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STORES CONTROL BOARD

(ANNUAL REPORT OF).

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Leave.

Stores Control Board, Wellington, 31st August, 1938.
The Hon. R. Semple, Chairman, Stores Control Board.
I have the honour to submit herewith the annual report of the Stores Control Board for the year ended 31st March, 1938.

P. Ellerm, Secretary.

REPORT.

Purchases.

During the year ended 31st March, 1938, the expenditure on the purchase of stores, as compared with the year ended 31st March, 1937, was as under:—

Year ended 31st. Vear ended 31st.

·						Year ended 31st	Year ended 31st
						March, 1937. £	March, 1938. £
Railways						1,923,502	2,721,427
Public Works				• •	• •		2,136,076
Post and Telegray		• •	• •	• •	• •	1,401,096	2,130,070 $980,491$
~~ ·		• •		• •	• • •	805,624	,
		• •	• •	• •		162,417	295,977
Naval	• •	• •	• •			199,892	227,000
Mental Hospitals		• •	• •	• •		189,731	214,048
Army		• •	• •			91,137	128,308
Printing and Stat				• •		133,671	126,763
Lands and Survey	у			• •		62,854	76,256
						41,966	56,715
Industries and Commerce, Tourist and Publicity						37,062	55,864
Justice and Priso	ns					41,899	52,405
		4 .				39,854	50,734
State Forest Serv	ice					24,098	48,511
$\operatorname{Mines} \dots$	·					30,981	47,310
National Commercial Broadcasting Service							46,652
Agriculture						26,022	39,072
National Broadcasting Service					14,783	29,420	
External Affairs						13,815	24,970
Air						• •	24,801
Marine						22,043	23,385
Scientific and Industrial Research					15,086	14,441	
Labour (Employment Division)					15,430	13,903	
Transport		,					13,328
Police						8,132	10,772
Internal Affairs						8,970	10,676
Labour				• • •		7,914	7,668
State Fire		••		• • •		5,948	6,860
Other Departmen						25,459	31,230
Other rechartmen	LUD	• •	• •	• •	• •	20, 300	01,200
						£5,349,386	£7,515,063