1899. NEW ZEALAND.

CHARITABLE AID

(PERSONS IN RECEIPT OF), AND AMOUNTS PAID.

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated 4th August, 1899.

Ordered, "That there be laid before this House a return showing—(1) The total number of persons in the colony on 31st March, 1899, in receipt of charitable aid; (2) the total amount paid by the various Boards for the last complete week in the month of March, 1899; (3) the total amount paid during the twelve months ending 31st March, 1899."—(Mr. TANNER.)

RETURN.

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7,062.	£ s. d. 1,387 10 10.*	£ s. d. 93,070 15 8.

^{*} This is the actual amount paid during the last week in March, 1899, but is not a fair average weekly cost, as many of the Boards pay their accounts monthly or at other fixed periods. The average weekly expenditure on the total amount paid during the year is £1,789 16s. 5d.

8th September, 1899.

D. Souter, For Inspector of Hospitals.

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