## 1886. NEWAZEALAND.

## COST OF COLLECTING CUSTOMS AND OTHER REVENUE BY THE CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT AT EACH PORT OF ENTRY

(RETURN OF), FOR YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1886.

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

RETURN of the Gross Amount collected, and the Cost of collecting the same, at each Port of Entry, for the Financial Period ended 31st March, 1886.

	Para	<b>FICULARS</b>	$\mathbf{or}$	Gross	AMOUNT	COLLECTED.			
									£
Customs duties							••		1,417,340
Beer duty						• •	• •	• •	55,166
Gold duty	• •	• •				••	••		23,306
Bonded warehouse duty						••			5,639
Chinese immigrants' tax	ζ		• •			••			780
Rents, seizures, &c.						• •			212
Pilotage, &c						• •	• •		28,521
Light dues						• •	••		7,436
Merchant Shipping Act,	fees, &c					• •	••		120
Shipping and Seamen's	Act, fees	, &c.		٠.		• •			2,377
Distillation Act, fees						••		• •	24
Other receipts	• •	••	• •	• •		• •	••	••	6,748
									£1 547 669

COST OF COLLECTION AT EACH PORT.

Ports. Gross Collections.		Rate per cent. of Cost of Collection.	Ports.	Gross Collections.	Rate per cent. of Cost of Collection.		
Auckland Thames Russell Mongonui Hokianga Kaipara Tauranga New Plymouth Patea Wanganui Foxton Wellington Napier Poverty Bay Wairau			£ 356,408 8,708 1,145 178 298 2,061 1,745 5,392 1,784 14,592 275 278,105 49,881 11,080 9,263	£ s. d. 2 2 1 4 19 5 27 3 3 48 6 4 89 5 3 4 8 4 3 8 9 12 2 11 2 0 4 4 7 9 13 1 9 1 18 8 3 4 11 3 14 2 3 10 7	Picton Nelson Westport Greymouth Hokitika Riverton Invercargill and Bluff Dunedin Oamaru Timaru Christchurch and Lyttelton Chatham Islands Total	. 46,600 13,970 22,069 21,431 1,940 49,797 387,087 12,472 20,247 220,975	£ s. d. 21 17 9 2 13 6 5 0 4 2 15 5 4 6 7 2 18 9 3 3 11 2 3 5 4 10 9 3 17 1 2 16 9  Average for whole colony: £2 10 10

Note.—The cost of collection, if calculated on Customs revenue only (less drawbacks and refunds), amounted to £2 15s. 7d. per cent. In the United Kingdom, on the same basis, it was £4 9s. 4d. for the year ended the 31st March, 1885; the average for teh years being £4 8s. 4d.

WILLIAM SEED, Secretary and Inspector.

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