1917. NEW ZEALAND.

PRIMARY INDUSTRIES OF THE DOMINION

(RETURN RELATIVE TO).

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated the 2nd October, 1917.

Ordered, "That there be laid before this House a return showing—(1) The number of sheep and cattle killed at freezing-works in (a) South Island and (b) North Island from the 1st August, 1916, to the 31st July, 1917; (2) the quantity of cheese and butter manufactured for export in (a) South Island and (b) North Island from the 1st August, 1916, to the 31st July, 1917; (3) the amount of meat shipped from (a) South Island and (b) North Island from the 1st August, 1916, to the 31st July, 1917; (4) the quantity of butter and cheese shipped from (a) South Island and (b) North Island from the 1st August, 1916, to the 31st July, 1917; and (5) the shipping-space allotted in each Island in respect to (a) meat and (b) dairy-produce from the 31st July, 1917, to date."—(Mr. Talbor.)

RETURN.

(1.)	The number of sheep and 31st July, 1917:—	d cattle kill	ed at fr	eezing-wor	ks fron	n the 1st	August, 1916, to the
	South Island North Island			•••		2,263,497 4,079,443	60 lb. carcases.
(2.)	Quantity of cheese and last July, 1917:—	outter man	ufacture	d for expo	ort from		
	South Island North Island		•••		•••	Boxes of Butter. 49,094 906,944	Grates of Cheese. 132,518 564,233
(3.)	Amount of meat shipped	from the 1s	st Augus	t, 1916, to	the 31	st July, 19	17:
` ,	South Island North Island		•	•••		1,584,936 3,237,288	60 lb. carcases.
(4.)	Quantity of butter and cl	neese shipp	ed from	the 1st Au	gust, 1	916, to the	31st July, 1917:—
						Boxes of Butter.	Crates of Cheese.
	South Island North Island	•••		•••		44,514 735,546	$115,384 \\ 477,404$
(5.)	The shipping-space allott	ed in each			st July	, 1917, to	date:—
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	South Island		••	•••	• • •	72,000	60 lb. carcases.
	North Island	•••	•••	•••	•••	656,000	,,
		Dairy-produce.				Boxes of Butter.	Crates of Cheese.
	South Island	•••	•••	•••		1,200	18,765
	North Island	•••	•••	•••	•••	69,4 00	56,035

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