

1890.
NEW ZEALAND.

THE ANNUAL SHEEP RETURNS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1889.

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

A.—TABLE showing Increase or Decrease in the Number of Sheep in each County throughout the Colony.

B.—RETURN showing (in Totals under Districts)—

1. The Districts into which the Colony is divided for the Purposes of "The Sheep Act, 1878."
2. The Number of "Infected" Sheep in each District.
3. The Number of Sheepowners in each District.
4. The Number of Sheep upon which the Sheep-rate is collected.
5. The Amount of the Sheep-rate in each District.
6. The Number of Inspectors of Sheep, Cattle, and Rabbits, and Registrars of Brands, residing in each District.
7. The Amount payable for Salaries and Allowances in each District.

C.—RETURN showing—

1. The Districts into which the Colony is divided for the Purposes of—
"The Sheep Act, 1878;"
"The Diseased Cattle Act, 1881;" also the Cattle Boards appointed under the Act.
2. The Number of Sheepowners owning under 500, 1,000, 2,000, 5,000, 10,000, 20,000 Sheep, also owning 20,000 Sheep and upwards; also Total Number of Owners of Sheep, and Total Number of Sheep, for the Year ended 31st May, 1889.
3. The Number of Owners of Infected Sheep, and the Number of Infected Sheep, on 31st March, 1890.
4. The Names and Residences of Officers holding Appointments under the Sheep, Diseased Cattle, and Branding Acts.

D.—RETURN of all Sheepowners, and Number of Sheep and Lambs, on 31st May, 1888 and 1889; showing the County in which owners reside and their Sheep are depastured, so far as the information is supplied in the Schedule "A" furnished by Sheepowners under section 21 of "The Sheep Act, 1878." (See Supplement to the *New Zealand Gazette*, dated the 5th December, 1889.)

A.

TABLE showing INCREASE or DECREASE in the Number of SHEEP in each County throughout the Colony.

County.	Number of Sheep.		Increase.	Decrease.
	1888.	1889.		
Mongonui	14,226	14,797	571	..
Bay of Islands	19,193	15,992	..	3,201
Hokianga	1,770	2,036	266	..
Rodney	27,101	30,886	3,785	..
Whangarei	26,195	27,676	1,481	..
Hobson	3,409	4,609	1,200	..
Otamatea	10,489	14,940	4,451	..
Manukau	37,779	52,339	14,560	..
Waitemata	14,821	18,770	3,949	..
Eden	5,537	5,561	24	..
Thames	6,018	7,372	1,354	..
Coromandel	2,103	2,948	845	..
Ohinemuri	1,410	2,070	660	..
Waikato	53,036	39,174	..	13,862
Raglan	5,719	7,586	1,867	..
Waipa	24,382	28,081	3,699	..
Piako	47,201	85,585	38,384	..
West Taupo and Kawhia	4,368	8,182	3,814	..
Tauranga	9,530	14,007	4,477	..
Whakatane	35,379	42,454	7,075	..
East Taupo	1,050	..	..	1,050
Cook	481,795	519,489	36,694	..
Wairoa	329,470	293,717	..	35,753
Hawke's Bay	1,175,706	1,189,740	14,034	..
Waipawa	429,020	447,570	18,550	..
Patangata	653,753	658,567	4,814	..
Taranaki	14,121	21,316	7,195	..
Hawera	70,803	97,604	26,801	..
Patea	109,606	107,058	..	2,548
Waitotara	69,057	76,922	7,865	..
Wanganui	172,562	194,404	21,842	..
Rangitikei	318,740	362,019	43,279	..
Oroua	200,203	248,140	47,937	..
Manawatu	133,496	157,023	23,527	..
Horowhenua	51,691	62,402	10,711	..
Hutt	123,400	116,198	..	7,202
South Wairarapa	448,678	464,571	15,893	..
North Wairarapa	526,412	532,274	5,862	..
Pahiatua	8,867	17,165	8,298	..
Waimea	120,228	132,265	12,037	..
Collingwood	23,577	26,192	2,615	..
Buller	992	1,093	101	..
Grey	6,301	7,484	1,183	..
Inangahua	4,709	8,309	3,600	..
Westland	7,240	7,241	1	..
Sounds	55,432	58,981	3,549	..
Marlborough	554,067	556,530	2,463	..
Kaikoura	176,681	190,397	13,716	..
Amuri	466,213	466,421	208	..
Cheviot	146,500	145,595	..	1,905
Ashley	693,723	708,140	14,417	..
Selwyn	600,920	662,970	62,050	..
Akaroa	236,214	236,329	115	..
Ashburton	756,105	721,507	..	34,598
Geraldine	617,564	630,577	13,018	..
Mackenzie	428,440	393,818	..	34,622
Waimate	650,817	644,302	..	6,515
Waitaki	598,072	558,408	..	39,669
Maniototo	377,359	368,979	..	8,380
Vincent	425,817	428,554	2,737	..
Lake	149,690	149,744	54	..
Waihemo	112,245	122,374	10,129	..
Waikouaiti	99,292	95,016	..	4,276
Peninsula	5,042	4,271	..	771
Taieri	237,221	253,545	16,324	..
Bruce	122,974	119,369	..	3,605
Clutha	263,888	276,108	12,220	..
Tuapeka	352,389	359,332	6,943	..
Southland	674,456	705,581	31,125	..
Wallace	409,034	393,662	..	15,372
	15,042,198	15,423,328	594,464 218,334	213,334
		Total increase ..	381,130	

