## 1886. NEW ZEALAND.

## THE CONSTABULARY FORCE

(ANNUAL REPORT ON).

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

The Hon. Sir George Whitmore to the Hon. the Defence Minister.

Commissioner's Office, Wellington, 14th May, 1886.

In submitting a report, with statistics, of the Constabulary force for the year ending the 31st March, 1886, the Police branch shows a strength on that date of 494, as against 474 last year—not including 22 Native and 8 district constables, at reduced salaries ranging from £10 to £100 per annum—being an increase of 20 on the previous year; while the Field force shows a decrease during the same period of 170. New police stations have been established at Denniston (Westland District), Martinborough and Eketahuna (Wellington District), Manaia, Pukearuhe, Pungarehu, and Opunake (Taranaki District), Kihikihi, Alexandra, and Kawhia (Waikato District); and others reopened at Richmond (Nelson District) and Kaitangata (Dunedin District); besides an additional constable granted to each of the following stations—viz., Kumara, Westport, Woodville, Gisborne, Wanganui, Palmerston North, Gore, and Cambridge, and two to Auckland; whilst the stations at Manutahi and Havelock, in the Taranaki and Napier Districts, have been closed.

The casualties in the Police branch amount to 24, as against 20 in the previous year, made up as follows: Transfer to Volunteer staff 1, resignations 9, discharges 8 (4 of which were on compensations 9).

sation, and 1 for medical unfitness), dismissals 5, and by death 1.

The criminal statistics attached show a small decrease in the more serious and an increase in the minor offences in the North Island, as well as a reduced number of offences of both classes in the South Island. With regard to simple drunkenness there have, however, been increases in the Provincial Districts of Auckland, Wellington, and Hawke's Bay of 175, 144, and 44 respectively; while in Taranaki there are fewer such cases by 25, in Otago by 249, in Nelson by 31, in Westland by 79, and in Canterbury by 96.

Below are given the proportion of police to population and cost per inhabitant of this and the

adjoining colonies, which shows a comparison favourable to New Zealand.

The general conduct of the officers and other members of the force has been very satisfactory, and many of the former have highly distinguished themselves, notably those in Native districts; while the non-commissioned officers and men employed as Clerks to the Bench have given general satisfaction to the Magistrates.

The members of the Field force having been largely withdrawn from Native districts have been replaced, where necessary, by one or more civil police constables with the best results. These changes have necessitated the creation of new police districts, which have been placed in charge of

experienced officers.

Serious offences in the Police force are almost unknown; and, as the desire to obtain appointments is very general, any instances of drunkenness have been punished by instant dismissal from the force.

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The Hon. the Defence Minister.

G. S. WHITMORE, Commissioner.

RETURN showing the Proportion of Police to Population, and Cost of Police per Inhabitant, in each of the following Places.

Place.	Proportion of Police to Population.	Cost of Police per Inhabitant.	Remarks.
New Zealand	1 to 1,266	s. d. 3 2	Calculated on the basis of estimated population, 625,849, on the 31st March, 1886, and the net expenditure for police, £99,402 12s. 9d. (Vide Appropriation Account for year ended on same date.)
New South Wales	1 to 672	5 7	Calculated on number of police, vide Annual Report for 1884, and estimated population on the 31st December, 1884, vide Statistical Register, 1884, page 2. Cost of police for 1884, vide Votes and Proceedings, 1885, Vol. i., page 272.
Queensland	1 to 502	8 8	Calculated on number of police, vide Annual Report for 1884, and estimated population on the 31st December, 1884, vide Pugh's Queensland Almanac for 1886, page 527. Cost of police, vide Estimates, 1884-85.
Victoria South Australia	1 to 803 1 to 718	4 6 6 6	Taken from Victorian Year Book, 1884-85.  Calculated on number of police for 1884, vide Proceedings, South Australia, 1885, Blue Book, page 25, and estimated population on the 31st December, 1884, vide Statistical Register, 1884, Part I., page 5. Cost of police, vide Statistical Register, 1884, Part VI., page 7.

RETURN showing the Number of Offences Reported, Persons Apprehended, and Comparison of Crime during the Year ending 31st December, 1884, and Year ending 31st December, 1885.

