

RETURN of SLEEPERS for which Tenders or Private Offers have been received by the Public Works Department, 1883—*continued.*

Name of Tenderer.	Quantity tendered for.	Kind of Timber.	Rate per Sleeper.	Place of Delivery.	How tendered for.	Accepted or declined.
W. Booth and Co. ..	10,000	Black pine ..	s. d. 4 0	Timaru ..	Public advertisement	Accepted.
J. and C. Bull ..	10,000	" ..	4 2	" ..	"	Declined.
Guthrie and Larnach ..	5,000	Black " pine and totara	4 3	" ..	"	"
Findlay and Co. ..	10,000	All sorts ..	4 5	" ..	"	"
John Murdoch ..	15,000	Black pine or totara	3 2	Riverton—Orepuki Railway	"	Accepted.
A. F. Dawson ..	7,000	Ditto ..	3 4			Declined.
W. Cruickshank ..	5,000	" ..	3 5	Danevirk ..	"	Accepted.
F. H. Stevens ..	2,000	Totara ..	2 4			
Henry Carlson ..	1,000	" ..	2 5	" ..	"	"
D. McAllum ..	1,000	" ..	2 6	" ..	"	"
C. Weber ..	5,000	" ..	2 9	Makotuku ..	"	"
Henderson and Wratt..	5,000	" ..	3 0	Danevirk ..	"	Declined.

TENDERS for SUPPLY of SLEEPERS for WORKING RAILWAYS, 1884.

A. T. Thomson ..	3,000	Black birch ..	3 0	Para ..	Public advertisement	Accepted.
R. Ferrall and Co. ..	3,000	Puriri ..	4 9	Lyttelton ..	Standing advertisement in Auckland papers offering to purchase puriri sleepers on delivery at Port Chalmers and Lyttelton	"
H. Loisel ..	20,000	" ..	4 6			
" ..	2,000	" ..	4 3	Napier ..	"	"
John Perry ..	5,000	Black pine ..	3 0	Kelso ..	No advertisement ..	Declined.

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Dunedin Iron and Wood-ware Company	10,000	Black pine or totara	4 11	Windsor ..	Public advertisement	Accepted.
Ditto ..	10,000	Jarrah ..	6 6	" ..	"	Accepted at 5s. 4d. for delivery at Oamaru.
Findlay and Co. ..	10,000	Black pine and totara	4 9	" ..	"	Declined.
Johnston, Wood, and Co. ..	5,000	Ditto ..	4 0	" ..	"	"
" ..	5,000	Totara ..	4 6	" ..	"	"
Dunedin Iron and Wood-ware Company	15,000	Jarrah ..	5 11	Inverteil ..	"	Accepted at 4s. 11d. for delivery at Dunedin.
John Murdoch ..	5,000	Totara or black pine	4 3	" ..	"	Declined.
A. F. Dawson ..	10,000	Ditto ..	3 1	Centre Bush ..	"	"
Dunedin Iron and Wood-ware Company	"	" ..	3 11	Dunedin ..	"	"
Ditto ..	25,000	Jarrah ..	4 11	" ..	"	Accepted, and 25,000 more at same price.
Findlay and Co. ..	12,000	Black pine or totara	3 11	" ..	"	Declined.
" ..	13,000	Ditto ..	4 1	" ..	"	"
C. W. Turner ..	25,000	Jarrah ..	4 9	" ..	"	"
H. Adsett ..	6,000	Matai ..	3 10	" ..	"	"
J. and C. Bull ..	5,000	" ..	3 10	" ..	"	"
Bailey Brothers ..	6,000	Black pine ..	3 11	" ..	"	"

PRIVATE OFFERS, 1884.

J. Johansen ..	1,000	Totara ..	2 4	Danevirk ..	Privately ..	Accepted.
Henderson and Wratt ..	1,000	" ..	2 9	" ..	" ..	"
P. Kiley ..	1,000	" ..	2 3	Makotuku or Matamau	" ..	"
H. Halvorsen ..	1,000	" ..	2 4	Danevirk ..	" ..	"
H. Carlson ..	2,000	" ..	2 5	" ..	" ..	"
— McCallum ..	2,000	" ..	2 6	" ..	" ..	"
F. H. Stevens ..	5,000	" ..	2 6	" ..	" ..	"
" ..	10,000	" ..	2 6	" ..	" ..	"

* In addition to the above the Railway Department has been purchasing puriri sleepers, for Auckland Section, without contract, on standing advertisement.