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AIR DEPARTMENT

(REPORT ON THE), FOR THE YEAR 1940-41.

Presented in pursuance of Section 7 of the Air Department Act, 1937.

REPORT BY THE HONOURABLE F. JONES, MINISTER IN CHARGE OF THE AIR DEPARTMENT, FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1941.

MR. SPEAKER,—

I have the honour to present to Parliament the report of the Air Department for the year ended the 31st March, 1941.

For obvious reasons, certain information which ordinarily would be incorporated has been omitted.

I desire to express to all concerned my appreciation of the efficient and energetic manner in which they have met the many problems and difficulties of this period.

REPORT BY THE CHIEF OF THE AIR STAFF FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1941.

The Hon. the MINISTER OF DEFENCE.

I HAVE the honour to submit the following report on the Royal New Zealand Air Force for the year ended 31st March, 1941.

PERSONNEL.

Satisfactory progress has been maintained in the enlistment of personnel for the Royal New Zealand Air Force. Selection committees for both air crew and non-flying personnel have made periodical tours throughout the Dominion, and suitable publicity has been given to the requirements of the Service.

AWARDS.

From 4th September, 1939, to 31st March, 1941, a total of eighty-one awards has been made to New-Zealanders serving with the Royal Air Force or the Royal New Zealand Air Force. This is comprised as follows:—

Distinguished Flying Cross (with bar)	..	..	..	..	2
Distinguished Flying Cross	..	..	..	..	62
Distinguished Flying Medal	5
George Medal	3
Air Force Cross	8
Croix de Guerre	1

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