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LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS CONSOLIDATION ACT, 1900"

(REPORT ON).

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly in compliance with Subsection (2), Section 73, of "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900."

The LAND PURCHASE INSPECTOR to the Hon. the MINISTER OF LANDS.

SIR,-

Department of Land for Settlements, Wellington, 1st July, 1901. I have the honour to report on the transactions under "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900," for the twelve months ending the 31st March, 1901. There were fifteen meetings of the Boards held during the year for business, viz. : Hawke's

Bay, 5; Wellington, 7; Marlborough, 1; Canterbury, 2.

Seventy-three estates, of a total area of 315,612 acres, were offered during the year. Of that area, 144,640 acres were declined, not recommended, or withdrawn, leaving 170,972 acres, of which an area of 75,861 acres is under consideration, and an area of 95,111 acres was recommended for purchase. Including with this latter area part of the land offered in the previous year, twenty-nine estates were recommended for purchase, with the result that offers were accepted for fourteen estates, of an aggregate area of 70,961 acres, for the sum of £350,351. Of the other fifteen estates, the owners of nine declined the prices cffered, and the owners of six withdrew their lands from offer.

The names of the estates purchased are-part of Karapiro, Hatuma, Mangatoro, Langdale, Mangawhata, Maungaraki, Epuni, Lyndon, Waipapa, Tarawahi, Kohika, Raincliff, Puhuka, part Station Peaks, Earnscleugh. Possession has been given of all these, with the exception of Mangatoro, which is now under sectional survey.

Since the 1st April, 1901, the following estates have been purchased, and are now under sub-divisional survey: Toka-ora, 1,500 acres; Rural Section 36278, 618 acres; Kapuatohe, 50 acres; Kaimahi, 100 acres, near Papanui; Kakahu, 2,250 acres; Ringway, 2,308 acres; Glenham, 11,500 acres.

Included in these purchases there is an aggregate of 1,050 acres, in eight different localities, for workmen's homes and small holdings. One-half is presently under survey prior to being offered for selection. Negotiations are in progress for further purchases for these purposes. Considerable difficulty is experienced in acquiring suitable land for workmen's homes near the populous centres, at a price and in position within the reach of those who are to occupy and to travel daily to and from their work, either by rail, bicycle, or on foot. The restrictions in section 13 of "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900," have been availed of during the year in preventing the acquisition of two selections of rural land of about 100 acres each, used solely for grazing, not occupied residentially, and outside a borough. Thus, on the offer being made to purchase, the owners in each case delayed giving their replies until they had by deed of gift handed over onehalf of the respective properties to a member of their families, thereby effectually stopping the taking of the land compulsorily, had that been intended.

The Government having decided to take compulsorily the following estates—Forest Gate, 8,250 acres; Kumeroa, 3,600 acres; Kokatahi, 4,993 acres—the necessary notifications have been gazetted and served on the respective owners, as required by statute, preparatory to the claims being heard before the Compensation Court.

The total purchases under the Land for Settlements Act since its commencement up to the 31st March, 1901, are ninety-one estates, containing an area of 395,483 acres, at a cost, including liabilities, of £1,883,723 for land. During the three months—1st April to the 30th June, 1901-seven estates were purchased, of an area of 18,330 acres, to cost £93,350 for land.

1901—seven estates were purchased, of an area of 13,350 acres, to cost £93,500 for land.
 Appended hereto are details in tabular form, viz.: Table A—Return of all Lands offered to the
 Government, and how dealt with, from the 1st April, 1900, to the 31st March, 1901. Table B—
 Return of Lands recommended for Purchase by the Board of Land Purchase Commissioners to the
 31st March, 1901. Table C—Statement of Lands acquired to the 31st March, 1901. Report of
 the Assistant Surveyor-General on the Condition and Settlement of Lands acquired.

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JAMES MCKERROW,

Chairman of Board of Land Purchase Commissioners and Land Purchase Inspector.

The Hon. Minister of Lands. 1-C. 5.

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Total	:	78,498 0 0	:	30,000 0 0	6,287 0 0	23,396 0 0	:	18,150 acres under consideration; 665 acres withdrawn.
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TABLE A.—RETURN of all LANDS OFFERED to GOVERNMENT under "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900," and how dealt with, from 1st April, 1900, to 31st March, 1901—continued.

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	Area Withdrawn.	Acres.	:	6,106	1,606	:	:	665	:	:	8,377
	Area under Consideration.	Acres.	:	:	13,633	:	:	18,150	18,270	25,808	75,861
	Area not recommended recommended by Board. by Board.	Acres.	956	33,072	28,838	3,648	:	23,396	5,201	•	95,111
ARY.		Acres.	16,424	:	5,290	:	:	6,287	1,142	2,960	32,103
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TABLE B.--RETURN of LANDS RECOMMENDED for PURCHASE by the BOARD of LAND PURCHASE COMMISSIONERS under the above Act up to 31st March, 1901.

