9 | " | " 42 " " 38 " |
| " | $\begin{array}{c} 20 \\ 25 \end{array}$ | • • • | | 741 | ". | 97 |
| " | $\frac{25}{26}$ | ••• | $\begin{array}{cccc}1&7&0\\6&2&0\end{array}$ | 4 | " | 199 words as Soughth Contingent |
| " | 28 | ••• | 1 1 0 | 750 | " | Ol monda |
| March | | • • • | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 751 | " | 20 |
| | 3 | ••• | 8 3 0 | 2 | " | 169 |
| ٠. | 10 | | 3 2 0 | 7 | " | , 105 , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , |
| " | 12 | | 0 16 0 | 9 | . " | " 16 words. |
| " | $\overline{12}$ | | 1 11 0 | 760 | ", | Defence, 31 words, re Colonial Bank. |
| . " | $\overline{14}$ | | 0 17 0 | 3 | , , | Premier, 17 words. |
| " | 14 | | 12 10 0 | 4 | ,,, | " 250 " |
| " | 18 | | $1 \ 9 \ 0$ | 5 | " | " 29 " |
| ,, | 18 | | 1 4 0 | 6 | ,, | ,, 24 ,, |
| ,, | 19 | | $2 \ 9 \ 0$ | 7 | ,, | ,, 49 ,, |
| ,, | 20 | | 1 15 0 | 9 | " | ,, 35 ,, |
| ,, | 20 | | . 1 11 6 | 770 | ,, | London, re Eighth Contingent. |
| ,, | 25 | | 2 17 0 | 2 | ,, | Premier, 57 words. |
| ,, | 25 | | 3 3 0 | 3 | ,, | Commandant, 63 words. |
| " | 27 | | 3 0 0 | 7 | | Premier, 60 words. |
| . " | 30 | | 1 9 0 | 8 | " | , 29 , |
| April | 2 | | $\frac{1}{2} = \frac{9}{2} = 0$ | 785 | . " | , 29 ,, |
| " | 2 | | $\frac{2}{3}$ $\frac{3}{3}$ $\frac{0}{3}$ | 6 | " | , 43 , |
| " | $\frac{2}{2}$ | • • • | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 7 | " | , 49 , |
| " | 2 '' | | 1 10 0 | 8 | " | " 20 " |
| " | 2 | | 1 16 0 | 9 | " | , 36 , |
| " | $\frac{2}{2}$ | • • • | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 790 | " | " 49 " |
| " | 5 | | 1 6 0 | 8 | " | " 26 " |
| " | 8 | • • • | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 803 | . " | , 54 ,, |
| " | 8 | • • • • | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 4 | " | " 46 " " 53 " |
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No. 7.—Statement of Accounts—continued.

Schedule No. 2.—Statement of Cables sent—continued.

