## 1882. NEW ZEALAND.

### VALUATIONS UNDER LAND AND PROPERTY TAX

(RETURN OF).

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives, dated 8th June, 1882.

"That there be laid upon the table a return showing (1) the valuation of each county and borough under "The Land-Tax Act, 1878;" (2) the valuation of each such county and borough under "The Property-Tax Act, 1879."— (Mr. Pyke.)

Note.-For purposes of comparison the various counties and boroughs have been shown under the several land-tax

### MEMORANDUM by MR. SPERREY.

Property-Tax Department, Wellington, 28th June, 1882.
The accompanying return of the assessed values of property under the Land-Tax Act and under the Property-Tax Acts requires an explanation to account for the differences between the values of land, together with improvements under the former Act and the property assessment values. By the Land-Tax Act land held under lease or license from the Crown for pastoral and other purposes, Native lands occupied by Europeans, charitable, religious, and educational reserves and endowments, and municipal, and other like reserves and endowments, when occupied by a tenant, were set down at the capital value of land and improvements; but by the Property Assessment Acts such properties were not assessed at the capital value, but at that of tenants' interests only.

The property-assessment valuations were at a reduced rate in consequence of the very general

depression in real estate, the provision for assessing certain leased properties at fourteen times the rental, and the operation of the provision for assessing at the cash value to sell by auction.

I consider this will account for £14,993,210.

| The assessments unde   | er the two s | ystems v   | vould be t | hus recon  | ciled:—    |                      |       |                 |
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| Property-tax           |              | •••        |            | •••        | ***        | •••                  | •••   | £73,958,182     |
| I estimate that the fo | llowing fig  | ures fairl | y give suc | h differer | nces in va | ılue:                |       |                 |
| 1. Lands held f        |              |            |            |            |            |                      | other |                 |
| purposes               | •••          |            |            | •••        |            | •••                  |       | 6,095,464       |
| 2. Native lands a      | and Native   | reserves   | occupied   | by Europ   | eans       | ··· _                |       | 2,078,851       |
| 3. Reserves and        |              |            |            |            |            | odi <b>es, inc</b> l | uding |                 |
| Harbour Bo             |              |            |            | rators, &c |            | ***                  | •••   | 751,184         |
| 4. Educational re      |              |            |            | •••        | • • •      | ***                  | ***   | 624,713         |
| 5. Religious and       |              |            | and endor  | wments     | •••        | •••                  | • • • | 877,28 <b>7</b> |
| 6. Other reserve       | s and endov  | vments     | ***        | ***        | ***        | •••                  | •••   | 187,788         |
| Depreciation           |              | ***        | ***        | ***.       | *. 6 *     | •••                  | •••   | 14,993,210      |
|                        | Land-tax     | improve    | d values   | ***        | •••        | •••                  |       | £99,566,679     |

J. SPERREY, Property-Tax Commissioner.

### SUMMARY.

| ************************************** |     | LAND-TAX.            |            | Рворвиту-  |            |     | Land                   | Рворявту-              |            |  |
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|  |     | Unimproved.          | Improved.  | Tax.       | Unimp      |     | Unimproved.            | Improved.              | TAX.       |  |
| BOROUGHS:                              |     | £                    | £          |            | Counties:  |     | £                      | £                      | £          |  |
| Hawke's Bay                            |     | 1,381,945<br>565,179 |            |            |            | *** | 4,324,219<br>4,035,374 | 7,862,018<br>5,953,610 |            |  |
| Wellington                             |     | 3,941,954            | 6,246,912  | 4,570,760  | Wellington | ••• |                        |                        | 7,634,290  |  |
| Nelson                                 | ••• | 376,032              |            |            |            | ••• |                        |                        | 3,801,735  |  |
| Canterbury                             | ••• | 2,869,049            | 6,073,924  |            |            |     |                        |                        | 17,257,564 |  |
| Otago                                  | ••• | 5,227,419            | 9,499,457  | 7,933,681  | Otago      | ••• | 14,100,170             | 20,264,767             | 10,936,256 |  |
| Total                                  | ••• | 14,361,578           | 26,958,516 | 22,426,981 | Total      |     | 48,212 290             | 72,608,163             | 51,531,201 |  |

