8. Assisted Migration for Foreigners

No assistance is granted for alien migrants to come to this Dominion, and there is no official machinery established here for the reception, placing, and after-care of alien migrants.

9. Temporary Permits for Visitors

A person who arrives in New Zealand without a permit but proves to the satisfaction of the Customs Department that he desires to enter New Zealand as a visitor only for purposes of business, pleasure, or health, and that he intends to leave New Zealand within six months after his arrival, may be granted a temporary permit for six months or such shorter period as may in any case be determined. The period of stay under temporary permits is normally limited to six months, but may be extended if the Minister of Customs considers that the circumstances warrant such action. A deposit of £10 is required in respect of a temporary permit, and is returned on the departure of the visitor if the conditions of the temporary permit are complied with. The Collector of Customs may also require, if he so decides, before a temporary permit is issued, a deed to be entered into by some person or persons resident in New Zealand approved by him guaranteeing to pay all expenses that may be incurred by the Crown or any public body in New Zealand, or his deportation therefrom.

10. Students' Permits

Provision is also made in the Immigration Restriction Regulations whereby under certain conditions foreigners may be allowed to enter New Zealand temporarily for educational purposes, and many Chinese and South Sea Islanders have taken advantage of this provision.

VII. LOCATION OF POPULATION

A. PROVINCIAL DISTRIBUTION

The internal distribution of the population of New Zealand has varied considerably over the past hundred years. In the early history of New Zealand the settlement in the North Island was considerably influenced by the Maori Wars, particularly during the "sixties" and "seventies" of last century. As shown in another part of this report, the tendency for the majority of the assisted immigrants during the immigration boom of the "seventies" to go to Otago and Southland was another very important factor in this regard. There is little doubt that the South Island was more active and progressive during this period of New Zealand's history. The following table sets out the distribution of the population as between the North and South Islands at various censuses from 1858 to 1945:—

Table No. 53.—Table showing Distribution of Population as between the North and South Islands at various Censuses from 1858 to 1945

	Census Year.				Population (excluding Maoris).			Proportions per Cent.	
					North Island.	South Island.	Total.	North Island.	South Island
1858					34,094	25,319	59,413	$57 \cdot 38$	42.62
1861					41,641	57,380	99,021	$42 \cdot 05$	$57 \cdot 95$
864					65,263	106,895	172,158	$37 \cdot 91$	$62 \cdot 09$
867					79,913	138,755	218,668	$36 \cdot 55$	$63 \cdot 45$
871					96,875	159,518	256,393	$37 \cdot 78$	$62 \cdot 22$
874					111,934	187,580	299,514	$37 \cdot 37$	62 · 63
878					158,208	256,204	414,412	$38 \cdot 18$	61.82
881					193,047	296,886	489,933	$39 \cdot 40$	50.60
886	`				250,482	328,000	578,482*	$43 \cdot 30$	56 · 70
891					281,474	345,184	626,658*	$44 \cdot 92$	55.08
896					340,638	362,722	703,360*	$48 \cdot 43$	$51 \cdot 57$
901					390,579	382,140	772,719*	$50 \cdot 55$	49 - 47
906					476,737	411,841	888,578*	$53 \cdot 65$	$46 \cdot 35$
911					563,733	444,735	1,008,468*	$55 \cdot 90$	44.10
916					651,072	448,377	1,099,449*	$59 \cdot 22$	40.78
921					741,255	477,658	1,218,913*	$60 \cdot 81$	$39 \cdot 19$
926					831,813	512,656	1,344,469	$61 \cdot 87$	38-13
936					938,939	552,545	1,491,484	$62 \cdot 95$	37 · 0/
945					1,050,984	552,570	1,603,554†	$65 \cdot 54$	34 · 46

^{*} Inclusive of Maori half-castes living as Europeans. Forces still overseas at census date.

[†] In addition, there were 45,381 members of the Armed