1892. NEW ZEALAND.

APPOINTMENT OF MR. JUSTICE EDWARDS

(COST OF PROCEEDINGS RE).

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives, dated 10th September, 1892.

Ordered, "That there be laid before this House a return showing the total cost to the State of the recent proceedings in the Court of Appeal in respect of the appointment of Mr. Justice Edwards, or connected therewith, including preliminary opinions as to the validity of the appointment, and any opinions obtained from counsel subsequently to the decision of the Court of Appeal, and including as well the cost of the defence as the costs of the prosecution, distinguishing—(1) the several sums paid to counsel, stating the services in respect of which such sums have been paid, and the names of the counsel to whom the same have been paid; (2) the sums paid to Mr. H. B. Vogel, stating the services for which such sums have been paid, and whether such sums include any payment in respect to the abortive proceedings commenced by him in the name of one Aldridge, a felon; (3) the costs paid to the Crown Solicitor, and to the solicitors for the defendant, other than for counsel's fees, stating separately the amounts paid to each, and how much of such amounts is for disbursements; (4) the cost of reporting and transcribing the report of the proceedings before the Court of Appeal; (5) cost of passages of Hansard reporters; (6) cost of printing report of proceedings before the Court of Appeal, and of the statement of case, affidavits, &c., presented to the Court."—(Mr. Fisher.)

RETURN showing the Total Cost to the State of the Proceedings in the Court of Appeal in respect of the Appointment of Mr. W. B. Edwards, or connected therewith.

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1.	Messrs. Mackrell, Godlee, and Co., for fees to Counsel in London		500 - 0	0
	Sir Robert Stout, fee as Counsel for arguing case in Court of Appeal		105 0	0
2.	Mr. H. B. Vogel, as Solicitor, and Junior Counsel in the Court of Appeal		$78 \ 15$	0
	(No payment has been made to him by the Government in Aldridge's case.)			
3.	Costs paid to Crown Solicitor		125 - 7	0
	disbursements		$21 \ 17$	0
	Solicitors' costs for the defendant		Nil	
4.	Cost of reporting and transcribing report of proceedings before the Court of App	eal	73 5	0
	Cost of passages of Hansard reporters		$13 \ 12$	0
	Cost of printing report of proceedings before the Court of Appeal, &c		152 - 7	6
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	$\operatorname{Total} \qquad \dots \qquad \dots$	£	1,070 3	6

C. J. A. HASELDEN,

Wellington, 22nd July, 1892.

Under-Secretary for Justice.

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