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£29,275. From sum the following appropriations have been made:—Provision for taxation, £11,000; reserve for doubtful debts, £1000; reserve account (making it £78,014), £3000. From the balance of £14,275 the directors recommend the payment of a further dividend of 2½ per cent. (making 10 per cent. for the year), £5284; and a bonus of 2½ per cent. for the year, amounting to £5284, leaving a balance to be carried forward of £3706.

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