## TOTAL.

|                      |     |       |     |            |     | Land | Propesty-Tax.                 |                         |                               |
|----------------------|-----|-------|-----|------------|-----|------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
|                      |     |       |     |            |     |      | Unimproved.                   | Impřoved.               |                               |
| Boroughs<br>Counties | ••• | •••   | ••  | 314<br>841 | *** |      | £<br>14,361,578<br>48,212,290 | £ 26,958,516 72,608,163 | £<br>22,426,981<br>51,531,201 |
|                      |     | Total | *** |            | ••• |      | 62,573,868                    | 99,566,679              | 73,958,182                    |

Note.—The following boroughs, created since the passing of the Land Act, October, 1878, have, for purposes of comparison, been included under the property-tax assessment in the county in which the borough was contained when the land-tax valuation was made: Marton, in Rangitikei; Waimate, in Waimate; Hampden, in Waitaki; and Campbelltown, in Southland.

J SPERREY, Property-Tax Commissioner.

RETURN showing (1) the Valuation of each County and Borough under "The Land-Tax Act, 1878"; and (2) the Valuation of each such County and Borough under "The Property-Tax Act, 1879."

|                      | LAND        | Tax.      | Рворевту-   |                    |     | Land-Tax.   |           | PROPERTY-         |
|----------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|--------------------|-----|-------------|-----------|-------------------|
|                      | Unimproved. | Improved. | Tax.        |                    |     | Unimproved. | Improved. | TAX.              |
| AUCKLAND BOROUGHS:   | £           | £         | £           | CANTERBURY BOROUGE | ıs: | £           | £         | £                 |
| Auckland             | 1,087,217   |           | 2,195,992   |                    |     | 37,233      |           |                   |
| Hamilton             | 59,967      | 126,316   |             |                    |     | 748,973     |           |                   |
| Thames               | 20,100      | 201,497   | $155,\!112$ |                    |     | 31,703      |           | 80,108            |
| Parnell              | 104,705     |           | 266,307     | Lyttelton          |     | 173,204     |           | 308,517           |
| Onehunga             | 69,576      | 164,338   | 135,116     |                    |     | 87,430      |           |                   |
|                      |             |           |             | Timaru             |     | 399,513     |           | 557,410           |
| Total                | 1,381,945   | 2,748,250 | 2,861,775   | Sydenham           |     | 306,973     |           |                   |
|                      |             |           |             | Christchurch       |     | 1,084,020   |           |                   |
| HAWKE'S BAY BOROUGHS | :           |           |             |                    |     |             |           |                   |
| Napier               | 419.869     | 779,986   | 651,090     | Total              |     | 2,869,049   | 6,073,924 | 4,942,163         |
| Gisborne             | 145,310     |           | 196,866     |                    |     |             |           |                   |
|                      |             |           |             | OTAGO BOROUGHS:    |     |             |           |                   |
| Total                | 565,179     | 1,012,137 | 847,956     | Alexandra          |     | 544         | 3,628     | 5,956             |
|                      |             |           |             | Arrowtown          |     | 8,954       | 57,008    | 25,456            |
| WELLINGTON BOROUGHS  | :           |           |             | Avenal             |     | 14,330      | 21,940    | 25,305            |
| New Plymouth         | 197,411     | 363,279   | 323,549     | Balclutha          |     | 24,022      |           |                   |
| Wellington           | 3,051,930   | 4,638,480 | 3,275,291   | Caversham          |     | 263,024     | 458,330   | 317,811           |
| Greytown             | 45 015      | 117,041   | 97,271      | Cromwell           |     | 19,987      | 43,929    | 29,209            |
| Masterton            | 0.00,000    | 418,610   | 270,912     | Dunedin            |     | 2,770,330   | 4,913,391 | 3,962,929         |
| Wanganui             | 900,040     | 557,970   | 435,673     | Gladstone          | .,  | 17,610      | 24,510    | 23,085            |
| Palmerston North     | 00,100      | 156,532   |             | Green Island       |     | 9,435       | 23,930    | 37,417            |
|                      |             |           |             | Invercargill       |     | 371,061     | 662,145   | 636,138           |
| Total                | 3,941,954   | 6,246,912 | 4,570,760   | Invercargill North |     | 17,949      | 30,360    | 45,000            |
|                      |             | <u> </u>  |             | Invercargill South | .,  | 24,675      | 45,100    | 57,456            |
| NELSON BOROUGHS:     |             |           |             | Invercargill East  |     | 25,361      | 58,571    | 56,916            |
| Nelson               | 250,305     | 776,879   | 743,149     | Lawrence           |     | 37,529      | 104,219   | 88,908            |
| Blenheim             | 82,271      | 218,908   | 213,283     | Maori Hill         |     | 123,120     | 211,756   | 146,762           |
| Greymouth            | 19 7775     | 107,806   | 71,622      | Milton             |     | 31,159      | 109,639   | 82,389            |
| Ross                 | 65          | 5,142     | 26,539      |                    |     | 123,591     | 258,509   |                   |
| Kumara               | 166         | 18,525    |             |                    |     | 6,744       |           |                   |
| Hokitika             | 2,731       | 117,488   |             |                    |     | 154,874     | 232,613   |                   |
| Westport             | 11,668      |           |             | Oamaru             |     | 475,658     | 837,112   | 718,279           |
| Picton               | 15 051      | 66,396    | 70,724      | Palmerston South   |     | 42,846      | 79,604    | 63,453            |
| Total                | 376,032     | 1,377,836 | 1,270,646   | Carried forward    | ٠.  | 4,562,803   | 8,269,355 | 6,777,12 <b>7</b> |

