

## RETURN No. 17.

STATEMENT of STORES CONTRACTS current during the Year ending 31st March, 1902.

Service.	Period.	Name of Contractor.	Rate.
Hardwood sleepers—			
5,000 at Auckland .. ..	1/6/1901	O'Neil and Goldsmith .. ..	4/1 each.
9,000 .. ..	31/5/1901	James Stewart .. ..	3/9 "
15,000 at Wellington .. ..	31/12/1901	O'Neil and Goldsmith .. ..	4/1 "
5,000 at Lyttelton .. ..	"	" .. ..	4/1 "
15,000 at Dunedin .. ..	"	" .. ..	4/1 "
12,000 gallons castor-oil .. ..	14/9/1901	Ashby, Bergh, and Co. .. ..	2/8½ per gallon.
Horse-forage, at Christchurch .. ..	31/3/1902	Geo. Treleaven and Co. .. ..	As per tender.
" Auckland .. ..	"	W. and G. Winstone .. ..	"
Steel castings, Auckland .. ..	"	Wilkinson, Callon, and Co. .. ..	4¾d. lb.
" Wellington .. ..	"	" .. ..	4¾d. "
" Christchurch .. ..	"	" .. ..	4¾d. "
" Dunedin .. ..	"	" .. ..	4¾d. "
100 iron highside wagons .. ..	31/12/1901	Southland Implement and Engineering Company .. ..	£106 each.
80 .. ..	"	James Macalister .. ..	£106 "
25 .. ..	"	Seagar Bros. .. ..	£106 "
Uniform caps—			
Stationmasters .. ..	31/3/1904	Chas. Hill and Sons .. ..	15/ each.
Guards and porters .. ..	"	" .. ..	4/ "
" .. ..	"	Hallenstein Bros. and Co. .. ..	4/ "
Drivers and firemen .. ..	"	" .. ..	4/6 "
Native-timber supply—			
Christchurch Section .. ..	31/3/1902	Williams, Stephens, and Co. (Limited) .. ..	As per tender.
Dunedin and Invercargill Section .. ..	"	Massey and Co. .. ..	"
Coal-supply—			
Kaihu Valley, at Greymouth .. ..	"	Greymouth-Point Elizabeth Coal Co. .. ..	13/6 per ton.
Auckland .. ..	"	" .. ..	24/ "
" .. ..	"	Westport Coal Company .. ..	25/ "
" .. ..	"	Taupiri Coal-mines (Limited) .. ..	7/ "
Wellington-Napier-New Plymouth .. ..	"	Greymouth-Point Elizabeth Coal Co. .. ..	24/ "
" .. ..	"	Blackball Coal Company .. ..	23/6 "
" .. ..	"	Greymouth-Point Elizabeth Coal Co. .. ..	28/ "
" .. ..	"	" .. ..	27/ "
" .. ..	"	Westport Coal Company .. ..	28/ "
" .. ..	"	Greymouth-Point Elizabeth Coal Co. .. ..	26/ "
" .. ..	"	Blackball Coal Company .. ..	23/6 "
" .. ..	"	Greymouth-Point Elizabeth Coal Co. .. ..	21/6 "
" .. ..	"	Westport Coal Company .. ..	22/6 "
" .. ..	"	Blackball Coal Company .. ..	18/ "
" .. ..	"	Greymouth-Point Elizabeth Coal Co. .. ..	24/ "
Picton .. ..	"	" .. ..	22/ "
Nelson .. ..	"	" .. ..	11/6 "
Westland .. ..	"	" .. ..	9/6 "
Lyttelton .. ..	"	Blackball Coal Company .. ..	23/ "
" .. ..	"	Greymouth-Point Elizabeth Coal Co. .. ..	19/6 "
" .. ..	"	Westport Coal Company .. ..	11/ "
" .. ..	"	H. Levick .. ..	22/6 "
Timaru .. ..	"	Blackball Coal Company .. ..	22/ "
" .. ..	"	Greymouth-Point Elizabeth Coal Co. .. ..	22/6 "
Oamaru .. ..	"	Blackball Coal Company .. ..	25/ "
" .. ..	"	Greymouth-Point Elizabeth Coal Co. .. ..	22/9 "
Dunedin-Gore .. ..	"	Blackball Coal Company .. ..	24/ "
" .. ..	"	Greymouth-Point Elizabeth Coal Co. .. ..	25/ "
" .. ..	"	Westport Coal Company .. ..	8/6 "
" .. ..	"	New Zealand Coal and Oil Company .. ..	6/9 "
" .. ..	"	" .. ..	23/6 "
South of Gore .. ..	"	Greymouth-Point Elizabeth Coal Co. .. ..	22/6 "
" .. ..	"	Nightcaps Coal Company .. ..	7/6 "
" .. ..	"	Blackball Coal Company .. ..	23/6 "
Workshops, Auckland .. ..	"	J. J. Craig .. ..	22/6 "
" Wanganui .. ..	"	Greymouth-Point Elizabeth Coal Co. .. ..	24/6 "
" Wellington .. ..	"	" .. ..	19/6 "
" Lyttelton .. ..	"	" .. ..	20/6 "
" Dunedin .. ..	"	" .. ..	21/6 "
General stores—			
Auckland—			
General ironmongery .. ..	"	Briscoe and Co. .. ..	As per tender.
Furnishing ironmongery .. ..	"	" .. ..	"
Leather, &c. .. ..	"	" .. ..	"
Brushware .. ..	"	" .. ..	"
Ship-chandlery .. ..	"	" .. ..	"
Oils, colours, &c. .. ..	"	" .. ..	"
Iron and steel .. ..	"	" .. ..	"
Drain-pipes, &c. .. ..	"	J. J. Craig .. ..	"
Cement and lime .. ..	"	John Wilson and Co. .. ..	"
Iron, sheet, galvanised .. ..	"	Southern Cross Galvanised-iron Manufacturing Company .. ..	"
Wellington—			
General ironmongery .. ..	"	E. W. Mills and Co. .. ..	"
Ship-chandlery .. ..	"	" .. ..	"
Furnishing ironmongery .. ..	"	Cameron and Christie .. ..	"
Brushware .. ..	"	" .. ..	"
Iron and steel .. ..	"	Briscoe and Co. (Limited) .. ..	"
Oils, colours, &c. .. ..	"	Smith and Smith .. ..	"
Colonial cement .. ..	"	Peter Hutson and Co. .. ..	"
Drain-pipes, &c. .. ..	"	" .. ..	"