

1900.
NEW ZEALAND.

TEA IMPORTATIONS

(PARTICULARS AS TO) FROM JANUARY TO JUNE, 1900.

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated the 22nd day of August, 1900.

Ordered, "That, in view of the proposal to protect the tea-packing industry of the colony by a special duty of 2d. on packets of 10 lb. and less, and to enable the House to judge of the value of colonial-mixed packet teas, the Government lay before this House a return showing—(1) The amount of tea in bulk passed through the Customs during the six months ended 30th June, 1900; (2) the amount of tea in packets of 10 lb. and less during the same period; and (3) the minimum value and maximum invoice-value of these clearances of bulk teas."—(Mr. BUDDO.)

RETURN of—(1) Amount of Tea in Bulk imported during Six Months ended 30th June, 1900;
(2) Amount of Tea imported in Packages of 10 lb. and under during the same period;
(3) the Minimum and Maximum Invoice-price of the Bulk Tea.

Port.	Bulk Tea.			Tea in Packages (10 lb. and under).			Value of Bulk Tea (Invoice).		
	lb.			lb.			d.	s.	d.
Auckland	577,501	...	33,611	4½	to	2 0
Raipara
Tauranga
Poverty Bay	2,790	...	...	8	to	1 5
New Plymouth	10,260	...	3,270	9½	"	0 10
Patea
Wanganui	4,790	...	20,772	6½	to	1 2
Wellington	748,394	...	155,945	7	"	1 6
Napier	10,354	...	10,402	5½	"	1 4
Picton	510	...	...	...
Wairau	660	...	2,905	1s.	4d.	per lb.
Nelson	8,381	...	7,025	8	to	1 3
Westport	7,620	...	...	...
Greymouth	5,122	...	8,300	8	to	1 2
Hokitika	3,864	...	3,370	8	"	1 0
Christchurch	291,772	...	36,381	5¾	"	1 4½
Timaru	6,727	...	17,873	8	"	1 5
Oamaru	5,337	...	...	6½	"	1 0½
Dunedin	492,054	...	88,395	6	"	2 0
Invercargill	13,890	...	11,623	7½	"	1 0½
2,131,896				408,002			4½ to 2 0		

Department of Trade and Customs,
Wellington, 7th September, 1900.

W. T. GLASGOW,
Secretary and Inspector.

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