read "Ashburton, £68,349;" "Christchurch, £1,764,644."

ERRATUM.—B. 14. Under Canterbury Boroughs, Land-Tax, unimproved values, for "Ashburton, £748,973;" "Christchurch, £1,084,020;"



RETURN showing the Valuation of each County and Borough, &c .- continued.

|  | LAND-TAX.          |  | Рворивту- | No. of Contraction of | LAND               | Риоринту-            |   |
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| OTAGO BOROUGHS-contd.                                  | !                  |  | ]         | continued.   |                    | ~~                   |   |
| Port Chalmers  | 63,970             | 156,220  |           |  | Nil                | Nil                  | 83,196  |
| Queenstown   | 18,403             |  |           |  | 3 905 005          | 1 000 155            | 1 050 550   |
| Riverton   | 47,974             | 86,267   |           |  | 1,265,007          |                      |   |
| Roslyn   | 164,166            |  |           |  | 593,989<br>676,457 |                      | 1,032,305<br>704,101                              |
| Roxburgh   | 3,160              |  |           |  | 891,173            |                      |   |
| South Dunedin St. Kilda                                | 97,495<br>107,456  |  |           |  |                    | 1,010,010            | 1,210,241   |
| St. Kilda Tapanui                                      | 9,458              |  |           |  | 6.075.169          | 10,439,552           | 7,634,290   |
| West Harbour   | 134,950            |  |           |  |                    |                      |   |
| West Hawkesbury  | 6,531              | 26,521   | 17,153    | CANTERBURY COUNTIES:   |                    |                      |   |
| Winton   | 11,053             |  |           |  | 817,784            | 1,219,527            | 785,575   |
| ,, 2   |                    |  |           | Ashburton  | 2,346,555          | 3,159,098            | 2.530.271   |
| Total  | 5,227,419          | 9,499,457  | 7,933,681 | Ashley   | 2,711,249          |                      | 2,527,665   |
|  |                    |  |           | Geraldine  | 3,469,171          | 4,530,051            |   |
| AUCKLAND COUNTIES:                                     |                    |  |           | Selwyn   | 5,484,240          |                      |   |
| Mongonui   | 54,724             | 85,697   |           | Waimate  | 1,991,339          |                      |   |
| Whangarei  | 122,478            | 246,185  |           |  | Nil                | Nil                  | 108,293   |
| Whakatane  | 83,909             |  |           |  | 16,820,338         | 99 911 909           | 17 957 564  |
| Hobson   | 151,590            |  |           |  | 10,020,000         | 25,511,050           | 17,207,009  |
| Waikato  | 433,709<br>20,347  | $\begin{array}{r} 647,075 \\ 63,248 \end{array}$ | 120,710   | NELSON COUNTIES:   |                    |                      |   |
| Hokianga   | 149,430            |  |           |  | 414,098            | 1,039,184            | 946,929   |
| Raglan Bay of Islands                                  | 114,353            | 208,090  |           |  | 1,091,902          |                      |   |
| Coromandel   | 49,078             |  |           |  | 81,212             |                      |   |
| Kawhia   | 971                | 1,151  |           |  | 41,938             |                      |   |
| Taupo East and West                                    | 655                |  |           |  | 52,428             |                      |   |