Name of Seller and Locality.	Area offered by	Price asked.	Tax Value.	Price offered for Land.	Total Price naid to Seller.	Cost of Roading, Administra-	Total Cost to	Date of Deed.	Remarks.
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"THE LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS CONSOLIDATION ACT, 1900."	3.—RETURN OF LANDS RECOMMENDED FOR PURCHASE by the BOARD of LAND PURCHASE COMM
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TABLE B.	RETURN of	LANDS RECC	"THE LAND FOR ! LANDS RECOMMENDED for	FOR SETTLEMENTS ID for PURCHASE by		CONSULIDATION ACT, 1900." the BOARD of LAND PURCE	IASE	COMMISSIONERS	RScontinued.	
Name of Seller and Locality.	Area offered	Price asked.	Tax Value.	Price offered for Land.	Total Price Daid to Seller.	Cost of Roading, Administra- tion.	Total Cost to Date.	Date of Deed.	Remarks.	
(Vendor.	Per Acre.	Per Acre.	Per Acre.	4	&c., to Date.			-	
.C. Brought forward	205,941 0 0	َ وَ الْ	£ s. d.	£ s. d. 	t s. d. 161,550 6 6	£ s. d. 4,109 17 11	£ 8. d. 165,660 4 5	:		
UANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT-contd. Cambridge, A. B., "Kapuatohe".	. 50 0 0	45 0 0	:	40 0 0	2,449 3 1*	•	•	4	t quite complete.	*£2449 38. 1d.
Copland, A., "Otaio" Freeman. J. "Tarawahi"	377 0 0 32 0 0	13 0 0 90 0 0	7 10 0	0 0 06 0 0 06	4,143 11 3 2,857 10 0	134 15 2	4,278 6 5 2.857 10 0	2/4/95 	Purchase complete. (See report attached.) Purchase complete.	attached.)
Gould, Beaumont, and Co., "Ashley	1 718 0 448 0	:	: :	20	19	265 8 9	ø	16/11/95	Purchase complete. (See report atitached.)	attached.)
Heath Trust, "Horsley Down" Hoars R. "Krasta"	000	5 4 0	0 11 0	1 5 5 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	20,022 5 8	492 15 4 31 16 0	20,515 1 0 1 615 16 0	12/1/97 8/10/95		
Howley, Thomas, "Puhuka,". Macfarlane. D. and A., "Tyndon,".	000	••		1200	40	99.41	41		Purchase not quite complete, $*\mathfrak{L}$ to be paid.	*£989 4s. 4d.
Menzies, C., "Pawaho"	. 35 0 0	₹ 5 0 0			12	228 17	10	29/4/98	Purchase complete. (See report attached.)	attached.)
Meyer, J., "Epworth." Midland Railway Company. "Patoa.".		00	10 0 0 0 15 0	12 0 0 0 18 0	, 252 4 6 6,612 10 3	40	262 8 7 6,862 15 9	22/10/95 13/3/96	2 4	
Moore, G. H., "Ömihi Stock Reserve".	20 0 0	10 16 0		0	0	25 6 9	265 6	23/3/96		
N.Z. and A. Land Co., "Pareora"	. 621 0 0	2 2 2	:	11.12 0	7,198 14 10	113 5 11	7,312 0 9	29/9/93	2	
N.Z. Trust and Loan Co., "Raincliff" N.Z. Trust and Loan Co., "Reincliff"	192 0 0 552 0 0		::	4 0 0 3 0 0	2,424 5 0*	:	:	:	Purchase not quite complete. * to be paid.	£2,424 5s.
Peter's Trustees, "Hekeao"		7 0 0	::	00	10 ×	1,081 19 4	4	30/3/98	Purchase complete. (See report attached.)	attached.)
Quinn and Rooney, "Orakipaoa".		20	13 0 0 13 0 0	00	*1) (। বা	1/4/96		
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Studholme's Trustees, '' Studholme Junction''	108	0	:	0			F	3/11/93		
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Teschemaker, T., "Kohika".	. 3,854 0 0	•	•	•	28,093 4 3*		•	:	Purchase not quite complete. *£28 *c. h. wid	*£280934s. 3d.
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Commissioners—continued.	Remarks.			OWHEL LEIUSEN PLICE OFFICE.	Negotiations fell through.	Owner retused price offered. Owner would not secont price offered	Purchase complete. (See report attached.)			2							-	Owner refused price offered.			Uwner retused price offered.	Purchase complete. (See report attached.)							
OMMISSIONI	Date of Deed.			::	:	:	8/8/95	10/10/93	20/5/96	9/2/00	6/11/98	9/5/95	5/5/97	: :	:			:	::	:	:	5/4/95	9/8/81	96/T/NT					
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for PURCHASE	Price offered for Land.	Per Acre.	ຜ່	00	17	og		22			14 IU U	0	16 10 0 33 5 0	15				2 5 0	::	: -		2 10 0	12 0	10		sellers to	ъ.	iclusive of	to sellers at
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ANDS RECO	Price asked.	Per Acre.	£ 8. d.	35 0 0	:'	0 0 01	8 0 0	99	ດ		◦.	0	18 0 0 33 5 0	0	P :	:		4 5 0	₹:	10 0 0	10 0 0	4		>	:	Total amount	Total cost of estate	31st March, departmental	Total amount to be 31st March, 1901
BRETURN OF LANDS RECOMMENDED	Area offered by Vendor			158 0 0	0	277 0 0	000	00	2,368 0 0 9.536 0 0	00	348 U U 4,241 0 0	0	219 0 0 147 0 0	00	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	74,747 0 0		1,907 0 0	00	00	1.732 0 0				28,102 0 0	31st 793,694 0 0	70,951 0 0		
TABLE B	Name of Seller and Locality.		OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.	::	:	•	Borton, J., "Maerewhenua,"	Douglas, J., "Pomahaka,"	Kitchener, A. B., "Makareao". Kitchener A. B. "Makareao Extension"	McMaster, A. A., 'Tokarahi '	Meek, W., "Teanerakı"	Stringer, George, " Tahawai "	Thomson, W., '' Momons,''	Paterson, R., "Barnego"		Total	SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.	:	:::	:	: :	Elder, Smith, and Co., "Merrivale".	n	······································	Total	Total area recommended to 31st	Total area purchased from 1st April,	TAON' to SISt MERCON' TAOL	

