RETURNS RELATING TO THE SAN FRANCISCO MAIL SERVICE.

(Return to an Order of the House of Representatives, dated 24th July, 1872.)

"THAT there be laid on the Table of this House, a Return showing-

- "1. The number of hours which elapsed from the first departure of each New Zealand Mail from San Francisco until its arrival in Auckland and Port Chalmers, during the Financial Year ending 30th June, 1872.
- "2. The number of hours which elapsed from the departure of each mail from Port Chalmers until its arrival in Auckland and San Francisco during the same period.

 "3. The amounts deducted from the subsidy to Mr. Webb."

(Mr. Johnston.)

RETURN showing the Number of Hours occupied in performing the Voyages from San Francisco to Auckland and Port Chalmers, and from Port Chalmers to Auckland and San Francisco, by the Steamers running under the Contract between the New Zealand Government and Messrs. Webb and Holladay, from the commencement of the Service.

SAN FRANCISCO TO NEW ZEALAND.					PORT CHALMERS TO SAN FRANCISCO.				
To Auckland.			To Port Chalmers.		Port Chalmers to Auckland.			To San Francisco.	
First Date of Departure.	Date of Arrival.	Time occupied, in Hours.	Date of Arrival.	Time occupied, in Hours.	Date of Despatch.	Date of Arrival.	Time occupied, in Hours.	Date of Arrival.	Time occupied, in Hours.
1871. April 8 May 6 May 24 June 23 July 20 Aug. 16 Sept. 13 Oct. 11 Nov. 9	1871. May 4 May 31 June 23 July 20 Aug. 16 Sept. 12 Oct. 12 Nov. 7 Dec. 8	602 577 * 711 634 628 631 675 626 † 716	1871. May 10 June 5 June 30 July 26 Aug. 23 Sept. 19 Oct. 18 Nov. 12 Dec. 14	749 702 868 781 790 796 819 742 827	1871. May 15 June 9 July 7 Aug. 4 Sept. 1 Sept. 29 Oct. 27 Nov. 24 Dec. 22	1871. May 20 June 14 July 11 Aug. 9 Sept. 6 Oct. 3 Nov. 1 Nov. 29 Dec. 27	114 120 103 108 118 120 124 126 122	1871. June 22 July 16 Aug. 13 Sept. 9 Oct. 7 Nov. 5 Dec. 3 1872. Jan. 4 Feb. 3	926 904 898 875 881 898 912 1,010 1,057
Dec. 12 1872.	1872. Jan. 8	627	1872. Jan. 12	723	1872. Jan. 19	1872. Jan. 24	114	Feb. 29	998
Jan. 9 Feb. 6 Mar. 1 Mar. 29 April 27 May 24	Feb. 7 Mar. 3 April 6 May 22 May 22 June 21	677 ‡ 604 848 §1,282 583 663	Feb. 14 Mar. 9 April 13 May 28 May 28 June 30	845 740 1,017 1,419 719 863	Feb. 17 Mar. 15 April 16 May 11 June 7	Feb. 24 Mar. 21 April 21 ** June 12	1162 137 122 126	Mar. 27 April 24 May 22 **	944 982 876

^{*}Delay, accident to "Moses Taylor." † Accident to machinery. ‡ Snow blockade; steamer arrived without English Mails. § Accident to "Mohonga;" no steamer arrived. || Detained 24 hours by Government. ** No steamer this month.

General Post Office, Wellington, 31st July, 1872.

RETURN showing the Amounts Deducted from the Subsidy payable to Messrs. Webb and Holladay, during the Financial Year ended 30th June, 1872.

When Deducted.	Reason for Deduction.	Amount.
May, 1872	For Non-arrival of April Steamer, and Non-despatch of Steamer from Auckland in May	£ s. d.

General Post Office, Wellington, 29th July, 1872.