| | Date. | | Amount in Question. | Item No. | Details of Expenditure of this Amount. |
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| | 1902. | | £ s. d. | | |
| April | LEGIT I | ••• | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 813 | Cable to Commandant, 109 words. |
| <i>n</i> - | | • • • | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | $\begin{array}{ c c }\hline & 4 \\ & 5 \end{array}$ | " Premier, 52 words." |
| " | 15 | ••• | 1 15 0 | 6 | Defense 95 |
| " | 10 | | 0 17 0 | 819 | Promier 17 |
| " | 1.0 | | 0 18 0 | 820 | 18 |
| " | 10 | | $\overset{\circ}{1}\overset{\circ}{1}\overset{\circ}{0}$ | 1 | " " 21 " |
| " | 1 17 | | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 2 | 35 " |
| " | 17 | | 0 13 0 | 817 | 13 " |
| " | 10 | | 0 18 0 | 834 | , 18 , |
| " | 19 | | 1 3 0 | 5 | " Commandant, 23 words. |
| " | 21 | | 1 0 0 | 6 | " Premier, 20 words. |
| " | 21 | | $0 \ 18 \ 0$ | 7 | " " 18 " |
| " | 23 | | 1 13 0 | 841 | ,, 33 ,, |
| " | | | 0 18 0 | 2 | " " 18 " |
| " | | | $1 \ 16 \ 0$ | 4 | 36 " |
| " | | • • • | $\frac{2}{3}$ $\frac{18}{18}$ $\frac{0}{3}$ | 5 | " Commandant, 58 words. |
| " | | • • • • | $0\ 15\ 0$ | 851 | " Premier, 15 words. |
| " | | ••• | 0 19 0 | 6 | " 19 " |
| " | - - | • • • | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 8 | " " 44 " |
| " | 30 | ••• | 0 9 0 | 9 | " " 9 " " 41 " |
| May | | ••• | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 873 | " Commandant, "7 words. |
| " | $\frac{3}{2}$ | ••• | 0.70 | 990 | " Commandant, 7 words. " 56 |
| " | - | ••• | 2 16 0 | 880 | " " 14 words. |
| " | - | ••• | $\begin{array}{cccc}0&14&0\\1&5&0\end{array}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | " Premier, 25 words. |
| " | 6 | | $egin{array}{cccc} 1 & 5 & 0 \ 1 & 11 & 0 \end{array}$ | 3 | Commandant, 31 words. |
| " | 7 | • | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | $\frac{3}{4}$ | Premier, 27 words. |
| 17 | 7 | | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 7 | 23 |
| " | 13 | ••• | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 898 | Commandant 58 words |
| " | 14 | ••• | 2 8 0 | 902 | Premier 48 words |
| " | 15 | ••• | 0 19 0 | 4 | Commandant 19 words |
| " | 16 | ••• | $\tilde{1}$ $\tilde{3}$ $\tilde{0}$ | 5 | Premier, 23 words. |
| . " | 21 | | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 912 | , 41 , |
| " | 21 | | 1 14 6 | 3 | A. G., London, 23 words. |
| " | $\frac{21}{21}$ | | 9 2 0 | 6 | " Commandant, 182 words. |
| " | $\overline{21}$ | | 1 4 0 | 7 | " Postmaster-General, 24 words. |
| " | $\overline{21}$ | | 0 12 0 | 8 | " AG., London, 8 words. |
| " | 23 | | 1 1 0 | 9 | " Premier, 21 words. |
| " | 23 | | 0 12 0 | 920 | " Defence, 12 " |
| -",, | 23 | | 1 18 0 | 1 | " Premier, 38 |
| " | 23 | | 1 4 0 | 922 | " Commandant, 24 words. |
| " | 24 | | 1 11 0 | 924 | ", Premier, 31 words. |
| ,, | 26 | | 0 9 0 | 7 | " 11 9 " in the transfer of a photolic be |
| " | 29 | ••• | 2 19 6 | 935 | Extra cost cables sent indulgence rate, should be |
| | | | 4 10 0 | | Government rate. |
| _ " | 29 | • • • | 4 16 8 | 9 | Cable to Commandant, 40 words. |
| June | 2 | • • • | 1 11 0 | 949 | " 31 " |
| " | 2 | • • • | 5 5 0 | 50 | Premier, 105 words. Commandant, 17 words. |
| " | 2 | ••• | $\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 1 | |
| " | 2 | • • • | $\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 10 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$ | 2 | " " 29 " 20 ". |
| <i>n</i> | 2 | • • • • | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 3 5 | " " 20 ", " Premier, 23 words. |
| " | 6 | • • • | | 7 | " Defence. |
| 11 | 6 | • • • | | 961 | " Premier. |
| " | 11 | ••• | $\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 961 | " Defense |
| " | 11 | • • • | $\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 967 | Promier 54 words |
| " | 13 | ••• | $\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 967 | account of Premier |
| " | 13 | ••• | $\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 975 | Daymagter-General re Highth Contingent. |
| . # | 13 16 | ••• | $\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 975 | Promier 40 words |
| " | 16 16 | ••• | 18 19 11 | 7 | Commandant 194 words |
| " | 16 17 | ••• | 3 10 6 | 980 | 36 |
| " | 17 17 | ••• | 1 9 9 | 1 | " Promier |
| * | 17 17 | ••• | 0 8 9 | 2 | Defence |
| " | 17 | • • • | 0 19 7 | 3 | Promier |
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No. 7.—Statement of Accounts—continued.