B.

1 Names of Districts.	2 Number of Infected Sheep on		30th June, 1890.	3 Number of Owners on 31st May,		4 Number of Sheep on 31st May,	
	31st March, 1889.	31st March, 1890.		1888.	1889.	1888.	1889.
Auckland ...	680	901	None	1,283	1,353	314,287	382,611
Napier ...	None	None	None	763	885	3,146,087	3,201,673
Wellington-West Coast ...	None	None	None	2,036	2,196	2,208,622	2,405,960
Marlborough-Nelson ...	7,572	2,387	None	1,032	1,098	707,946	786,645
Canterbury-Kaikoura ...	None	None	None	2,346	2,605	4,837,777	4,861,501
Otago ...	None	None	None	2,285	2,450	3,827,479	3,834,938
	8,252	3,288	...	9,745	10,537	15,042,198	15,423,328

Names of Districts.	5 Sheep Rate for		6 Number of Inspectors, on 31st March,	7 Salaries and Travelling-allowance.
	1888.	1889.			1890.
Auckland ...	£314	£383	4	£1,175
Napier ...	3,146	3,202	4	1,140
Wellington-West Coast ...	2,209	2,406	5	1,400
Marlborough-Nelson ...	708	737	4	1,200
Canterbury-Kaikoura ...	4,837	4,861	8	2,225
Otago ...	3,828	3,835	14	3,787
	£15,042	£15,424	39	£10,927

	18	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	24	14,007	...	...
CATTLE BOARD:—E. Maclean, Chairman, A. A. Fentham, W. L. Martin, C. J. Storey, and R. H. Duncan.												
TAURANGA CATTLE DISTRICT—Comprising the Counties of Whakatane, Tauranga, and East Taupo.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
CATTLE BOARD:—Chairman, J. Brown, S. L. Clarke, R. C. Jordan, and J. Snodgrass.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
NAPIER DISTRICT—Bay of Plenty Subdivision—	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Whakatane	52	10	3	1	1	1	1	1	68	42,454	...	...
East Taupo ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Poverty Bay Subdivision—	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cook	78	42	28	32	11	15	2	2	208	518,489	...	...
COUNTY COOK CATTLE DISTRICT—Comprising the County of Cook.												
CATTLE BOARD:—J. W. Johnson, Chairman, J. Clark, A. McKenzie, W. Smith, and G. L. Sunderland.												
NAPIER Subdivision—	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wairoa	32	9	12	12	15	12	1	1	93	293,717	...	...
Hawke's Bay	40	26	23	18	27	22	16	16	172	1,189,740	...	...
Waipawa	109	25	15	10	8	7	7	7	181	447,570	...	...
Patangata	28	11	21	16	8	4	14	14	102	658,567	...	...
HAWKE'S BAY CATTLE DISTRICT—Comprising the Counties of Wairoa, Hawke's Bay, Waipawa, and Patangata.												
CATTLE BOARD:—J. D. Ormond, Chairman, J. Heslop, W. Orr, Sir G. S. Whitmore, and J. H. Coleman.												
WELLINGTON—WEST COAST DISTRICT—	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
TARANAKI	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
TARANAKI CATTLE DISTRICT—Comprising the County of Taranaki.	80	6	4	1	...	...	...	...	91	21,316	...	...
CATTLE BOARD:—Robert Trimble, Chairman, T. Bayly, W. Bayly, R. Price, and J. Elliott.												
Hawera	56	34	20	11	1	...	...	...	122	97,604	...	...
Patea	51	31	26	14	2	...	...	...	124	107,058	...	...
Waitotara	25	22	5	9	1	1	...	...	63	76,922	...	...
WANGANUI	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
WANGANUI CATTLE DISTRICT—Comprising the Counties of Patea, Wanganui, Rangitikei, and Manawatu.	65	35	34	17	3	...	...	...	155	194,404	...	...
CATTLE BOARD:—E. A. Campbell, Chairman, F. Arkwright, J. Livingston, J. McLennan, and D. G. Polson.												
Drummond, J., <i>Masterston</i> , Sheep Inspector, Cattle Inspector, Chief Registrar of Brands, in charge.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Monro, A., <i>Wanganui</i> , Sheep Inspector, Deputy Cattle Inspector, Registrar of Brands.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Pasley, R. C., *Napier*, Sheep Inspector, Cattle Inspector, Chief Registrar of Brands, in charge.

