

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, 1900, 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, 1900, 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.

No.	Authority.	Amount authorised.	Date of Issue.	Public Debt at 30th June, 1878.		Annual Charge.	Increases to 31st Mar., 1900.		Decreases to 31st March, 1900.							Public Debt at 31st March, 1900.						
				Amount.			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.
				£	311						3-per-cent. Inscribed Stock.	3½-per-cent. Inscribed Stock.	4-per-cent. Inscribed Stock.	Short-dated Debentures.			£	£	Interest.	S.F.		
1	Ordinance of Legislative Council	£	..	£	£	..	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
2	New Zealand Loan Act, 1856	500,000	..	300,000	..	4	..	..	1886	109	..	..	19,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				25,000	..	4	..	..	1888	115½	..	76,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				25,000	..	4	..	..	1889	112½	..	65,600	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			1 July, 1859	50,000	..	4	..	..	"	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			1 Oct., "	50,000	..	4	..	..	"	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			1 July, 1864	50,000	..	4	..	..	1894	"	..	50,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
3	New Zealand Loan Act, 1860	150,000	1 July, 1861	..	500,000	6	2	..	1891	104	..	74,100	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
4	New Zealand Loan Act, 1863	3,000,000	15 July, 1864	488,000	..	5	1	..	1886	109	..	..	19,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	93,100	..	..	..	1894	115½	..	76,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	1886	112½	..	..	65,600	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	1886	A	..	..	..	43,600	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	1894	115	..	2,700	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	1895	114	..	18,700	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	"	114½	..	6,200	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	1896	111	..	1,400	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	1897	120	..	200	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	"	121	..	2,600	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	1898	118	..	3,300	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	1897	119	..	900	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	1899	117	..	500	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			1 Nov., 1865	500,000	..	4	..	..	1892	117	..	500,000	..	..	..	15 July, 1914	266,300	..	..	..	..	..
			15 Mar., 1866	201,500	..	6	2	..	1891	104	..	154,800	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	1886	109	..	..	46,700	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			15 June, 1867	236,000	..	6	2	..	1891	104	..	188,400	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	1886	109	..	..	47,600	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			15 Dec., "	93,900	..	6	2	..	1891	104	..	4,900	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	1886	109	..	20,100	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
5	New Zealand Consolidated Loan Act, 1867— English issue	7,283,100	..	1,519,400	6,531,400	5	1	..	1891	110	..	68,900	..	..	..	..	266,300	13,315	2,663	123,303	142,997	..
				..	..	..	..	..	1886	106	..	200	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	1885	B	..	..	38,200	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	1894	..	..	33,300	..	3,651,700	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	1886	C	..	..	..	562,400	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	1879-96	..	..	..	..	..	1,222,858	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	1894	108½	..	271,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	"	107½	..	6,400	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	"	107	..	7,600	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	"	106	..	4,600	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	"	102	..	7,500	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	1895	106	..	51,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	"	105	..	8,700	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	"	100	..	44,656	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	1896	100	..	68,786	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	1897	105	2,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	"	106½	3,800	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	"	107	6,500	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	"	108	17,100	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
				..	..	..	..	..	"	..	40,800	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..