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THE RABBIT NUISANCE IN SOUTHLAND,

(REPORT ON, BY THE HON. SIR J. L. C. RICHARDSON AND MR. W. H. PEARSON.)

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

No. 1.

His Honor the SUPERINTENDENT, Otago, to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

SIR,—

Superintendent's Office, Dunedin, 25th May, 1876.

Enclosed herewith, I have the honor to forward copy of report of the Hon. Sir John Richardson and Mr. W. H. Pearson on the rabbit nuisance presently prevailing in the District of Southland; also sundry documents attached.

The report has been obtained at my instance, with a view to the necessary legislative action being taken towards the abatement of an evil which, it will be seen from the report, has become very alarming, and which, unless checked, will daily become more so.

As the Provincial Council cannot at present be convened, I hope the Colonial Government will deem the matter of sufficient public importance to make it the subject of legislation by the General Assembly.

I have, &c.,

J. MACANDREW,

Superintendent of Otago.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

Enclosure 1 in No. 1.

REPORT of the COMMISSION appointed by His Honor the Superintendent to inquire into the Extent of the Rabbit Nuisance in the District of Southland: 10th May, 1876.

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