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Offences.	Number of all Offences Reported.	Cor mit for T	ted	Sur man Convi	rily	Dis charg		tal Number of ns Apprehended	Number of all Offences Reported.	Com mitte for Tr	∍đ. Ì	Summ		Di char		Total Number of Persons Apprehended	за.	ease.
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NORTH ISLAND. Abduction		•							1					••			1	
Abortion, attempted Abusive language	 6 1	•••		 5 1		1		 6 1	1 63	1		43	3	15 	2	63	57	 
Accessory to a felony Adulteration of Food Act, breaches of Animals Protection Act, breaches of	5 27	•••		5 14		11	2	5 27	12 34			10 23		$\frac{2}{11}$		12 34	7	••
Arms Act, breaches of	1 23	8	2	1 4		5		1 19	$\frac{2}{27}$	2 7		1	::	2	1	2 11	1	• • •
Assaults on bailiffs Assaults, common	466	• •		$\frac{\cdot \cdot}{241}$	27	170	26	464	$\begin{array}{c} 4 \\ 561 \end{array}$			3 250	19	$\frac{1}{254}$	38	561	95	••
Assaults on constables Assaults, indecent	$109 \\ 14$	5	••	94	1	13 8	1	109 13	$95 \\ 12$	5	::	87	5	3 7	•••	95 12	::	$\frac{14}{2}$
Assault and robbery Assaults with intent to commit rape	6			::	::		1	6	3	1	••		::	4 2	••	4		
Assaults with intent to do grievous bodily harm	17	9	1	1		6	1	17	6	2		2		2	•••			17
Assaults occasioning bodily harm Assaults, indictable	••	::	•	::					6 7	6		4		1		6	6	••
Assault with intent to murder Auctioneers Ordinance, breaches of	1	• •	••	1				1	1			::	::			]	1	
Bankruptcy fraud Beer Duty Act, breaches of	3 8			5		3		3 8	$\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 21 \end{array}$			7	::	 12	••	1) 19	·ia	2
Bestiality Bigamy	$\frac{1}{2}$		1			**		$\cdot \cdot_2$	1	::		::	::					2
Brands and Branding Act, breaches of Breaches of the peace	12 100			10 73		$\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 16 \end{array}$		11 100	6 140	::		3 111	1 2	$\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 27 \end{array}$		5 140	 40	6
Breaking and entering and stealing	15			,				6	54	12		7		8		27	39	••
therefrom	13	5			••	1		6	11	7		]		1	1	9	••	2
Burglary, attempted Cattle- and horse-stealing	$\begin{matrix} 2 \\ 64 \end{matrix}$	1 29		::	••	21	i	51	59			::		<b>2</b> 0	::	43		1 5
Cattle-maiming	••	••		••		••	•	• •	3	1				••	••	11	3	••
of	1	• •	::	1		::		1 1	1	::		1	::	••	1	1	::	••
Challenging to fight Coinage Act, offences against	••	• •	::		::	::		••	1 3	3		1		••		1 3	1 3	••
Concealment of birth	1	• •	1	::	••			1	3 3	3	1		••	1	::	2	2 3	• •
Constabulary Force Ordinance, of- fences against	6			6				6										6
Contagious Diseases Act, offences	7	•			2		5	7	41				37	-,	4	41	34	•
Contempt of Court	1 2	•		1	]			1 2	11			5	2	4		11	10	••
Copyright Act, breaches of Corrupt Practices Prevention Act,		•••		1		1		_	~	"			••	1	••	-	••	•••
offences against		$\begin{array}{c c} 2 \\ \cdots \end{array}$		:-	::			6	$\frac{1}{2}$			1		1		1 2	2	
Cruelty to animals Customs Laws Consolidation Act,	86	••	••	70	•••	16	• •	86	81		•	63	1	17	•••	81		5
breaches of Cutting and wounding	1	•••		1		::	••	1	5 4			5	٠	1	::	5 4	4	•
Damaging constables' uniform Debtors and Creditors Act, breaches	••	••			••	• •	••	••	2	••	•	2	••	••		2	2	••
of Default of payment of penalty	4			4		••	• • •	4	2			$\cdot \cdot \cdot_2$	::			2	$\cdot \cdot \cdot_2$	4
Deserting from H.M. service								••	1		$\cdot \cdot  $	ī		···		ī	ī	•••
Destitute Persons Act, offences against	107			71	1	31	3	106	157			82	2	67	2	153	50	٠٠,
Diseased Sheep Act, offences against Discharging arms, &c				5		4		9	8 2			5				8 2	2	
Disobeying maintenance orders Disobeying orders of Court	22 8			$\frac{10}{2}$	1	10 4	1	22 6	24 20	t t		17 13	::	7 7	••	24 20	2 2 12	••
Disobeying summonses Disorderly conduct	17	••	•••	14	1	$\cdot \cdot_2$		17	2 57			$\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 46 \end{array}$	1	8	::	2 57	2 40	••
Distillation Act, offences against Disturbing religious congregations				1				1	$\frac{21}{11}$	- 1		7 9	:	$\begin{array}{c} 14 \\ 2 \end{array}$		21 11	20 11	••
Dog Registration Act, breaches of Dog-stealing	95			78	1	20	1	95	138 1		::	75	1	62		138	43 1	••
Drunkenness	2,768			2,303	364	91 2	10	2,768	3,106 6			2,553	410	124	1	3,106	338 3	••
Education Act, breaches of Elections Regulation Act, breaches of	3 4	••		3	::	1	::	4	1						•••	. 1		
Electric Telegraph Act, offences against								• • • •	2			1		1		2	2	
Embezzlement Employment of Females Act,	36		••	9	••	16		33	27	1	•	8	2	7	•••	25		9
breaches of	8		اا	3	2	3		8	36		••	27	4	2	3	36	28	

