

1888.
NEW ZEALAND.

THE SUPPLY OF FERRETS

(CONTRACTS MADE BY STOCK DEPARTMENT FOR).

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated 8th June, 1888.

Ordered, "That a return be laid before this House showing the contracts entered into by the Stock Department since the 1st January, 1887, for the supply of ferrets, setting forth (1) the number of ferrets to be supplied, (2) the places at which such supplies are to be made, and (3) the prices to be paid for such ferrets."—(Mr. COWAN.)

RETURN showing the CONTRACTS entered into by the STOCK DEPARTMENT since 1st January, 1887, for the Supply of FERRETS.

Number of Ferrets to be supplied.	Places at which such Supplies are to be made.	Prices to be paid for such Ferrets.
	Rabbit Inspector, Invercargill—	
214	Centre Hill	7s. 6d. each.
145	Mossburn	"
728	Thornbury	"
368	Otaimai Bush	"
231	Wairaki	"
26	Mararoa	12s. each.
1,712	—	
	Rabbit Inspector, Lawrence—	
5,200	Mandeville	7s. 6d. each.
1,000	Lawrence	"
1,000	Crookston	"
3,500	Kelso	"
*10,700	—	
	Rabbit Inspector, Outram—	
90	Outram	Paid by wages, 30s. a week.
20	Kuri Bush	7s. 6d. sluts, 5s. dogs.
34	Section 8, Block I., Nenthorn District ...	7s. 6d. each.
84	Section 6, Block XII., Strath-Taieri District ...	"
228	—	
	Rabbit Inspector, Queenstown—	
270	Queenstown	"
270	—	
	Rabbit Inspector, Balclutha—	
1,300	Balclutha	"
3,000	Clinton	"
4,300	—	
	Rabbit Inspector, Kaikoura—	
4,550	Kaikoura	"
4,550	—	
21,760	—	

* Of this number the Inspector estimates that about 5,000 only will be delivered.

N.B.—Most of these contracts terminate on the 31st March, 1889. It is estimated that less than one-half the total number contracted for will be supplied.

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