of Section 73 of the said Act. 6 TABLE C.-STATEMENT of LANDS ACQUIRED to 31st March, 1901, prepared in Terms of Subsection "THE LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS CONSOLIDATION ACT, 1900."

Report on Conditions See Report attached. and Settlement of the Land. See Report attached. Report See Report See Report See Report See Report attached. attached. attached. attached. attached. : See] -j -0 Valuation of Board. 0 0 0 0 0 4 10 0 14 0 15 10 s 3 10 4 3 10 : ಲ್ಯು ಈ က The Board believes the land could be profitably oc-cupied in mixed farms; that there is a fair demand in the district for such class of holdings; and the purchase is therefore recommended The land is good, and suitable for settlement. The Board believes there is a demand for the land both within and from outside the district. Taken The Board recom-The land is good, and suitable for settlement in farms of from 50 to 500 acres each. The Board recom-The Board recomin the Bay of Plenty district, and the Government is therefore recommended to purchase the land Land suitable for settlement. The Board recomcompulsorily. Award of Compensation Court, £141,618 The land is excellent in quality, and suitable for sub-division into farms of from 100 to 400 acres. That, from inquiries made, there is a considerable demand mends Government to purchase. $63\frac{1}{2}$ acres additional purchased at 24 per acre. Report and Valuation of Board. mends Government to purchase mends Government to purchase mends Government to purchase Report of Board. suitable for settlement. suitable for settlement. : Land Land ہ ہ Price paid to Seller to 31st March, 1901. o က 0 0 0 0 н ი 5 % 4 က 0 က 89,752 13 45,878 10 0 187,496 10 12 6,735 Russell, T. Purvis, 141,618 and Russell's Mar-£ 31,981 4,143 24,2618,617 14,014 Name of Person or Company from whom it was bought or acquired. : Buchanan's Trustees Realisation Realisation Realisation Realisation Realisation riage Settlement Trustees Gould's Trustees : : Board Board Board Board Board Assets Assets Assets Assets Assets Deep alluvial soil of good quality and pastoral land; limestone forma-tion agricultural al-of and situation Partly flat and partly undulating fern Soil a fluviatile de-posit generally, with clayey subsoil in places Hilly, rolling downs, and flat land good, suitable for Soil a chocolatecoloured light alluvial, overlaying a bed of pumice, sand, and gravel Greater portion luvial swamp Quality of Land and bush land mixed farms good quality : : Mixed Soil pukurau Survey District, I. II. and V., Mouotaria Survey District, and IV. VIII., XI., and XII., Taka-pau Survey District ton Survey District, and Blocks I., V., and VI., Cam-bridge Survey District Block X., Cambridge Survey Block XVI., Waitoa Survey Blocks V., IX., XIII., Wha-katane, and Block II., and Blocks III., VII., and XII., Oero Survey District Blocks IV. and VIII., Hamil-District, and Block IV., Maungakawa Survey Dis-Blocks XIII. and XIV., Wai-Estate, Survey Waimana Survey District Blocks VI., VII., X., art of Matamata Es east of Waihou River Locality of Land. XI., Cambridge District : : District trict Part 0 ė o 0 0 0 0 0 Area of each Block of Land as purchased. с С 30 39 ri o 0 0 0 0 ----0 0 н 01 5,9197,6048,980 A. 7,107 4,00435,948*9,740 26,35036,090 2,334: : : : : : : : : : Auckland Land District---Dist. Carried forward Name of Settlement. Hawke's Bay Land : : : : : : ; : : Total Rangiatea Whitehall Elsthorpe Karapiro Fencourt Opouriao Hatuma Okauia

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* Corrected area-553 acres having been exchanged for 110 acres 2 roods 16 perches at Tomoana.

TABLE C.-STATEMENT of LANDS ACQUIRED to 31st March, 1901, prepared in Terms of Subsection (2) of Section 73 of the said Act-continued.

