

RETURNS

OF THE

LOCAL TAXATION IN THE VARIOUS PROVINCES,

DURING THE YEAR 1865.

PRESENTED TO BOTH HOUSES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, BY COMMAND OF
HIS EXCELLENCY.

WELLINGTON.

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1866.

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AUCKLAND.

RETURN of LOCAL TAXATION raised within the Province of Auckland during the Year 1865.

1.—Provincial Government Revenue.

	£	s.	d.
Fees—Pilotage and Harbour	2,737	16	4
„ Dog Nuisance Act	170	15	0
„ Water Tank	48	0	0
„ Auctioneers' Licenses	890	0	0
„ Publicans' Licenses	6,000	10	0
„ „ Bush Licenses	602	10	0
„ „ Gold Field Licenses	60	0	0
„ Wholesale Wine and Spirit Licenses	500	0	0
„ Public Slaughter House	664	0	0

2.—Applicable to Special Purposes.

Great South Road Tolls applicable to payment, Sinking Fund of money advanced, and Repairs of Road	2,145	0	0
Wharf Tolls, Tonnage and Shipping Dues, &c., applicable to pay interest of Loan to Harbour Trust, and repairs of Wharf, &c.	7,936	3	0

3.—Rates raised by Local Boards.

Locality.	Rate per Acre.	Rate upon Valuation.			Amount of Rate.		
		ACRES.			£	s.	d.
*City of Auckland	...	1s. 2d. per £ on net annual value			10,364	9	10
Howick	...	3d. per £, valuing each acre at £30			85	0	0
Haurihohore Highway Trustees	0s. 6d.	4,133	0	0	103	6	6
Mangarie	1s. 0d.	8,567	0	0	428	7	9
Maungakaramea	0s. 6d.	14,000	0	0	350	0	0
Otahuhu	...	1½d. per £ on selling rate			363	15	2½
Pukekohe	0s. 6d.	8,206	0	0	205	3	0
Paparoa	0s. 6d.	1,682	0	0	42	1	0
Pakurangi	0s. 6d.	4,423	0	0	110	11	10½
East Tamaki	1s. 0d.	9,140	0	0	457	1	0
West Tamaki	1s. 0d.	5,008	0	0	250	8	0
Wairoa	0s. 6d.	9,628	0	0	240	14	0
Wangarie	...	0½d. per £ on estimated value			123	14	10
Wareora	0s. 6d.	7,773	0	0	194	6	7
Waitakiri (South)	1s. 0d.	6,560	0	0	328	0	0
Waitakiri (East)	1s. 0d.	8,760	0	0	438	0	0
Whau Whau	0s. 6d.	471	0	0	11	15	5
Waipu	0s. 3d.	19,428	0	0	242	17	0

* The City Board has furnished particulars of Valuation, as follows:—

	£	s.	d.
Total annual value at 10 per cent. on the marketable value	193,023	0	0
Net annual value after allowing for insurance, repairs, &c.	177,677	0	0
Amount of rate imposed for the whole year at one shilling and two pence on the net annual value	10,364	9	10
Amount of rate received	9,532	4	0

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	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By assessment on value	10,364	9	10	177,677	0	0
"	85	0	0	6,800	0	0
"	363	15	2½	58,202	0	0
"	123	14	10	59,396	0	0
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	£10,936	19	10½	£302,075	0	0
By acreage rates	103	6	6			
"	428	7	9			
"	350	0	0			
"	205	3	0			
"	42	1	0			
"	110	11	10½			
"	457	1	0			
"	250	8	0			
"	240	14	0			
"	194	6	7			
"	328	0	0			
"	438	0	0			
"	11	15	5			
"	242	17	0			
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	£14,339	12	0			
	10,936	19	10½			
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Acreage rate	£3,402	12	1½			

TARANAKI.

Copy of a Letter from His Honor H. R. RICHMOND to the Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY.
(No. 65.) Superintendent's Office,

SIR,—

New Plymouth, 13th July, 1866.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your circular letter No. 20, of the 14th instant, and enclose herewith a Return of the local taxation in this Province.