Schedule No. 2.—Statement of Cables sent—continued.

| Date. | Amount in Question. | Item No. | Details of Expenditure of this Amount. |
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| 1902. June 18 " 21 " 21 " 21 " 21 " 21 " 25 " 25 " 25 " 25 " 25 " 27 " 7 " 7 " 7 " 7 " 7 " 7 " 7 " 7 " 7 " 7 " 12 " 12 " 12 " 12 " 12 " 12 " 14 " 17 " 17 " 21 " 21 " 22 " 30 . | \$\frac{\psi}{8}\$ s. d. \$\frac{3}{13}\$ 66 \$\frac{2}{9}\$ 90 \$\frac{1}{1}\$ 75 \$\frac{5}{1}\$ 86 \$\frac{6}{5}\$ 310 \$\frac{4}{16}\$ 00 \$\frac{15}{5}\$ 88 \$\frac{1}{1}\$ 188 \$\frac{2}{3}\$ 1 \$\frac{1}{1}\$ 60 \$\frac{19}{1}\$ 60 \$\frac{19}{1}\$ 610 \$\frac{1}{1}\$ 129 \$\frac{1}{1}\$ 610 \$\frac{1}{1}\$ 131 \$\frac{1}{1}\$ 130 \$\frac{1}{1}\$ 142 \$\frac{2}{2}\$ 20 \$\frac{1}{1}\$ 142 \$\frac{2}{2}\$ 20 \$\frac{1}{1}\$ 142 \$\frac{2}{2}\$ 20 \$\frac{1}{1}\$ 126 \$\frac{1}{1}\$ 126 \$\frac{1}{1}\$ 127 \$\frac{1}{1}\$ 128 \$\frac{1}{1}\$ 128 \$\frac{1}{1}\$ 142 \$\frac{1}{1}\$ 126 \$\frac{1}{1}\$ 142 \$\frac{1}{1}\$ 126 \$\frac{1}{1}\$ 142 | 7 9 1000 1 2 3 4 4 5 8 9 14 1011 7 8 9 20 4 5 7 30 2 3 5 6 4 4 5 8 1054 5 70 80 1 4 1101 15 9 1120 2 3 4 37 9 40 1 2 5 7 81 2 4 5 6 92 1193 4 1213 42 3 7 | Cable to Premier, 84 words. " 56 " Commandant, 18 words. R. J. Seddon, London, 19 words. Commandant, 53 words. Seddon, London, 64 words. " 17 " Defence, 8 words. Premier 44 " Commandant, 22 words. " 16 " 12 " Premier, 17 words. " 7 " Commandant, 14 words. Seddon, London. " 220 words, re Ninth Contingent. Commandant, 218 words. Seddon, 26 words. Commandant. Premier, 33 words. " 11 " 10 " 10 " 10 " 10 " 11 " 10 " 10 |
| | 10 4 9 2 15 3 | 9 1250. 1 4 266 | "Sir J. G. Ward. "Premier. |

No. 7.—Statement of Accounts—continued.

Schedule No. 2.—Statement of Cables sent—continued.

| Date. | Amount in Question. | l tem | Details of Expenditure of this Amount. | | | | |
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| 1903. Feb. 13 " 24 March 13 " 18 April 11 June 9 July 15 Aug. 20 " 20 | £ s. d. 1 4 5 1 12 6 0 9 9 2 7 6 1 0 7 1 6 0 1 9 3 0 9 9 1 2 9 449 15 1 | 7 70 3 4 7 81 7 91 3 4 | Cable to Defence. Premier. Agent-General. Premier. Agent-General. Premier. " " " " " " " " " " " " " " | | | | |

There is a sum of £110 13s. 7d. in "Deposits, Miscellaneous," Voucher 123,191, of 1901-2, which was recovered by Major Pilcher and can now be transferred to help meet the expenditure.

