

1888.
NEW ZEALAND.

SAN FRANCISCO AND DIRECT MAIL SERVICES

(COMPARATIVE RETURNS RELATIVE TO THE).

*Returns to Orders of the House of Representatives, dated 29th June, 1888 (Hon. Sir J. Hall),
and 11th July, 1888 (Mr. Peacock).*

RETURN TO ORDER OF 29TH JUNE, 1888 (SIR J. HALL).

RETURN showing the Total Sums paid by New Zealand for the Conveyance of its Mails *via* San Francisco, and the Total Amount received in Postages on Mail Matter contained in such Mails, during the Year ended 31st December, 1887.

Payments,—	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Subsidy to contractors	23,333	6	8			
Bonus	1,537	6	8			
Light-dues (charged on Estimates)	663	0	0			
Interprovincial service, Mail Agents, &c.	4,967	8	7			
				30,501	1	11
Receipts,—						
Postages from London	7,968	8	0			
Postages collected in the colony	16,844	11	1			
Receipts from non-contracting colonies	4,958	17	3			
				29,771	16	4
Net cost to the colony				£729	5	7

ESTIMATED SUM which would have been paid for the Conveyance of such Mails if they had been sent and received by Direct Steamers to and from the United Kingdom on the Terms of the existing Contract with the New Zealand Shipping Company.

	£	s.	d.
Payments that would have had to be made to the New Zealand Shipping Company on the same amount of mail-matter as that sent <i>via</i> San Francisco :—			
On correspondence from the United Kingdom	7,678	17	10
On correspondence to the United Kingdom	8,215	1	3
On correspondence from the United States, &c.	*2,386	14	1
On correspondence to the United States, &c.	1,136	9	1
Payments to the United Kingdom :—			
Transit rates on correspondence for the United States, &c.	738	8	6
Total	20,155	10	9

* This amount would have to be paid by the United States.

6th July, 1888.

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