	Area of each			Name of Person or		Report and Valuation of Board.		Report on Conditions
Name of Settlement.	Block of Land as purchased.	Locality of Land.	Quality of Land.	the sequenced.	to Seller to 31st March, 1901.	Report of Board.	Valuation of Board.	
Brought forward Hawke's Bay Land Dist	A. B. P. 36,090 0 0	:	:	:	£ s. d. 187,496 10 0		દ ક વ	
Mahora.	1,133 3 0	Lot 139 of Lot 2, Sub- division D, Heretaunga Block, in Block XV., Here- taunga Survey District, and Lot 140 of Lot 2, Sub- division D, Heretaunga Block in Block XV., Here-	Rich alluvial land, soil nof worked out	Williams, J. H.	31,178 2 6	The land is good, and suitable for settlement in farms of from 40 to 50 acres each. The Board recom- mends Government to purchase the land	27 10 0	See Report attached.
Mangatoro	19,550 0 0*	B	Hill and down land on limestone form- ation.	Assets Realisation Board	87,975 0 0*	The land is suitable for mixed farms. The Board recommends purchase	4 10 0	
Pouparae	337 3 4	B	All very deep alluvial flat land	E. Donner	7,768 16 6	The land is good, and suitable for settlement. There is a demand for this class of land, and the Board	23 0 0	See Report attached.
Raureka	427 2 0	wamata Survey District Block III., Te Mata Survey District	Rich alluvial soil	Williams, J. H.	10,260 0 0	recommends its acquisition The land is good, and suitable for settlement in small farms. The Board believes there is a demand for such land in the district; the Board therefore	24 0 0	See Report attached.
Tomoana	110 2 16 430 1 30	Near Hastings	Rich alluvial soil Level alluvial land	Williams, J. H Bruce, G	8,608 15 0	recommends the purchase The land is good, and suitable for settlement. A demand exists in the district for this class of land, and the Board therefore recommends the purchase	22 0 0	-
Willows	775 2 0	Blocks II., V., and VI., Turanganui Survey Dis- trict	All flat and plough- able, soil not ex- hausted	Bank of New Zea- land	14,734 10 0	thereof The land is good, and suitable for settlement in farms of from 20 to 50 acres each. The Government recommends the acquisition of the property	19 0 0	See Report attached.
Total	58,855 1 10	:	•	:	260,046 14 0			
Wellington Land District- Aorangi	1,785 0 0	Block XIV., Oroua Survey District, and Blocks II. and III., Kairanga Survey District	Lowlying flats within the Post - tertiary formation; soil a rich alluvial loam	Bull, C	25,355 0 0	The land is good, and suitable for settlement. There is a demand for this land in the district, and the Board therefore recommends the acquisition of the property	14 4 1	See Report attached.
Carried forward	1,785 0 0		:	:	25,355 0 0			
	_		* Purchase no	* Purchase not yet complete. £87,975 t	£87,975 to be paid.		-	-

TABLE C.--STATEMENT of LANDS ACQUIRED to 31st March, 1901, prepared in Terms of Subsection (2) of Section 73 of the said Act--continued.

	Area of each			Name of Person or	Price paid	Report and Valuation of Board.		Keport on Conditions
Name of Settlament.	Block of Land as purchased.	Locality of Land.	Quality of Land.	to no strong and a sequired.	to Seller to 31st March, 1901.	Report of Board.	Valuation of Board.	and Settlement of the Land.
Brought forward Wellington Land District—	A. B. P. 1,785 0 0				£ s. d. 25,355 0 0		ન્વ હ સ	
continuea. Epuni	98 1 34)							
	0 1 00	Block XIV., Belmont Survey	Rich level land, with	Mason, S. S.	*8,861 12 6	The land is good, and suitable for subdivision for [worthman's homes The Reard beliaves there will	0 0 06	See Report
• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		not the t		Forrest, A.	*285 0 0		120 0 0	See Report
Langdale	9,406 0 0	Blocks II. and III., Rewa,	gravel formation. Volcanic formation;	Elder's Trustees	*†30,669 10 0	mends its acquisition The land is good, and suitable for settlement, and the Roard recommends its econtisition	3 5 ()	attached. See Report ettached
		pakeha Survey Districts	subsylectus and alluvial; subsoil generally of a			TOTISTIC DOS SI STRATTTOODI NISOT OT		The Tree he
Mangawhata	1,240 2 36	Blocks XI. and XV., Te Kau- wau Survey District	clayey nature Low lying grassed flats	Morrison, M.	*16,129 8 6	nt. The the land,	13 0 0	See Report attached.
Maungaraki	421 3 0	Block XIII., Belmont Survey	Hilly bush land	Morrison, J. L.	2,797 0 0	and therefore recommends its acquisition The land is good, and suitable for settlement, and	:	
Оћакев	2,144 3 29	District Block XV., Rangitoto Survey District	Open low downs, and rich alluvial	Bull, J	22,638 12 2	the Forket recommends us purchase The land is good, and suitable for settlement. There is a demand for this land in the district, and the	13 0 0	
						Board therefore recommends the acquisition of the		
Paparangi	322 3 32	Block XII., Belmont Survey District	Soil of fairly good quality, with strong clay sub-	Drake, C. S.	3,875 8 0	s good, and suitable for settlement. There and for this land in the district, and the erefore recommends the acquisition of the	12 0 0	See Report attached.
Te Matua	702 0 19	Blocks I. and II., Kairanga Survey District	soil Lowlying flats within the Post - tertiary formation; soil a	Saunders, J.	10,531 15 8	property The land is good, and suitable for settlement. There is a demand for this land in the district, and the Board therefore recommends the acquisition of the	15 0 0	
			rich alluvial loam resting upon a friable clay with			property		
Total	16,124 1 10	:	gravel underneaun	:	65,197 15 10			
Marlborough Land Dist.— Blind River	5,020 0 0	Blocks XII. and XIV., Clif- ford Bay Survey District	Agricultural and pastoral lands	Fell, C. Y.	14,806 5 3	In the belief that a demand exists in the district, the Board recommends the purchase	3 5 0	See Report attached.
Carried forward	5,020 0 0		•	:	14,806 5 3			
			* £55,945 11s. to be paid.	+ Includes £100	+ Includes \$100 for improvements.			