A further sum of £9 13s. 7d. was also refunded to Major Pilcher, and credited to "Deposits, Miscellaneous," 4th June, 1904.

Schedule No. 3.

| | Date. | Date. | | | nt on. | No | Details of Expenditure of this Amount. | | |
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| July Aug. Dec. | . 28 | | $\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | | 6/7 20 224 216 | Comforts to two troopers, New South Wales Contingent. Freight paid on Captain Fulton's luggage. Freight on Colonel Francis's box. Christmas comforts to invalids, per Sergeant Clark. | | | |
| Feb. May | 11 31 | ••• | 5 10 25 | $0 \\ 0 \\ \hline 11$ | | 299 354 | Paid Nursing Sister Hay, comforts for invalids. | | |

Schedule No. 4.--Advances made and not recovered.

| | Date. | | | nour in estic | | Item No. | Details of Expenditure of this Amount. | | |
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| - V | 1901. | | | g. | | | Ti the state of th | | |
| Oct. | 31 | ••• | 10 | 0 | 0 | | Advance, Lieutenant Lewin, Third Contingent. Demands have been made at various times, but amount has not yet been refunded. | | |
| Nov. | 30 | ••• | 3 | 12 | 0 | 602 | Advance, Lieutenant Lindsay, to pay Mackenzie's account. This amount appears to be irrecoverable. | | |
| June | 30 1902. | | 1 | 0 | 0 | 95 | Advance 1602, Trooper Aitken. Appears irrecoverable. | | |
| April | 9 | | 10 | 0 | 0 | 810 | Advance 1691, J. M. Turnbull, Fifth and Seventh Contingents. Amount appears to be irrecoverable. | | |
| May | 1 | | 2 | 0 | 0 | 860 | Advance 3810, Howard, Sixth Contingent. Appears to be irrecoverable. | | |
| " | 9 | • | 3 | 0 | 0 | 890 | Advance 3381, Josephson, Sixth Contingent. Appears irrecoverable. | | |

No. 7.—Statement of Accounts—continued.

Schedule No. 4.—Advances made and not recovered—continued.

| | Date. | - | | mour in estic | | Item No. | Details of Expenditure of this Amount. | | | |
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| | 1902. | | £ | s. | d. | | | | | |
| May | 14 | • | . 0 | 14 | 0 | 899 | Advance, Lieutenant Gwatkins, Eighth Contingent. Appears irrecoverable. | | | |
| " | 28 | | 2 | 7 | 6 | 941 | Advance, Lieutenant Gwatkins, Eighth Contingent. Appears irrecoverable. | | | |
| June | 5 | | -1 | 10 | 0 | 968 | Colonel Porter, cab-hire and cable. Appears irre- coverable. | | | |
| " | 5 | | 3 | 16 | 0 | 963 | Lieutenant H. Franks, Ninth Contingent. Appears irre coverable. | | | |
| July | 7 | | 2 | -0 | 0 | 1022 | 2304, Corporal Kent Johnston. Appears irrecoverable. | | | |
| " " | 23 | | 3 | 0 | Ò | 1053 | H. P. Gandy, Canadian Scouts. Irrecoverable. | | | |
| | 25 | | 10 | 0 | 0 | 1067 | 7061, Trooper Keppel, Ninth Contingent. Irrecoverable. | | | |
| $\overset{''}{\operatorname{Aug}}.$ | 11 | | | 10 | Õ | 1092 | 6313, Trooper Bowles, Eighth Contingent. Irrecoverable. | | | |
| | | | | 17 | 6 | 1100 | Lieutenant Page, cable to Colchester. Cannot be identified. | | | |
| " | 14 | | 0 | 13 | 6 | 1109 | Lieutenant Page, cable to Colchester. Cannot be identified. | | | |
| Sept. | 22 | | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1147 | Colonel Porter, paid for photos of contingent. | | | |
| Oct. | 17 | | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1187 | 4721, Farrier-Major Simpson. Appears irrecoverable. | | | |
| | 30 | | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1246 | H. P. Gandy, Canadian Scouts. Appears irrecoverable. | | | |
| " | 30 | | 4 | 9 | 1 | ••• | Captain Todd, advances, £79 9s. 1d.; refunds, £75. Appears irrecoverable. | | | |
| | 1903. | | | | | | The second secon | | | |
| March | 13 | • • • | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1275 | H. McDonagh, advance against pension. Irrecoverable; man dead. | | | |
| April | . 1 | •••• | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1280 | Ditto. | | | |
| S - 821 | A CONTRACTOR | | 72 | 11 | 7 | | | | | |

