

1915.
NEW ZEALAND.

LEADING EXPORTS OF THE DOMINION

FOR NINE MONTHS ENDED 31ST MAY, 1914 AND 1915 RESPECTIVELY (COMPARATIVE RETURN SHOWING PARTICULARS OF THE).

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated the 30th July, 1915.

Ordered, "That there be laid before this House a comparative return showing the amount and value of the leading exports of the Dominion for the nine months ended the 31st May, 1914 and 1915 respectively: such return to include all commodities raised in value by the war, and, in particular, wool, sheep skins, hides, beef, veal, mutton, lamb, cheese, and butter; statements of values to be based on the High Commissioner's cables of prices at date of shipment; and also the total of the increases in value for the latter period as compared with the former."—(Mr. RUSSELL.)

COMPARATIVE RETURN SHOWING THE AMOUNT AND VALUE OF THE LEADING EXPORTS OF THE DOMINION FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED THE 31ST MAY, 1914 AND 1915 RESPECTIVELY, INCLUDING ALL SUCH COMMODITIES RAISED IN VALUE BY THE WAR, AND, IN PARTICULAR, WOOL, SHEEP-SKINS, HIDES, BEEF, VEAL, MUTTON, LAMB, CHEESE, AND BUTTER; AND SHOWING ALSO THE TOTAL OF THE INCREASES IN VALUE FOR THE LATTER PERIOD AS COMPARED WITH THE FORMER.

N.B.—The values are based on those shown in the Customs returns (*i.e.*, the values of the goods at the time of exportation from New Zealand as verified by the local merchants), as it is not practicable to base them upon cables from the High Commissioner, which do not represent all the qualities of goods exported.

Articles.	Nine Months ended 31st May, 1914.		Nine Months ended 31st May, 1915.		Increases in Value.	Decreases in Value.
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.		
		£		£	£	£
Butter ... (cwt.)	395,922	2,135,669	390,425	2,198,914	63,245	...
Cheese ... (cwt.)	747,283	2,219,714	666,829	2,053,903	...	165,811
Grain—						
Oats ... (centals)	70,130	19,585	510,309	203,031	183,446	...
Wheat ... (centals)	8,980	3,064	1,664	668	...	2,396
Gum, kauri ... (tons)	6,634	402,253	3,250	204,298	...	197,955
Hides ... (No.)	140,884	209,572	176,570	311,393	101,821	...
Hops ... (lb.)	262,558	13,785	200,008	11,004	...	2,781
Meats, frozen—						
Beef ... (cwt.)	271,897	394,258	552,304	1,177,253	782,995	...
Lamb, carcasses (cwt.)	784,348	1,741,374	605,134	1,511,776	...	229,598
Mutton, carcasses (cwt.)	924,458	1,409,912	870,234	1,699,672	289,760	...
Mutton and lamb, joints (cwt.)	18,957	30,983	7,183	14,870	...	16,113
Rabbits and hares (cwt.)	52,024	42,262	64,856	58,266	16,004	...
Veal ... (cwt.)	5,810	10,607	9,928	20,886	10,279	...
Phormium ... (tons)	16,930	404,961	12,732	280,752	...	124,209
Potatoes ... (tons)	968	3,562	2,733	13,857	10,295	...
Sheep-skins—						
With wool ... (lb.)	4,876,718	161,749	4,405,928	167,549	5,800	...
Without wool ... (dozens)	457,915	448,597	435,801	433,832	...	14,765
Tallow ... (tons)	16,919	483,768	18,909	539,747	55,979	...
Timber, sawn and hewn (hundreds of sup. ft.)	574,761	288,781	562,885	277,742	...	11,039
Wool ... (lb.)	179,407,024	7,409,491	188,039,272	9,008,331	1,598,840	...
Totals	17,833,947	...	20,187,744	3,118,464	764,667

Net increase in value : £2,353,797.

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