

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF MAIL CONTRACTS THROUGHOUT THE COLONY OF NEW ZEALAND FOR THE FINANCIAL YEARS 1861-2, 1862-3, 1863-4.

Circular instructions were issued on the 16th July, 1863, for Returns of Mail Contracts. Wellington, Nelson, and Picton, are the only Provinces that have furnished this information as yet. On the arrival of the "Auckland" and "Lady Bird," probably all the Returns will come to hand.

The accompanying Statement is compiled from various sources of information; but there are at present no data in this Department sufficient to make this Return strictly accurate.

NOTE.—Province of Southland:—The first column is filled up from amounts already authorized; but we have not been advised as yet respecting the Mail Contracts.

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PARTICULARS OF SERVICE.	1863-4	1862-3.	1861-2.
	Per Annum. £ s. d.	Per Annum. £ s. d.	Per Annum. £ s. d.
<b>PROVINCE OF AUCKLAND:—</b>			
Auckland and Newton ... ..	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0
Do. Onehunga } ... ..	132 0 0	{ 140 0 0	160 0 0
Do. Do. } ... ..	...		...
Do. Otahuhu ... ..	39 0 0	...	...
Do. Howick ... ..	69 0 0	65 0 0	52 0 0
Auckland, Drury, Mangatawhiri, Otawhao	...	275 0 0	260 0 0
Otawhao and New Plymouth ... ..	...	...	208 0 0
Do. Napier ... ..	...	...	211 18 0
Auckland, Mauku, Drury, and Waiuku	288 0 0	300 0 0	270 0 0
Auckland and Raglan ... ..	...	...	78 0 0
Aotea and Kawhia ... ..	28 12 0	26 0 0	26 0 0
Drury and Mangatawhiri ... ..	...	...	...
Otawhao, Raglan, and Aotea ... ..	156 0 0	156 0 0	59 0 0
Kirikiroa and Tauranga ... ..	...	...	52 0 0
Tarawera, Maketu, and Turanga ... ..	26 0 0	...	...
Otawhao, Tarawera, and Opotiki ... ..	...	...	91 0 0
Do., Waipa ... ..	...	10 0 0	10 8 0
Hiruharama and Pukawa ... ..	...	...	13 0 0
Auckland and Kaukapakapa ... ..	103 0 0	119 17 0	124 16 0
Whau Bridge and Muddy Creek ... ..	34 0 0	26 0 0	26 0 0
Auckland and Matakana ... ..	156 0 0	124 16 0	114 8 0
Matakana and Mangawai } ... ..	120 0 0	{ 78 0 0	78 0 0
Mangawai and Mangapai } ... ..		{ 60 0 0	...
Do. Paparoa ... ..	52 0 0	...	...
Wangarei Heads and Waipu ... ..	31 4 0	31 4 0	31 4 0
Auckland and Kaipara ... ..	30 0 0	30 0 0	30 0 0
Te Arai and Port Albert ... ..	35 0 0	...	...
Russell and Hokianga ... ..	28 0 0	28 0 0	40 0 0
Russell, Mongonui, Ahipara ... ..	90 0 0	80 0 0	80 0 0
Kapanga and Driving Creek ... ..	15 0 0	...	...
Te Arai and Paparoa ... ..	52 0 0	...	...
<b>PROVINCE OF TARANAKI:—</b>			
<b>PROVINCE OF HAWKE'S BAY:—</b>			
Napier to Tarawera ... ..	120 0 0	...	...
Napier to Porangahau ... ..	130 0 0	140 0 0	140 0 0
Porangahau to Castle Point... ..	95 0 0	90 0 0	120 0 0
Napier to Turanga ... ..	120 0 0	140 0 0	148 0 0
Clive to Pourerere ... ..	72 0 0	80 0 0	50 0 0
Napier, Puketapu, Maraekakaho ... ..	68 0 0	90 0 0	42 0 0
Puketapu to Waipawa ... ..	36 0 0	40 0 0	...
Te Aute to Patangata ... ..	25 0 0	28 0 0	28 0 0
Waipawa to Ruataniwha ... ..	42 0 0	34 0 0	...
Napier to Wairoa ... ..	80 0 0	...	...
Napier Port to Town ... ..	...	10 0 0	10 0 0
<b>PROVINCE OF WELLINGTON:—</b>			
Wellington to Wanganui ... ..	315 0 0	320 0 0	473 0 0
Do. Hutt, Taita, U. Hutt ... ..	35 0 0	45 0 0	33 10 0
Do. Wairarapa, Castle Point ... ..	285 0 0	199 0 0	106 10 0
Do. Karori ... ..	10 0 0	...	...
<b>PROVINCE OF NELSON:—</b>			
Nelson and Riwaka ... ..	180 0 0	180 0 0	156 0 0
Nelson to Waimea ... ..	...	...	100 0 0
Do. Do. and Wakefield } ... ..	100 0 0	180 0 0	...
Wakefield and Tadmor ... ..	24 0 0	...	...
Nelson and Suburban North ... ..	30 0 0	...	...