All accounts of above-named were squared up before the above debits were entered.

Schedule No. 5.—Expenses Sixth and Seventh Contingents.

| | Date. | | | mou in iesti | | Item No. | Details of Expenditure of this Amount. |
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| | 1901. | | £ | s. | đ. | 200 | |
| Nov. | 30 | | | 6 | 8 | 603 | 8,000 penny stamps. |
| " . | 30 | • • • | 4 | 5 | 8 | 604/8 | Harbour Board expenses re equipment. |
| " | 30 | | | 5 | 0 | 609A | Half premium and stamp insurance on ditto. |
| " | 30 | | 1 | | 0 | 605 | Hire of coolies, handling equipment. |
| " | 30 | • • • • | 10 | | 0 | 607 | Expenses Trooper Fabian re Christmas cards. |
| " | 30 | | 8 | | 0 | 606 | Half premium insurance on equipment. |
| " | 30 | • • • • | 7 | 0 | 0 | 617 | Rent of baggage-room, two months. |
| Dec. | 1 | | | | 4 | | 4,000 penny stamps. |
| " | 1 | | | | | 649 | Expenses Trooper Boddington re Christmas cards. |
| " | 1 | | | | 3 | 650 | Casting die for Sixth and Seventh Contingents. |
| " | 1 - | | | 0 | 0 | | Rent of baggage-room. |
| " | 20 | | | | 6 | | Tobacco for Sixth and Seventh Contingents. |
| " | 20 | | 1 | 9 | 0 | | Stationery for ditto. |
| " | 28 | | 6 | 6 | 0 | 782 | Fruit, wines, &c., on departure. |
| April | 2 | | 25 | 0 | 0 | 792 | Memorial-cards. |
| -,, | 2 | | 257 | | 0 | | Maps, J. H. Robinson and Co. |
| " | 5 | | | | 0 | | W. Richards and Co., stationery. |
| Oct. | 17 | | 2 | 0 | 0. | 1188 | Books and periodicals. |
| " | 27 | | | 1 | 10 | 1215 | Shipping and dock charges. |
| ,, | 27 | | 0 | 1 | 9 | 1136 | Exchange on cheque. |
| " | 2 7 | ••• | 1 | 11 | 3 | 1217 | Stationery and books. |
| | | | 506 | 8 | 3 | | |

No. 7.—Statement of Accounts—continued. Schedule 6.—Coronation Contingent Expenses.

| | Date. | | | mour in testic | | Item No. | Details of Expenditure of this Amount. |
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| " | " 28 " 30 une 6 | | £ 5 5 10 4 7 | s. 0 0 0 9 16 | d. 0 0 0 5 9 | 926 914 932 944 958 9 | Cabs, telegrams, and petties re Premier's visit. " Cable to Acting-Premier on account Mr. Seddon. Stamps for special list of papers posted on account Premier |
| " | 13 | ••• | 1 0 33 | 0 7 $\overline{13}$ | 0 0 2 | 9 970 | Cab-hire for Premier to s.s. "Saxon." 28 Cape Times weeklies to ditto. |

Schedule 7.

| / / | Date. | Amount in Question. | Item No. | Details of Expenditure of this Amount. |
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| | | £ s. d. 34 2 4 | 262 | Balance of pay due Lieutenant Hovell, First New Zealand Contingent, paid to his credit by Major Pilcher under instructions from Defence Department, New Zealand. |

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