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SLAVE TRADE.

RETURN to an Address of the Honourable The House of Commons, dated 30 July 1846;—for,

"RETURN of the Number of Ships of War, of all Classes, employed for the Suppression of the Slave Trade, in the Year 1845, stating the Number of Guns and of Men, and an Estimate of the Charge to the Public for that Service in that Year, stating the Number of Guns and Men; also the Number of Deaths of Men and Officers, and the Numbers Invalided in the same Year (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 363, of Session 1843)."

RETURN of the Number of Ships of War, of all Classes, employed for the Suppression of the Slave Trade, in the Year 1845, stating the Number of Guns and of Men.

CLASS.	Number of Ships.	Number of Guns.	Number of Men.	
4th Rate	4	200	1,950	
5th Rate	2	78	68o	
6th Rate	6	154	1,360	
Sloops	28	3 <i>5</i> 8	3,140	
Steam Vessels	13	84	2,000	
Gun Brigs, &c	3	12	159	
TOTAL	56*	886	9,289	

This Return is made for the 1st July, as an average for the Force employed for the whole of the year 1845; but although the above number of vessels were furnished with Slave Trade Instructions, yet they were only employed in cruizing against Slave Vessels as the other duties of the Stations on which they were respectively employed would permit.

* Twenty-seven of these Vessels, with 282 Guns and 3,334 Men, were employed on the West Coast of Africa Station.

Admiralty, 17 August 1846.

H. F. Amedroz, Chief Clerk.

AN ESTIMATE of the Charge to the Public for the Ships of War, of all Classes, employed for the Suppression of the Slave Trade; also, the Number of Deaths of Men and Officers, and the Numbers Invalided, in the Year 1845; so far as relates to the Department of the Accountant-General of the Navy.

DESCRIPTION OF CHARGE.							on the	Vessels not exclusively employed on the West Coast of Africa.	Total Charge	
								£.	£.	£.
Wages	-	-	•	-	-	•	•	115,964	183,209	299,173
Victuals	-	•	•	-	-	•	•	57,7 44	103,453	161,197
Wear and tear of Hull, Masts, &c., and Stor Coals and Machinery				res, } -}	117,793	128,291	246,084			
				Тот	AL •	-		291,501	414,953	706,454
								Number.	Number.	TOTAL NUMBER
Number o	f Deat	ths of	Offic	ers an	d Me	Oi	-	166	93	259
Number o	f Offic	ers ar	nd Me	en Inv	alided	l -	•	104	167	271
				Тот	AL -			270	260	530

Admiralty, \\
15 August 1846.

(signed) O. B. Woolsey,
Dy Acct Genl of the Navy.

SLAVE TRADE.

A RETURN of the Number of Ships of War employed for the Suppression of the Slave Trade in 1845, with Estimate of the Charge to the Public for that Service, and the Number of Deaths of Men and Officers, and Numbers Invalided.

(Mr. Hume.)

Ordered, by The House of Commons, to be Printed, 20 August 1846.

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