Thomson, C., *Gisborne*, Sheep Inspector, Deputy Cattle Inspector, Registrar of Brands.

Fitzroy, C. A., *Napier*, Sheep Inspector, Deputy Cattle Inspector.

Munro, Donald, *Waimata*, Sheep Inspector, Deputy Cattle Inspector.

Drummond, J., *Masterston*, Sheep Inspector, Cattle Inspector, Chief Registrar of Brands, in charge.

Monro, A., *Wanganui*, Sheep Inspector, Deputy Cattle Inspector, Registrar of Brands.

1. SHEEP AND CATTLE DISTRICTS IN COUNTIES.	2. ON THE 31ST MAY, 1889.						3. NUMBER OF		4. NAME AND ADDRESS OF OFFICER, AND APPOINTMENTS HELD BY HIM.			
	Number of Owners owning under						Owners	Infected Sheep				
	500	1,000	2,000	5,000	10,000	20,000 and upwards				On March 31, 1889.		
	Total Number of Owners of Sheep.	Total Number of Sheep.										
WELLINGTON—WEST COAST DISTRICT—continued.												
Rangitikei	146	46	51	33	13	1	2	292	362,019	...	...	Simpson, R. K., <i>Marion</i> , Sheep Inspector, Registrar of Brands.
Oroua	261	86	39	22	2	1	..	411	248,140	...	...
Manawatu	91	31	15	11	3	2	1	154	157,023	...	...
Horowhenua	72	15	9	2	2	1	..	101	62,402	...	...
Wellington Subdivision—												
Hutt (together with the Islands of Kapiti, Mana, and Somes)	118	43	20	9	3	..	..	193	116,198	...	...	McClellan, J. F., M.R.C.V.S., <i>Wellington</i> , Sheep Inspector, Deputy Cattle Inspector, Registrar of Brands.
WELLINGTON CATTLE DISTRICT—Comprising the Counties of Hutt, and East and West Wairarapa. CATTLE BOARD:—H. Bunny, Chairman, G. Beetham, C. Pharaayn, E. J. Riddiford, and J. Taylor.												
Wairarapa Subdivisions—												
South Wairarapa	110	34	20	32	15	12	2	225	464,571	...	...	Smith, J. W., <i>Masterton</i> , Sheep Inspector, Registrar of Brands.
North Wairarapa	117	46	29	28	7	11	4	242	532,274	...	...
Pahiatua	24	5	4	1	..	..	..	34	17,165	...	...	Richardson, T. G., <i>Blenheim</i> , Sheep Inspector, Cattle Inspector, Chief Registrar of Brands, in charge.
Waimea	441	38	15	5	2	..	..	501	132,265	...	...	Campbell, H. M., <i>Nelson</i> , Sheep Inspector, Deputy Cattle Inspector, Registrar of Brands.
Collingwood	111	5	2	2	..	..	..	120	261,192	...	...	Blundell, A. K., <i>Foxhill</i> , Sheep Inspector, Deputy Cattle Inspector.
Buller	32	..	..	..	..	..	..	32	1,093	...	...
Grey	32	3	1	..	..	..	..	36	7,484	...	...
Inangahua	44	4	1	..	..	..	..	49	8,309	...	...
NELSON CATTLE DISTRICT—Comprising the Counties of Waimea, Collingwood, Buller, and Inangahua.												
MARLBOROUGH—NELSON DISTRICT—												
<i>Nelson, Motueka, Golden Bay, Buller, and Grey Subdivisions—</i>												