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NORTH ISLAND—continued. Escaping from custody Evading toll Explosives Act, breaches of Exposure, indecent False pretences Fisheries Conservation Act, breaches	1   15 52			1  10 12	  1	  2 26		1  13 51	3 4 27 50		••	3 4 22 23		   2		 3 4 25 44	 3 4 12	   2
of Foreign Seamen's Act, breaches of Forcible entry Forging and uttering Forgery Fraudulent bankruptcy Fraudulent conversion of trust-money Furious driving and riding Gaming and Lotteries Act, breaches of Gold-mining Districts Act, breaches of	26 13 54 25  4 32 13	8 38 10  4		25 		 1 . 5 9 13   7		 26 13 47 23  4 32 13	26 17 25 31 4 1  51 39	 5 12 2 		19 11 2  1  46 30		7 2 18 8 2  5		26 13 25 20 4 1  51 39	26  12  1  19 26	9  23 21  4
Harbour regulations, breaches of Housebreaking Illegally on premises Impounding Act, offences against Indecent behaviour Industrial Schools Act, offences against Infanticide Inflicting grevious bodily harm Inspection of Machinery Act, breaches of Justices of Peace Act, breaches of	19 20 48 21  120	6  		17 1 40 7  78 	35	2 4 2 10  6 	2	19 11 48 20 	27 28 54 74 4 128 1 1	 4 	··· ··· ··· ···	18 7 40 31 1 84 	34 	9 4 7 36 3 7	3 2	27 15 54 71 4 128 1 1	8 6 53 4 8 1 1	
Killing cattle with intent to steal the carcases	786 15 22  21  245	6 4 		331  7  6 	40 1 	 163 6  6  95	22 7	608 13 17  20  244	3 935 13 114 2 21 10 211	2 42 7 6  9	2	358 1 18 2 1 	 43 1 5   9	162 3 7  4	27 1  1 	1	3 149  92 2  10	 2  34
Lunacy Local Boards Act, breaches of Malicious injury to property Maliciously poisoning a dog Maliciously shooting a dog Maliciously wounding cattle Manslaughter Marriage Act, offences against Married Women's Property Protection Act, breaches of	159 58 198   3 2	  	1	84 49 116 	33  17 	28 9 44 	3	159 58 186   3 2	123 258 1 1 1 1 	3 1	1	69 2 121 1 1 	26  19 	24  78 	15	123 2 237 1 1 1 	60 1 1 1 1 1	36 56   2 2
Masters and Apprentices Act, breaches of	6 2			3		3 1	•••	6 2				3	•••	8	•••	11	5	2
of Municipal by-laws, breaches of Municipal Corporations Act, breaches	381			322	 17	41	1	381	476	••	••	1 406	16	 52	2		95 95	88
of Municipal Police Act, breaches of Murder Murder, attempted Murder, supposed Naval Discipline Act, breaches of Neglecting to bury dead animals Obscene and profane language Obstructing and resisting police Obstructing bailiffs Obstructing a public place Pawnbrokers Act, breaches of Perjury Poison-laying in public places Police Offences Act, offences against Post Office Act, breaches of Printers and Newspapers Registra-	5 42 5 1 1 13 171 2 1 15 15 1	1		4 37  3  87 2	1    41 	1 4  30  1  2 8	13	5 42 3 1  3  171 2 15 	1 	••		1   5 1 89 37  4  2 264	28	26 5   	1 1  11   3	1  5 5  5 1 154 42  4 2 12 2 344 	1 4 1  40  41  2 344	4 42  8  17  2 
tion Act, breaches of Prisons Act, breaches of Prohibition orders Property Assessment Act, breaches of	2 5 			 	••	 		2 4 	3 2 14 1	••		1 5	1	2 1 7 1	.,	3 2 14 1	1 14 1	 

