

1896.  
NEW ZEALAND.

---

# LAND TRANSFER AND DEEDS REGISTRATION.

(ANNUAL REPORT OF DEPARTMENTS, 1895-96)

*Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.*

The SECRETARY for STAMPS to the Hon. the COMMISSIONER of STAMPS.

SIR,—

Head Office, Stamp Department, Wellington, 11th June, 1896.

I have the honour to submit the following returns showing the working of the Land Transfer and Deeds Registration Departments for the year ended 31st March, 1896 :—

A.—The business transacted under the Land Transfer Act.

B.—The fees received thereunder, including the fees received on account of Crown grants.

C.—The mortgages and discharges of mortgages, and the amount remaining secured by mortgage under the said Acts on the 31st March last.

D.—The arrears existing at the various Land Transfer offices at the close of business on the same date.

E.—The number of deeds received for registration, and the number remaining unregistered on the 31st March last ; also the fees received in the Deeds Registration offices.

I have, &c.,

C. A. HICKSON,  
Secretary for Stamps.

The Commissioner of Stamps, Wellington.

A.—STATEMENT of BUSINESS transacted under the LAND TRANSFER ACTS during the Twelve Months ended the 31st March, 1896.

DISTRICT.	APPLICATIONS.				TRANSFERS.				MORTGAGES.			
	No.		Value.		No.		Value.		No.		Value.	
	Town and Suburban.	Country.	£ s. d.	A. R. P.	Town and Suburban.	Country.	£ s. d.	A. R. P.	Town and Suburban.	Country.	£ s. d.	A. R. P.
Auckland	89	27,745 3 24	85,233 13 8	1,150	258 3 30	200,353 3 0	325,952 15 11	816	173 0 2	401,211 1 11	258,704 17 5	1 11
Taranaki	26	726 2 27	8,956 0 0	552	149 3 25	183,830 18 4	183,830 18 4	876	116 0 21	138,925 2 2	878,665 18 11	2 2
Wellington	84	8,899 2 15	118,732 0 0	1,734	813 3 4	470,489 3 29	197,791 9 7	2,251	739 3 7	332,755 1 14	1,349,611 0 0	1 14
Hawke's Bay	25	1,353 2 24	11,906 0 0	580	1,020 2 29	119,125 2 2	197,698 8 0	767	1,096 0 32	396,369 1 14	568,496 0 0	1 14
Nelson	16	2,895 1 26	6,158 0 0	241	55 1 26	110,547 0 26	71,995 9 6	229	80 3 29	84,508 1 8	195,211 2 3	1 8
Marlborough	11	2,898 3 39	9,795 0 0	71	24 1 3	4,439 0 27	25,299 3 6	113	31 3 14	26,816 3 36	47,689 10 9	3 36
Canterbury	207	10,427 2 1	182,507 0 0	1,733	894 2 1	239,791 0 15	772,309 0 0	1,677	281 0 12	395,275 2 34	928,289 0 0	2 34
Otago	39	12 0 7	11,480 0 0	1,108	369 2 7	115,041 3 25	295,244 0 0	814	384 0 24	190,475 0 18	892,153 0 0	0 18
Southland	34	3 3 17	2,512 0 23	792	486 2 37	91,859 1 4	174,764 5 11	780	380 0 31	157,827 1 10	570,818 5 7	1 10
Westland	4	..	265 0 0	93	20 2 6	4,124 2 35	9,960 11 7	42	12 3 24	21,288 1 26	12,913 2 7	1 26
Totals	535	57,406 0 31	447,191 13 8	8,054	3,544 1 8	1,043,311 0 4	2,676,836 2 4	8,365	3,296 0 36	2,145,453 1 13	4,702,551 17 6	1 13
Corresponding period, 1894-95	509	64,648 0 18	524,170 15 0	7,319	3,153 0 24	846,398 3 37	2,153,246 12 11	6,789	2,495 2 7	1,799,890 2 5	3,608,525 12 11	2 5

