1888. NEW ZEALAND.

COST OF COLLECTING CUSTOMS AND OTHER REVENUE BY CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT AT EACH PORT OF ENTRY

(RETURN OF), FOR YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1888.

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

Return of the Gross Amount collected, and the Cost of collecting the same, at each Port of Entry, for the Financial Period ended 31st March, 1888.

•			Particul.	ARS OF	Gross	Amount	COLLECTED.			0
Customs duti	'Art									£ 2000
		• •		• •		• •	• •	• •	• •	1,256,229
Rents, seizur	es, &c									731
Bonded warehouse duty								• •		5,394
Shipping and	ien's Act	, fees							2,297	
Merchant Shipping Act, fee			s							90
Chinese Immigrants Act, fe			es							1,150
Beer duty										51,994
Light dues										10,158
Oyster Act										6
Gold duty										20,022
Pilotage										26,020
Distillation Act										26
Other receipts									6,350	
										£1,380,467

COST OF COLLECTION AT EACH PORT.

Auckland 296,667 2 8 11 Picton 240 14 1 Thames* 4,443 9 11 9 Nelson 47,715 2 1 Russell 500 24 16 0 Westport 13,322 5 Mongonui† 96 Greymouth 32,975 2 1 Kaipara 868 11 17 4 Hokitika 19,112 4 1 Tauranga 976 5 8 7 Invercargill and Bluff 37,004 3 1 New Plymouth 4,531 9 4 11 Dunedin 336,261 2 Patea 740 4 6 4 Oamaru 13,337 3 1 Wanganui 11,908 4 16 4 Timaru 16,900 4 1	Ports.			Gross Collections. Rate per cent. of Cost of Collection.		Ports.	Gross Collections.	Rate per cent. of Cost of Collection.
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* Thames and Foxton closed as ports of entry on 31st March, 1886. + Cost of collection at this port included in the average

for the colony.

Note.—The cost of collection, if calculated on Customs revenue only (less drawbacks and refunds), amounted to £2 15s. 6d. per cent. In the United Kingdom, on the same basis, it was £4 6s. 8d. for the year ended 31st March, 1887.

W. T. Glasgow, Secretary.

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