1886. NEW ZEALAND.

EXPENDITURE ON OTAGO CENTRAL RAILWAY

(RETURN OF) FROM 1878 TO 1883.

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives, dated 23rd June, 1886.

Ordered, "That there be laid upon the table a return showing the expenditure on the Otago Central Railway in the years 1878 to 1883, both inclusive, during which period £142,935 was expended, irrespective of survey charges, whilst the only contract existing during that period was one for £48,839, showing a difference of £94,096 not accounted for."—(Mr. PYKE.)

RETURN showing the EXPENDITURE on the Otago Central Railway in the Years 1878 to 1883, both inclusive.

Year.	Contracts.	Unemployed.	Land.	Miscellaneous.	Survey.	Total.
1878-1879 1879-1880 1880-1881 1881-1882 1882-1883	£ s. d. 300 0 0 17,610 13 0 15,249 12 0 11,850 0 0 13,255 0 0	£ s. d. 31,393 6 5 32,383 4 6 6,469 2 2 1,563 17 0	£ s. d. 11 0 0 14 4 6 1,693 10 5 1,997 13 4 46 1 6	£ s. d. 157 0 8 279 10 10 1,949 4 3 582 2 0 1,993 1 10	£ s. d. 1,471 17 7 452 9 3 1,457 6 7 40 9 7 8,036 1 2*	£ s. d. 1,939 18 3 49,750 4 0 52,682 17 9 20,939 7 1 24,894 1 6
Totals	58,265 5 0	71,759 10 1	3,762 9 9	4,960 19 7	11,458 4 2	150,206 8 7

W. A. THOMAS, Accountant.

Public Works Department, 15th July, 1886.

* £7,269 of this amount was originally charged to the vote for "Surveys of New Lines," but was in the year 1882-1883 transferred to the vote for the construction of the line. Deducting this amount from the total shown—£150,206—leaves £142,937, which no doubt represents the figures referred to in the motion.

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