1915. NEW ZEALAND.

INTERIM RETURN OF SHEEP

IN THE DOMINION ON THE 30TH APRIL, 1915.

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

Department of Agriculture, Industries, and Commerce, Wellington, 21st June, 1915.

APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF SHEEP IN THE DOMINION ON THE 30TH APRIL, 1915.

. District.		Number	Increase.	Decrease.	
		1914.* 1915.			
Auckland Napier-Gisborne Wellington - West Coast Marlborough-Nelson-Westland Canterbury-Kaikoura Otago		5,787,907 5,458,462 5,892,983 5,836,320 1,304,639 1,341,758 37,1 5,557,130 5,353,776		329,445 56,663 203,354	
Totals		24,798,763	24,465,526	256,225	589,462
			e, North Island e, South Island	•••	169,591 163,646
	•	N	et decrease for Dominion	• • •	333,237

^{*} Complete returns.

Number of Sheep in the Dominion and Export of Mutton and Lamb for the past Ten Years, at 30th April.

Year.	Number of Sheep in Dominion.	Mutton Carcases exported.	Legs and Pieces exported.	Lamb Carcases exported.
		· ·	Cwt.	
1906	20,108,471	1,500,773	13,471	2,134,563
1907	20,983,772	1,921,465	37,456	2,519,417
1908	22,449,053	1,821,426	35,663	2,826,437
1909	23,480,707	1,899,446	41,681	2,910,358
1910	24,269,620	1,711,839	52,873	3,423,918
1911	23,996,126	1,979,534	42,624	3,708,468
1912	23,750,153	1,918,119	34,667	3,035,783
1913	24,191,810	2,133,226	20,133	3,181,991
1914	24,798,763	2,630,962	22,696	3,808,006
1915	24,465,526*	2,392,213	15,274	3,456,597

^{*} Approximate.

W. F. Massey, Minister of Agriculture.

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