

1913.
NEW ZEALAND.

MINISTERIAL RESIDENCES AND HOUSE ALLOWANCES

(RETURNS RELATIVE TO).

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated the 24th October, 1912.

Ordered, "That there be laid before this House a return showing—(1) How much has been spent during the last ten years in the upkeep of Ministerial residences; (2) how much has been spent in each of the last ten years in furnishing these residences; (3) the value of the furniture in these residences at the present time; and (4) the amount of house allowance for the same period that each Minister has given up."—(Mr. CAMPBELL.)

(1.) AMOUNT SPENT DURING THE TEN YEARS ENDED 24TH OCTOBER, 1912, ON THE UPKEEP OF MINISTERIAL RESIDENCES.

UPKEEP, £13,726, including rent of land leased for purposes of the residences, wages of gardeners, gas, electric light, and water-supply, but not including cost of additions made to the buildings, nor purchase of land.

In addition to the above, staff workmen—whose wages have not been charged directly to the residences—have from time to time been sent from the Public Works workshops to carry out small repairs, &c.

(2.) AMOUNT SPENT IN EACH YEAR DURING THE TEN YEARS ENDED 24TH OCTOBER, 1912, IN FURNISHING THESE RESIDENCES.

	£
25th October, 1902, to 31st March, 1903	58
1903-4	871
1904-5	407
1905-6	491
1906-7	491
1907-8	1,599
1908-9	244
1909-10	84
1910-11	841
1911-12	239
1st April, 1912, to 24th October, 1912	12
Total	<u>£5,337</u>

(3.) VALUE OF FURNITURE IN MINISTERIAL RESIDENCES ON 24th OCTOBER, 1912.
£4,980.

(4.) AMOUNT OF HOUSE ALLOWANCE FOR THE SAME PERIOD THAT EACH MINISTER HAS GIVEN UP.

	£	s.	d.
Hon. R. J. Seddon	1,526	6	10
Hon. Sir J. G. Ward	1,885	4	8
Hon. W. Hall-Jones	433	17	5
Hon. C. H. Mills	765	11	10
Hon. J. A. Millar	649	9	4
Hon. T. Mackenzie	360	7	3
Hon. G. Laurenson	47	1	2
Hon. W. Fraser	26	15	10
Total	<u>£5,694</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>4</u>

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