

**A.**—TABLE showing the INCREASE or DECREASE in the Number of SHEEP in each County throughout the Colony on 30th April, 1901.

| County.                        | Number of Sheep on |                   | Increase. | Decrease. |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
|                                | 30th April, 1900.  | 30th April, 1901. |           |           |
| NORTH ISLAND.                  |                    |                   |           |           |
| Mongonui .. .. .               | 28,361             | 27,466            | ..        | 895       |
| Whangaroa .. .. .              | 7,329              | 7,425             | 96        | ..        |
| Bay of Islands .. .. .         | 38,087             | 36,493            | ..        | 1,594     |
| Hokianga .. .. .               | 13,835             | 9,698             | ..        | 4,137     |
| Rodney .. .. .                 | 80,725             | 78,585            | ..        | 2,140     |
| Whangarei .. .. .              | 41,549             | 36,784            | ..        | 4,765     |
| Otamatea .. .. .               | 54,770             | 51,518            | ..        | 3,252     |
| Hobson .. .. .                 | 17,416             | 18,455            | 1,039     | ..        |
| Waitemata .. .. .              | 38,624             | 38,412            | ..        | 212       |
| Eden .. .. .                   | 1,663              | 2,882             | 1,219     | ..        |
| Manukau .. .. .                | 90,000             | 94,933            | 4,933     | ..        |
| Coromandel .. .. .             | 12,156             | 13,378            | 1,222     | ..        |
| Thames .. .. .                 | 7,688              | 7,455             | ..        | 228       |
| Ohinemuri .. .. .              | 3,668              | 4,286             | 618       | ..        |
| Waikato .. .. .                | 68,443             | 72,822            | 4,379     | ..        |
| Raglan .. .. .                 | 81,454             | 84,904            | 3,450     | ..        |
| Waipa .. .. .                  | 39,750             | 37,397            | ..        | 2,353     |
| Piako .. .. .                  | 156,914            | 170,519           | 13,605    | ..        |
| West Taupo and Kawhia .. .. .  | 41,803             | 34,870            | ..        | 6,933     |
| East Taupo and Rotorua .. .. . | 29,251             | 29,241            | ..        | 10        |
| Tauranga .. .. .               | 5,655              | 3,565             | ..        | 2,090     |
| Whakatane .. .. .              | 25,429             | 22,664            | ..        | 2,765     |
| Opotiki .. .. .                | 18,689             | 18,737            | 48        | ..        |
| Waiaapu .. .. .                | 315,049            | 327,039           | 11,990    | ..        |
| Cook .. .. .                   | 861,143            | 887,066           | 25,923    | ..        |
| Wairoa .. .. .                 | 547,409            | 543,413           | ..        | 3,996     |
| Hawke's Bay .. .. .            | 1,300,578          | 1,293,333         | ..        | 7,245     |
| Waipawa .. .. .                | 723,898            | 699,452           | ..        | 24,446    |
| Patangata .. .. .              | 755,479            | 762,223           | 6,744     | ..        |
| Clifton .. .. .                | 23,758             | 26,102            | 2,344     | ..        |
| Taranaki .. .. .               | 26,341             | 30,806            | 4,465     | ..        |
| Stratford .. .. .              | 86,430             | 97,513            | 11,083    | ..        |
| Hawera .. .. .                 | 146,800            | 168,714           | 21,914    | ..        |
| Patea .. .. .                  | 225,619            | 241,257           | 15,638    | ..        |
| Waitotara .. .. .              | 172,259            | 171,129           | ..        | 1,130     |
| Wanganui .. .. .               | 395,528            | 393,922           | ..        | 1,606     |
| Rangitikei .. .. .             | 540,659            | 560,566           | 19,907    | ..        |
| Oroua .. .. .                  | 317,947            | 326,318           | 8,371     | ..        |
| Kiwitea .. .. .                | 277,089            | 273,028           | ..        | 4,061     |
| Pohangina .. .. .              | 115,847            | 120,171           | 4,324     | ..        |
| Manawatu .. .. .               | 200,828            | 192,169           | ..        | 8,659     |
