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By His Honor's command,

RICHARD PACKER,
 Provincial Secretary.

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*Provincial Secretary's Office,
 Christchurch, Sept. 5th, 1857.*

HIS Honor the Superintendent directs the publication of the following Customs' Returns for general information.

By command of His Honor the Superintendent,

RICHARD PACKER,
 Provincial Secretary.

PORT VICTORIA.

Comparative Return of the value of Imports and Exports, and of the amount of Duty collected during the half-years ended June 30, 1856, and 1857, respectively.

	Value of Imports.			Value of Exports.			Duty Collected.		
	£	s.	D.	£	s.	D.	£	s.	D.
Half-year ended June 30, 1857	78,369	19	6	51,143	7	6	9,797	15	9
" " 1856	49,230	8	11	38,241	3	4	5,255	15	6
Increase during 1857	29,139	10	7	12,902	4	2	4,542	0	3

J. W. HAMILTON, Collector.

Custom-house, Lyttelton, Aug. 28, 1857.

PORTS OF PORT VICTORIA AND AKAROA.

COMPARATIVE ANNUAL RETURNS, 1856 AND 1855,

Shewing Accounts of Duties Received, the Expenditure, the number of Vessels entered Inwards and cleared Outwards, the Value of goods Imported and Exported, and the Articles Exported—the staple produce of the Province—at the above Ports, during the Years 1856 and 1855.

No. 1.

An Account of Duties received at the above Ports for 1856 and 1855.	Year ended 31 December, 1856.	Year ended 31 December, 1855.
	£ s d	£ s d
PORT VICTORIA.		
Duties received under Colonial Authority	10,427 7 5	8,869 0 0
Crown's share, seizures, and penalties	2 8 3	56 13 6
	10,429 15 8	8,925 13 6
AKAROA.		
Duties received under Colonial Authority	535 16 1	234 17 1
Total	£ 10,965 11 9	£ 9,160 10 7

Observations :

Port Victoria.—Increase in 1856, £1504 2s. 2d., attributable to increase of population, and to steady uniform progress of the Province. The duties for 1857 may be estimated at £18,000 at the present rate of collection up to date, (27 May.)

Akaroa.—Increase £297 19s. 0d., arises from the opening of a bonding warehouse, in April, 1856. Duties formerly paid at Port Victoria are now paid at Akaroa.

No. 2.

An Account of the Expenditure at the Ports during the above mentioned years.

	Year ended 31 December, 1856.	Year ended 31 December, 1855.
	£ s d	£ s d
PORT VICTORIA.		
Salaries	700 0 0	705 0 0
Incidents	315 10 9	278 2 7
	1,015 10 9	983 2 7
AKAROA.		
Salaries	180 0 0	180 0 0
Incidents	1 0 0	0 0 0
Total	£ 1,196 10 9	£ 1,163 2 7

Observations :

Port Victoria.—Increase in 1856, £37 8s. 2d., on the contingencies arises from the additional clerical assistance required on account of the great increase in the number of returns ordered by the General Government, a chimney built, £15, and a weighing machine bought, £13. The salaries for 1855 appear higher than for 1856, owing to arrears for 1854 having been paid in 1855.

An ACCOUNT of Vessels entered Inwards and cleared Outwards, in the Year ended 31 December, 1856, as compared with the Year ended 31 December, 1855, at the Ports of Port Victoria and Akaroa.

	PORT VICTORIA.												AKAROA.											
	Year ending 31 Dec., 1856.						Year ending 31 Dec., 1855.						Year ending 31 Dec., 1856.						Year ending 31 Dec., 1855.					
	INWARDS.			OUTWARDS.			INWARDS.			OUTWARDS.			INWARDS.			OUTWARDS.			INWARDS.			OUTWARDS.		
	Nos.	Tons.	Men.	Nos.	Tons.	Men.	Nos.	Tons.	Men.	Nos.	Tons.	Men.	Nos.	Tons.	Men.	Nos.	Tons.	Men.	Nos.	Tons.	Men.	Nos.	Tons.	Men.
Europe—																								
Great Britain	4	2491	125	1	450	20	4	2502	116	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
France	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	403	33	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Asia: British Possessions—																								
New South Wales.....	6	1156	55	17	2736	144	8	1533	74	14	2647	131	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	192	9
Victoria	"	"	"	1	136	8	8	834	52	8	1335	60	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Tasmania	1	84	6	"	"	"	5	1870	86	3	1168	44	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
South Australia	"	"	"	"	"	"	2	"	"	1	126	6	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Norfolk Island	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1066	50	2	1064	50	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Ceylon	"	"	"	1	543	16	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Singapore	"	"	"	1	500	16	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Madras	"	"	"	1	597	18	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Asia: Foreign Possessions—																								
China	"	"	"	1	731	27	"	"	"	1	820	24	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Guam.....	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2	1478	57	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
North America—																								
United States	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2	686	58	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
South America—																								
Chili	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2	614	21	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Peru	"	"	"	1	602	16	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
South Seas.....	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	401	31	2	686	58	"	"	"	"	"	"
Totals.....	11	3731	186	24	6295	265	27	7805	378	33	9252	393	4	1490	122	2	686	58	"	"	"	1	192	9

OBSERVATIONS.—The greater number of Australian traders call at Nelson and Wellington on their way, and clear thence coastwise for Port Victoria, their final Port of discharge. This accounts for the number of vessels entered Outwards appearing nearly double of those entered Inwards.

Table 4.

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS.

	PORT VICTORIA.										AKAROA.							
	In 1856.					In 1855.					In 1856.			In 1855.				
	IMPORTS.			EXPORTS.		IMPORTS.			EXPORTS.		IMPORTS.		EXPORTS.	IMPORTS.		EXPORTS.		
	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d
British Goods from the United Kingdom	26,953	15	10	19,333	10	0	32,441	10	7	0	0	0	194	12	0	0	0	0
Other do. do. do.	7,753	16	6	46	5	0	3,496	9	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
British Goods from other places.....	33,994	10	3	28,295	13	4	20,185	12	2	10,715	0	0	1,823	8	0	0	0	0
Other do. do. do.	19,315	11	9	128	5	0	39,732	18	8	31,935	5	0	410	10	0	0	0	0
Total.....	88,017	14	4	47,803	13	4	95,856	10	6	42,650	5	0	2,428	10	0	0	0	0

Observations :

In 1855 there were imported of horses, cattle, and sheep £22,000 ; in 1856 only £9,000 worth. The value of other goods imported is thus really greater in 1856 than in 1855.

The first wool ship from this Province direct to England sailed this year, (1856.)