The only assessed rate shown in this Return, is the road rate imposed on all lands within the Town of New Plymouth. This rate is on the assessed value of the land without improvements, and the valuation may on the whole be taken to represent fairly the present marketable value.

The rating of rural lands was necessarily discontinued during the years in which they could not be occupied, and was resumed towards the end of last year; but no rural rates became due during the year 1865.

I have, &c.,

H. R. RICHMOND,
Superintendent.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, &c., Wellington.

RETURN of LOCAL TAXATION in the Province of TARANAKI, for the Year 1865.

Rates imposed on lands within the boundary of the Town of New Plymouth (valued in 1864 at £91,854) at 4d. in the pound.	Licenses.		Inspection of		Registration of Dogs.	Pound Fees.	Total.
	Auctioneers.	Publicans.	Weights and Measures.	Cattle and Sheep.			
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1,503 18 0	240 0 0	398 3 10	5 10 0	22 8 8	189 0 0	54 13 4	2,440 13 10

Rates amounting to £678 12s. 6d. were also made on 27,040½ acres of country land, but which were not payable till 1866.

Treasury, 10th July, 1866.

T. WHITE,
Assistant Treasurer.

HAWKE'S BAY.

Copy of a Letter from His Honor D. McLEAN to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.
Napier, 25th June, 1866.

In reply to your circular No. 20, of the 14th instant, applying for a Return of 1865, for the Province of Hawke's Bay, of all local taxation, I have the honor to state there is no local taxation in this Province, unless the sheep assessment for scab is considered as such. I enclose a Return showing the amount of £472 11s. 11d. received under this head.

I have &c.,

DONALD McLEAN,
Superintendent.

RETURN showing the Amount of LOCAL TAXATION for 1865.

	£ s. d.
Sheep Assessments (including Brand and Dipping fees) ...	472 11 11
J. C. LAMBTON CARTER,	
Provincial Treasury, Napier,	Provincial Treasurer.
22nd June, 1866.	

WELLINGTON.

TOWN BOARD, WELLINGTON.

Rate imposed for year ending 15th September, 1865, was one halfpenny in the pound.

	£ s. d.
Amount raised for year ending 15th September, 1865 ...	1,300 0 0
Upon valuation of property—	
Value rated ...	624,000 0 0
Valuation bearing proportion to full marketable value of about three-fourths—	
Last valuation ...	646,540 0 0
Rate from 1st September, 1865, raised to 1d. in the pound, estimated to produce ...	2,694 0 0

TOWN BOARD, WANGANUI.

Rate imposed for year ending 31st July, 1866, was 2d. in the pound.

	£ s. d.
Amount raised for year ending 31st July, 1866 ...	596 19 2
Upon valuation of Land—	
Value rated ...	71,635 0 0
Valuation bearing proportion to full marketable value of about two-thirds—	
Amount raised by special rates about ...	800 0 0

DISTRICT ROAD RATES, PROVINCE OF WELLINGTON.

	Amount raised year ending 31st March, 1866.			Estimate for year ending 31st March, 1867.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
South Makara ...	15	6	0	25	0	0
North Makara ...	57	18	6	30	0	0
Pahautanui ...	66	0	0	115	19	0
Horokiwi ...	55	9	0	70	0	0
Western Hutt and Belmont ...	151	9	11	190	18	0
Waiwetu, Upper ...	101	8	7	90	0	0
Waiwetu, Lower ...	12	8	10	24	17	8
Wainuiomata ...	354	14	3	212	14	0
Mungaroa ...	218	19	7	200	0	0
Masterton ...	39	10	0	100	0	0
Hooker's Road, Carterton ...	65	0	6	60	0	0
Ohariu ...	516	19	11	253	0	0
Karori ...	35	0	0	70	0	0
Rhodes' Highway District ...	41	10	0	71	10	0
Kai-warra-warra ...	56	11	7	63	14	7
Turakina ...	214	18	6	130	0	0
Kahauraponga ...	134	4	0	150	0	0
Rangitikei, Upper ...	574	18	4	580	2	10
Rangitikei, Lower ...	144	18	1	370	0	0
Makirikiri ...	41	18	0	27	0	0
Tunahaere ...	162	17	0	63	0	0
Matarawa ...	211	18	6	200	0	0
Brunswick ...	112	0	4	68	0	0
No. 3, Wanganui ...	64	1	0	80	0	0
Concord ...	75	0	0
South Karori	30	0	0
	£3,525	0	5	£3,275	16	1

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NELSON.

