

RETURN showing (1) Particulars of the Public Debt of the Colony on 30th June, 1878; (2) the several Increases and Decreases between that Date and the 31st March, 1899, whether arising from New Loans, or the Conversion of Old Loans, or from paying off any Loan; (3) the Rate of Interest and Sinking Fund payable in respect of each Loan; (4) Particulars of the Public Debt on 31st March, 1899, showing in respect of each Loan (a) the Annual Charge for Interest and Sinking Fund, (b) the Amount of Outstanding Debt, (c) the Due Date thereof, (d) the Accrued Sinking Fund, and (e) the Net Debt—continued.

No.	Authority.	Amount authorised.	Date of Issue.	Public Debt at 30th June, 1878.		Increases to 31st Mar., 1899.		Decreases to 31st March, 1899.							Public Debt at 31st March, 1899.						
				Amount.		Annual Charge.	From New Loans.	From Conversions.	Date.	Terms.	Loans converted into or redeemed by				Loans paid off.	When due.	Amount.	Annual Charge.		Sinking Funds accrued.	Net Debt.
											3-per-cent. Inscribed Stock.	3½-per-cent. Inscribed Stock.	4-per-cent. Inscribed Stock.	Short-dated Debentures.				Interest.	S.F.		
		£		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	
27	Brought forward	..	..	21,739,411	..	9,391,313	..	..	250,800	4,861,242	15,466,700	5,716,000	1,995,856	..	..	£	£	£	£	£	
	Native Land Purchases Act, 1892	..	1892-94	..	..	9,700	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	31 Oct., 1899	..	9,700	2,840,126	120,449	46,419	857,279	
		..	..	..	..	140,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	31 Oct., "	..	140,000	..	..	..	1,982,847	
28	Land for Settlements Act, 1892	..	1893-94	..	..	53,966	..	1897	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	149,700	6,785	..	149,700	
29	Cheviot Estate Payment Act, 1893	250,000	18 Oct., 1893	..	..	200,000	..	1894	100	..	200,000	..	..	31 Oct., "	..	..	45,276	2,037	..	45,276	
		..	..	..	..	50,000	..	1895	100	..	50,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
30	Land for Settlements Acts, 1894 and 1897	..	1894-99	..	..	134,100	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	31 Oct., 1899	..	134,100	..	..	..	..	
		..	..	..	..	24,200	..	1896	110	24,200	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
		..	..	..	..	605,990	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	31 Oct., 1899	..	605,990	..	..	..	..	
		..	..	..	..	349,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 April, 1909	..	349,000	..	..	..	..	
31	Lands Improvement and Native Lands Acquisition Act, 1894	500,000	1894-97	..	..	383,000	..	1897	..	100,000	..	..	..	30 Sept., 1908	..	283,000	1,089,090	39,662	..	1,089,090	
		..	..	..	..	117,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	30 Sept., "	..	117,000	..	..	..	..	
32	New Zealand Consols Act, 1894	500,000	1894-99	..	..	385,925	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 Feb., 1910	..	..	400,000	15,415	..	400,000	
33	Bank of New Zealand and Banking Act, 1895	500,000	1895	..	..	500,000	..	1896	100	..	500,000	..	..	..	..	..	385,925	13,507	..	385,925	
34	Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act, 1896	1,000,000	30 Sept., 1896	..	..	250,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 Feb., 1902	..	250,000	..	..	..	..	
		..	21 Dec., "	..	..	500,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15 Aug., 1921	..	500,000	..	..	..	..	
		..	15 Dec., 1897	..	..	25,000	..	1899	100	25,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
		..	21 Feb., 1898	..	..	100,000	..	"	..	100,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
		..	3 Mar., "	..	..	100,000	..	"	100	100,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
		..	11 Mar., "	..	..	10,000	..	"	100	10,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
		..	5 April, 1898	..	..	100,000	..	..	..	100,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
		..	31 Oct., "	..	..	100,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	31 Oct., 1903	..	100,000	..	..	..	..	
		..	4 Jan., 1899	..	..	150,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4 Jan., 1904	..	150,000	1,000,000	35,000	..	1,000,000	
35	New Zealand Consolidated Stock Act, 1877 (4-per-cents)—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,000,000	35,000	..	..	1,000,000	
	New Loans—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	New Zealand Loan Act, 1882	3,000,000	1 Nov., 1882	..	..	1,000,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 Nov., 1929	..	1,000,000	..	..	..	..	
