

PAPERS

RELATIVE TO

PROVINCIAL OVERDRAFTS.

(Return to an Order of the House of Representatives, of 24th June, 1870.)

That there be laid upon the Table of this House—"A Return showing the amounts of Overdrafts by the different Provinces and County Councils from any Bank or other person, from the 3rd September, 1869, to the 30th June, 1870, and specifying the total amount at their several debits on the above date."

(Mr. Wells.)

WELLINGTON.

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No. 1.

Circular Letter from the COLONIAL SECRETARY to the SUPERINTENDENTS of PROVINCES.

(70-1,680.)

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 6th July, 1870.

SIR,— I transmit to your Honor herewith the enclosed copy of an Order of the House of Representatives, No. 19-70, dated 24th ultimo, for a Return of Provincial and County Overdrafts, and to request your Honor to be good enough to furnish me with the information requested therein as regards the Province of

I have, &c.

His Honor the Superintendent.

No. 2.

MR. A. FOLLETT HALCOMBE to the Hon. W. GISBORNE.

SIR,— Provincial Treasury, Wellington, 8th July, 1870.

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of Circular 70-1,680, asking for information as to the overdraft of the Provincial Account, in terms of an Order (No. 19-70) of the House of Representatives, and, in reply, to state that on the 30th June, 1870, the Province of Wellington was indebted to the Bank of New Zealand in the sum of £10,000, covered by a Deficiency Bill in terms of "The Provincial Audit Act Amendment Act, 1869."

I have, &c.,

A. FOLLETT HALCOMBE,
Provincial Treasurer.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

No. 3.

MR. R. H. RHODES, to the Hon. W. GISBORNE.

(331.)
SIR,— Superintendent's Office, Christchurch,
Canterbury, N.Z., 14th July, 1870.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your circular No. 70-1,680, of 6th July, 1870, and as requested therein, to forward a return of overdraft by the Province of Canterbury from the 3rd September, 1869, to 30th June, 1870.

I have, &c.,

R. H. RHODES,
Deputy Superintendent.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

Enclosure 1 in No. 3.

RETURN of OVERDRAFT by the PROVINCE of CANTERBURY from the 3rd SEPTEMBER, 1869,
to 30th JUNE, 1870.

Bankers to Provincial Government.	Overdraft from Bank or other persons on the 3rd September, 1869.	Same on 30th June, 1870.	Same at any intermediate date.
Bank of New Zealand up to 28th February, 1870, and since that date the Bank of Australasia. }	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.

14th July, 1870.

JOHN MARSHMAN, Provincial Treasurer.

No. 4.

MR. JOHN R. NICHOLSON to the Hon. W. GISBORNE.

SIR,— Superintendent's Office, Auckland, 20th July, 1870.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Circular 70-1,680, dated the 6th instant, requesting to be furnished with a return showing the amount of overdraft by this Province from any Bank or other person from the 3rd September, 1869, to the 30th June, 1870, and specifying the total

amount at the debit of the Province on the above date. In reply I have to transmit to you herewith the requisite return.

I have, &c.,

JOHN R. NICHOLSON,
Provincial Secretary.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

Enclosure in No. 4.

RETURN showing AMOUNT of OVERDRAFTS by the PROVINCE of AUCKLAND, from 3rd Sept., 1869, to 30th June, 1870, and the total amount at the debit of the Province on 30th June, 1870.

From the 5th to the 18th October, 1869, the Provincial Account with the Bank of New Zealand was overdrawn £4,500.

Previous to or subsequent to that date the account does not appear to have been overdrawn.

On 30th June, 1870, no overdraft.

R. B. Lusk,

Provincial Accountant.

Provincial Treasury, Auckland, 18th July, 1870.

No. 5.

Mr. C. Hoos to the Hon. W. GISBORNE.

County Chairman's Office, Hokitika, 25th July, 1870.

SIR,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 372, of 6th July, 1870, enclosing an Order of the House of Representatives for a return of Provincial and County overdrafts.

