1893. NEW ZEALAND.

LANDS ACQUIRED FOR RAILWAY PURPOSES

(PARTICULARS AS TO).

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated 23rd September, 1892.

Ordered, "That the Railway Commissioners lay before the House a return showing—(1) The various areas of land which have been acquired for railway purposes; (2) the value of each such area which is not being used for railway purposes; and (3) whether such areas are let, and the annual revenue which is being received therefrom."—
(Mr. Guinness.)

1. The various areas of land which have been acquired for railway purposes. 2. The value of each such area which is not being used for railway purposes.—See copy of correspondence attached.

3. The annual revenue which is being received therefrom.—See returns herewith, compiled from statements presented to Parliament each year since 1882.

CORRESPONDENCE IN RESPECT OF SECTIONS 1 AND 2 OF ORDER OF HOUSE.

No. 1.

The Under-Secretary for Public Works to the Railway Commissioners.

Return re Areas of Land acquired for Railway Purposes, with Value of Same, &c.

Public Works Department, Wellington,

The Railway Commissioners.

I am directed by the Minister for Public Works to forward to you herewith copy of an order of the House of Representatives directing that a return be prepared showing the various areas of land acquired for railway purposes, with the value of same, &c., and to request that the Commissioners will be good enough to furnish the Minister with a return in compliance with the order accordingly.

H. J. H. Blow,

Under-Secretary for Public Works.

No. 2.

The Chief Commissioner of Railways to the Hon. the Minister for Public Works.

Return of Areas of Land acquired for Railway Purposes.

New Zealand Government Railways, Head Office,

The Hon. the Minister for Public Works. Wellington, 2nd November, 1892. To enable a return to be finished in compliance with the order of the House of Representatives, as per extract sent under cover of the Under-Secretary's memorandum of the 30th ultimo, the Commissioners have again the honour to ask that all land-plans and particulars in connection with the acquisition of lands for railway purposes may be handed over to them.

James McKerrow, Chief Commissioner.

No. 3.

The Under-Secretary for Public Works to the Railway Commissioners.

Return to Areas of Land acquired for Railway Purposes, with Value of Same, &c.

Public Works Department, Wellington, 23rd December, 1892.

The Railway Commissioners.

23rd December, 1892.

With reference to your memorandum of the 2nd ultimo, requesting that all land-plans, &c., in connection with the acquisition of land for railway purposes might be handed over to the Commissioners in order that the above-mentioned return might be prepared, I have now the honour, by direction of the Minister for Public Works, to state that he is unable to see his way to accede to