RETURN of INVESTMENTS made by the Public Trust Office during the Financial Year ended 31st March, 1897.

Particulars.	Rate of Interest per Cent.	Due Date of Securities.	Amount.	Total.
Renewed investments— Treasury bills	$3\frac{1}{2}$	30 June, 1897	£ s. d. 222,400 0 0	£ s. d. 222,400 0 0
New investments—  "Land for Settlements Act, 1894," debentures  "Lands Improvement and Native Lands	3 <del>1</del>	31 Oct., 1899	5,000 0 0	
Acquisition Act, 1894," debentures  New Zealand Inscribed Consols  Mortgages of real property	$3\frac{1}{2}$ $3\frac{1}{2}$	30 Sept., 1908 1 Feb., 1910		
			£	184,531 11 0 406,931 11 0

James C. Martin, Public Trustee.

Public Trust Office, Wellington, 15th June, 1897.

RETURN of INVESTMENTS made by the Commissioners of the Public Debts Sinking Funds during the Financial Year ended 31st March, 1897.

Particulars.	Rate of Interest per Cent.	Due Date of Securities.	Amount.	Total.
"Land for Settlements Act, 1894," debentures Waimakariri - Ashley Water-supply Board debentures	3½ 5	31 Oct., 1899 1 June, 1906	£ s. d. 2,000 0 0 500 0 0	
				£2,500 0 0

6th May, 1897.

WM. Dodd, Secretary to the Commissioners.

RETURN of INVESTMENTS made by the GOVERNMENT ADVANCES TO SETTLERS OFFICE during the Financial Year ended 31st March, 1897.

Particulars.	Rate of Interest per Cent.	Due Date of Securities.	Amount.	Total.		
"Consolidated Stock Act, 1884," debentures	31	28 May, 1898	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		
"Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886," debentures	$3\frac{1}{2}$	31 Dec., 1900				
"Land for Settlements Act, 1894," debentures	3 <u>1</u>	31 Oct., 1899	161,000 0 0			
Acquisition Act, 1894,'' debentures  New Zealand Inscribed Stock	$\frac{3\frac{1}{2}}{3\frac{1}{2}}$	30 Sept., 1908 1 Jan., 1940		*		
Mortgages of property	5	,	607,305 0 0	£911,605 0		

<sup>\*</sup> Purchased for £11,825.