

1887.
NEW ZEALAND.

COSTS INCURRED UNDER "RABBIT NUISANCE ACT, 1882"
(RETURN SHOWING THE).

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives, dated 11th May, 1887.

Ordered, "That a return be laid upon the table showing the total cost incurred under "The Rabbit Nuisance Act, 1882," in the destruction of rabbits within the colony, for the years ending 1885 and 1886, such return to show separately—(1.) The salary, including travelling allowances, paid to Inspectors and others. (2.) The amount of costs, charges, and expenses incurred under the said Act. (3.) The gross total cost of administering the Act within the Counties of Clutha and Bruce, and, if possible, the total cost within the County of Bruce."—(MR. REID.)

STOCK BRANCH.

Expenditure.

During year ended 31st March, 1885,—						£	s.	d.
(1.) Salaries, Inspectors and others	...	...	...	...	...	13,783	4	4
(2.) Other charges, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	14,503	13	10
Total	...	...	...	...	...	£28,286	18	2

During year ended 31st March, 1886,—						£	s.	d.
(1.) Salaries, Inspectors and others	...	...	...	...	...	13,415	7	9
(2.) Other charges, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	15,631	5	3
Total	...	...	...	...	...	£29,046	13	0

(3.) Gross total cost of working Rabbit Act within the Counties of Bruce and Clutha during year ended 31st March, 1887	£1,347	0	0
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(3.) Total cost of working Rabbit Act within the County of Bruce during the year ended 31st March, 1887	£628	10	0
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This return includes expenditure under "The Sheep Act, 1878," as well as under "The Rabbit Nuisance Act, 1882," as Sheep Inspectors are also Rabbit Inspectors, thus making it impossible so to discriminate as to show the exact cost incurred under each Act separately.

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