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NEW ZEALAND.

# MOMOHAKI EXPERIMENTAL STATE FARM

(RETURN RELATIVE TO).

*Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated 28th June, 1895.*

*Ordered, "That there be laid before this House a return as to the State (or Experimental) Farm, near Waverley, setting out—(1) the area; (2) the value of the land with improvements at time of the State Farm being started; (3) the amount expended since in (a) buildings, (b) fencing, (c) cultivating, including labour, (d) stock, and (e) other purposes; (4) the uses to which the land has been applied; (5) the number of persons employed throughout, and the (a) maximum, (b) minimum, number; rates of salary or wages paid to each class; (6) the number of stock now on the farm, and for what purpose; and (7) the returns (if any)."*—(Mr. G. HUTCHISON.)

RETURN of EXPENDITURE, &c., from 1st SEPTEMBER, 1893, to 31st MARCH, 1895.

1. 254 acres 2 roods 13 perches (of this there is 71 acres 1 rood 24 perches of bush).
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3. (a) £577 10s., (b) £367 6s. 8d., (c) £887 3s. 11d., (d) £376 0s. 5d., (e) £449 10s. 8d.
4. For investigating diseases in stock, the testing of seeds and plants, and the distribution of proved sorts to settlers.
5. Eleven; (a) nine, (b) two. Curator, £125 per annum; overseer £2 per week; assistant nurseryman, 7s. 6d. per day; labourers, 6s. 6d. and 5s. per day; boy, 3s. 4d. per day.
6. Five horses, for farm-work; forty-four cattle, to eat down rough feed; 397 sheep, for experimental purposes.
7. £81 2s. 11d.

JOHN D. RITCHIE.

## ADDITIONAL RETURN.—TREES, ETC.

Orchard—		Varieties.	Numbers.
Fruit-trees	...	320	987
Vines	...	63	71
Nursery—			
Fruit-trees	...	460	1,634
Vines	...	42	10,000
Other plants	...	15	50
Forest- and shelter-trees	...	23	6,170
Total	...	923	18,912

1,200 trees have been planted for permanent shelter purposes.

2,500 forest- and shelter-trees have been distributed this season.

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