RETURN of LOCAL TAXATION during the Year 1865.

On Valuation of Property under authority of "Nelson Improvement Act" and "Country Roads Act."

District.	Amount Raised.	Rates imposed.	Total Rates imposed.	Value Rated.	Proportion valuation bears to full marketable value of Property.	
Nelson	£ 1688 s. 1 d. 10	1d. in the £	£ 2564 s. 11 d. 0	£ 615941 s. 0 d. 0	4-5ths.	£135 received for Tolls, being at the rate of £650 per annum.
Suburban North	152 2 6	ditto	152 2 6	36510 0 0	equal	
Waimea	1109 16 0	ditto	1109 16 0	266352 0 0	ditto	
Moutere	104 7 7	ditto	104 7 7	25051 0 0	3-4ths.	
Motucka	239 1 9	1½d. in the £	239 1 9	38442 0 0	equal	
Pangatotara	94 0 3	ditto	94 0 3	15042 0 0	ditto	
Riwaka	173 3 8	ditto	173 3 8	27698 10 6	3-4ths.	
Takaka	149 2 8	2d. in the £	209 3 10	25960 18 10	2-3rds.	
Collingwood	No Return received.
TOTALS						

Under authority of Education Act.

Amount Raised.	Rates Imposed.	Total Rates Imposed.
£ 1705 s. 15 d. 0	£1 for each Householder, and 5s. for each child, between five and fourteen years, not attending a private school	£ 1720 s. 15 d. 0

Under authority of Dog Nuisance Act.

Amount Raised.	Rates Imposed.	Total Rates Imposed.
£ 252 s. 14 d. 0	10s. per annum for each dog, and 1s. for each duplicate ticket the original of which has been lost	£ 252 s. 14 d. 0

Superintendent's Office,
Nelson, 10th December, 1866.

ALFRED GREENFIELD,
Provincial Secretary.

Copy of a Letter from His Honor A. SAUNDERS to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

SIR,—
Superintendent's Office,
Nelson, 20th September, 1866.

I have the honor to forward herewith the particulars of a return received from Collingwood, of rates levied under authority of Country Roads Act, in that district, during the year 1865; and I have to request that the same may be added to the Return of Local Taxation, forwarded in my letter of the 10th instant.

I have, &c.,
ALFRED SAUNDERS,
Superintendent.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

COLLINGWOOD DISTRICT.

Amount Raised.	Rate Imposed.	Total Rates Imposed.	Value Rated.	Proportion valuation bears to full marketable value of Property.
£ 25 s. 10 d. 9	1d. in the pound.	£ 72 s. 16 d. 7	£ 20,061 s. 0 d. 0	Equal.

MARLBOROUGH.

Copy of a Letter from Mr. H. GODFREY to the Hon. E. W. STAFFORD.

(No. 1160.)

Superintendent's Office,

Blenheim, 16th August, 1866.

SIR,—

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your circular No. 20, of the 14th of June last, requesting a Return for 1865 of all local taxation in this Province; and have now the honor to transmit herewith the following Returns:—

One, showing the value to sell of property in Blenheim, and amount of rates levied for the year 1865-6. Also, one affording similar information relation to the Township of Picton.

No further taxation existed, or at present exists, excepting a household rate of one pound for education, and five shillings per head per annum for each child attending the public schools, which rates yielded during the year the sum of £241 13s. 8d.

I may further remark that five public schools have been very recently established in this Province.

I have, &c.,

H. GODFREY,

Deputy Superintendent.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

A RETURN showing the VALUE to SELL of PROPERTY in PICTON; and the amount of Rates levied for the Year 1865-6.

