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The following pages summarise, from official publications, the achievements of several representative countries—and indicate, in the Draft Bill, the *present* requirements of India—in respect of an adequate national merchant marine.

Suggestions from readers interested in the development of Indian National Shipping will be gratefully received.

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APPENDICES.

APPENDIX A.

Annual public expenditure in aid of National Shipping by the different countries of the world.

The figures are taken from the Report of the United States Bureau of Navigation to the Secretary of Commerce and Labour and refer mostly to the year 1908-1909.

	\$		Rs.	a.	p.
France	13,423,737		41,949,178	0	0
Great Britain	• •	•••	,, -,,-,,	Ū	·
~ · ·	9,689,384		30,279,325	0	0
*	5,413,700		16,917,812	8	Ŏ
Italy	3,872,917	•••	12,102,865	10	0
Spain	3,150,012		9,843,787	8	Ŏ
Austria Hu			-	•	•
gary	2,984,530		9,326,656	4	0
United States	2,695,287		8,422,771	$1\overline{4}$	Ŏ
Germany	2,301,029	•••	7,190,715	10	Ŏ
Russia	1,878,328		5,869,775	_0.	Ŏ
Brazil	1,300,000		4,062,500	Ŏ	0
Norway	1,102,143	•••	3,444,196	14	Ō
Netherlands	880,011	•••	2,750,034	6	0
Sweden	277,752	444	867,975		Ŏ
Chile	253,195	•••	791,234		Ŏ
Denmark	1,45,000		453,125		Ŏ
Mexico	75,000		234,375	Ŏ	Ŏ
Belgium	55,870		174,593	12	ŏ
Egypt	54,512		170,350	0	ŏ
Portugal	50,000	•••	156,250	ŏ	ŏ
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•	49,602,407		155,007,521	12	0
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Exchange at Rs. 3-2-0 to \$ 1.

The table opposite indicates the volume of the assistance rendered by various Governments to the development of their respective merchant fleets. It has been necessary, for purposes of comparison, to give the figures of over a decade ago, but it may be mentioned that even to-day the relative volume of Government aid remains the same, the amount in most cases having increased during and after the great war. It would probably come as a surprise to most readers that Great Britain with her Dominions is spending every year from the public treasury about one-fifth of the total amount spent on the merchant marine by all the other countries of the world put together.

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APPENDIX B.

SUMMARY OF FOURTEEN YEARS' WORKING OF SHIPPING COMPANIES IN JAPAN.

FROM "THE FINANCIAL AND ECONOMIC ANNUAL OF JAPAN 1920."

V	No. of Cos.	Paid up	Vessels.		
Year.		Capital.	No.	Tons gross.	
	•	£			
1906	13	4,316,700	344	491,258	
1907	16	5,713,517	537	527,766	
1908	18	5,927,150	543	564,179	
1909	20	6,005,018	538	575,872	
1910	20	6,144,257	535	600,043	
1911	20	6,163,630	454	648,866	
1912	18	6,065,101	419	702,738	
1913	23	6,248,400	582	785,190	
1914	24	6,525,800	578	841,931	
1915	24	6,579,650	608	895,615	
1916	28	8,047,500	603	980,793	
1917	52	17,420,000	803	1,127,483	
1918	65	26,988,250	1496	1,386,642	
1919	56	26,932,827	1542	1,397,813	

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APPENDIX B—(Sontd.)

Receipts.				Amount brought over from	
Earnings.	Miscella- neous receipts.	Shipping subsidies & bounties.	Net earnings.	the pre- ceding year.	
£	£	£	£	£	
3,269,965	398,394	492,728	401,517	162,055	
3,883,272	387,199	835,503	441,415	85,42 8	
3,877,347	209,695	862,339	384,713	50,860	
3,748,770	187,796	1,106,430	428,075	48,064	
4,089,140	203,809	1,161,066	771,009	44,217	
4,489,431	222,272	1,221,594	864,944	123,390	
5,190,030	263,978	1,185,160	1,033,977	214,252	
5,963,042	324,213	1,152,195	1,570,382	141,282	
5,796,573	336,269	1,123,057	1,259,082	212,757	
7, 584,541	588,763	840,645	2,145,085	178,048	
15,190,436	567,480	724,849	6,311,017	217,732	
29,513,179	2,392,110	681,933	14,314,307	2,498,728	
63,845,195	2,631,408	607,283	21,844,380	1,084,407	
56,457 ,500	3,308,671	555,825	10,129,098	1,868,778	

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APPENDIX B_x—(Contd.)

		Rate of		
Year.	Reserve.	Bonuses.	Amount of dividends.	divi- dend %
	£	£	£	
1906	33,315	67,870	398,741	9.23
1907	41,789	21,944	435,455	7.37
1908	40,804	23,498	421,030	7.10
1909	37,615	21,525	377,364	6.28
1910	179,901	23,680	395,338	6.43
1911	286,885	29,1 38	485,444	7.87
1912	515,096	38,294	552,697	9·11
1913	866,516	42,566	588,473	9.41
1914	698,669	45,477	529,652	8· 1 1
1915	1,186,954	88,905	862,159	13·1 0
1916	1,580,321	206,285	2,336,035	26·11
1917	7,908,031	594,094	7,200,464	41.33
1918	9,803,265	533,1 16	9,717,456	36.00
1919	4,765,187	325,932	7,530,932	27.96