SECURITIES, &c., standing in the Name of the Postmaster-General on Account of the Post-Office Savings-Bank Fund on the 31st December, 1896.

Description of Securities, &c.		Zalue.	Value at Cost Price.	Accrued Interest on 31st December, 1896.	
	£	s. d.	£ s. d.	.t .s L	
"Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1896" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	250,000	0 0	250,000 0 0	2,205 9 4	
Consolidated Loan 1867 Debentures, 4 per cent	13,000	0 0	12,480 0 0	109 13 11	
"Consolidated Stock Act 1884" Debentures, $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent	1,024,813	0 0	1,024,813 0 0	4,169 7 9	
"Consolidated Stock Act 1884" Debentures, 4 per cent	93,900	0 0	93,900 0 0	339 11 7	
"Consolidated Stock Act 1884 Debentures, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent	433,800	0 0	433,800 0 0	1,365 10 3	
Defence Loan 1870 Debentures, 4 per cent	75,000	0 0	72,000 0 0	632 17 6	
Defence Loan 1870 Debentures, $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent	8,100	0 0	8,100 0 0		
District Railways Purchasing Act Debentures, 4 per cent	42,000	0 0	36,076 17 8	418 17 0	
District Railways Purchasing Act Scrip, 4 per cent	34,100	0 0	34,100 0 0	340 1 3	
General Purposes Loan 1873 Debentures, 4 per cent	5,200	0 0	4,342 0 0	43 17 7	
"Government Loans to Local Bodies Act 1886" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	71,000	0 0	71,000 0 0	346 5 2	
Greymouth Harbour Board Debentures, 5 per cent	100,000	0 0	100,000 0 0	2,500 0 0	
Hamilton Borough Debentures, 5½ per cent	3,000	0 0	3,000 0 0	68 14 3	
Hokitika Harbour Board Debentures, 5 per cent	10,000	0 0	10,000 0 0	*1,068 9 10	
"Immigration and Public Works Loan Act 1870" Debentures, 4 per cent.	174,200	0 0	167,272 0 0	1,469 19 2	
"Immigration and Public Works Loan Act 1870" Debentures, 4½ per cent.	20,900	0 0	20,527 10 0	198 8 2	
Imperial Guaranteed Immigration and Public Works Loan 1870 Debentures, 4 per cent.	400,000	0 0	400,000 0 0	1,315 1 4	
Land for Settlements Acts, 1892 and 1894, Debentures, 4 per cent.	129,100	0 0	129,100 0 0	863 0 4	
"Land for Settlements Act 1894 Debentures," $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent	30,000	0 0	30,000 0 0	33 1 7	
"Land for Settlements Act 1892" Debentures, 4½ per cent	53,966	,0 0	53,966 0 0	405 17 0	
"Lands Improvement and Native Lands Acquisition Act 1894" Debentures, 4 per cent.	264,000	0 0	264,000 0 0	2,661 14 0	
"Lands Improvement and Native Lands Acquisition Act 1894" Debentures, 3½ per cent.	25,000	0 0	25,000 0 0	115 1 4	
" Native Land Purchases Act 1892" Debentures, $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent	125,000	0 0	125,000 0 0	940 1 4	
North Rakaia River Board Debentures, 5 per cent	2,000	0 0	2,000 0 0	41 12 10	
Oamaru Borough Consolidated Loan 1893 Debentures, 5 per cent.	13,800	0 0	13,800 0 0	345 0 0	
Oamaru Harbour Bonds, 5½ per cent	32,000	0 0	32,000 0 0	7 37 15 1	
Oamaru Harbour Advances 1887, 5 per cent	30,000	0 0	30,000 0 0	628 15 4	
Patea Harbour Board Debentures, $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent	10,000	0 0	10,000 0 0	225 0 0	
Thames Borough Debentures, 6 per cent	6,500	0 0	6,500 0 0	190 3 10	
Thames Harbour Board Debentures, 5 per cent	10,000	0 0	10,000 0 0	250 0 0	
Treasury Bills, 3½ per cent	367,600	0 0	367,600 0 0		
Westport Harbour Board Debentures, 4½ per cent	11,000	0 0	11,000 0 0	23 15 10	
Westport Harbour Board Debentures, 5 per cent	339,200	0 0	339,200 0 0	8,480 0 0	
Accrued Interest on Post Office Account				788 8 0	
Totals	4,208,179	0 0	4,190,577 7 8	33,321 10 7	

^{*} Includes four half-yearly interest-payments of £250; due on 11th May and 11th November, 1895 and 1896.

R. J. Seddon, Postmaster-General.

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