

1893.
NEW ZEALAND.

INTERIM RETURN OF SHEEP

IN THE COLONY ON THE 30TH APRIL, 1893.

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

SIR,—
I have the honour to furnish a statement of the approximate number of sheep in the colony on the 30th April, 1893.

Department of Agriculture (Live-stock Branch),
Wellington, 31st July, 1893.

JOHN D. RITCHIE,
Secretary for Agriculture and Chief Inspector of Stock.

The Hon. the Minister of Lands.

APPROXIMATE NUMBER of SHEEP in the Colony on the 30th April, 1893.

	Number of Sheep.		Increase.
	1892.	1893.	
Auckland District	791,975	841,733	49,758
Napier District	3,939,592	4,108,027	168,435
Wellington-West Coast District...	3,472,462	3,715,333	242,871
Marlborough-Nelson District	820,511	828,754	8,243
Canterbury-Kaikoura District	5,245,364	5,469,496	224,132
Otago District	4,300,848	4,394,387	93,539
	18,570,752	19,357,730	786,978
	Approximate increase	North Island ...	461,064
		South Island ...	325,914
	Total increase ...		786,978

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