1873. NEW ZEALAND.

AREA, POPULATION, REVENUE, ETC.,

OF THE SEVERAL PROVINCES.

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives, dated 7th August, 1873,

"That there be laid upon the Table a Return showing—(1.) The area of each Province and of the County of Westland.

(2.) Population of each to date of last estimate.

(3.) Revenue raised for Colonial purposes during Financial Year 1871-72.

(4.) Proportion of Public Works Loan expended or authorized to be expended in each to end of year 1872."—(Mr Sheehan.)

RETURN showing the Area of each Province and of the County of Westland.

Province.			AREA IN ACRES.	PROVINCE	AREA IN ACRES.		
Auckland Hawke's Bay Taranaki Wellington Nelson			16,650,000 2,950,000 2,290,000 7,000,000 6,928,000	Marlborough Canterbury Westland (County) Otago		3,000,000 8,693,000 3,025,000 16,038,400	

ESTIMATED POPULATION of the several Provinces of New Zealand and of the County of Westland, on the 31st December, 1872.

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Province of Auckland			66,805	County of Westland	•••		15,176
" Taranaki			4,756	Province of Otago			77,661
" Wellington	•••		27,066				
" Hawke's Bay	·		$7,\!294$				279,423
" Nelson			23,611	Chatham Islands	•••		13 7
" Marlborough			$5,\!544$				
" Canterbury			$51,\!510$	Total estimated populat	tion of Col	lony	279,560
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The above estimate has been made on the basis of the Census of 27th February, 1871, by adding the estimated Increase (from Excess of Births over Deaths and of Immigration over Emigration) up to the end of December, 1872; except in the case of Westland, where the Emigration exceeded the Immigration.

This is the only approximation that can be made, and is to be regarded as subject to the uncertainty arising from there being no means of ascertaining the numbers of persons who migrated from one part of New Zealand to another during the period.

13th August, 1873.

John B. Bennett, Registrar-General.

RETURN showing the REVENUE RAISED for COLONIAL PURPOSES in each Province and in the COUNTY of WESTLAND, during the FINANCIAL YEAR 1871-72.

Province.	Amount.	Province.	AMOUNT.	
Auckland	8,125 16 0 97,844 10 2 30,362 5 8 87,418 6 11	Canterbury Otago	£ s. d. 143,352 8 3 77,358 9 7 310,189 5 3	

Note.—The above is exclusive of Revenue collected at the Chatham Islands, £90 15s. 10d., and of a sum of £32,757 10s. 7d., which consists chiefly of interest received on Trust Fund Investments, and cannot be allocated to any Province.

C. T. BATKIN,

Treasury, 13th August, 1873.

Secretary to Treasury.