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TABLE C.-STATEMENT of LANDS ACQUIRED to 31st March, 1901, prepared in Terms of Subsection (2) of Section 73 of the said Act-continued.

	Ares of each			Name of Person or	Price paid	Report and Valuation of Board.		Report on Conditions
Name of Settlement.	Block of Land as purchased.	Locality of Land.	Quality of Land.	Company rrom whom it was bought or acquired.	to Seller to 31st March, 1901.	Report of Board.	Valuation of Board.	Settlement of the Land.
Brought forward Marlborough Land Dist.—	A. B. P. 5,020 0 0	:	:	:	£ s. d. 14,806 5 3		ક ક ર	
Flaxbourne (part)	404 0 0	Block XIV., Clifford Bay Sur- vey District	Loamy soil, all ploughable	Olifford, Sir G.	1,212 0 0	The Board approves of an exchange of certain Crown lands on Stonyhurst for an area of freehold land	300	See Report attached.
North Bank	13,000 0 0	Pine Valley and Mount Olympus Survey Districts	•	Bell Brothers	6,750 0 0	The land is good, and suitable for settlement, and the Board recommends the purchase	:	See Report attached.
Omaka	3,898 0 0	Block VI., Avon Survey Dis- trict, and Block I., Taylor	Good agricultural land	Goulter, Charles	10,865 13 6	The land is good, and suitable for settlement. There is a demand for such land in the district, and the	2 15 9	See Report attached.
Puhipuhi	320 0 0	ŭ	:	Parsons, J. A.	320 0 0	Power unstance recommends the purchase The land is good, and suitable for settlement. There is a demand for such land in the district, and the	1 0 0	
Richmond Brook	5,827 0 0	Awatere Valley, contiguous to Starborough	Alluvial flats and rolling downs	Richmond, F. H	23,890 7 0	Doard therefore recommends the purchase The land is good, and suitable for settlement, and the Board recommends the purchase	4 5 0 4 14 0 1 10 0	See Report attached.
Starborough	32,385 3 15	In Clifford Bay, Taylor Pass, Cape Campbell, and Blue Mountain Survey Districts	Good flats, terraces, and rolling downs; soil of excellent quality; std whole	Beaumont's Trustees	99,350 0 0	The land is good, and suitable for settlement in farms of from 200 to 500 acres, and from 2,000 to 5,000 acres each, and the Board recommends the acquisi- tion of the whole property	1 10 0 to 4 15 6	See Report attached.
Waipapa	3,648 0 0	In Puhipuhi Survey Dis- trict	Open area III good Sock land, an land of va qualities	Bell, James	8,250 0 0	The land is good, and suitable for settlement as small grazing-runs	:	See Report attached.
Total	64,502 3 15	:	:	:	165,444 5 9			
Westland Land District Poerua	3,230 1 6	Blocks X. and XIV., Te Kinga Survey District	Mica-schist silt on shingle	Olark, C	3,634 1 6	To meet the strong desire for land on the part of the people residing in the district, that Mr. Clark be offered £1 28. 6d. an acre as a final price, and that the proposed road and other expenditure on the land	1 2 6 land be s	2 6 See Report attached. be such that the
Total	3,230 1 6	:	•	:	3,634 1 6	total expenditure on which rental will be charged does not exceed £2 an acre on an average	l does not	szceed £2 an

