

RETURN showing the COST of MAINTENANCE of the NEW ZEALAND LIGHTHOUSES, and the Quantity of Oil consumed at each, during the Year ended the 31st March, 1897.

Name of Lighthouse.	Salaries.	Oil.		Stores and Contingencies.	Totals.
		Gallons consumed.	Value.		
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Cape Maria van Diemen	379 13 11	1,005	75 7 6	121 17 4	576 18 9
Moko Hinou	383 6 8	831	62 6 6	109 4 3	554 17 5
Tiri-Tiri	300 0 0	488	36 12 0	59 6 11*	395 18 11
Bean Rock	200 0 0	88	7 18 4	47 8 11	255 7 3
Ponui Passage	160 0 0	75	5 12 6	73 9 11 ^a	239 2 5
Cuvier Island	362 13 4	1,270	95 5 0	100 15 6	558 13 10
Portland Island	369 3 11	753	56 9 6	148 1 5 ^b	573 14 10
Napier Bluff	20 0 0	Gas	12 17 3	1 8 0	34 5 3
Pencarrow Head	250 0 0	935	70 2 6	65 13 5	385 15 11
Somes Island	156 0 0	218	16 7 0	58 14 10	231 1 10
Cape Egmont	316 13 4	573	42 19 6	123 13 7	483 6 5
Manukau Head	260 0 0	537	40 5 6	45 3 0	345 8 6
Manukau South Head leading-lights		170	12 15 0	31 10 3	175 4 3
Manukau North Head leading-lights	120 0 0	146	10 19 0		
Kaipara Head	290 0 0	549	41 3 6	75 8 0	406 11 6
Brothers	534 0 8	677	50 15 6	81 0 0	665 16 2
Tory Channel leading-lights	90 0 0	169	12 13 6	6 13 2	109 6 8
Cape Campbell	300 0 0	554	41 11 0	76 6 4	417 17 4
Godley Head	290 0 0	511	38 6 6	36 16 0	365 2 6
Akaroa Head	270 0 0	641	48 1 6	36 6 7	354 8 1
Moeraki	265 0 0	516	38 14 0	46 8 0	350 2 0
Taiaroa Head	270 0 0	552	41 8 0	27 5 0	338 13 0
Cape Saunders	280 0 0	648	48 12 0	41 0 2	369 12 2
Nugget Point	260 0 0	905	67 17 6	102 18 7 ^c	430 16 1
Waipapapa Point	263 6 8	530	39 15 0	50 3 4	353 5 0
Dog Island	374 18 4	782	58 17 3	146 4 1 ^d	579 19 8
Centre Island	370 0 0	868	65 2 0	260 11 9 ^e	695 13 9
Puysegur Point	354 17 9	874	65 11 0	312 18 0 ^f	733 6 9
Hokitika	9 0 0	Gas	17 15 0	0 9 6	27 4 6
Cape Foulwind	294 16 9	572	42 18 0	65 0 0	402 14 9
Farewell Spit	380 0 0	556	41 14 0	2,387 13 5 ^g	2,809 7 5
Nelson	244 15 0	252	18 18 0	309 7 1 ^h	573 0 1
Stephens Island	378 13 0	1,733	129 19 6	115 8 0	624 0 6
French Pass	210 0 0	122	9 3 0	8 7 6	227 10 6
Totals	9,006 19 4	19,100	1,464 12 10	5,172 11 10	15,644 4 0

* Repairs, £17 3s. 10d. ^a Repairs, £51 2s. ^b Schoolroom, £28 8s. 8d. ^c Repairs, £52 16s. 9d. ^d Enlarging house, £30 10s. 10d.
^e Repairs, £127 16s. 11d. ^f Repairs, £110 8s. 7d. ^g New tower, £2,301 1s. 2d. ^h New house, £274 8s. 4d.

NOTE.—This return does not include the cost of the periodical visits made to the lighthouses by the Government steamer with oil, stores, and provisions.

RETURN showing the NUMBER of NOTICES to MARINERS relating to Matters within the Colony issued by the Marine Department during the Year ended the 31st March, 1897.

Port or Place.	Subject of Notice.
Westport Harbour ..	As to stranded barque "Coromandel" two notices).
Whangaparoa Bay ..	As to position of rock (two notices).
Stewart Island ..	Particulars regarding Ward Rock.
Kaipara Harbour ..	Signals at pilot-station to indicate state of bar.
Kaipara Harbour ..	Shoaling of water in Galatea Channel.
Wanganui River ..	Dredging operations.
Oamaru Harbour ..	Position of buoy to mark dredge-moorings.
Farewell Spit ..	Notification that light is to be shown from new tower.
Cape Palliser ..	Preliminary notice of exhibition of.