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THE RABBIT NUISANCE.

APPENDIX TO ANNUAL REPORT ON THE RABBIT NUISANCE BY THE SUPERINTENDING INSPECTOR.

[In continuation of Parliamentary Paper H.-19, 1886.]

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE, &c.

District.	Number of Tenders accepted for destroy- ing Rabbits on Crown Lands.	Amounting to	Quantity of Phosphorus used for Crown Lands.	Quantity sold.	Quantity on Hand on 31st March last.	Total Number of Skins exported from the Colony during Year ended 31st March, 1886.	Value.	Estimated Area of Crown Lands to be dealt with this Year.
Auckland Napier	1	£ s. d. 17 0 0	lb 5	lb. 	1b. 30 5	229,000 1,240,223	£ 2,182	Acres.
Wellington Wairarapa North	1	27 10 0	10		10	1,240,223	12,550	•••
Wairarapa South	7	74 15 0	12		10			25,000
Nelson		1		25	16	•	• • • •	
Blenheim Kaikoura	1	15 0 0	120	20 90	178 40	•••	•••	200 4,000
Lyttelton			120			2,308,650	22,252	1,000
Oamaru	2	94 3 6			30	121,135	1,009	17,000
Palmerston				383				10,000
Dunedin	$\begin{vmatrix} 2\\1 \end{vmatrix}$	112 10 0	• • • •	40	60	4,787,600	42,217	20,000 640
Naseby Clyde	4	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	60		120	•••		66,850
Tuapeka		000 0 0	86	399	73			35,000
Balclutha	3	95 0 0	86		204			34,800
Queenstown	10	397 0 0	64	96	40	•••	•••	92,900
Invercargill	13	350 0 0	100		200	205,764	1,637	
Southland	15	510 12 8	198	365	11	•••	•••	250,000
Totals	60	2,057 17 10	741	1,508	1,027	8,892,372	81,847	556,390

GENERAL REMARKS.—Payments to agents, labour, material purchased, and other contingencies not included in this expenditure. It is impossible to give the number of skins from each district; but the total export for the whole colony from the 1st April, 1885, to the 31st March, 1886, is shown herein, as exported from the different ports. The number of rabbit-skins exported during year ended 31st March, 1885, was 9,869,065, of the value of £108,640. The number of ferrets released on Crown lands by Government during last financial year was 1,331, and over 6,000 ferrets are known to have been released by private owners.

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