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	Ares of each			Name of Person or	Price naid to	Report and Valuation of Board.		Report
Name of Settlement.	Block of Land as purchased.	d Locality of Land.	Quality of Land.	Company from whom it was bought or acquired.	31st March, 1901.	Report of Board.	Valuation of Board.	ou conution and Settlement of the Land.
Brought forward Canterbury Land District—	A. B. F 36,535 2 7	: 		•	£ s. d. 170,448 3 0		ਾਹਂ ਲ ਪ੍ਰ	
continued. Horsley Down	4,004 1 33	3 Blocks II., III., and IV., Waipara Survey District, and Block V., Waibohi	Good arable land	Heath Stock Trust	20,022 5 8	The land is good, and suitable for farms of various sizes. There is a demand in the district; there- fore the Board recommands the muchasa	500	See Report attached.
Kapua	574 1 4	y District I. and II., y District	All first-class land; partly reclaimed swamp	The New Zealand and Australian Land Company	4,594 5 0	The quality and position of the land are excellent, and, from inquiries made, the Board believes there is a demand for small farms in the district, and	7 16 9	See Report attached.
Kereta	105 2 16	6 Block IX., Arowhenua Survey District	Alluvial swamp land	(Limited) Hoare, R.	1,584 0 0	therefore recommends the purchase of the block The land is good, and suitable for subdivision into sec- tions from 20 acres upwards. The Board believes there is a demand for a few sections in the neigh- bourhood. The Board recommends the Govern-	15 0 0	See Report attached.
Коћіќа	1,728 2 4 2,135 3 6	 Blocks II., Waimate Survey District, and XIV., Otaio Survey District 	Flats and open, flat- topped, undulat- ing, and rolling	Teschmaker's Trus- tees	28,093 4 3*	ment to purchase the land The land is good, and suitable for settlement, and the Board recommends its acquisition	8 10 0	See Report attached.
Lyndon	4,200 0 (0 Waiau Survey District		Macfarlane, D. D.	15,750 0 0*	:	:	
Marawiti	2,028 2 33	3 Blocks II., III., IV., V., Corwar Survey District	Land of fair quality, soil good, and in most places of fair	and A. Wason, J. C.	14,200 18 10	The land is good, and suitable for settlement. The Board believes there will be a demand for the land, and therefore recommends its acquisition	7 0 0	See Report attached.
Omihi Stock Reserve	20 0 ⁻	0 Block XVIII., Waikari Survey District	depth Arable land	Moore, G. H.	240 0 0	The Board recommends Government to acquire 20 acres out of Mr. Moore's "Glenmark" Estate,	12 0 0	See Report attached.
Orakipaoa	384 0 31	Blocks III. and VII., Aro- whenua Survey District	Rich alluvial soil	Quinn and Rooney	7,683 17 6	situated on Waipara-Cheviot Road The land is good, and suitable for settlement in eight or ten allotments of from 5 to 10 acres each, and the rest of the estate, approximately, as at present	20 0 0	See Report attached.
Otarakaro	ଟ ଜ ଝି	9 Block X., Christchurch Sur- vey District	Open, flat, grass land; soil deep and of good quality	Boag, W	1,990 6 3	fenced. There is a demand in the district. The Board recommends the acquisition of the property The land is good, and suitable for settlement in eight or ten allotments of from 5 to 10 acres each, and the rest of the estate, approximately, as at present fenced. There is a demand in the district. The Board recommends the acquisition of the property	20 0	See Report attached.
Carried forward	51,756 3 24		:		236.513 16 3			

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C.	tlement.	Block as pur	Block of Land as purchased.	Locality of Land.	Quality of Land.	trout whom it was bought or acquired.	Seller to 31st March, 1901.	Report of Board.	Valuation of Board.	and Settlement of the Land.
Cr Brought forward . Canterbury Land District-	Brought forward iry Land District	51,756	в. г . 3 324	:		:	£ s. d. 236,513 16 3		्र इ. 	
Otaio	:	376	3 2 30	Blocks XII. and XVI., Otaio Survey District	Open, flat land	Copland, A.	4,143 11 3	That the block is very suitable for subdivision into small farms; that there is an unsatisfied demand for land in the district; that the Board recommends	12 0 0	See Report attached.
Pareora	•		0 2 13	Block XII., Otaio Survey Dis- trict, and Block IV., Patiti Survey District	Open, level, agricul- tural land of good quality	New Zealand and Australian Land Co. (Limited)	7,198 14 10	The quality and position of the land are excellent, and, from inquiries made, the Board believes there is a demand for small farms in the district, and	11 12 0	See Report attached.
Patoa	:	. 7,347	7 0 38	Waipara and Waitohi Survey Districts	Pastoral country	New Zealand Mid- land Railway Com- nany (Limited)	6,612 10	That part of the land is fairly suitable for settlement; that a demand exists for this block on the part of the Hurnuri special settlers and others. The	0 18 0	See Report attached.
					-	(man) (man)		Board recommends Government to arrange the acquisition of the block. The Board is also of opinion that there is a prospect of some part of the	acquisition spect of som	of the block. e part of the
								at all; but, in view of the great necessity that exists for providing extensions to the holdings of the Hurunui settlers, without which—they inform mem- bers of the Board—their present holdings must be abandoned, the Board	purposes, or s for providii vhich-they be abandone	pernaps not of extensions inform mem- i, the Board
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Pawaho	:		1 3 18	Block XVI., Christohurch Survey District	Flat agricultural land; good soil on clay subsoil. Hill	Menzies, Charles	1,823 12 6	d suitable. Board believes there will d for the land for workmon's homes, e recommends the purchase	45 0 0 and 15 0 0	See Report attached.
Papaka	:	. 1,561	1 3 34	Blocks VIII. and XII., Pare- ora Survey District	sections on takiny steep slope; soil faitly good on clay Flat and easy, and undulating downs; quality of soil good, being black with	Sulliyan J.	17,962 11 4	The land is good, and suitable for settlement; that there will be a demand for the land, and the Board recommends the purchase	11 10 0	See Report attached.
Pareora No. 2 Pubuka	: :		8 3 29 9 2 11	Blocks VI., VII., VIII., X., XI., XII., Otaio Survey District Block X., Arowhenua	clay subsoil Nearly all undulat- ing; soil good, on clay Soil a deep loam on a	New Zealand and Australian Land Company (Limited) Howley, T.	70,953 3 0 989 4 4*	The land is good, and suitable for settlement ; that there will be a demand for the land, and the Board recommends the purchase The land is suitable for subdivision for workmen's	8 10 0 25 0 0	See Benort
Carrieo	Carried forward	69,863	3 2 37		clay subsoil	:	345,207 19 5	homes, and the Board recommends its acquisition		attached.
					- *	£989 48. 4d. to be paid.				