		..	1 Nov., "	..	..	1,000,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 Nov., "	..	1,000,000	..	..	..	..	
		..	1 Nov., 1884	..	..	1,000,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 Nov., "	..	1,000,000	..	..	..	..	
	" 1884	1,500,000	1 May, 1885	..	..	1,500,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 Nov., "	..	1,500,000	..	..	..	..	
	" 1886	1,325,000	1 Nov., 1886	..	..	1,325,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 Nov., "	..	1,325,000	..	..	..	..	
	" 1888	1,000,000	1 May, 1888	..	..	1,000,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 Nov., "	..	1,000,000	..	..	..	..	
	North Island Main Trunk Railway, 1882	1,000,000	1 May, "	..	..	1,000,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 Nov., "	..	1,000,000	..	..	..	..	
	Conversions	..	..	..	..	..	21,325,302	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 Nov., "	..	21,325,302	29,150,302	1,166,013	..	29,150,302	
36	New Zealand Consolidated Stock Act, 1877 (3½-per-cents)—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2,768,000	6,161,167	215,640	..	6,161,167	
	To redeem balances of loans of 1876, 1877, and 1879 ..	..	1 Jan., 1890	..	..	..	2,768,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 Jan., 1940	..	2,768,000	..	..	..	..	
	To redeem balances of loans of 1860, 1863, 1867, and	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	sundry provincial loans	..	1891-97	..	..	..	3,393,167	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 Jan., "	..	3,393,167	..	..	..	..	
37	New Zealand Consolidated Stock Act 1877 (3-per-cents)—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6,161,167	215,640	..	6,161,167	
	To make advances to settlers	3,000,000	3 May, 1895	..	..	1,500,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	For conversions	..	1896-99	..	..	1,000,000	3,162,120	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 April, 1945	..	5,662,120	169,864	..	..	5,662,120	
38	New Zealand Consolidated Stock Act, 1884—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	English issue—Conversions	..	15 April, 1885	..	..	..	3,651,700	1892	107	..	..	3,651,700	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	"	..	15 Jan., 1886	..	..	..	43,600	"	110	..	..	43,600	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	"	..	15 April, "	..	..	..	562,400	"	107	..	..	562,400	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	Colonial issue—Conversions	..	1 Nov., 1888	..	..	..	250,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	"	..	Various ..	..	..	..	231,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	"	..	10 Oct., 1891	..	..	..	50,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	"	..	1 Mar., 1892	..	..	..	449,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	"	..	1 Mar., 1896	..	..	..	478,300	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	New Loans	..	Various ..	..	..	166,706	..	1895	100	..	109,308	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	"	..	28 May, 1892	..	..	280,300	..	1897	100	318,816	..	..	..	61,742	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	"	..	28 May, 1893	..	..	284,500	..	1897	..	44,216	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	"	..	28 May, 1894	..	..	117,800	..	1898	100	2,058,824	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	"	..	22 June, 1895	..	..	135,400	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	"	..	22 June, "	..	..	10,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	"	..	11 June, 1896	..	..	70,300	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	"	..	17 July, 1897	..	..	69,600	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	"	..	1 Sept., 1898	..	..	54,300	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 Sept., 1904	..	..	54,300	1,900	..	54,300	
	Totals	..	..	21,739,411	..	25,193,100	36,364,589	..	..	3,131,856	5,720,550	19,724,400	5,716,000	2,066,288	..	..	46,938,006	1,786,272	46,419	857,279	46,080,727

§ £60,000 of this amount will be recouped by Government Advances to Settlers Office. || Represents the accrued Sinking Fund upon £912,300, the amount borrowed under "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886," which has been converted into Consolidated Stock debentures.

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