In reply I have the honor to inform you that the overdraft at the Bank of New Zealand on the 31st December, 1869, was £5,329; deficiency bills, £5,000; and outstanding accounts unpaid, £3,000; making a total of £13,329. On the 30th June, 1870, the overdraft amounted to £5,952 4s. 10d.; and the outstanding accounts unpaid, £3,019 3s.; showing a decrease in the liability of £4,357 12s. 2d., as the deficiency bills have been liquidated during the past six months. The overdraft varies, but it is on no account to exceed £5,000.

I have also the honor to forward herewith an extract from the *West Coast Times*, containing a statement made by me in the County Council, showing the financial position of the County, which will perhaps give you more information on the subject.

I have, &c.,

C. Hoos,
Chairman of the County Council.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

No. 6.

His Honor A. P. SEYMOUR to the Hon. W. GISBORNE.

Wellington, 26th July, 1870.

SIR,—

I have the honor to inform you that the Province of Marlborough has contracted no overdraft under the provisions of "The Provincial Audit Act Amendment Act, 1869."

I have, &c.,

A. P. SEYMOUR,
Superintendent.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

No. 7.

His Honor J. D. ORMOND to the Hon. W. GISBORNE.

Superintendent's Office, Napier, 15th August, 1870.

SIR,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your circular of the 6th July, enclosing copy of an Order of the House of Representatives, No. 19-70, calling for a return of Provincial and County overdrafts, and in reply beg to enclose a return from the Provincial Treasury. There has been no overdraft in the Province of Hawke's Bay during the period from 3rd September, 1869, to 30th June, 1870.

I have, &c.,

J. D. ORMOND,
Superintendent.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

Enclosure in No. 7.

RETURN showing the AMOUNT of OVERDRAFT by the PROVINCE of HAWKE'S BAY, from the Bank or any other Person, during the period from 3rd September, 1869, to the 30th June, 1870.

Nil.

J. T. TYLEE

(for Provincial Treasurer).

Provincial Treasury, Napier, 14th July, 1870.

No. 8.

His Honor O. CURTIS to the Hon. W. GISBORNE.

SIR,— Superintendent's Office, Nelson, 24th August, 1870.

In compliance with the request contained in your circular No. 70-1,680, of the 6th ultimo, I have the honor to forward herewith a return showing the amount of overdraft by the Province of Nelson on the 3rd September 1869, the 31st December 1869, 31st March 1870, and the 30th June 1870, respectively.

I have, &c.,
OSWALD CURTIS,
Superintendent.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

Enclosure in No. 8.

RETURN relating to OVERDRAFT by the PROVINCE of NELSON.

On the 3rd September, 1869,	the overdraft amounted to	£7,948	13s.	5d.
„ 31st December, 1869,	„ „	£10,320	4s.	1d.
„ 31st March, 1870,	„ „	£4,239	7s.	5d.
„ 30th June, 1870,	„ „	£3,528	2s.	10d.

JOSEPH SHEPHARD,
Provincial Treasurer.

Treasury, Nelson, 24th August, 1870.

No. 9.

His Honor W. WOOD to the Hon. W. GISBORNE.

SIR,— Wellington, 30th August, 1870.

In reply to your circular of the 6th July last, asking for a statement of the Southland Government overdraft, from the 3rd September, 1869, to the 30th June, 1870, I have the honor to state that on the 3rd September, 1869, the overdraft was £5,361 12s. 2d., and on the 30th June, 1870, £4,407 2s. 9d.

I have, &c.,
WILLIAM WOOD,
Superintendent.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

No. 10.

Mr. T. WHITE to the Hon. W. GISBORNE.

SIR,— Treasury, New Plymouth, 7th September, 1870.

I have the honor, by desire of the Superintendent, to transmit herewith the return required in your circular letter, No. 70-1,680, of 6th July.

I have, &c.,
T. WHITE,
Assistant Treasurer.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

Enclosure in No. 10.

RETURN of OVERDRAFTS by the PROVINCE of TARANAKI, from 3rd Sept., 1869, to 30th June, 1870.

Nil.

T. WHITE,
Assistant Treasurer.

Treasury, New Plymouth, 7th September, 1870.

