

MESSAGE No. 22.

His Excellency the Officer administering the Government transmits to the House of Representatives the Return called for in a Resolution of the 20th instant, No. 28, requesting that—

“A Return be laid on the table of this House, shewing what the amount of the Debt on account of the Pensioner Settlements is, whether any part has been paid already, and if so, out of what fund such payment has been made.”

Government House,
Auckland, 29th July, 1854.

R. H. WYNYARD.

STATEMENT of the total Expenditure of the New Zealand Fencibles borne on the Army, Ordnance, Navy, and Colonial (Emigration) Estimates, as well as that (repayable by the Colony) remaining as a charge on the Commissariat Chest account, according to the latest accounts received at the Treasury and Audit Office.

Borne on or chargeable to Army Estimates.	Charged on Ordnance Estimates, but recoverable from the Colony.	(Charged on the Commissariat Chest account as an advance to the Colony.						Charge on Colonial and Navy Estimates.	Total Expenditure for Fencible Service.
Amount of Parliamentary Votes for mustering, equipping, &c., the Fencibles, and for payment pay of officers. (Army Vote 16)		Expenditure by the Ordnance Department in New Zealand in 1847-8, for the erection of Cottages, &c., &c.	Repayment to Ordnance for expenditure on account of Cottages in 1848-9, 1849-50, and 1850-1.	Ordnance expenditure for Cottages in 1851-2, remaining unadjusted.	Advances by Commissariat to Major Kenny for erection of Cottages in 1850-51.	Transport provided by Commissariat for building materials of Cottages.	Value of Provisions, fuel and light, &c., issued by Commissariat for Fencibles.	Advance by Commissariat for working pay, superintendence, &c., of Fencibles.	Advances authorised by the Treasury for conveyance and provisioning of Fencibles, and the value of provisions issued on the same account by the Commissariat at Auckland.
£ 14,100 0 0	£ 100 5 5	£ 6479 9 9	£ 28,047 1 3	£ 2145 10 9	£ 2239 6 7	£ 2251 0 2	£ 188 16 0	£ 31,645 11 4	£ 9800 7 10
									£ 96,997 9 1

SUMMARY.

Total amount expended for Fencible Service	£ 96,997 9 1
Amount provided for by Imperial Government.....	£ 17,887 7 10
Deduct—Amount repaid from Colonial Land Fund.....	6,113 5 5
Amount remaining chargeable to the Colony	£72,996 15 10
	24,000 13 3

Note.—The latest reports received from England are dated 16th March, 1853.
Amount defrayed by the Commissariat, £31,645 11s. 4d. is made up to the 31st March, 1854.

July 28th. 1854.

CHARLES KNIGHT,
Auditor-General.