1904. NEW ZEALAND.

## SLY-GROG SELLING IN THE KING-COUNTRY

(PARTICULARS AS REGARDS PROSECUTIONS AND CONVICTIONS FOR).

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated Tuesday, 24th day of November, 1903.

Ordered, "That there be laid before this House a return showing,—(1) The number of prosecutions for sly-grog selling that have been instituted against persons in what is known as the King-country during each year from 1895 to the 31st October, 1903; (2) the number of convictions secured against such persons during the years aforesaid; (3) the average amount of fines imposed; (4) the average amount of fines paid; (5) the number of persons who served a term or terms of imprisonment in default of payment of fines; and (6) the number of persons who were committed to prison without the option of fines."—(Mr. E. G. ALLEN).

RETURN showing (1) the number of prosecutions for sly-grog selling that have been instituted against persons in what is known as the King-country during each year from 1895 to the 31st October, 1903; (2) the number of convictions secured against such persons during the years aforesaid; (3) the average amount of fines imposed; (4) the average amount of fines paid; (5) the number of persons who served a term or terms of imprisonment in default of payment of fines; and (6) the number of persons who were committed to prison without the option of fines.

Yea	r.	Numi er of Prosecutions (i.e., Informations Laid).	Number of Convictions.	Average Amount of Fines Imposed.	Average Amount of Fines Paid.	Number of Persons who served a Term or Terms of Im- prisonment in De- fault of Payment of Fines.	who were com- mitted to Prison
				£ s. d.	£ s. d.		
1895		;					
1896		11	8	8 4 3	8 4 3		1
1897		75	47	12 1 11	9 3 10	3	8
1898		11	8	13 7 6	$7 \ 2 \ 6$	1	• •
1899		33	17	5 14 3	5 14 3		• •
1900		92	55	15 13 5	13 9 10	2	
1901		46	23	10 7 9	7 2 6	2	
1902		77	41	16 14 4	8 2 6	4	
1903		173	75	23 18 7	21 15 9	1	13
Totals		518	274		•••	13	22

Department of Justice, Wellington, 1st July, 1904. F. Waldegrave, Under-secretary.

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