

1900.
NEW ZEALAND.

TEA IMPORTATIONS

(PARTICULARS AS TO) FROM JANUARY TO JUNE, 1900.

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated the 22nd day of August, 1900.

Ordered, "That, in view of the proposal to protect the tea-packing industry of the colony by a special duty of 2d. on packets of 10 lb. and less, and to enable the House to judge of the value of colonial-mixed packet teas, the Government lay before this House a return showing—(1) The amount of tea in bulk passed through the Customs during the six months ended 30th June, 1900; (2) the amount of tea in packets of 10 lb. and less during the same period; and (3) the minimum value and maximum invoice-value of these clearances of bulk teas."—(Mr. BUDDO.)

RETURN of—(1) Amount of Tea in Bulk imported during Six Months ended 30th June, 1900;
(2) Amount of Tea imported in Packages of 10 lb. and under during the same period;
(3) the Minimum and Maximum Invoice-price of the Bulk Tea.

Port.	Bulk Tea.			Tea in Packages (10 lb. and under).			Value of Bulk Tea (Invoice).		
	lb.			lb.			d.	s.	d.
Auckland	...	...	...	577,501	33,611		4½	to 2	0
Raipara	...	...	...	...	...		...		
Tauranga	...	...	...	...	...		...		
Poverty Bay	...	...	...	2,790	...		8	to 1	5
New Plymouth	...	...	...	10,260	3,270		9½	" 0	10
Patea	...	...	...	...	...		...		
Wanganui	...	...	...	4,790	20,772		6½	to 1	2
Wellington	...	...	...	748,394	155,945		7	" 1	6
Napier	...	...	...	10,354	10,402		5½	" 1	4
Picton	...	...	...	...	510		...		
Wairau	...	...	...	660	2,905		1s. 4d.	per lb.	
Nelson	...	...	...	8,381	7,025		8	to 1	3
Westport	...	...	...	...	7,620		...		
Greymouth	...	...	...	5,122	8,300		8	to 1	2
Hokitika	...	...	...	3,864	3,370		8	" 1	0
Christchurch	...	...	...	291,772	36,381		5¾	" 1	4½
Timaru	...	...	...	6,727	17,873		8	" 1	5
Oamaru	...	...	...	5,337	...		6¼	" 1	0½
Dunedin	...	...	...	492,054	88,395		6	" 2	0
Invercargill	...	...	...	13,890	11,623		7½	" 1	0½
2,131,896				408,002			4½ to 2 0		

Department of Trade and Customs,
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W. T. GLASGOW,
Secretary and Inspector.

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