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that the unassisted incomers bring in a relatively high amount of capital, despite the high proportion in some years of southern Europeans. It is considered probable, therefore, that the actual volume of incoming capital from both sources is at least three times as great as that recorded in the statistics of assisted migration.

The cost of immigration in post-war years has been shared in varying proportions by the Imperial, Federal, and State Governments, and the actual cost per annum is somewhat difficult to trace in budget statements. The total cost of assisted immigra-

Table L
Capital Movements Connected with Migration ${ }^{1}$
(In Millions Sterling)

| Year. | Net migration. '000 | Assisted passages. '000 | Declared capital. £ $m$. | Total estimated capital. £ $m$. | Cost of assistance. £ $m$. | Balance net capital imported. £ $m$. |
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| 1920 | $15 \cdot 1$ | $9 \cdot 1$ | *0.095 | *0.190 | *0.084 | * $0 \cdot 106$ |
| 1921 | 15.7 | $14 \cdot 7$ | *0.191 | *0.382 | *0.140 | *0.242 |
| 1922 | 38.0 | $24 \cdot 3$ | 0.254 | 0.762 | 0.224 | 0.538 |
| 1923 | 37.5 | 26.6 | $0 \cdot 320$ | 0.960 | $0 \cdot 252$ | 0.708 |
| 1924 | $43 \cdot 8$ | $25 \cdot 0$ | $0 \cdot 384$ | 1.152 | 0.224 | 0.928 |
| 1925 | 37.4 | $24 \cdot 8$ | $0 \cdot 483$ | 1.449 | 0.224 | 1.225 |
| 1926 | $42 \cdot 2$ | $31 \cdot 3$ | $0 \cdot 334$ | 1.002 | 0.280 | 0.722 |
| 1927 | 48.9 | $30 \cdot 1$ | $0 \cdot 287$ | 0.861 | $0.280$ | 0.581 |
| 1928 | $27 \cdot 2$ | $26 \cdot 7$ | $0 \cdot 209$ | $0 \cdot 627$ | $0 \cdot 300$ | $0 \cdot 327$ |

* Estimated.
tion schemes since 1921 has, however, been computed by the Development and Migration Commission; and these published statistics have been accepted as accurate for the purposes of this investigation. This total cost has been apportioned for each year on the basis of the number of assisted passages involved.

The difference between the amount of capital introduced by immigrants, and the total payments made to shipping companies and immigration agents abroad in respect to those passages, enables an estimate to be made of the net movement of capital connected with immigration. No other non-commercial item

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[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ The amounts transferred through official channels by migrants, in thousands, are: 1922 , £253.7; 1923, £320•1; 1924, £383.7; 1925, £482.8; 1926, £334.0; 1927 £286.8; 1928, £209•1.

