## NEW ZEALAND.

## THE PUBLIC DEBT OF THE COLONY

(RETURN SHOWING PARTICULARS OF)
AS ON 31st MARCH, 1902.

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives, dated the 23rd July, 1902.

Ordered, "That there be laid before this House a Return showing—(1) Particulars of the public debt of the colony on the 30th June, 1878; (2) the several increases and decreases between that date and the 31st March, 1902, 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; and (4) particulars of the public debt on the 31st March, 1902, 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: being continuation of Return B.—18A. of 1901."—(Mr. J. Allen).

STATEMENT of the Securities in which the Sinking Funds of the several Loans were invested on the 31st March, 1902.

| Investments in—                           |            |              |       |       |     |            | £      | s. | d. |  |
|---|------------|--------------|-------|-------|-----|------------|--------|----|----|--|
| New Zealand 5-per-cent. Debentures        | ••         |              |       |       | • • |            | 3,470  | 0  | 0  |  |
| " $4\frac{1}{2}$ -per-cent. Debentures    |            |              |       |       |     |            | 1,700  | 0  | 0  |  |
| " 3½-per-cent. Debentures                 |            |              |       | • •   |     |            | 1,250  | 0  | 0  |  |
| " 4-per-cent. Inscribed Stock             |            |              | ••    | • •   | • • | 12         | 29,754 | 19 | 6  |  |
| " 3½-per-cent. Inscribed Stock            |            |              |       |       |     |            | 2,571  | 3  | 7  |  |
| County of Tauranga 5-per-cent. Debenture  | S          |              |       |       |     |            | 60     | 0  | 0  |  |
| Borough of Brunner 6-per-cent. Debenture  | es         |              |       | • •   |     |            | 840    | 0  | 0  |  |
| Borough of Hokitika 6-per-cent. Debenture | es         |              |       |       | • • |            | 1,860  | 0  | 0  |  |
| Borough of Patea 42-per-cent. Debentures  |            |              |       |       | • • |            | 200    | 0  | 0  |  |
| Borough of Tauranga 5-per-cent. Debentur  | res        |              |       | • •   |     |            | 200    | 0  | 0  |  |
| Westport Harbour Board 4-per-cent. Deber  | ntures     |              |       |       | • • |            | 550    | 0  | 0  |  |
| Waimakariri Ashley Water-supply Board 5   | 5-per-cent | . Debentures |       |       | • • |            | 320    | 0  | 0  |  |
| Wellington and Manawatu Railway Compa     | any 5-per- | cent. Deben  | tures |       |     |            | 540    | 0  | 0  |  |
| Government Loans to Local Bodies 31-per   | cent. De   | bentures     |       |       |     |            | 400    | 0  | 0  |  |
| Land for Settlements 4-per-cent. Debentur | res        |              |       | • •   |     |            | 2,060  | 0  | 0  |  |
| Mortgages                                 |            |              |       | ••    |     | 8          | 32,700 | 0  | 0  |  |
| New South Wales 4-per-cent. Debentures    |            |              | • •   | • •   | • • | 2          | 20,800 |    | 0  |  |
| New South Wales 4-per-cent. Stock         |            |              |       | • •   |     |            | 5,486  | 6  | 7  |  |
| New South Wales 31-per-cent. Stock        |            |              |       |       |     | 8          | 34,269 | 13 | 4  |  |
| New South Wales 3-per-cent. Stock         |            |              | • •   | • • • |     | $\epsilon$ | 66,286 | 14 | 7  |  |
| Victoria 4-per-cent. Debentures           |            |              |       |       |     | 1          | 15,000 | 0  | 0  |  |
| Victoria 4-per-cent. Stock                |            |              |       |       |     | 4          | 13,233 | 17 | 4  |  |
| Victoria 31-per-cent. Stock               |            | ••           |       | • •   |     | 8          | 33,341 | 9  | 6  |  |
| Victoria 3-per-cent. Stock                |            |              |       |       | • • | 2          | 27,158 | 9  | 10 |  |
| South Australia 4-per-cent. Debentures    |            | • •          |       |       |     | 2          | 24,700 | 0  | 0  |  |
| South Australia 4-per-cent. Stock         |            |              |       |       |     |            | 4,851  | 0  | 5  |  |
| South Australia 3½-per-cent. Stock        |            |              |       |       |     | 5          | 38,068 | 11 | 6  |  |
| South Australia 3-per-cent. Stock         | • •        | • •          |       | ••    |     | 11         | l4,819 | 12 | 6  |  |
| Canada 4-per-cent. Debentures             |            |              |       |       |     | 1          | 18,200 | 0  | 0  |  |
| Canada 4-per-cent. Stock                  |            | ••           | • •   | • •   |     |            | 30,000 |    |    |  |
| Canada 3½-per-cent. Stock                 |            |              | • •   |       |     |            | 34,022 |    | 8  |  |
| Canada 3-per-cent. Stock                  |            |              |       |       |     | 8          | 33,226 | 12 | 3  |  |
| Canada 24-per-cent. Stock                 |            | • •          | • •   | • •   |     | 1          | 13,666 | 15 | 11 |  |
| Tasmanian 3-per-cent. Stock               |            | ••           |       |       |     |            | 4,124  | 13 | 4  |  |
| Ceylon 3-per cent. Stock                  |            |              | • •   |       |     |            | 6,000  | 0  | 0  |  |
| Leeds Corporation 3-per-cent. Stock       |            | • •          |       | • •   |     | 3          | 14,000 | 0  | 0  |  |
| -   |            |              |       |       |     |            |        |    |    |  |
|   |            |              |       |       |     |            | 39,732 |    |    |  |
| Cash balance on 31st                      | t March, l | 1902         |       | • •   |     | 18         | 39,083 | 10 | 0  |  |
|   |            |              |       |       |     | . —        |        |    | _  |  |
|   | Total      | • •          | • •   | • •   | • • | £1,19      | 28,816 | 1  | 10 |  |
|   |            |              |       |       |     |            |        |    |    |  |

STATEMENT of Treasury Bills outstanding on 31st March, 1902, showing the Date on which, and the Authority under which, they were issued, and the Date on which they are due.

| Date of<br>Issue.    | Amount.       | Rate of<br>Interest. | Due Date.     | Authority for Issue.                            |  |  |  |  |
|----------------------|---------------|----------------------|---------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| 1901.<br>December 31 | £<br>700,000* | £ 3½ %               | Dec. 31, 1902 | "Public Revenues Act, 1893," and amending Acts. |  |  |  |  |