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Offences.	Number of all Offences Reported.	Co	ted	ma	m- rily	Dis chars		Total Number of Persons Apprehended	Number of all Offences Reported.	Con	ed	Summ		Di	g-	Number of Apprehended		
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NORTH ISLAND—continued. Public Health Act, breaches of Public Revenues Act, breaches of Public Works Act, breaches of Quartz Machinery Registration Act,	. 4 1 97			4  64	  1	 1 31		4. 1 96	6 135		••	1  89	2	 44	••	6 135	2  38	<sub>1</sub>
Babbit Nuisance Act, breaches of	11	5		9	••	2	••	1 11	4	••	• •	4	::	•••		4		1 7
Railway by-laws, breaches of Rape	·33 6			<b>2</b> 8		5 3	• • •	33 6	56 1		• •	40	::	16 1	••	56 1	23	5
Rape, attempted	4		••	::	••	3	1	4	9	6	1	::	:	2	•••	,	1 5	••
Refusing to assist police	1	1	••	••	••		••	1	••		••							1
breaches of	6			6	••	٠.,	•••	6	17			10	4	3		17	11	••
Rescue of cattle	1	••		::		1	• •	1	5	2	• • •	1		2	::	5	5	1
Resident Magistrates Act, breaches of Riot			• •		••	••			3 8	·. 8	••	3	•••		· ·	3 8	3	••
Robbery from the person	13			8	•••	5	٠.	13	6							5		7
Sacrilege	1	i	::	::	- : :		••	1	4	2			::	• • •		2	4	1
Sale of Poisons Act, breaches of Selling obscene pictures	••	••	:	::	::	• • •	••	••	- 3 2	••	• •	$\frac{2}{2}$	::	1	••	3 2	3	••
Sheep Act, breaches of Sheep-stealing	18 8		• •	8	••	10 1		18	<b>4</b> 0 9			37		3		40 6	22	••
Shipping & Seamen's Act, breaches of Slaughterhouses Act, breaches of	208	••		141	••	51	••	192	177			129	::	29	•••	158	1	31
Sly grog-selling			::	4	••	3	• •	7	4 2		• • •	1	::		••	4 2	$\cdot \cdot_2$	3
Smuggling Sodomy	1		::		•••	••	• • •	1	3			3		••		3	3	
Soliciting alms Stamp Act, breaches of	6 14	••		5 8	1 1	5	••	6 14	4	••	••	 4 3		••		4		<b>2</b>
Suicide, attempted	17	4	1	3	1	5	4	17	3		••	1	::	1	1	3		11 14
Suicide, threatening Sunday-trading		::		••	• •	••		• • •	- 2 - 4	••	••	1			1	2 4	2 4	••
Surday-working	16		··	10	••		·. 1	16	2 26		••	2 9	$\cdot \cdot \cdot_2$	12	3	2 26	2 10	•••
Threatening language	76			42	5	21	8	76	133			53	11	59	10	133	57	••
Town Board by-laws, breaches of	28	••		26	••	2		28	.30		• •	30	-::	٠	::	30	1 2	• •
Town Districts Act, breaches of Tramways Act, breaches of	4	•••	::	4	• •	•••	••	4	3		• • •	1		$\cdot \cdot \cdot_2$		3	3	4
Trespass	9			5	4	••	•••	9	5 1		•••	4	•••	••	1 2	5 4	5	,
Turnpike Act, breaches of		::			•••	•••			1		••		••	• •		1	1	
Uttering counterfeit coin	•••	••		••	••	••	::	••	3	::	•••	1		$\frac{1}{3}$		2 3	4 3	• •
Vagrancy	638	::		402	97	123	15	637	354 8		• • •	234 7	46	60 1	13	353 8		284
Waste Lands Act, breaches of Weights & Measures Act, breaches of	16	••		8	• •			16	2 24			2 23	1			2 24	2	••
Wife-desertion	11	<b></b>		6	•••	3		9	16		••	10	•••	5	::	15	8 5	••
Wilful destruction of property	••	••			···				-13		-:	3				13	13	··
Totals	8,012	251	15	5,267	717	1,310 ——	151	7,711	9,480	234	12	6,055	753	1,678	189	8,921	2,308	840
SOUTH ISLAND. Abduction	1	1						1										1
Absconding from bail	45			2 <b>1</b> 9	13	2 8	5	4						• • •	::			1 4
Adulteration of Food Prevention Act,	4.0	••	•••	ļ				45	16	••	••	4	1	11	••	16		29
breaches of Animals Protection Act, breaches of	7 19		• •	3 10		1 9	1	7 19	1 15	•••	::	9	••	$\frac{1}{6}$		1 15		6 4
Arson Arson, attempted	62 4	3		••		2	1	6	54		2			5		8		8
Assaults, aggravated	5	٠.	,	3		2 80	: <u>:</u>	5	2			2		···		2		4 3
Assaults, common	292 12	6		191 1	10	3	7	288 10	380 10	2	• • •	257 5	30	76 3	15	10	88	$\cdot \cdot_2$
Assaults on constables Assault and robbery	93 5		 1	83	4	$\frac{6}{2}$	• •	93 5	61 14	3	• •	56′ 4	1	4 6		61 13	9	32
Assault occasioning bodily harm Assault with intent to do grievous	. 1			1			••	ĩ	5		. 2			1	1	5	4	••
bodily harm	4		1			3		4	5	1		3		1		5	1	
Assault with intent to ravish Assault with intent to rob	2		::	••	••	1	• •	$egin{array}{c} 2 \ 1 \end{array}$	$^{\cdot\cdot}_{2}$	2			::			2		2
