

RETURN

OF THE

ACREAGE OF PROVINCIAL WASTE LANDS,

TO

31ST DECEMBER, 1870.

PRESENTED TO BOTH HOUSES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, BY COMMAND OF
HIS EXCELLENCY.

WELLINGTON.

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1871.

RETURN OF PROVINCIAL WASTE LANDS.

RETURN of the Acreage of PROVINCIAL WASTE LANDS yet Unsurveyed; the Acreage Surveyed, and ready for Sale or Settlement; and the Acreage of Lands Sold or otherwise disposed of, but of which Surveys have not been completed, to 31st December, 1870.

Province.	PART I. ACREAGE OF PROVINCIAL WASTE LANDS YET UNSURVEYED.						PART II. ACREAGE SURVEYED, AND READY FOR SALE OR SETTLEMENT.						PART III. ACREAGE OF LANDS SOLD OR OTHERWISE DISPOSED OF, BUT OF WHICH SURVEYS HAVE NOT BEEN COMPLETED.									
	Town.		Suburban.		Rural.		Town.		Suburban.		Rural.		Town.		Suburban.		Rural.					
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Auckland <i>j</i>	625,707	0	0	1,577	0	10	2,695	1	32	11,465	0	0 ^h	395,171	0	0 ⁱ	
Taranaki	11,000	0	0	1,500	0	0	47,614	0	0	7,700	0	0	
Hawke's Bay	740,000	0	0	188	1	22	2,245	0	0	{ 21,850 Rural	0	0	...	...	2,195	0	0	
Wellington	1,062,000	0	0	156	0	0	2,398	0	0	{ 48,548 Pastoral	0	0	341	0	0	541,505	0	0 ^a
Nelson <i>b</i>	6,015,000	0	0	473	0	0	2,533	0	0	5,000	0	0	...	...	21	0	0	
Marlborough	25,000	0	0	205	0	0	6,230	0	0	5,290	0	0	...	...	...	...	...
Canterbury	6,411,027	0	0 ^c	165	3	27	Nil ^e	...	...	1,400,514	0	0 ^d	...	...	27,147	0	0	
Westland County	73,000	0	0	610	0	0	...	...	...	100,000	0	0	...	...	885	0	0	
Otago <i>g</i>	12,045,000	0	0	2,765	0	0	...	...	...	88,684	2	26	...	...	2,000	0	0	
Southland <i>f</i>	2,056,996	0	0	854	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	54,678	2	32	
Total	29,064,730	0	0	6,994	1	19	16,101	1	32	1,730,465	2	26	341	0	0	1,031,303	2	32

a This Return is but approximately correct, pending survey. Out of this rural land, most probably town and suburban sections will be taken as the surveys progress, and new settlements are formed, and the country opened up by roads.
b The acreage in Part I, for the Province of Nelson, is exclusive of the Public Reserves, and the large Buller Coal Reserve.
c Reconnaissance surveys of 5,939,000 acres of the above have been executed.
d This amount includes all unpurchased land of which the trigonometrical and topographical survey has been completed.
e Free selection before survey.
f The acreage of Public Reserves is included in the area given in Part III.
g Of the unsurveyed town lands, 9,438 acres are within hundreds. Of the unsurveyed rural land, 280,000 acres are within hundreds. Of the rural surveyed land, about 90,000 acres are within hundreds.
h In addition to the above, there are also ready for sale and settlement partially surveyed lands, to the extent of 107,617 acres.
i Although not in a position to be returned as "completed," it should be understood that the surveys of a large proportion of the area noted in this column are in a state considerably advanced towards completion.
j In the Auckland Province, there are about 56,000 acres of "surplus lands" reverting to the Crown from old land claims, which are not included in this Return.

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