  

DISTRICT.	CROWN GRANTS.				CERTIFICATES IN LIE OF CROWN GRANTS.				MORTGAGES.			
	No.		Value.		No.		Value.		No.		Value.	
	Town and Suburban.	Country.	£ s. d.	A. R. P.	Town and Suburban.	Country.	£ s. d.	A. R. P.	Town and Suburban.	Country.	£ s. d.	A. R. P.
Auckland	13	5,527 0 0	2,072 0 0	186	10,469 3 34	86,647 2 6	7,821 13 6	7	70	133	1	220
Taranaki	1	..	..	115	10 1 25	10,674 0 0	15,275 1 1	..	27	100	..	64
Wellington	6	400 3 24	..	444	284 0 0	163,970 0 21	..	..	117	34	10	110
Hawke's Bay	12	20 0 0	350 0 0	117	307 3 31	83,944 2 18	89,100 0 0	..	24	74	2	32
Nelson	..	..	..	125	..	25,567 0 20	17,424 8 3	..	8	2	..	..
Marlborough	..	..	..	6	4,971 2 15	2,061 8 1	..	..	7	15	..	..
Canterbury	..	..	..	126	8 3 30	15,552 0 16	17,983 19 7	..	8	52	..	..
Otago	..	..	..	118	62 3 13	10,226 2 13	13,012 9 11	..	79	48	1	5
Southland	..	..	..	164	366 1 33	14,573 1 29	16,313 3 9	..	43	314	23	..
Westland	2	42 0 0	..	8	0 0 6	217 2 11	47 13 4	..	18	289	..	..
Totals	22	5,989 3 24	2,422 0 0	1409	11,510 2 12	416,344 2 23	179,039 17 6	29	386	439	37	431
Corresponding period, 1894-95	30	4,586 1 3	4,132 0 0	1740	2,126 3 15	475,261 0 8	265 4 6	25	400	439	20	537

B.—RETURN of FEES received under the LAND TRANSFER ACTS for the Twelve Months ended the 31st March, 1896.

District.	General Fees.	Assurance Fees.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland ... ..	2,690 18 7	174 17 4	2,865 15 11
Taranaki ... ..	1,695 11 9	18 10 3	1,714 2 0
Wellington ... ..	5,062 3 1	375 16 9	5,437 19 10
Hawke's Bay ... ..	1,735 7 5	35 3 5	1,770 10 10
Nelson ... ..	542 12 0	49 4 10	591 16 10
Marlborough ... ..	234 10 6	19 14 1	254 4 7
Canterbury ... ..	4,765 2 6	349 19 5	5,115 1 11
Otago ... ..	2,093 8 5	24 7 8	2,117 16 1
Southland ... ..	1,678 10 0	25 4 8	1,703 14 8
Westland ... ..	159 4 6	0 14 5	159 18 11
Totals ... ..	20,657 8 9*	1,073 12 10	21,731 1 7
Corresponding period, 1894-95 ...	18,644 6 4†	1,020 17 3	19,665 3 7

NOTE.—Includes Crown-grant and district-agency fees: \* £166 6s. 6d.; † £193 2s. 7d.

C.—RETURN showing the TOTAL AMOUNT of MONEY remaining secured by MORTGAGE under the LAND TRANSFER ACTS on the 31st March, 1896.