Assault with violence Attempting to break into a store	8	1		4	• • •	.3	••	. 8	. 7			. 4	::	3		7		
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	Persons Apprehended, 1884.  Com- mitted marily charged.  M. F. M. F. M. F.							<u>-</u> -	all rted.	P	erso	ns App	rehend	led, 18	85.	er of lended.		
Offences.	imber of aces Repo	Cor mit for T	ted	Su mar Convi	ily	Dis charg		al Number of 18 Apprehended	Number of all Offences Reported.	Cor mit	ted	Summ Convi	arily cted.	Di char	s- ged.	al Number of is Apprehended	ase.	.886.
	N.i. Offer	М.	F.	М.	F.	M.	F.	Total   Persons	Nı	м.	F.	М.	F.	М,	F.	Total Persons	Increase.	Decrease.
SOUTH ISLAND—continued.  Attempting to shoot  Bankruptcy Act, breaches of Beer Duty Act, breaches of Being in possession of a padlock and key	3	2		••			1	 3 	1 2 1			1	••		••	1 1 1	1 1	1
Bestiality Breaches of the peace Breaking and entering premises Breaking into premises and stealing therefrom	170 6 24			144  8	11 	14 1 1	1	170 1 15	1 47 1 27	1  10	••	41 		 6 		1 47 1 13	1	123 5
Breaking into and stealing from dwellings Burglary Carnally knowing a girl under the age of twelve years	66 6	••	5	17 			2 	44 	25 4 1	1	• •		••			14 1 1		41 2
Cattle- and horse-stealing Cattle wandering Cemeteries Act, breaches of Child-desertion Coinage Act, offences against Concealment of birth	34	$\left  \begin{array}{c} \\ \\ 2 \end{array} \right $		1	••	1		20     2   2   2   2	20 218 1 10 1	::		1 190 	 5 	9 21 1 3	 2 	14 218 1 9	218 1 7	14   2 2
Conspiring to defraud New Zealand Government	 4 12	}		4	  11			 4 12	12  12	12				••	 i1	12	12	 4
Contempt of Court Cruelty to animals Customs Laws Consolidation Act, breaches of Cutting and wounding	7 62 1 6		••	4 48 1 1	2 3 	11	•••	$\begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 62 \\ 1 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$	102 6		••	5 	1	1 37 1		102 6	40 5	6
Damaging police uniform  Damaging property  Default of bail  Default of payment of costs  Default of payment of penalty  Destitute Persons Act, breaches of  Disobeying orders of Court	3 7 4  71 19			3 4 3  6 43 15	  1 	2   14 3		3 6 4  7 61 18	2 8 3 2 8 53 14	••	••	5 1  8 29	 2 2  3	• • •		2 6 3 2 8 46 12	1  2 1	1  18 5
Disobeying summonses Disorderly conduct Disturbing congregations. Dog Registration Act, breaches of Dog-stealing Drunkenness	9 8 172 2 4,383			6 6 133  3,471	 1  4	35 1 266		7 8  172 1 4,383	50 50 4 164 3 3,928	••	••	2 41 4 137 1 3,097	1 8  5 501	 1	2	50 4	42 4	8 455
Embezzlement Embracery Employment of Females Act, breaches of Entire Animals Act, breaches of	$\begin{array}{c c} 2 \\ 1 \end{array}$			8  2 1	••	5	••	19  2	41 1 38	1		17 ·· 24	  3	9		39 1	20 1 36	••
Escaping from legal custody Exposure, indecent False pretences Fisheries Conservation Act, breaches of	7 22 73	iı	••	6 20 27 2	 2	1 1	3	7 21 66 4	5 47 55	11		5 34 26 3	 3 1		2	5 44	25  2	18
Forgery Forging and uttering Fraudulent bankruptcy Furious driving and riding Gold-mining Act, breaches of Gaming and Lotteries Act, breaches	55  5 36	33		 1  3 31	 <sub>1</sub>	7 1 5	•••	2 42  5 36	1 24 5 7 5	11 2 		1 2 6 4	••	2 1 1 1		5 7 5	 5 2	31   31
of Harbour regulations, breaches of Hawkers' License Ordinance, breaches		••	• •	14 3	••		• •	17 3	37 4	••	•••	32 4	••		::	38 4	20 1	••
of Housebreaking, attempted Illegally on premises Illegally pawning Impounding Act, offences against Inciting prisoners to resist Indecent behaviour Indecent language	1 8 1 18  5	3		15  5		3	•••	1 3  18  5	13 127 27 21 22			11 11 17 2 1	 1 	10		13 1 27 2 1 2 1 2	1 22 2 1 2	1 6 1 5 
Industrial Schools Act, offences against Infanticide Killing a sheep with intent to steal the carcase	181			112	62		2	181	191 1	1	1	••.	54	15	••	187 1 2	10 1	••