| Horowhenua .. .. .             | 158,653            | 151,852           | ..        | 6,801     |
| Hutt .. .. .                   | 203,889            | 207,574           | 3,685     | ..        |
| South Wairarapa .. .. .        | 590,936            | 628,414           | 37,478    | ..        |
| Masterton .. .. .              | 659,476            | 560,640           | 50,952    | ..        |
| Castlepoint .. .. .            | 149,788            | 149,788           | ..        | ..        |
| Akaroa .. .. .                 | 132,329            | 148,657           | 16,328    | ..        |
| Pahiatua .. .. .               | 193,925            | 219,832           | 25,907    | ..        |
| Eketahuna .. .. .              | 65,978             | 71,529            | 5,551     | ..        |
| Mauriceville .. .. .           | 57,072             | 63,949            | 6,877     | ..        |
| Total for North Island .. .. . | 9,998,173          | 10,218,945        | 310,090   | 89,318    |
| SOUTH ISLAND.                  |                    |                   |           |           |
| Waimea .. .. .                 | 205,223            | 213,037           | 7,814     | ..        |
| Collingwood .. .. .            | 45,532             | 45,321            | ..        | 211       |
| Buller .. .. .                 | 1,848              | 2,146             | 298       | ..        |
| Grey .. .. .                   | 10,522             | 10,330            | ..        | 192       |
| Inangahua .. .. .              | 22,968             | 21,313            | ..        | 1,650     |
| Westland .. .. .               | 18,011             | 16,306            | ..        | 1,705     |
| Sounds .. .. .                 | 141,716            | 149,548           | 7,832     | ..        |
| Marlborough .. .. .            | 492,735            | 515,022           | 22,287    | ..        |
| Kaikoura .. .. .               | 154,767            | 157,242           | 2,475     | ..        |
| Amuri .. .. .                  | 387,331            | 391,718           | 4,387     | ..        |
| Cheviot .. .. .                | 178,616            | 195,273           | 16,657    | ..        |
| Ashley .. .. .                 | 744,405            | 814,615           | 70,210    | ..        |
| Akaroa .. .. .                 | 225,748            | 244,594           | 18,846    | ..        |
| Selwyn .. .. .                 | 647,419            | 705,923           | 58,504    | ..        |
| Ashburton .. .. .              | 738,816            | 881,633           | 142,817   | ..        |
| Geraldine .. .. .              | 657,034            | 674,490           | 17,456    | ..        |
| Mackenzie .. .. .              | 386,823            | 394,927           | 8,104     | ..        |
| Waimate .. .. .                | 550,763            | 602,705           | 51,942    | ..        |
| Waitaki .. .. .                | 526,948            | 571,502           | 44,554    | ..        |
| Maniototo .. .. .              | 307,869            | 330,165           | 22,296    | ..        |
| Vincent .. .. .                | 294,153            | 302,628           | 8,475     | ..        |
| Lake .. .. .                   | 159,603            | 150,851           | ..        | 8,752     |
| Waihemo .. .. .                | 119,323            | 122,322           | 2,999     | ..        |
| Waikouaiti .. .. .             | 78,128             | 77,077            | ..        | 1,051     |
| Taieri .. .. .                 | 210,791            | 220,890           | 9,599     | ..        |
| Bruce .. .. .                  | 150,440            | 177,059           | 26,619    | ..        |
| Peninsula .. .. .              | 3,288              | 1,496             | ..        | 1,792     |
| Clutha .. .. .                 | 289,373            | 314,144           | 24,771    | ..        |
| Tuapeka .. .. .                | 374,756            | 376,176           | 1,420     | ..        |
| Southland .. .. .              | 792,319            | 890,942           | 98,623    | ..        |
| Wallace .. .. .                | 438,821            | 442,406           | 3,585     | ..        |
| Stewart Island .. .. .         | 988                | 853               | ..        | 85        |
| Total for South Island .. .. . | 9,357,022          | 10,014,154        | 672,570   | 15,438    |
| Total for the colony .. .. .   | 19,355,195         | 20,233,099        | 982,660   | 104,756   |

Increase, North Island, 220,772; increase, South Island, 657,132: increase for colony, 877,904.