

1913.
NEW ZEALAND.

ROYAL COMMISSIONS

APPOINTED SINCE 1902, AND COST OF SAME.

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated the 29th August, 1912.

Ordered, "That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of Royal Commissions appointed since the year 1902, and the cost of same."—(Mr. BRADNEY.)

COST OF COMMISSIONS APPOINTED FROM 1ST JANUARY, 1903, TO 29TH AUGUST, 1912.

Date of Commission.	Subject.	Cost.	Remarks.
		£ s. d.	
1903-4 ..	Expenses of Auckland electoral inquiry ..	182 12 3	
1903-4 ..	Inquiry into management of Costley Home ..	192 0 0	
1904 ..	Inquiry into certain matters in connection with Te Akau Block	108 8 0	
1903 ..	Reprint of Statutes Act, 1895 ..	5,625 16 5	
1903 ..	Cost of maintenance, &c., of drainage-works, Manawatu Drainage District, County of Kairanga	..	Cost borne by local bodies.
1904 ..	Inquiry into and report upon limits within which restricted-limits steamships and ships propelled by gas, oil, fuel, electricity, or any power other than steam, may ply, and as to how limits should be divided into river, extended river, and extreme limits	144 2 11	
1903 ..	Alteration of Borough of Masterton ..	4 11 7	Other expenses paid by local bodies.
1904 ..	Inquiry into conduct of R. A. Armstrong, Registrar of Electors, Wairarapa Electoral District	Nil.	
1904 ..	Inquiry into conduct of Adam Armstrong, Returning Officer, Wairarapa Electoral District	Nil.	
1904 ..	Inquiry re Licensing Committee elections, Wairarapa Electoral District	Nil.	
1904-5 ..	Inquiry, Auckland Hospital ..	728 0 0	
1904 ..	Inquiry to apportion liability for maintenance of roadways for combined road and railway bridges	159 13 0	
1905 ..	Native Reserves Trusts Commission ..	2,364 9 11	
1904-5 ..	Land tenure of colony ..	10,377 16 3	
1904-5 ..	Scenery-preservation ..	1,822 0 0	
1904 ..	Constitution of Borough of Levin	Costs borne by local bodies.
1905 ..	Police Commission ..	268 7 8	
1904 ..	Inquiry into claims and allegations set out in petition referred to in the Second Schedule to the Maori Land Claims Adjustment and Laws Amendment Act, 1904	715 7 10	
1905 ..	Masterton Borough Inquiry re alteration of boundaries (1905)	3 3 0	