RETURN showing the Number of Offences Reported, Persons Apprehended, and Comparison of Crime during the Year ending 31st December, 1884, and Year ending 31st December, 1885—continued.

	all rted.	Pe	rson	s App	rehend	.ed, 188	4.	ended.	all rrted.	P	erso	ns Appı	rehend	led, 188	35.	er of		
Offences.	Number of all Offences Reported.	Cor mit	ted	Su ma Conv	rily	Dis charg	g- ged.	al Number of s Apprehended	Number of all Offences Reported.	Cor mit for T	ted	Summ Convi	arily cted.	Di char		al Number of 18 Apprehended	ase.	8.E0.
	Nu	м.	F.	м.	F.	м.	F.	Total Persons	Offer	м.	F.	м.	F.	м.	F.	Total Persons	Increase.	Бестевве.
South Island—continued.	1 045	0.4		421	63	146	26	699	1,036	17	6	418	<b>7</b> 7	116	15	649		9
Larceny as a bailee Larceny from dwellings	1,045 13 38	5		3 12	1 5	3		14 24	14	4		2 17	1 3	3	1	11 31	1 10	••
Larceny from the person	24 3		••	4				8				3			::	7	•••	10 3
Leaving excavations unlighted at night				••					2 1			2 1			•••	2 1	2 1	••
Libel	1 176	١		91	18	$\frac{1}{62}$	5	1 176	137		• •	77	9	47		1 137	1	39
Local Boards Act, breaches of Lunacy	24 230	١		24 133	 55	32	 10	24 230	20 205		• •	18 112	 45	2 38	10	20 205	••	4 25
Malicious injury to property	187		••	119	25	20	2	167 1	226	1		136	22	19	5	183	39	1
Maliciously killing a cow			• •	••		•••	::		' 1	,	::	::		••			1	• •
Manslaughter	7	5	1	•••	••	1	••	7	1	1	•••		••	••		1	••	.6
of	3		• •	••	••	3	••	3	•••	••	•••		••	••	•••			3
tion Act, breaches of Masters and Apprentices Act,			$ \cdot\cdot $	••	••	••	••	••	3		•••	3	••	••	•••	3	3	••
breaches of Municipal by-laws, breaches of	530			1 456	 16	1 55		2 530	405		••	351		·· 44		405		$\begin{array}{c} 2\\125\end{array}$
Murder	3	1	$ \cdots $	•••	•••	2	1	4	3	2			••	1		3 3	$\cdot \cdot \cdot_2$	••
Murder, attempted Naval Discipline Act, breaches of	2		::	••	••	••			"	"					::		]	2
Neglecting to provide sufficient food for a child		<b></b>							2	1	1		٠.	••		2	2	••
Offences against the Persons Act, breaches of	3		1			••	1	3		<b> </b>				••			.,	3
Obscene and profane language Obstructing bailiffs	197	•••		119	63	10	5	197	238		::	161 1	49	22	6	238 1	41 1	••
Obstructing and resisting police Obstructing a public place	82	••		72	3	7		82	69 7			64	••	5	::	69 7	,	13
Obstructing a railway-line		::	::	1	••			1	2		••		••	••			2	
Passengers Act, breaches of Pawnbrokers Act, breaches of	2		::	1	••	1		2	5			1	••	1		5	3	5
Perjury		5	] ::	• •	•••	5	1		6		::		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	1		1	1	
Police Offences Act, breaches of Police Ordinance, Christchurch,		٠٠.	••	••	••	••	••	••	289	•••	•••	202	11	58	6	277	289	••
breaches of	39	••	• • •	26	3	9	1	39	•••		••		••	••	••		•••	39
tion Act, breaches of				••		••	•••		1 1	::		1 1				1 1	1 1	••
Public Domains Act, breaches of	20			 6		12	2	2	31		••			27	••	31	11	2
Public Health Act, breaches of Public Works Act, breaches of	66		::	54		10	1	66	53		::	4 48	••	5	1	53		13
Rabbit Nuisance Act, breaches of Railway by-laws, breaches of	3 53		::	2 35	••	1 15	i	3 51	99		::	87	••	11	::	98	46	3
Rape	6	6			::	••			1 1	3	::		••		::	4	1	$\frac{2}{\cdots}$
Receiving stolen property		.:	••	••			••		3			1	••	2	::	3	3	1
Refusing to leave licensed premises Registration of Births, &c., Act,		••		••	•	••			3	••	•••	3	••	••		3	3	••
breaches of	2			2		••		2	5			5		••		5	3	• •
Registration of Electors Act, breaches of	32			19	••	13		32										32
Rescuing cattle Rescuing goods seized under warrant	::	::	::	••	• • •	• •	::	••	1		•••	1	.,1	• • •	::	1 1	1	•••
Rescuing prisoners Riotous behaviour	2	••					• •	2		···	··	9		••	1	11	11	2
Robbery with violence Sacrilege	3	2	••	2		••	• •	$egin{array}{c} 2 \ 2 \end{array}$			••	::		••	::	-:	::	2 3
Sale of Poisons Act, breaches of	7			5	•••	<sub>2</sub>		7	3 7			1 7	2			3 7	3	•••
Sheep-stealing	5				•••	1		2	5			'		1		1		•••
Shipping and Seamen's Act, breaches of	327			231	1	14		246	206		••	118		26	i	144		121
Shooting with intent to murder Shooting with intent to do grievous		••	••	••	••	••	••	••	1	1	• •	••	••	••		1	1	••
bodily harm	1			••	••	••	• •		1	••		''i	••	••		1	1	
Smuggling					••				1 5		• •	1 4	::	1	::	1 5	1 5	••
Stamp Act, breaches of	1			1		••		1	ĭ	.:.		ī			::	1	•••	••
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RETURN showing the Number of Offences Reported, Persons Apprehended, and Comparison of Crime during the Year ending 31st December, 1884, and Year ending 31st December, 1885—continued.

