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## CORONERS' INQUESTS AND POST-MORTEM EXAMINATIONS

(PARTICULARS RELATIVE TO) IN THE FOUR PRINCIPAL CITIES.

*Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated the 24th July, 1903.*

*Ordered*, "That there be laid before this House a return showing (1) the number of inquests held in the four large centres of the colony—namely, Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch, and Dunedin—for the period from the 1st April, 1901, to the 31st March, 1903, and the total number in each city respectively; (2) the number of *post-mortem* examinations held by doctors at such inquests, and the cost of such examinations; and (3) the total cost in each city of holding such inquests for the period above named."—(Mr. BOLLARD.)

RETURN showing (1) the NUMBER of INQUESTS held in the Four Large Centres of the Colony—namely, Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch, and Dunedin—for the Period from the 1st April, 1901, to the 31st March, 1903, and the Total Number in each City respectively: (2) the Number of *post-mortem* Examinations held by Doctors at such Inquests, and the Cost of such Examinations; and (3) the Total Cost in each City of holding such Inquests for the Period above named.

Centre.	Number of Inquests held.	Number of <i>post-mortem</i> Examinations.	Cost of <i>post-mortems</i> .	Total Cost of such Inquests.
Auckland	283	96	£ s. d. 203 14 0	£ s. d. 1,246 5 10
Wellington	174	40	84 0 0	590 3 0
Christchurch	258	82	172 4 0	820 11 4
Dunedin	227	7	14 14 0	756 17 6
Totals	942	225	474 12 0	3,413 17 8

F. WALDEGRAVE, Under-Secretary.

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