

SESS. II.—1897.
NEW ZEALAND.

BALANCE-SHEET

OF THE

BANK OF NEW ZEALAND

FOR THE

HALF-YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1897.

Laid before Parliament in pursuance of Section 53 of "The Bank of New Zealand and Banking Act, 1895."

WELLINGTON.

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PROFIT AND LOSS, 31ST MARCH, 1897.

RESERVE FUND.

I, John Marten Butt, the Auditor appointed by the Governor in Council under "The Bank of New Zealand Share Guarantee Act, 1894," do hereby certify,—

1. That, having carefully examined the foregoing balance-sheet and statements, I am satisfied that they have been correctly compiled from the books and accounts of the bank.
2. That I am also satisfied that the said balance-sheet is a full and fair balance-sheet, properly drawn up, and exhibits a true and correct view of the bank's affairs at the date thereof.
3. That I have verified so much of the cash, investments, securities, and assets of the bank as at the date of the said balance-sheet were held at the Head Office in Wellington, and have had access to certified returns of so much thereof as were then held at the various branches and agencies of the bank, or were then in transit.

Dated this 23rd day of July, 1897.

J. M. BUTT.

We hereby certify that, having carefully examined the foregoing balance-sheet and statements, we are satisfied that they have been correctly compiled from the books and accounts of the bank, that the balance-sheet is a full and fair balance-sheet, properly drawn up, and exhibits a true and correct view of the state of the bank's affairs at the date thereof.

Dated this 23rd day of July, 1897.

H. CALLENDER, for the General Manager.
RICHARD W. GIBBS, Accountant.

J. M. BUTT,
Colonial Auditor.