

HEMP AND TOW GRADING RETURNS.

OCTOBER, 1911.

Hemp.—The total number of bales graded was 7,349, as compared with 8,870 for the corresponding month of last year, a decrease of 1,521 bales. For the twelve months ending 31st October the number graded was 96,806, as compared with 127,589 for the previous twelve months, a decrease of 30,783 bales.

Tow.—During the month 1,985 bales were dealt with, as compared with 2,772 for the corresponding month of last year, a decrease of 788 bales.

HEMP AND TOW GRADED THROUGHOUT THE DOMINION DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1911.

Hemp.

Port.	Superior.	Fine.	Good-fair.	Fair.	Common.	Rejected.	Condemned.	Total.
	Bales.	Bales.	Bales.	Bales.	Bales.	Bales.	Bales.	Bales.
Auckland	81	562	7	..	..	650
Napier
Foxton	100	1,826	1,329	67	11	..	3,333
Wellington	36	1,622	1,373	11	6	1	3,049
Blenheim
Picton
Lyttelton	84	..	..	..	..	..	84
Dunedin	15	..	..	..	15
Bluff	58	158	2	..	..	218
Totals	220	3,587	3,437	87	17	1	7,349
Percentages of total	..	3	48.82	46.73	1.19	0.24	.02	100

Tow.

Port.	First Grade.	Second Grade.	Third Grade.	Condemned.	Total.
	Bales.	Bales.	Bales.	Bales.	Bales.
Auckland ..	..	..	..	..	..
Napier ..	..	..	..	..	..
Foxton ..	515	345	41	..	901
Wellington ..	482	302	64	57	905
Blenheim ..	..	..	..	..	..
Picton ..	..	..	..	..	..
Lyttelton ..	90	45	..	..	135
Dunedin ..	..	..	3	..	3
Bluff ..	..	40	..	1	41
Totals ..	1,087	732	108	58	1,985