

VII.—CATALOGUE OF THE SAMPLES OF FIBRES AND MANUFACTURED ARTICLES
PREPARED FROM THE PHORMIUM TENAX, EXHIBITED BY THE FLAX
COMMISSIONERS IN THE COLONIAL MUSEUM, WELLINGTON, AUGUST, 1871.

THIS Exhibition was organised in accordance with a resolution of the House of Representatives, of 2nd September, 1870, directing “that samples of all varieties of flax fibre prepared in the Colony, and in England, should be exhibited in Wellington during the next sitting of the Assembly.”

ANALYSIS.

A.—NATIVE FIBRES.

- CLASS I.—*a.* Live plants and seeds.
b. Diagrams, showing the structure of the plant.
- CLASS II.—Machine-dressed fibre.
a. Ordinary machine-dressed.
b. Prepared by special processes.
c. Collection of 1870.
d. Samples sent specially for exhibition.
- CLASS III.—Native-dressed fibre.
- CLASS IV.—Manufactures.
a. Native:—
Garments.
Floor, and Sleeping Mats.
Baskets and Kits.
Ropes, &c.
Fishing gear.
Dyed flax.
Barks used in dyeing.
Miscellaneous.
- b.* European:—
Ropes, Twine, &c.
Miscellaneous.
- CLASS V.—*a.* Broker's classification of fibres.
b. Samples of flax sold in London, with prices attached.
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B.—FOREIGN FIBRE, &c.

- CLASS VI.—*a.* Museum collection.
b. Sample bales of those fibres which compete with New Zealand flax in the English market.
c. Other fibres.
d. Ropes, &c.