F.

PUBLIC DEBT.

1879.

Debt	To whom due	Rate of Interest	When incurred and for what cause
A.	B.	C.	D.
£ 78,368 5 2¾ 800 0 0 £ 79,168 5 2¾	Many shareholders .. Public Library.	2½ per cent. per annum	On 8 March 1805 a former Import duty on wines &c. was re-established with the expressed object of paying interest on private capital invested in the *Antica Massa Frumentaria*, which had been taken by the French in 1798.
say £ 1,626 per annum (*a*)	Almost exclusively payable to Churches and Ecclesiastical Establishments.	See Remarks..	Burthens chiefly on property taken over from the Grand Masters and administered by the Government.
say £ 143 per annum (*b*)	As above.	See Remarks..	Burthens on property of certain Pious Foundations administered by the Government.
£ 229,556 9 11¼ Malta 9,315 15 3½ Gozo £ 238,872 5 2¾	Many Depositors, Malta 3,575 Gozo 267 No. 3,842	2 per cent. per annum, with certain limitations.	The Malta Savings' Bank established in Valletta in 1833, with a Branch in Gozo established in 1853.
£ 7,174 7 6	Many shareholders ..	2 per cent. per annum..	Loan to the "Monte di Pietà," partly from the time of the ancient Government, and partly from investment of sums realized by the redemption of capitals &c. of Pious Foundations.
£ 402 3 4¾	Nine Persons	Nil	Money deposited in the "Monte di Pietà," prior to 1843 which has not been claimed.

N.B. — *The interest on deposits in Savings' Banks to be carried to capital account in* 1880 *was* — *Malta* £ 3,054 11 9 *A balance of the joint operations of the Monti di Pietà and Savings' Banks, amounting to* £ 186,750 0 0, *remained in The total Stock in* 3 *per cent. Consols standing to the credit of the Malta Government is* £ 265,760 14 3, *the dividends on*

(*a*) and (*b*) *See* General Estimates for 1879.

DEBT, on 31st December 1879.

Provisions for payment of Interest or Sinking Fund, and enactments by which it is made	Amount of original debt	Amount repaid	Remarks
E.	F.	G.	H.
Legislative Proclamation of the 8 March 1805, providing for the payment of the interest out of a then imposed duty on imported wine. By Ordinance No. XIII of 1858 shares were made transferable by certificates — with some exceptions.	£ 102,533 14 3 according to a revision of claims, commenced in 1819	£ 21,394 1 8 ,, 1,971 7 2 Loss of fractions 2¼ £ 23,365 9 0¼	Bought in by Government since 1819. Otherwise fallen in. The interest paid in 1879, was £ 2,068 13 8. N.B.—*The interest on a capital of £800, bequeathed to the Public Library, is applied annually to the purchase of Books under the Head of Education.*
The rents of the Estate.	Was larger—See the next column.	Capital has been repaid since June 1816, the interest onwhich amounted to £ 522 per annum—and some other charges have since fallen in.	Burthens paid in 1879, were £ 1,607 6 9 Rents collected on Crown Property, including arrears, £ 36,893 18 7¼
The rents of the Estate.	.. ..	.. ..	Burthen, paid in 1879, were £ 130 11 2 Rents collected, including arrears, £ 3,403 7 5¼
Loans on pledges (of Jewellery, Gold, Silver, Silk, Wool, Cotton, and Bronze articles) by the Monte di Pietà, producing interest at 5 per cent. per annum, and dividends on stock in 3 per cent. consols; and rents of property of Pious Foundations administered through the Collector of Land Revenue.	.. ..	The capital fluctuates from year to year.	The interest received by the Monte di Pietà on moneys lent on pledges &c. in 1879 was £ 2,142 5 8¼; and the interest paid on moneys deposited in Savings' Bank (including the undrawn balances of interest of 1878 carried to capital account on 1st January 1879) amounted to £ 3,161 4 4.
The same service	Was much larger.	As above	Interest paid in 1879 £ 152 2 1
Nil	.. ..	.. ..	It is improbable that any claim will be established on this debt.

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deposit on the 31st December 1879.
which are partly treated as current Revenue.