<i>Westland Subdivision—</i>	28	5	1	...	...	...	34	7,241	...	...
<i>Westland</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>WESTLAND CATTLE DISTRICT—</i> Comprising the Counties of Westland and Grey.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>CATTLE BOARD:—H. L. Robinson, Chairman, J. A. Bonar, J. Giles, and D. P. James.</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Pictou, Blenheim, and Avatere Subdivisions—</i>	99	25	10	4	...	...	138	58,981	...	...
<i>Sounds</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Marlborough</i>	118	14	12	10	13	16	188	556,580	1	2,387
<i>MARLBOROUGH CATTLE DISTRICT—</i> Comprising the Counties of Sounds, Marlborough, and Kaikoura.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
CANTERBURY-KAIKOURA DISTRICT—	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Kaikoura</i>	47	8	3	7	4	1	72	190,397	...	...
<i>Waiau Subdivision—</i>	3	3	2	2	5	6	30	466,421	...	...
<i>Amuri</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Northern Subdivision—	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Cheviot</i>	...	1	...	...	1	...	5	145,595	...	...
<i>Ashley</i>	446	60	37	27	9	10	595	708,140	...	...
Christchurch Subdivision—	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Selwyn</i>	548	75	47	34	17	13	739	662,970	...	...
<i>Akaroa</i>	66	16	16	23	7	5	134	236,329	...	...
Ashburton Subdivision—	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Ashburton</i>	221	64	40	28	17	18	392	721,507	...	...
Timaru Subdivision—	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Geraldine</i>	245	70	39	26	4	6	397	630,577	...	...
<i>Mackenzie</i>	26	5	7	4	11	12	69	393,813	...	...
<i>Waimate</i>	110	20	14	7	5	3	172	644,302	...	...
CANTERBURY CATTLE DISTRICT— Comprising the Counties of Amuri, Cheviot, Ashley, Selwyn, Akaroa, Ashburton, Geraldine, and Waimate.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>CATTLE BOARD:—J. T. Peacock, Chairman, F. J. Kimbell, J. Studholme, and H. McIraith.</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
OTAGO DISTRICT—	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Oamaru Subdivision—</i>	133	35	16	9	10	12	220	558,403	...	...
<i>Waitaki</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Knyvett, W. H., *Blenheim*, Sheep Inspector
Deputy Cattle Inspector.

Foster, R., *Christchurch*, Sheep Inspector, Cattle Inspector, Chief Registrar of Brands, in charge.
Thomson, J. E., *Christchurch*, Deputy Cattle Inspector.

Moore, J., *Kaikoura*, Sheep Inspector, Deputy Cattle Inspector, Registrar of Brands.

Quartley, S. R., *Waiau*, Sheep Inspector, Deputy Cattle Inspector, Registrar of Brands.

Holderness, R. F., *Christchurch*, Sheep Inspector, Deputy Cattle Inspector, Registrar of Brands.

Rees, W. G., *Ashburton*, Sheep Inspector.

Sutton, W. A. P., *Timaru*, Sheep Inspector, Deputy Cattle Inspector, Registrar of Brands.
Thomson, H. S., *Lake Pukaki*, Sheep Inspector.

Douglass, A., *Dunedin*, Sheep Inspector, Cattle Inspector, Chief Registrar of Brands, in charge.
Miller, W., *Oamaru*, Sheep Inspector, Deputy Cattle Inspector, Registrar of Brands.

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	Number of Owners owning under							Owners	Infected Sheep On March 31, 1889.	
	500	1,000	2,000	5,000	10,000	20,000	Owing 20,000 and upwards			
OTAGO DISTRICT—continued.										
<i>Dunstan Subdivision</i> —										
Maniototo ...	67	18	8	7	2	5	7	114	368,979	...
Vincent ...	67	10	10	4	1	2	8	102	428,554	...
Lake ...	35	4	6	9	5	2	1	62	149,744	...
<i>Dunedin Subdivision</i> —										
Waiheho ...	50	10	10	10	2	1	1	84	122,374	...
Waikouaiti ...	28	5	4	5	...	1	2	45	95,016	...
Tairi ...	83	23	17	18	4	3	3	151	253,545	...
Bruce ...	151	24	10	9	3	1	...	198	119,369	...
<i>Port Chalmers Subdivision</i> —										
Peninsula ...	12	2	1	...	...	...	...	15	4,271	...
<i>Tapuanui Subdivision</i> —										
Clutha... ..	187	44	13	11	7	2	3	267	276,108	...
Tuapeka ...	172	32	25	6	4	3	4	246	359,332	...
OTAGO CATTLE DISTRICT—Comprising the Counties of Waitaki, Waikouaiti, Maniototo, Vincent, Peninsula, Tairi, Bruce, Clutha, and Tuapeka.										
CATTLE BOARD:— <i>Mathew Holmes</i> , Chairman, <i>R. Charters</i> , <i>J. Roberts</i> , and <i>J. Smith</i> .										
<i>Southland Subdivision</i> —										
Southland ...	508	105	43	26	13	12	5	712	705,581	...
Wallace ...	169	23	14	6	8	11	3	234	393,662	...
SOUTHLAND CATTLE DISTRICT—Comprising the Counties of Southland, Wallace, Lake, Fiord, and Stewart Island.										
CATTLE BOARD:— <i>T. Brydon</i> , Chairman, <i>J. S. Shanks</i> , <i>J. B. Sutton</i> , <i>J. Holmes</i> , and <i>J. Stuard</i> .										

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