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Date of Commission.	Subject.	Cost.	Remarks.
		£ s. d.	
1906 ..	Inquiry at Burnham Industrial School	558 17 10	
1906 ..	Inquiry into certain matters and claims of J. J. Meikle	2,419 0 4	
1905-6 ..	Scenery-preservation	1,221 0 0	
1906 ..	Taieri Drainage Commission	200 1 0	
1905 ..	Financial adjustment between Miramar Borough and Hutt County Council	..	Cost borne by Hutt County Council.
1906 ..	Inquiry into the causes of fires on ships whose cargo consists wholly or partly of wool, flax, tow, or other combustible material, and the measures to be taken to prevent cause	1,413 16 3	
1906 ..	Representation Commission	809 14 0	
1907 ..	Nightcaps disaster	1,121 14 10	
1906 ..	Inquiry into administration of West Coast Settlement reserves and into charges of usurious interest demanded from Natives	35 0 0	
1906 ..	Report on Urewera appeals	806 0 0	
1907 ..	Inquiry into surplus lands in North of Auckland..	40 0 0	
1906-7 ..	Cost of award in the matter of assets and liabilities of Opotiki County Council and Opotiki Town Board	..	Costs borne by local bodies.
1906-7 ..	Inquiry as to dispute between Eketahuna County Council and Eketahuna Town Board	..	Cost borne by local bodies.
1907 ..	Inquiry under the Timaru Harbour District Act, 1906	..	Cost borne by Timaru Harbour Board and Timaru Borough Council.
1907 ..	Inquiry into question of Native land and Native land tenure	9,883 0 0	Inclusive of £4,441 paid out of Vote 55, Internal Affairs Department.
1908 ..	Cost of inquiry at Te Oranga Home, Christchurch	278 4 0	
1907 ..	Constitution of Borough of Eastbrook	23 2 0	
1908 ..	Auckland Electric-tram Brakes Commission ..	148 18 1	
1908 ..	Constitution of Borough of Aramoho	3 3 0	
1909 ..	Police Commission	1,052 15 6	
1909 ..	Inquiry <i>re</i> alteration of boundaries of Borough of Hastings	8 10 6	
1909 ..	Inclusion of parts of Heathcote Road District in City of Christchurch	Nil.	
1909 ..	Commission to apportion cost of maintenance of Park drains and outfall	8 8 0	
1909 ..	Inquiry <i>re</i> financial adjustment between Karori Borough and City of Wellington	..	Cost borne by Karori Borough Council.
1909 ..	Inquiry in connection with Addington Workshops	707 10 7	
1909 ..	Timber Commission	2,577 11 6	
1909 ..	Proposed alteration of Borough of Hastings ..	8 10 6	
1909 ..	Inclusion of Gear Island in Borough of Petone ..	1 10 0	
1910 ..	Silting of Waihou and Ohinemuri Rivers	1,093 18 0	
1910 ..	Tramway Brakes Commission	513 15 4	
1910 ..	<i>Re</i> financial adjustment between Wairarapa, Dannevirke, and Waipukurau Counties and Waipawa Borough	..	Cost borne by local bodies.
1910 ..	<i>Re</i> financial adjustment between Counties of Cook and Waikohu	..	Cost borne by local bodies.
1911 ..	Mines	3,057 10 2	
1911 ..	North Auckland Main Trunk Railway Commission	1,310 18 8	
1910 ..	Inquiry <i>re</i> certain matters in connection with Christchurch Drainage District	..	Expenses borne by local bodies.
1910-11 ..	Proposed Borough of Ohakune	19 11 6	
1910-11 ..	Alteration of Gonville and Castlecliff Tramway District	3 13 6	
1910-11 ..	P. Heyes inquiry	992 2 11	

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Date of Commission.	Subject.	Cost.	Remarks.
1911 ..	(First) Commission <i>re</i> proposed Riccarton Borough	£ Nil.	Expenses paid by River Board.
1911 ..	Inquiry under the Hawke's Bay Rivers Act, 1910	..	
1911 ..	Commission <i>re</i> proposed Fendalton Borough ..	Nil.	Cost borne by local bodies.
1911 ..	Representation Commission	770 14 3	
1911 ..	<i>Re</i> financial adjustment between Selwyn County Council and Tawera County Council	..	
1911 ..	Inquiry into disposition of lands contained in the Kaiapoi Native Reserve	55 0 0	
1912 ..	Inquiry into matter concerning West Coast settlement reserve leases	332 0 0	Including printing of report and evidence.
1912 ..	Western Taranaki Railways Commission ..	210 4 6	
1912 ..	Commission on Education	2,275 0 2	
1912 ..	(Second) Commission <i>re</i> proposed Riccarton Borough	Nil.	
1912 ..	Inquiry into cost of living in New Zealand ..	1,855 7 6	
1911 ..	Whangarei Abattoir-site Commission	55 15 6	
1911 ..	Gaming Commission	1,889 1 4	
1911-12 ..	Auckland-Waikato Acclimatization Commission ..	175 6 2	
1911-12 ..	Public Service Commission	1,601 0 3	
1911-12 ..	Alteration of boundaries of Borough of Waikouaiti	17 0 7	
1911-12 ..	Alteration of boundaries of Borough of Wanganui East	11 17 8	
..	Commission <i>re</i> financial adjustment consequent on subdivision of old Selwyn County	Nil.	
1911 ..	Inquiry into certain charges against E. H. Baxter (warder), Mount Eden, Auckland, under Civil Service Act, 1908	182 15 6	
Seventy-six Commissions : Total cost to Government		£62,445 10 3	

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J. HISLOP, Under-Secretary.

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