	Avon of a	do e d			Name of Person or	Drive neid to	Report and Valuation of Board.		Report on Conditions
Name of Settlement.	Block of Land as purchased.	Land ased.	Locality of Land.	Quality of Land.	Company from whom it was bought or acquired.	31st March, 1901.	Report of Board.	Valuation of Board.	and Settlement of the Land.
Brought forward Canterbury Land District-	A. B. P. 69,863 2 37	B. P. 2 37	:	- :		£ s. d. 345,207 19 5		չ։ Տ. գ.	-
continued. Punaroa	7,025	1 5	Blocks I., II., V., VI., Tenga- wai Survey District	Limestone founda- tion and alluvial flats; soil generally	National Mortgage and Agency Com- pany	31,613 15 4	The land is good, and suitable for settlement ; that there will be a demand for the land, and the Board recommends the purchase	4 10 0	
Raincliff (part)	{ 551 { 192	3 1 0	Block IX., Opihi Survey Dis- trict	of very good quality Good grass land on large area	N.Z. Trust and Loan Company (Limited)	2,424 5 0*	The Board recommended the purchase of the smaller area so as to reserve the valuable plantation of	3 0 0 4 0 0	See Report attached.
Rautawiri	113	3 37	Blook XIV., Geraldine Sur- vey District	Level agricultural land; rich alluvial soil with a subsoil	Wade and Evans's Trustees	2,560 7 2	trees and the larger area of gress land as one lartul The land is good, and suitable for settlement; that there will be a demand for the land, and the Board recommends the purchase	22 10 0	
R.S. 20184 (Waikakahi)	36	2 22	Waitaki and Elephant Hill	of loamy clay	Douglas, J.	366 7 6	The Board recommends the purchase of this land for	10 0 0	See Report
R.S. 2682 (Albury)	9	22 44	Survey District Block II., Opawa Survey Dis- trict	Part very good, part much broken	Rutherford, J. S	105 0 0	be entered into r.A. Adamson's	105 0 0	subsched. See Report attached.
R.S. 36469 (R.S. 1862), Carrington	50	0 0	Block IV., Nimrod Survey District	:	New Zealand and Australian Land	60 0 0	notaing, Lot 98, Albury Secondation Purchased as a homestead site for R.S. 36469, Car- rington.	:	
R.S. 36056/7†	58	0 16	., Opawa Survey	Low-lying country	Vo. (Limited) New Zealand Trust	290 10 0	:	5 0 0	See footnote.
R.S. 36228‡	100	3 23	District Block XII., Nimrod Survey	Low-lying country	and Loan Company Rhodes, R. H.	227 0 3	:	2 5 0	See footnote.
R.S. 36231§	86	3 30	District Block I., Waimate Survey	Low-lying country	Nicholls, W.	346 5 7	:	3 10 0	See footnote.
R.S. 36469 (R.S. 25375)	154	3 7	District Block IV., Nimrod Survey	Low-lying country	Rowe, P	502 19 7	:	3 5 0	See footnote.
Roimata	48	3 37	District Blocks XV. and XVI., Christ- church Survey District	Good flat land, dark, rich, alluvial soil	Trustees of estate of late Sir Harry Parkes	2,200 6 7	The land is good level agricultural land suitable for small allotments. That the Board believes there is a demand for this class of settlement in the district;	45 0 0	See Report attached.
Carried forward	78,271	3 13	:	:	:	383,480 11 5			

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and yards. 9.R.S. 33006, 13991, 20669, 33005, and 19212, an area of 98 acres 3 roods 30 perchased from Mr. Whitcombe Nicholls for the purpose of providing a homestead-site and paddocks for Mr. J. D. Blackmore, the occupier of R.S. 3503, 13991, 20669, 33095, and 18212, an area of 98 acres 3 roods 30 perchased from Mr. Peter Rowe for the purpose of working S.G. Run 36469, area 1,120 acres, in Opawa and Nimrod Survey Districts, occupied by Mr. Donald Nicholson. TRS. 20251, 2723, 27621, and 31332, an area of 100 acres 3 roods 23 perches, was purchased from Mr. R. H. Rhodes for the purpose of providing Mr. George Collier (lessee of S.G. Run 36228) with land suitable for a site for house

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TABLE C.--STATEMENT of LANDS ACQUIRED to 31st March, 1901, prepared in Terms of Subsection (2) of Section 73 of the said Act--continued.

