

## PUBLIC DEBTS IN BRITISH POSSESSIONS.

|                        | Year. | PUBLIC DEBT.  |                  |                      |
|------------------------|-------|---------------|------------------|----------------------|
|                        |       | Amount.       | Amount per head. | Multiple of Revenue. |
|                        |       | \$            | \$ cts.          |                      |
| Europe—                |       |               |                  |                      |
| *United Kingdom.....   | 1897  | 3,118,431,904 | 78 30            | 6·16                 |
| Malta.....             | 1896  | 365,284       | 2 18             | 0·25                 |
| Asia—                  |       |               |                  |                      |
| *India.....            | 1896  | 1,130,716,603 | 5 11             | 2·36                 |
| Ceylon.....            | 1896  | 18,037,434    | 6 01             | 2·82                 |
| Hong Kong.....         | 1896  | 1,663,427     | 6 37             | 0·70                 |
| Africa—                |       |               |                  |                      |
| Mauritius.....         | 1896  | 6,031,265     | 16 09            | 1·40                 |
| Natal.....             | 1896  | 39,197,802    | 65 48            | 5·53                 |
| Cape of Good Hope..... | 1896  | 133,331,118   | 73 19            | 4·10                 |
| Sierra Leone.....      | 1896  | 121,667       | 1 62             | 0·24                 |
| America—               |       |               |                  |                      |
| Canada.....            | 1897  | 261,538,596   | 50 43            | 6·91                 |
| Newfoundland.....      | 1896  | 13,096,944    | 62 96            | 8·14                 |
| Bermuda.....           | 1896  | 226,787       | 14 21            | 1·36                 |
| British Honduras.....  | 1896  | 169,049       | 5 00             | 0·56                 |
| British Guiana.....    | 1896  | 4,392,580     | 15 78            | 1·62                 |
| West Indies            |       |               |                  |                      |
| Bahamas.....           | 1896  | 582,180       | 11 20            | 1·84                 |
| Jamaica.....           | 1896  | 10,804,433    | 15 36            | 2·86                 |
| Windward Islands.....  | 1896  | 3,717,209     | 10 27            | 2·35                 |
| Leeward ".....         | 1896  | 1,465,942     | 11 48            | 2·17                 |
| Trinidad.....          | 1896  | 2,709,113     | 11 25            | 0·97                 |
| Australasia—           |       |               |                  |                      |
| New South Wales.....   | 1896  | 281,688,453   | 217 08           | 6·25                 |
| Victoria.....          | 1896  | 228,179,560   | 194 21           | 7·26                 |
| South Australia.....   | 1896  | 111,237,040   | 308 94           | 8·55                 |
| Western Australia..... | 1896  | 22,988,931    | 166 65           | 1·93                 |
| Queensland.....        | 1896  | 155,119,812   | 328 52           | 8·75                 |
| Tasmania.....          | 1896  | 37,876,147    | 228 01           | 9·75                 |
| New Zealand.....       | 1896  | 215,917,540   | 362 33           | 9·24                 |
| South Seas—            |       |               |                  |                      |
| Fiji.....              | 1896  | 1,060,432     | 8 80             | 2·94                 |
| Total.....             |       | 5,800,887,201 | 20 82            | 4·69                 |

## PUBLIC DEBTS IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

|                      |      |               |        |       |
|----------------------|------|---------------|--------|-------|
| Austria-Hungary..... | 1895 | 3,088,536,073 | 74 68  | 6·55  |
| Belgium.....         | 1895 | 437,232,708   | 68 21  | 6·20  |
| Denmark.....         | 1896 | 53,820,432    | 24 63  | 2·52  |
| France.....          | 1894 | 6,041,529,000 | 157 57 | 9·15  |
| German Empire.....   | 1895 | 506,430,151   | 9 69   | 1·76  |
| Greece.....          | 1895 | 160,523,915   | 73 39  | 8·82  |
| Italy.....           | 1895 | 2,386,029,333 | 76 71  | 6·78  |
| Netherlands.....     | 1896 | 450,011,174   | 92 61  | 8·39  |
| Norway.....          | 1894 | 38,307,973    | 19 39  | 2·73  |
| Sweden.....          | 1895 | 77,462,723    | 15 90  | 2·12  |
| Portugal.....        | 1894 | 722,651,839   | 142 19 | 15·24 |
| †Roumania.....       | 1896 | 226,695,373   | 39 09  | 5·83  |
| Russia.....          | 1894 | 3,421,149,866 | 35 73  | 5·65  |

\* Year ending 31st March. † April 1st, 1897.