

STATEMENT of ACCOUNT between the Imperial Government and the Colony of New Zealand, from the Documents at present in the possession of the Colonial Government.

Dr.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	Dates when Account rendered.	Cr.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To "Error admitted" (vide Appendix House of Representatives, 1863, page 7, B.—No. 4) ...	...	85,891 10 4	1861. May 17 ...	By accounts rendered to Colonial Secretary ...	53,183 1 4	
Contributions on account of Her Majesty's Troops:			June 7 ...	Ditto ditto ditto ...	15,192 6 11	
Remitted for the 3 months ending 31st March, 1862 ...	6,929 13 9		" 11 ...	Ditto ditto ditto ...	25,868 15 0	
Remitted for the year ending 31st March, 1863 (say) ...	28,175 16 8		Aug. 7 ...	By accounts rendered to Assistant Military Secretary ...	12,959 13 1	
Remitted for the year ending 31st March, 1864 ...	33,906 6 8					
Remitted for the 9 months ending 31st December, 1864 ...	38,157 4 0					
		107,169 1 1			£107,203 16 4	
[NOTE.—The Imperial claim of £5 per man for Troops, remitted from 1st January, 1862, to 1st January, 1865. See Appendix House of Representatives, page 3, B.—No. 7.]				Deductions amounting to ...	2,238 16 7	104,964 19 9
Proportion of Transport Service on the Waikato—and other claims (say) ...		80,000 0 0	Nov. 25 ...	By accounts rendered to Assistant Military Secretary ...	...	18,731 5 0
		273,060 11 5	1862. March 20 ...	Ditto ditto ditto ...	...	7,386 13 11
			May 9 ...	Ditto ditto ditto ...	...	35,729 13 1
			Aug. 11 ...	Ditto ditto ditto ...	...	2,011 5 8
			Sept. 2 ...	By accounts rendered to Private Secretary, including the difference between the Commissariat Statements and Treasury Minute of 29th October, 1861	*	100,807 4 11
			and Dec. 11 ...			
			Nov. 4 ...	Ditto ditto ditto ...	...	4,494 5 5
						£274,125 7 9
			1863 April 15 ...	By contribution on account of the Imperial Troops, from 1st April, 1862, to 31st March, 1863, &c. ...	...	28,175 16 8
			1864 May 5 ...	By advances from Imperial Chest, August to December, 1863... ...	...	186,000 0 0
				By contribution H.M. Troops from 1st April, 1863, to 31st March, 1864 ...	...	33,906 6 8
				By Rations issued to Colonial Forces, December, 1863, to 31st March 1864... ...	...	38,721 14 0
				By cost of Implements issued from Military Store... ...	...	425 10 1
				By Rations issued to Colonial Forces at Tauranga, February, 1864 ...	...	307 12 8
			Nov. 12 ...	Ditto ditto April, 1864 ...	...	9,458 16 4
			Nov. 29 ...	Ditto ditto Port Waikato ...	...	541 17 8
				Ditto ditto ... ...	...	8,541 6 5
			1865 Jan. 25 ...	Ditto ditto at Te Awamutu ...	...	1,142 0 4
				Ditto ditto June, 1864 ...	...	8,783 11 2
			March 3 ...	Ditto ditto July, " ...	13,992 19 2	
				Deduct	205 12 3	
			April 6 ...	Ditto ditto September, 1864 ...	...	13,787 6 11
			April 26 ...	Ditto ditto October, " ...	...	24,288 2 5
				Ditto ditto ... ...	...	12,912 16 7
				Ditto ditto ... ...	...	141 15 11
			May 30 ...	Ditto ditto December, 1864 ...	...	18,186 0 4
			June 12 ...	Ditto ditto ... ...	...	15,651 6 10
			July 26 ...	Ditto ditto March, 1865 ...	...	8,232 13 7
				By contribution H.M. Troops to 31st March, 1865 ...	...	50,876 5 0
				By pay of Colonial Forces, March 1st to June 30th, 1865 ...	...	6,283 0 5
				By Supplies from Military Store and Purveyor's Department ...	...	977 6 10
Estimated Balance due to Imperial Government ...	...	503,406 3 2		Total, Claims rendered ...	...	£741,466 14 7
				Add Estimated Claims outstanding ...	...	35,000 0 0
						£776,466 14 7

* The Colonial Government is in possession of no information by which the discrepancy between the claims, as stated by the Commissariat Department and the claims as rendered by the Imperial Treasury, can be explained.

On reference to the Appendix to the Journals of the House of Representatives for the year 1863, p. 7, B.—No. 4, it will be seen that the sum of £274,125 7s. 9d. is made up as follows:—

	£ s. d.
Treasury Minute, 24th May, 1862 ...	193,180 5 6
Local Forces—Pay, Rations, &c., to 30th June, 1862 ...	17,394 4 5
Do. do. do. to 30th September, 1862 ...	4,452 4 3
H. M. Troops—contribution for year ending 31st March, 1862 ...	27,718 15 0
Road-making, to 30th June, 1862 ...	31,337 17 5
Do. 30th September, 1862... ...	42 1 2
	£274,125 7 9

On comparing this statement with the one preceding it on the same page of the Appendix, it seems probable that the Treasury Minute of the 24th May, 1862, includes the claims for "Fencibles," the Steamers "Wonga Wonga," &c., amounting to £85,891 10s. 4d. This sum the Commissariat Officer states to be an "admitted error," although he includes it now in his Statement of Accounts. The apparent overcharge is debited the Imperial Government in the present statement.

August 10th, 1865.

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NOTE.—£500,000 was remitted in March, 1865, in Colonial Debentures, and has been accepted by the Home Government, thus reducing the balance to £3,406 3s. 2d.

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