

NATIVE DEPARTMENT—continued
DISTRICT MAORI LAND BOARDS—continued
COMBINED AND SEPARATE BALANCE-SHEETS AS AT 31ST MARCH, 1943—continued
Assets

	Totals.	Tokerau.	Waikato- Maniapoto.	Waiairiki.	Tairāwhiti.	Aotea.	Ikaroro.	South Island.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Cash balances—								
In hand and at bank	20,947	1,517	2,992	4,890	7,207	2,955	705	681
Add Post Office imprest..	3,345	92	514	298	289	1,104	973	65
	24,292	1,609	3,506	5,188	7,506	4,059	1,678	746
Investments—								
Common Fund—								
Mortgages and charges	232,881	11,400	26,900	26,441	67,626	67,061	27,853	5,600
Farm properties	78,013	..	..	59,718	9,148	9,147	..	..
On deposit with Native Trustee	217,089	184	37,548	43,244	4,469	69,207	43,039	19,398
Advances on overdraft to blocks, &c.	23,462	5,500	5,691	932	1,362	3,052	6,401	324
Government securities	124,566	16,865	10,001	20,000	38,600	29,800	6,250	3,050
Particular estates—								
Mortgages	17,221	..	9,104	..	..	2,950	5,167	..
Government and other securities	30,589	1,000	..	..	29,323	5,225	1,005	36
	729,821	34,949	89,244	150,335	150,528	186,442	89,715	28,608
Sundry debtors	6,711	853	555	3,524	20	568	51	1,140
Interest and instalments (due and accrued)	5,776	122	153	5,412	..	..	89	..
	12,487	975	708	8,936	20	568	140	1,140
Land and buildings..	37,273	..	11,083	5,503	7,031	13,256	400	..
Office equipment, &c.	16,911	100	3,912	4,145	3,362	3,345	1,369	678
	54,184	100	14,995	9,648	10,393	16,601	1,769	678
Assets of special trusts under—								
Native Land Act, 1931, section 105..	86,897	..	..	86,897	..	..	..	..
Native Land Act, 1931, section 358	130,652	..	..	..	40,060	90,592	..	..
	217,549	..	..	86,897	40,060	90,592	..	..
Appropriation Account	13,332	13,332	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals	1,051,665	50,965	108,453	261,004	208,507	298,262	93,302	31,172

O. N. CAMPBELL, Under-Secretary.
M. J. LAWLESS, A.R.A.N.Z., Accountant.

I hereby certify that the Statement of Receipts and Payments, Income and Expenditure Accounts, Appropriation Account, and Balance-sheet have been compared with the accounts and balance-sheets of the respective Maori Land Boards and correctly state the position as disclosed thereby, subject to the following comments:—

Aotea.—The Audit Office is not aware of any statutory authority for the advance of moneys amounting to £1,086 19s. 9d. for the purchase of seed potatoes in connection with a Maori War Effort Production Campaign.

Tairāwhiti.—The Audit Office is unable to certify to the adequacy of certain securities owing to the absence of information as to the values of the lands secured.

Tokerau.—The Audit Office is not aware of any statutory authority for advances on overdraft to blocks, &c., amounting to £3,433 15s. 8d. and for the following payments out of the accounts mentioned—Te Kao Cream Truck Account; Grant to Te Kao School Farm, £200; wages and metal used on roads inside Te Kao, £68 14s.; temporary advances, £1,432 18s. 4d.; Te Kao Store Accounts; Grant to R. A. Northwood, £20; wages and metal used on roads inside Te Kao, £91 8s. 2d.—Cyril G. COLLINS, Controller and Auditor-General.