—	Value to Sell.	Rate Levied per £.	Amount of Rate Levied.	Remarks.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
Township of Picton, Queen Charlotte Sound	26,313 0 0	0 0 4	438 1 0	The assessment was made at an average of 85 per cent. on the value of the property to sell.

A RETURN showing the VALUE to SELL of PROPERTY in BLENHEIM; and the amount of Rates levied for the year 1865-6.

—	Value to Sell.	Rate Levied per £.	Amount of Rate Levied.	Remarks.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
Township of Blenheim, originally comprising Rural Sections Nos. 1, 3, 50, 51, in the "Omaka District;" and Rural Sections Nos. 46, 47, 48, in the "Opawa District"	37,108 3 10	0 0 3	463 17 0	

Superintendent's Office,
Blenheim, 16th August, 1866.

H. GODFREY,
Deputy Superintendent.

CANTERBURY.

RETURN of LOCAL TAXATION in the Province of CANTERBURY, for the Year 1865.

—	Amount Collected.	Rate Imposed.	Annual Value.	Marketable Value	Particulars of last Valuation.	Remarks.
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.			
Municipalities ...	2418 19 2	1s. in the £1	167,567 0 0		Annual rental at which lands, buildings, and tenements might reasonably be expected to let, if leased from year to year	Levied under "Municipal Council Ordinance, Session XIV. No. 2; "Christchurch City Council Ordinance, 1862;" "Lyttelton Municipal Council Ordinance, 1863."
Road Boards— Lands, buildings, and tenements	5731 9 8	from 4d. to 1s. in the £1	220,179 15 10	No data from which this information can be supplied.	Ditto—if leased for a period not exceeding seven (7) years £70 per 1000 (assumed annual value)	Levied under "The Roads Ordinance, 1864."
Sheep ...	8150 8 10		65,697 15 9			
Provincial Government— Sheep ...	1498 0 0	£1 for every 1000 or fraction of 1000	...	£750,000	...	Levied under "The Sheep Ordinance, 1864."
Dogs ...	1887 0 0	10s. per head	Levied under "The Dog Nuisance Ordinance session XVII. No. 3."
	£ 11535 8 10					

OTAGO.

RETURN of all LOCAL TAXATION in the Province of OTAGO, during the Year 1865.

Source from which raised.	Amonnt.	Rates Imposed.	Value of Property Rated.
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Gold Export Duty	32,226 19 3	2s. 6d. per ounce	
Harbour Dues, Pilotage	542 19 2	...	
Jetty Dues	2,412 11 4	...	
Scab Assessment (Sheep)	3,569 18 11	3s. 4d. per head	
Dog Tax	1,478 16 0	10s. per head	
Licenses—Publicans' Retail Wine and Spirit	6,070 1 4	£30	
" Bottle	477 10 0	£20	
" Temporary	125 0 0	£5	
" Wholesale Wine and Spirit	298 10 0	£10	
" Billiard	178 0 0	£10	
" Bagatelle	113 10 0	£5	
" Auctioneers	1,150 0 0	£50	
" Hawkers	36 0 0	£1 on foot, £2 with horse	
" Carriage	192 0 0	10s. each	
*City of Dunedin	12,085 17 0	1s. 4d. in the pound	181,290 0 0
†Road Districts	1,319 15 0	9½d. per acre	
Educational Districts	3,015 4 5	5d. in the pound	300,620 14 4

* Owing to the fluctuating value of City property within the last several years, it is impracticable to give even an approximation as to what proportions the valuation bears to the full marketable value of the property.
 † This rate is imposed on 37,962 acres.

FREDERICK J. MOSS,
 Provincial Treasurer.

MEMO.—A considerable sum is raised for Road and Educational purposes by private subscription of which there is no Government record.

SOUTHLAND.

SIR,— Superintendent's Office, Southland, 17th July, 1866.
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your circular No. 20, 14th June last, and in reply have to state that during the year 1865, no taxation was levied in this Province on account of the various Road and Educational Boards, and the Invercargill Town Board having during the severe crisis suspended action, and in some instances ceased to exist.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

I have, &c.,
 JNO. P. TAYLOR,
 Superintendent.