Sess. II.—1891. NEW ZEALAND.

PURCHASE OF ARMS AND AMMUNITION

(DETAILS OF EXPENDITURE OF £12,273, UNDER ITEM FOR).

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated 15th July, 1891.

Ordered, "That a return giving details of the expenditure of £12,273, under the item on Volunteer vote, of 'Purchase of Arms and Ammunition,' stating, in case of stores ordered from England, the dates on which orders were forwarded, and the dates on which payments were made; and specifying what stores were ordered for issue on payment to Volunteers, and the amounts received, be laid on the table of this House."—(Hon. Captain Russell.)

RETURN giving Details of Expenditure of £12,273, under the Item on Volunteer Vote, of Purchase of Arms and Ammunition, stating, in case of Stores ordered from England, the Dates on which Orders were forwarded, and the Dates on which Payments were made; and specifying what Stores were ordered for Issue on Payment to Volunteers, and the Amounts received.

Stores.	Number.	Expenditure. 1890-91.			Stores ordered from England.			Recoveries.		
					Date of Order.	Date of Payment.	To whom issued.	Cash received, 1890-91.	Stoppages from Capitation, 1890–91.	Free Issue.
Snider ball-ammuni-	1,719,010	£ *7,717	s. 1				Volunteers	£ s. d	£ s. d. 354 0 0	£ s. d. 2,224 13 2
Martini-Henry ammunition	125,000	437	0	1	27/2/89	13/6/90	"		83 15 0	275 0 0
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Martini-Henry rifles	250	653			11/2/89	13/6/90	,,)	
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Morris tubes	50		10		30/9/89	2/9/90	Volunteers	J	··	
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	11,200lb.	569		7	9/4/89	13/9/90			''	• •
Gunpowder†	4,000lb.	179	10	ó	25/6/89	11/9/90	••	••	•••	• •
<i>"</i>	11,200lb.	448	0	0		13/10/90	••	• •	٠٠.	• •
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Spare parts of rifles		31	6	ĭ	30/9/89	11/9/90		• •	• • •	• •
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Work done by Im-		141		5				• • •		• •
perial factories	, ,				, ,		,,	• •	i]	••
Repairs to arms, &c.		95	6	7		,.	}	• •		
Sword-knots		13	2	6	17/7/89	17/12/90		• •		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Freight, &c		441	0	5	••	٠٠' ا	• •	173 5 9		
		12,272	13	2	• •	.,		2,078 17 2	583 14 0	$2,637 \ 14 \ 2$

^{*} Net price. † This is paid for by Messrs. Whitney and Co., being deducted from their monthly accounts for Snider ball ammunition, and cannot be shown as a recovery.

Defence Office, 21st July, 1891.

A. Hume, Lieut.-Colonel, Acting Under-Secretary for Defence.

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