	all rred.	Pe	rson	s Appı	ehend	ed, 188	4.	r of ended.	er of all Reported.		Pers	ons Ap	prende	ed, 1885		r of ended.		
Offences.	Number of all Offences Reported.	Cor mit for T	ted	Su ma Conv	rilv	Dis charg		al Number 18 Appreher	Number of Offences Repo	Con mit for T	ted	Su mar Convi	ily	Di char		al Number of	ase.	ase.
	n N Office	м.	F.	М.	F.	М.	F.	Total Persons	Offer	М.	F.	М.	F.	М.	F.	Total Persons	Increase.	Decrease.
South Island—continued.									,									·
Suicide, attempted	17	4		3	••	10		17	15		1	1		6	5			2
Sunday-trading			••	• •	•••	•••			2			1		1		2		
Threatening language	41		••	34	4	2	• • •	40	45	• • •	••	22	17	3	3	45	4	• •
Town and Country Police Ordinan	ce,										1							
Otago, breaches of	69	• •	••	50	• •	18	1	69	• • •								• • •	69
Trespass of Cattle Ordinan				110	١.,	١ ^		100										400
breaches of	125	••.		113	3	9		125	•••	•••		•••	• •	•••	• •	• • •	••	125
Trespass on lands	1	••		1	•••	• • •	• • •	. +		•••	• •		• •	• • •	••		• • • •	1
Using a shanghai			1	• •	• • •	• • •	• • •	••	1	1	• • •	1 -1	• •	• • •	••	1	1	• •
Uttering a forged order	5				•••	• • •	• •	5	1 7	1			• •	•••		1 77	2	• •
Vaccination Act, breaches of	600			357	130	94	22	603	248			115	79	26	20	240		360
Vagrancy	! -	1	••	. <i>551</i> 1	ł			1 1	246		••	5		1		240		
	sof 111	• •	••	101	$\cdot \cdot_2$	6	2	111	120			94	,	22	• •	120	9	• •
Weights and Measures Act, breache Wife-desertion	1 10	• • •		101		4	1	8	120			7	32	2	• •	9	- 1	• • •
TT7 31 111 1 1				-1	••	3		6	10		٠٠.		••	$\frac{2}{2}$	• •	10		-
Wounding with intent				···	-:-		<u> </u>			'	<u> </u>		• •		••	10		
Totals	10,271	192	25	6,997	1,131	1,114	152	9,611	9,475	150	15	6,413	959	1,101	164	8,802	1,124	1,920

RETURN showing the DISTRIBUTION of FIELD Force on the 31st March, 1886.

Stations.	Officers.	Non-com- missioned Officers.	Con- stables.	Total.	Stations.	Officers.	Non-com- missioned Officers.	Con- stables.	Total.
Auckland District,— Auckland North Shore Alexandra Kawhia District,— Kawhia Taranaki District,— Opunake Opunake Road Party Taupo District,—	1 1 1 2 2	2 1 3 3 3	3 2 14 29 21 22	6 4 18 28 34 26 25 51 51 5	Dunedin,— Otago Heads Wellington,— Point Halswell Kaiwarawara Depôt Assistant Under-Secretary for Defence Totals	 1  1 1	1 2 1 3 	12 27 17 33 	13 30 18 

Return showing Casualties in the Armed Constabulary Field Force during the Year ended 31st March, 1886.

Transfer to Volunteer Staff			1	Discharges					2
Transfers to Police branch	••	• • •	34	Dismissal	••	••	••	• •	1
Transfers to Artillery branch	• •	• •	86	Deaths		••	• •	••	3
Transfers to Engineer branch		• •	9	Medical unfitness	• •				6
Transfers to Torpedo branch			23						
Resignations		• •	41						253
Discharges on reduction of the forc	₽		47						

Beturn showing Casualties in the Police Branch of the New Zealand Constabulary during the Year ended 31st March, 1886.

Transfer to Volu Resignations	••	•••	••	••	1 9	Death Medical	 unfitness	••	••	••	••	1 1
Discharges on c	ompensa	tion	• •	• •	4	ľ						
Discharges	·		• •	••	3	ł						24
Dismissals					5							

RETURN showing the STRENGTH and DISTRIBUTION of the New Zealand Constabulary (Police Branch), on the 31st March, 1886.

