

RETURNS OF LOCAL TAXATION

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By assessment on value	...	...	10,364	9	10	177,677	0	0
"	...	...	85	0	0	6,800	0	0
"	...	...	363	15	2½	58,202	0	0
"	...	...	123	14	10	59,396	0	0
			£10,936	19	10½	£302,075	0	0
By acreage rates	...	...	103	6	6			
"	...	...	428	7	9			
"	...	...	350	0	0			
"	...	...	205	3	0			
"	...	...	42	1	0			
"	...	...	110	11	10½			
"	...	...	457	1	0			
"	...	...	250	8	0			
"	...	...	240	14	0			
"	...	...	194	6	7			
"	...	...	328	0	0			
"	...	...	438	0	0			
"	...	...	11	15	5			
"	...	...	242	17	0			
			£14,339	12	0			
			10,936	19	10½			
Acreage rate	...	...	£3,402	12	1½			

TARANAKI.

Copy of a Letter from His Honor H. R. RICHMOND to the Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY.
(No. 65.) Superintendent's Office,
New Plymouth, 13th July, 1866.

SIR,— I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your circular letter No. 20, of the 14th instant, and enclose herewith a Return of the local taxation in this Province.

The only assessed rate shown in this Return, is the road rate imposed on all lands within the Town of New Plymouth. This rate is on the assessed value of the land without improvements, and the valuation may on the whole be taken to represent fairly the present marketable value.

The rating of rural lands was necessarily discontinued during the years in which they could not be occupied, and was resumed towards the end of last year ; but no rural rates became due during the year 1865.

I have, &c.,
H. R. RICHMOND,
Superintendent.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, &c., Wellington.

RETURN of LOCAL TAXATION in the Province of TARANAKI, for the Year 1865.

Rates imposed on lands within the boundary of the Town of New Plymouth (valued in 1864 at £91,854) at 4d. in the pound.	Licenses.		Inspection of		Registration of Dogs.	Pound Fees.	Total.
	Auctioneers.	Publicans.	Weights and Measures.	Cattle and Sheep.			
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1,503 18 0	240 0 0	398 3 10	5 10 0	22 8 8	189 0 0	54 13 4	2,440 13 10

Rates amounting to £678 12s. 6d. were also made on 27,040½ acres of country land, but which were not payable till 1866.

T. WHITE,
Assistant Treasurer.

Treasury, 10th July, 1866.

HAWKE'S BAY.

Copy of a Letter from His Honor D. McLEAN to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.
Napier, 25th June, 1866.

SIR,— In reply to your circular No. 20, of the 14th instant, applying for a Return of 1865, for the Province of Hawke's Bay, of all local taxation, I have the honor to state there is no local taxation in this Province, unless the sheep assessment for scab is considered as such. I enclose a Return showing the amount of £472 11s. 11d. received under this head.

I have &c.,
DONALD McLEAN,
Superintendent.