| Piako  | 481,350            |  |           |  | 115,313            |                      |   |
| Waipa  | 410,601            | 717,985  |           |  | 10,379             | 64,752               | 36,631  |
| Eden   | 826,889            |  |           | Westland   | 18,434             |                      | 59,470  |
| Woods and other islands                                | )                  |  |           | Grey   | 60,552             |                      |   |
| Kawau and other islands                                | 43,967             | 89,833   | 78,755    | Amuri  | 559,676            |                      | 527,541   |
| Waiheke Island   | 10,007             | 00,000   | ,,,,      | Cheviot  | 411,088            | 488,038              | 341,052   |
| Great and Little Barrier                               |                    | - 10 0   | 100 555   | 03-4-1   | 9.957.090          | 4 770 010            | 0.001.505   |
| Thames   | 116,075            |  |           | Total  | 2,857,020          | 4,776,518            | 3,801,735   |
| Manukau  | 565,881            |  | 1,033,036 | OTAGO COUNTIES:  |                    |                      |   |
| Waitemata Tauranga                                     | 271,455<br>246,638 | 460,561 $395,052$                                |           | Bruce  | 749,903            | 1,193,964            | 892,990   |
| Tauranga Rodney  | 180,119            |  |           |  | 1,090,324          |                      | 957,564   |
| modified   | 100,110            |  |           | Fiord  | 4,500              |                      | Nil   |
| Total  | 4,324,219          | 7.862.018  | 7,428,345 |  | 492,721            | 797,517              | 234,770   |
|  |                    |  |           | Maniototo  | 457,037            | 670,367              | 160,716   |
| HAWKE'S BAY COUNTIES:                                  |                    |  |           | Peninsula  | 326,853            | 575,247              | 340,296   |
| Hawke's Bay  | 1,751,115          | 2,613,696  | 1,986,657 | Southland  |                    | 5,194,550            | 2,839,779   |
| Wairoa   | 386,215            |  |           |  | Nil                | Nil                  | 57,636  |
| Waipawa  | 1,255,741          | 1,936,906  | 1,687,305 | town Borough   |                    | 0.000                |   |
| Cook   | 642,303            | 871,447  | 475,184   |  | 4,797              | 9,069                | 6.704   |
| <b>7</b> 9 . 1   |                    |  | 4 470 077 | Taieri   | 1,159,464          |                      |   |
| Total  | 4,035,374          | 0,953,610  | 4,473,011 |  | 791,272<br>536,942 |                      | $\begin{array}{c} 611,457 \\ 239,414 \end{array}$ |
| Waterman Corner  |                    |  |           | Vincent Waikouaiti   | 963,360            | 744,475<br>1,414,825 |   |
| Wellington Counties:<br>Taranaki                       | 504,012            | 830,797  | 712,272   |  | 2,529 311          |                      | 1,875,823   |
| TO .   |                    | 1,240,734  |           | Waitaki<br>Waitaki, Hampden  | Nil                | Nil                  | 23,093  |
| Vanganui   | 864,305            |  |           |  | 1                  | 2121                 | 20,000  |
| Rangitikei   | 402,269            |  |           | Wallace  | 1,233.184          | 1,516,311            | 811,324   |
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