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Stations.		Inspectors.	District Clerks.	Sergeants-	Sergeants.	Constables.	Detectives.	District Constables.	Native Constables.	Total.	Stations.	Inspectors.	District Clerks.	Sergeants- Major.	Sergeants.	Constables.	Detectives.	District Constables.	Native Constables.	Total.
North Island.											North Island—ctd.									
Auckland,—					_	٥٣				00	Wanganui,-	١.	1				١.			1.0
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Freeman's Bay . Grafton .		• • •	· · ·	1 ::		1		• •	::	1	Otaki	<b>:</b> :	::			1			• • •	1
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Mangawai .			٠.	٠.	1 .:	• •	• •	1	.:	•;	Waitara					2				2
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Newton .		• •	• •	٠٠	ï	1	••	٠٠,	• •	$\begin{vmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{vmatrix}$	Manaia	••	• •		• •	1	• • •	••	• •	1
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Paeroa .	- +	]		• •	• ;	2 3		••	4	2 4	Gisborne Ormond				.1	1			• •	1
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Whakatane .	- 1					1			1	1	Awanui			••	••	1			1	1
Opotiki .	.			• •	••	2	••		4	2	Tokano Waiohiki				::	•••	::		1	••
Rotorua . Waterford .		• •	••	••	• • •	2 1		•	::	2 1	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,									<u></u>
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Cambridge . Hamilton East .				• •	• •	1		• •		1	South Dunedin				1	2				3
Hamilton West.					1	1				2	Caversham Anderson's Bay	• •	••	••	••	1 1	••	••	••	1
Kawhia .			• •	1	••	1	•••	••	•••	1 1	Portobello				••	1				1
Ngaruawahia . Raglan .	- 1			•	• •	1			2	1	Ravensbourne					1	• •		••	1
Te Aroha	- 1				1				1	1	Roslyn	••	••	••	••	1	• •	••	••	1
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<sup>\*</sup> District and Native constables not included in total.

<sup>†</sup> Compiling Police Gazette.

RETURN showing the Strength, &c., of the New Zealand Constabulary (Police Branch)—ctd.

Stations.	Inspectors.	District Clerks.	Sergeants- Major.	Sergeants.	Constables.	Detectives.	District Constables.	Native Constables.	Total.	Stations.	Inspectors.	District Clerks.	Sergeants- Major.	Sergeants.	Constables.	Detectives.	District Constables.	Native Constables.	Total.
South Island— continued. Oamaru,— Oamaru Duntroon Hampden Macrae's Ngapara Palmerston Totals	1			1	7 1 1 1 1 1	1	:::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::		10· 1 1 1 1 1	South Island— continued. Christchurch—contd Rangiora Oxford Amberley Hurunui Waiau Kaikoura			1	1 1  	1 1 1 1 1 1 51	2			2 2 1 1 1 1 1 64*
Southland,— Invercargill North Invercargill Campbelltown Riverton Otautau Winton Lumsden Orepuki Wyndham Mataura Gore	1		1	 1 1  	7 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	1			10 1 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 2	Timaru,— Timaru Ashburton Waimate Rakaia Geraldine Temuka Pleasant Point Methven Fairlie Creek Totals	1			1 1 1 	8 4 2 1 1 2 1 1 1 2 1 2	1			11 5 3 1 1 2 1 1 1 1
Waikaia Half-Moon Bay  Totals  Lake,— Clyde Alexandra South Arrowtown Cromwell Naseby Ophir Pembroke Queenstown St. Bathan's  Totals	1 1		1	2  1  1 	18 18 3 1 1 2 2 1 1 1 1	2	1 1		1  24* 1 2 2 3 1 1 2 1 7*	Westland,— Hokitika Kumara Waimea Stafford Kanieri Rimu Ross Okarito Greymouth Brunnerton Dunganville Ahaura Reefton Boatman's Lyell	1		:::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	1    1 	4 3 1 1 1 1 1 4 2 1 1 2 1	1			7 3 1 1 1 1 1 5 2 1 1 3 1 1
Christchurch,— Christchurch Addington Sydenham Phillipstown Woolston Bingsland St. Albans Papanui Lincoln Lyttelton Akaroa Little River Southbridge Leeston Malvern Coalgate Bealey Kaiapoi	1	1	1	4     1	23 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	2	:::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::		31 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Westport Denniston Charleston  Totals  Nelson,— Nelson The Port Richmond Spring Grove Collingwood Blenheim Havelock Picton Motucka Takaka  Totals  Grand Total.	1			1  4 2   1 1 1 1 1  5	30 6 1 1 1 1 4 2 16 390	1			4 1 1 36 9 1 1 1 1 5 1 3 

Total, North Island Total, South Island 219 | Includes 6 constables who 275 | act as police gaolers.

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