"THE LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS ACT, 1894."

Report on Conditions	and Settlement of the Land.		See Report attached.	See Report attached.	See Report attached.		See Report attached.	See Report attached.	See Report attached.		*	
	Valuation of Board.	£ s. d.	0 0 6	15 0 0	7 0 0	•	64 83 9	2 10 0	5 0			
Report and Valuation of Board.	Report of Board.		That the character of the land is such as to render it suitable for settlement in small lots; that there is a demand for land in the district; that	the foard recommends the purchase at £9 per acre We recommend purchase at a price of £14 per acre, and, in the event of this offer not being accepted, we are of opinion that £15 an acre would not be	too high a price to pay for such land The land is good, and suitable for settlement. There will be demand for this land in the district, and the purchase of the property is therefore recommended		That the land is suitable for settlement, and is a continuation and extension of the area for agricultural farms up the Aparima Valley	That the land is good, and suitable for settlement; that the Board believes there is a demand for this class of land in the district; that the Board recom-	mends the purchase That the land is suitable for settlement, and is practically an extension of the Merrivale and Waiau Valley Settlements, to which it is adjacent			
	Seller to 31st March, 1900.	£ s. d. 250,290 6 3	622 1 4	5,044 0 6	77,360 17 10	333,317 5 11	10,482 11 3	24,995 0 0	7,555 4 6		43,032 15 9	1,523,926 10 6
Name of Person or Company from whom	it was bought or acquired.	:	Stringer, G.	Meek, W.	McMaster, A. A	:	Stevens's Trustees	Elder, Smith, and Co.	Menzies and Batger		:	•
	Quality of Land.	÷	Open, level ground; deep, rich, alluvial silt	All rich agricultural land	First-class table-land McMaster, A. A. and low-lying ridges on lime-	TOTAL TOTAL	The flat land is good, quick soil, well adapted for grain and root crops. The ridges are composed of a strong olay soil on rough gravel	bottom Mixed agricultural and pastoral; deep, rich, free soil	The land on ridges and along their base is good, but thinner towards river; sections well watered by runn'g streams. Splendid	timber available for fencing and building on pro-	perty	
;	Locality of Land.	:	Block I., Kurow Survey District	Block XII., Oamaru, and Block VIII., Awamoko	Blocks II., VI., VII., and VIII., Maerewhenua Survey District	:	Aparima Valley, Wairaki Survey District	Waiau Survey District	Waiau Survey District		•	:
Area of each	Block of Land as purchased.	A. B. P. 47,046 3 12	69 0 19	347 3 18	11,051 2 9	58,515 1 18	4,322 3 20	0 0 866.6	6,044 0 29		20,365 0 9	324,167 1 36
	Name of Settlement.	Brought forward	Osago Land District—Contact. Tahawai	Teanaraki	Toka-rahi	Total	Southland Land District—Beaumont	Merrivale	Otahu		Totals	Grand totals