1895. NEW ZEALAND.

EUROPEANS CONVICTED FOR DRUNKENNESS, AND NEW-ZEALANDERS-BORN INCARCERATED FOR CRIME

(RETURN OF).

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated 9th July, 1895.

Ordered, "That a return be laid before this House showing—(1) How many of the European population born in this colony have been convicted for drunkenness each year since 1887, also the number of convictions for this offence; (2) how many of the New-Zealand-born Europeans are now incarcerated in the gaols of the colony, together with the total number of prisoners in the gaols, in order that this House and the country may know the proportion of New-Zealand-born Europeans to the total number of prisoners."—(Mr. LAWRY.)

(1.) Number of Convictions for Drunkenness of Persons born in New Zealand, but of European descent; also, Total Number of Convictions for same Offence during each Year, 1887 to 1894.

Year.					Total Number.	New-Zealand-born Europeans.*	Percentage of Convictions of New-Zealand-born Europeans to Total Convictions.
1005					£ 000	261	4.02
1887	• • •	• •	• • •	• • •	5,298		4.93
1888		• . •			5,311 ·	234	4.41
1889					5,079	276	5.43
1890				!	5.677	337	5.94
1891					5.118	. 338	6.60
1892	•••				5,055	358	7.08
1893			•••		5,048	396	7.84
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1894	•••	•••	• • • •	••• !	$4,465\dagger$	421	9.43†

^{*} Figures supplied by Commissioner of Police.

(2.) Number of New-Zealand-born Europeans now incarcerated in the Gaols of the Colony, and Total Number of Prisoners in the said Gaols.

Date.		New-Zealand-born European Prisoners.	Total Prisoners in Gaol.	Proportion of New-Zealand- born European Prisoners to Total.
30th June, 1895	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	135	565	24.00

[‡] Figures supplied by Inspector of Prisons.

Note.—At the census of 1891, out of the total population of the colony over fifteen years of age, 33.89 per cent. were New Zealand born.

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