

1896.
NEW ZEALAND.

CHRISTCHURCH BY-ELECTION.

COSTS OF THE SEVERAL CANDIDATES.

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated 24th June, 1896.

Ordered, "That there be laid before this House a return giving the costs incurred and returned, as by law directed, of the several candidates in the recent by-election for a member of the House of Representatives for the City of Christchurch."—(Mr. McLACHLAN.)

SIR,—

Worcester Street, Christchurch, 2nd July, 1896.

I have the honour to acknowledge yours of the 26th ultimo, and in answer thereto enclose herewith lists of expenses incurred by the several candidates at the recent election for a member of the House of Representatives over which I presided on the 13th of February last.

I have, &c.,

JOHN WHITELAW,

Returning Officer, District of City of Christchurch.

The Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

"THE CORRUPT PRACTICES PREVENTION ACT, 1895."—RETURN OF EXPENSES.

I, Richard Molesworth Taylor, a candidate at the election for the Electoral District of Christchurch, held in the month of February, 1896, hereby make the following return respecting election expenses incurred by me or on my behalf at the election:—

Receipts.

Nil.

Expenditure.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
J. E. Hawley, clerical work at Committee-rooms	9	16	0			
R. Underwood, scrutineer, Provincial Council Chambers	1	1	0			
Charles Wilkins, scrutineer, Opera House	1	1	0			
R. Harbinger, scrutineer, Provincial Council Chambers	1	1	0			
Edward J. Collins, scrutineer, Opera House	1	1	0			
T. Killick, cleaning out Committee-rooms	1	0	0			
					15	0 0
Advertising—						
Cash advertisements— <i>Times, Star, Press, Truth</i>	5	10	0			
Account— <i>Times</i> and <i>Star</i>	6	15	0			
Account— <i>Press</i> and <i>Truth</i>	3	10	0			
Printing—Russell and Willis... ..	3	6	0			
					19	1 0
C. H. Wilkinson and Co., <i>Spectator</i>	1	5	0			
Hire of Rooms—						
R. J. Fuchs, Opera House	5	0	0			
Lake and Evans, Committee-room, Colombo Street, Christchurch... ..	8	3	6			
H. L. Bowker, Committee-room, Colombo Road, Sydenham	3	0	0			
Oddfellows' Hall, Lincoln Road	1	5	0			
Court Star of Canterbury, Richmond Hall and Committee-room	1	10	0			
Druid's Hall, Colombo Road, Sydenham	0	10	0			
City of Christchurch Lodge	1	15	0			
Waltham School Committee	0	7	6			
Mutual Improvement Association, Knightstown	1	7	0			
Mrs. Douglass, Committee-room, St. Albans	0	12	0			
Waltham Library Committee-room	0	5	0			
					23	15 0

Sundries—						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
D. Craig and Co., stationery ...	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	7			
H. Fuchsman, hire of table and chairs	...	...	...	...	...	1	15	0			
E. Duckworth and Son, hire of table and chairs	...	...	...	...	...	0	13	0			
Gas Company	...	...	...	...	...	0	9	0			
									4	0	7
Personal Expenses—											
Including purchase of electoral rolls, cab hire, stamps, &c.	...	...	...	...	...				10	0	0
<i>Spectator</i> , C. H. Wilkins and Co.	...	...	...	...	...				1	5	0
Grand Total of Expenses	...	...	...	...	...				£73	1	7

Received 15th April, 1896.—J. Whitelaw, Returning Officer, Christchurch.

In the matter of "The Corrupt Practices Prevention Amendment Act, 1895."

RETURN OF EXPENSES.

I, Charles Lewis, of Halswell House, Lincoln Road, near Christchurch, Farmer, a candidate at the election for the Electoral District of Christchurch, held in the month of February, 1896, hereby make the following return respecting election expenses incurred by me or on my behalf at the election :—

				<i>Receipts.</i>		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Per National Association	109	7	11			
Charles Lewis	50	0	0			
						<hr/>			£159	7	11

Expenditure.

