

SESS. II.—1897.
NEW ZEALAND.

TELEPHONE - EXCHANGES

(PROFIT OR LOSS ON, IN EXCHANGES WHERE LESS THAN ONE HUNDRED
SUBSCRIBERS).

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives of the 10th day of April, 1897.

Ordered, "That there be laid before this House a return showing the profit and loss for last financial year on each telephone-exchange where the connections do not exceed a hundred subscribers, the particulars to be furnished being those as shown in gross in Departmental Table No. 20, F.-1, for 1896."—(Mr. BUCHANAN.)

RETURN showing the CAPITAL COST of the TELEPHONE-EXCHANGES of under a Hundred Connections to the 31st March, 1897, and the Revenue and Estimated Working-expenses for the Financial Year 1896-97.

Exchange.	Number of Connections.	Capital Cost for Instruments, Wire, Poles, Labour, Freight, Superintendence, &c.		Revenue.	Working-expenses.					Balance of Revenue over Working-expenses.	Balance of Working-expenses over Revenue.
		Average Cost of each Connection.	Total for all Connections.		Salaries and Allowances of Clerks, &c.	Linenen, Batteries, and Material.	Wear-and-tear, 10 per cent.*	Rent, Light, Fuel, Paper, Printing, &c.	Total.		
Ashburton	..	£ s. d. 15 5 10	£ s. d. 1,468 1 10	£ s. d. 420 0 1	£ s. d. 78 15 7	£ s. d. 68 13 4	£ s. d. 146 16 2	£ s. d. 25 0 0	£ s. d. 319 5 1	£ s. d. 100 15 0	£ s. d. ..
Blenheim	..	30 5 9	1,938 8 3	295 5 5	88 6 8	105 13 2	193 16 10	28 17 7	416 14 3	..	121 8 10
Greymouth	..	22 17 4	1,646 6 9	381 6 10	74 2 10	98 17 1	164 12 8	27 9 6	365 2 1	16 4 9	..
Nelson	..	19 17 10	1,193 10 8	292 4 8	93 2 6	131 5 9	119 7 1	25 3 6	368 18 10	..	76 14 2
Oamaru	..	15 3 1	1,454 18 0	439 8 4	112 10 0	256 18 2	145 9 10	41 7 3	556 5 3	..	116 16 11
Palmerston North	..	25 17 11	2,227 3 5	423 2 11	160 8 4	98 15 10	222 14 4	55 12 4	532 10 10	..	109 7 11
Thames	..	20 13 3	1,756 5 8	385 2 10	180 0 0	140 5 0	175 12 8	35 0 6	530 18 2	..	145 15 4
Timaru	..	15 7 11	1,139 4 2	361 6 2	70 0 0	74 5 0	113 18 5	45 0 0	303 3 5	58 2 9	..

* This column includes 5 per cent. for wear-and-tear and 5 per cent. for debenture capital.

General Post Office,
Wellington, 9th September, 1897.

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