1882. NEW ZEALAND.

FURTHER REPORTS OF GOLD FIELDS COMMITTEE.

(MR. DE LAUTOUR, CHAIRMAN.)

"GOLD DUTIES ABOLITION BILL, 1882."—(FINAL REPORT.)

THE Committee, having ordered me to report the Bill to the House, further instructed me to report the result of the inquiries made by the Committee as to the present bank overdrafts of the local bodies affected. The following is the analysis of the information obtained, showing how the sums of money advanced are secured:—

Local Body.				Amount of Overdraft.	How Secured.
				£ s. d.	
Inangahua				603 0 0	Gold duty.
			(No overdraft, but ban	
Crow			<i>)</i>	has discounted pro	o- Cold duty
Grey	•••	•••)	missory notes to th	Gold duty.
•			(value of £2,000)
$\mathbf{Westland}$	•••		•••	800 0 0	Gold duty and gold revenue.
Wallace				6,000 0 0	$\int £1,700$ charged upon gold duty
	•••	• • •		,	£4,300 general revenue.
Coromandel	•••	• • • •	• • •	700 0 0	General revenue.
Thames (Borough)			• • • •	No information.	
Thames (County)	•••	•••	• • • •	7,031 0 0	General revenue.
Piako	•••		•••	$352 ext{ } 1 ext{ } 8\frac{1}{2}$	General revenue.
${f Marlborough}$			•••	No reply.	
Buller	•••	•••	• • •	4,000 0 0	General revenue.
Ross (Borough)			•••	310 8 0	General revenue.
Maniototo	•••		•••	1,500 0 0	General revenue.
Lake	•••		• • •	No information.	
Vincent		•••		4,835 0 0	General revenue.
Tuapeka				5,000 0 0	General revenue.

12th July, 1882.

C. A. DE LAUTOUR, Chairman.

By Authority: GRORGE DIDSBURY, Government Printer, Wellington.