

RETURN showing the CUSTOMS and EXCISE DUTIES collected at the several Ports of NEW ZEALAND during the QUARTER ended 31st DECEMBER, 1919—continued.

EXCISE DUTIES.

HEADS OF REVENUE.	Rates of Duty.	Auckland.	Wellington.	Lyttelton.	Dunedin.	Other Ports.	TOTALS.		Corresponding Quarter, 1918.
							Quantities.	Revenue.	
Beer	Minimum 5½d., maximum 6d., per gallon	£ 19,455	£ 9,656	£ 15,201	£ 26,877	£ 19,192	3,676,541 gal.	£ 90,381	£ 62,204
Tobacco	1s. per lb.	..	288	..	..	222	10,202 lb.	510	532
Cigars and Snuff	4s. "	370	..	..	..	..	1,849 "	370	202
Cigarettes, made by hand	4s. "	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cigarettes, manufactured by machinery	5s. 6d. "	..	9,825	..	..	..	35,728 lb.	9,825	..
Medicinal Preparations containing more than 50 per cent. of proof spirit	9d. "	269	73	196	318	60	24,433 "	916	1,962
Culinary and Flavouring Essences	14s. per gallon	660	205	189	809	..	2,661 gal.	1,863	1,088
Perfumed Spirits	20s. "	493	492	110	125	..	1,220 "	1,220	586
Toilet Preparations	14s. "	144	..	102	..	..	351 "	246	270
"	6s. "	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals .. .. .	..	21,391	20,539	15,798	28,129	19,474	..	105,331	..
Corresponding Quarter, 1918 .. .. .	..	13,423	6,996	10,598	20,518	15,309	..	..	66,844

COMPARATIVE RETURN OF EXCISE DUTIES FOR THE YEARS 1919 AND 1918.

Year 1919 .. .. .	..	73,490	51,365	55,225	106,865	78,606	..	365,551	..
Year 1918	53,714	29,592	40,260	93,350	59,309	276,225

Customs Department, Wellington, 23rd February, 1920.

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