

143. The following figures give the ordinary revenue and expenditure for the year ended 30th June, 1890 :—

Revenue	\$39,879,925
Expenditure	35,994,031
Revenue in excess of expenditure	<u>\$ 3,885,894</u>

Revenue and expenditure, 1890.

144. The revenue was \$1,097,055 in excess of that of the preceding year, while the expenditure showed a decrease of \$923,804. The increase in revenue was derived as follows— from Customs, \$242,170; from Excise duties, \$731,379, and from various sources \$123,506. The decrease in expenditure will be found to be in small amounts under various heads.

145. The following table gives the receipts and payments on account of the Consolidated Fund—that is, the ordinary revenue and expenditure of the country—for the last 23 years, and shows the surplus or deficiency in each year :—

Consolidated Fund 1868-90.

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ON ACCOUNT OF THE CONSOLIDATED FUND (ORDINARY REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE)—1868 TO 1890.

YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE.	CONSOLIDATED FUND.		Revenue in Excess of Expenditure.	Expenditure in Excess of Revenue.
	Revenue.	Expenditure.		
	\$	\$	\$	\$
1868	13,687,928	13,486,092	201,836	
1869	14,379,174	14,038,084	341,090	
1870	15,512,225	14,345,509	1,166,716	
1871	19,335,560	15,623,081	3,712,479	
1872	20,714,813	17,589,468	3,125,345	
1873	20,813,469	19,174,647	1,638,822	
1874	24,205,092	23,316,316	888,776	
1875	24,648,715	23,713,071	935,644	
1876	22,587,587	24,488,372		1,900,785
1877	22,059,274	23,519,301		1,460,027
1878	22,375,011	23,503,158		1,128,147
1879	22,517,382	24,455,381		1,937,999
1880	23,307,406	24,850,634		1,543,228
1881	29,635,297	25,502,554	4,132,743	
1882	33,383,455	27,067,103	6,316,352	
1883	35,794,649	28,730,157	7,064,492	
1884	31,861,961	31,107,706	754,255	
1885	32,797,001	35,037,060		2,240,059
1886	33,177,040	39,011,612		5,834,572
1887	35,754,993	35,657,680	97,313	
1888	35,908,463	36,718,495		810,032
1889	38,782,870	36,917,835	1,865,035	
1890	39,879,925	35,994,031	3,885,894	