Printing and Advertising—				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Press Company</i> (Limited), as per account	34	16	2			
<i>Lyttelton Times</i> (Limited), as per account	19	5	0			
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Clerk's and Messenger's Services—

Henry Thompson, services as clerk	26	5	0
David A. Watt, services as messenger...	15	15	0
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				42	0	0

Stationery, Postage, and Telegrams—

David A. Watt, stationery and postage stamps paid for by him	...	1	6	0
Henry Thompson, stationery, telegrams, stamps, &c., paid for by him		6	7	11
Whitcombe and Tombs (Limited), stationery	1	10	6
Simpson and Williams, stationery	0	14	10
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Expenses of holding Public Meetings—

Waltham Library Committee, use of library	0	5	0
Churchwardens of St. John's, hire of St. John's Schoolroom	...	...	0	12	6
St. Albans School Committee, use of side school	...	...	0	5	0
Loyal City of Christchurch Lodge of Oddfellows, hire of hall	...	...	5	5	3
" chambers	...	...	0	12	6
I.O.O.F., M.U., use of lodge at Addington	...	...	1	0	0
Order of Druids, Druids' Hall, Sydenham	...	...	0	10	0
Sydenham Gospel Mission, rent of hall	...	...	1	8	0
Waltham School Committee, use of Waltham Schoolroom	...	...	0	7	6
Churchwardens of St. Luke's, use of schoolroom	...	...	1	1	0
Public Library Committee, hall, Knightstown	...	...	0	15	0
Churchwardens of St. Matthew's, hire of schoolroom	...	...	0	13	0
Court Star of Canterbury, A.O.F., Foresters' Hall, Richmond	...	...	4	5	0
Loyal Benevolent Lodge, I.O.O.F., M.U., Montreal Street Hall	...	...	1	0	0
East Christchurch School Committee, schoolroom, South Belt	...	...	0	10	0
Churchwardens of St. Mary's Schoolroom, Merivale	1	11	6
The Beatty Estate, Theatre Royal	7	10	0

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Expense of Committee-rooms—

W. J. Sparkes, Committee-room, Sydenham	4	10	0
S. Ward, Committee-room at Knightstown	1	10	0
D. A. Watt, cleaning and sweeping Central Committee-rooms, paid for by him	...	...	...	0	6	0
A. J. White, hire of chairs and tables for Central Committee-rooms	...	...	...	7	0	0
D. A. Watt, kerosene, candles, and cartage of same for Central Committee-rooms, paid for by him	...	...	...	0	13	0
New Zealand Accident Insurance Company, insurance of plate-glass windows at Central Committee-rooms	...	...	...	0	7	6
Christchurch Gas Company and Coal Company (Limited), gas at Central Committee-rooms	1	7	9
Miles and Co. (Limited), hire of screen at Central Committee-rooms	1	0	0
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Miscellaneous—	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
D. A. Watt, paid by him for cabs, carriages, and labour prior to election day	1	18	0				
D. A. Watt, paid for breakage of window at Miles and Co., when taking out screen	0	4	6				
D. A. Watt, paid by him for twenty-three rolls...	1	3	0				
D. A. Watt, paid by him for hire of bicycle	0	7	0				
Robert Wilkin, hire of bicycle	1	3	6				
E. Oates, hire of bicycle	1	0	0				
Johnson and Couzens, Ropemakers, hire of six tents	1	16	0				
A. Joyce, compiling roll of S.E. Ward according to streets	1	10	0				
					9	2	0
					£159	7	11

CHARLES LEWIS.

Received 20th April, 1896.—J. Whitelaw, Returning Officer, Christchurch.

The Returning Officer, Christchurch.

DEAR SIR,—

Cashel Street, Christchurch, 1st June, 1896.

Herewith please find a note of my expenses in connection with the recent by-election, as required by "The Electoral Act, 1893."

Yours truly,

T. E. TAYLOR.

T. E. TAYLOR'S ELECTION EXPENSES, FEBRUARY, 1896.

Printing—	£	s.	d.
Per T. E. Fraser	15	0	0
Russell and Willis	9	0	0
Rent—			
St. Albans hall	3	9	0
Waltham School	0	7	6
Mission Hall, Sydenham, two nights	3	0	0
Committee-rooms, Sydenham	1	0	0
Montreal Street Hall	0	10	0
Oddfellows' Hall and Chambers, two nights	2	12	6
Richmond Hall	1	0	0
Opera House, three nights	15	0	0
" attendance, caretaker	1	2	6
Committee-rooms, Christchurch	5	10	0
Sign for Committee-rooms	0	15	0
Electoral rolls	1	12	0
Advertising—			
Press Company	17	18	10
Times Company	18	5	3
Clerical assistance	6	1	0
Distributing circulars	0	14	6
Bicycle hire	0	8	6
Sundries, postage, cartage, &c.	1	0	2
	<u>£104</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>9</u>

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