District.	Amount remaining secured by Mortgage on 31st March, 1895.	Amount secured by Mortgage during the Year ended 31st March, 1896.	Amount of Mortgages paid off during the same Period.	Amount remaining secured by Mortgage on 31st March, 1896.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland ... ..	4,086,403 18 8	258,704 17 5	324,488 14 0	4,020,620 2 1
Taranaki ... ..	1,182,564 16 10	378,665 18 11	184,261 2 2	1,376,969 13 7
Wellington ... ..	5,759,244 0 0	1,349,611 0 0	888,465 0 0	6,220,390 0 0
Hawke's Bay ... ..	4,079,525 0 8	568,496 0 0	431,854 0 0	4,216,167 0 8
Nelson ... ..	736,605 7 10	195,211 2 3	65,385 18 1	866,430 12 0
Marlborough ... ..	250,682 2 7	47,689 10 9	27,847 0 0	270,524 13 4
Canterbury ... ..	8,997,916 8 0	928,289 0 0	1,123,821 0 0	8,802,384 8 0
Otago ... ..	2,848,893 0 0	392,153 0 0	383,326 0 0	2,857,720 0 0
Southland ... ..	2,560,948 13 11	570,818 5 7	196,105 0 0	2,935,661 19 6
Westland ... ..	68,894 18 4	12,913 2 7	8,827 0 10	72,981 0 1
Totals ... ..	30,571,678 6 10	4,702,551 17 6	3,634,380 15 1	31,639,849 9 3
Corresponding period, 1894-95	29,606,579 9 11	3,608,525 12 11	2,643,426 16 0	30,571,678 6 10

D.—RETURN showing ARREARS in the LAND TRANSFER DEPARTMENT on the 31st March, 1896.

District.	Applications awaiting Compliance with Requisitions.	Applications detained for Examination in the Survey Office.	Applications (other than those already mentioned) received during the Month and not yet passed.	Unregistered Instruments awaiting Compliance with Requisitions.	Unregistered Instruments detained in the Survey Office.	Certificates of Title due but not issued.	Applications received previous to Current Month not yet passed.
Auckland ... ..	44	16	1	4	6	...	...
Taranaki ... ..	8	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wellington ... ..	30	2	2	52	11	52	9
Hawke's Bay ... ..	6	...	...	...	...	...	10
Nelson ... ..	4	...	...	2	...	...	...
Marlborough ... ..	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Canterbury ... ..	16	3	...	36	2	...	15
Otago ... ..	21	...	1	11	6	...	2
Southland ... ..	5	...	1	...	...	...	...
Westland ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals ... ..	135	21	5	105	25	52	36

Other Instruments unrecorded.

	Transfers.	Mortgages.	Miscellaneous.
Christchurch .. ..	35	32	34
Otago .. ..	7	5	..

E.—RETURN showing the NUMBER of DEEDS remaining UNREGISTERED on the 31st March, 1895; the NUMBER received for REGISTRATION, and the NUMBER REGISTERED, during the Twelve Months ended the 31st March, 1896; also the NUMBER REMAINING on that date; and the AMOUNT of FEES collected during the same Period.

District.	Unrecorded on 31st March, 1895.	Received for Registration during the Year ended 31st March, 1896.	Registered during the same Period.	Unregistered on 31st March, 1896.	Fees.
					£ s. d.
Auckland ... ..	216	3,578	3,601	152	3,590 3 7
Taranaki ... ..	80	743	804	19	727 11 6
Wellington ... ..	36	2,011	2,002	31	2,183 8 1
Hawke's Bay ... ..	33	819	769	73	922 17 6
Nelson ... ..	5	547	542	10	517 19 0
Marlborough ... ..	...	312	312	...	311 0 0
Canterbury ... ..	6	1,276	1,234	43	1,424 14 6
Otago ... ..	6	1,259	1,192	73	1,328 2 6
Southland ... ..	6	352	349	9	366 18 6
Westland ... ..	...	52	52	...	44 11 0
Totals ... ..	388	10,949	10,857	410	£11,417 6 2*

					£ s. d.
* Includes Crown-grant fees	..	..	..	..	237 6 8
Includes district-agency fees	..	..	..	..	17 15 0
					<u>£305 1 8</u>

*Approximate Cost of Paper.*—Preparation, not given; printing (1,380 copies), £2 12s.

By Authority: JOHN MACKAY, Government Printer, Wellington.—1896.

Price, 3d.]