						6		Docord
	Area of each				Price paid to	keport and Valuation of Board.		on Conditions
Name of Settlement.	Block of Land as purchased.	Locality of Land.	Quality of Land.	it was bought or acquired.	Seller to 31st March, 1901.	Report of Board.	Valuation of Board.	and Settlement of the Land.
Brought forward Canterbury Land District-	A. R. P. 78,271 3 13	:	:		£ s. d. 383,480 11 5		ත් ක් අදු	
Rosebrook		Block XVI., Pareora Survey District	Open, flat, and undu- lating down lands	Pringle, W.	4 8	The land is suitable for farms of about 50 acres each. That there is a demand for such land in the district; that the Board recommends the purchase of the land	10 10 0	See Report attached.
Station Peak (part) Studholme	100 0 0 107 2 17	Blocks XV. and XVI., Wai- mate Survey District	Flat agricultural land of good quality	Campbell, R. O Studholme's Trustees	300 0 0* 1,291 5 6	The quality and position of the land are excellent, and, from inquiries made, the Board believes there is a demand for small farms in the district, and	12 0 0	See Report attached.
Tamai	40 3 34	Block XII., Christchurch Survey District	Flat suburban land of good quality, suitable for work-	McLean, A.	2,662 11 3	The land is suitable for subdivision into half-ace up to two-acre lots, and the Board therefore recom- mends the purchase	65 0 0	See Report attached.
Takitu	9,697 3 37	Blocks I., V., and VI., Ele- phant Hill Survey District	Rich to light story land; soilinguality is generally very	Wait and Burbury	23,032 14 0	The land is good, and suitable for settlement; that there will be a demand for the land, and the Board recommends the purchase	2 7 6	
Tarawahi	31 3 0	Block XV., Christchurch Sur- vey District	goou. Flat land; black, loamy soil	Freeman, J.	2,857 10 0	The land is suitable for subdivision into areas for workman's homes, and the Board recommends its	0 0 06	See Report attached.
Waikakahi	47,865 1 1	Waitaki and Elephant Hill Survey Districts	Ranging from first- class agricultural land to light, shingly land; soil	McLean, A.	322,947 15 1	The land is good, and suitable for farms of from 100 acres to 640 acres each, and the Board recommends the acquisition of the property	6 15 0	See Report attached.
Wharenui	73 1 10	Part of R.S. 85	not exnausted Land of good quality, with a strong clay subsoil	Assets Realisation Board	4,765 6 3	The land is good, and suitable for settlement. The Board believes there will be a demand for this land, and therefore recommends its acquisition	65 0 0	See Report attached.
Total	136,789 0 0	:	•	:	747,021 18 2			
Otago Land District- Ardgowan	4,241 0 0	Blocks I. and II., Oamaru Survey District	Good agricultural land, the whole of which may be ploughed	New Zealand and Australian Land Company (Limited)	34,600 0 0	The land is good, and suitable for settlement; that there is a demand for land in the district. The Board recommends Government to acquire the land at a price not exceeding $\mathcal{E}7$ an acre. (Taken by articration Award of Compensation Court,	0 0	
Barnego	7,019 1 39	Blocks III., XI., Waitahuna East Survey District; Blocks I., II., VI., XI., and XIII., Hillend Survey District, and Town	Partly agricultural, partly pastoral; soil, rich alluvial deposits on the mast; hill land	Paterson's Trustees	26,323 2 0	The land is suitable for subdivision into areas of from 50 to 600 acres each all over; that there will be a demand for the land in such areas, and therefore the Board recommends the purchase	3 15 0	See Report attached.
Carried forward	11,260 1 39			•	60,923 2 0			
				* £300 to be paid.				

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TABLE C.-STATEMENT of LANDS ACQUIRED to 31st March, 1901, prepared in Terms of Subsection (2) of Section 73 of the said Act-continued. , 1900." :

	Area of each			Name of Person or	Price paid	Report and Valuation of Board.	0	Report on Conditions
Name of Settlement.	Block of Land as purchased.	Locality of Land.	Quality of Land.	company from whom it was bought or acquired.	to Seller tc 31st March, 1901.	Report of Board.	Valuation. of Board.	and Settlement of the Land.
Brought forward Otaen Land District-control	A. B. P. 11,260 1 39	:	:		£ s. d. 60,923 2 0		£ s. d.	
() Barnsoleugh	1,152 0 0	<u> </u>	Fair land; all level	Laidlaw, W. S.	3,100 0 0	of	3,100 0 0	See Report attached.
Elderslie	11,394 0 21	a .	Medium to first-class land	Reid, J	79,758 18 4	the run; and portion is suitable for gardens, &c. Land suitable for settlement; if offered in areas of from 100 to 600 acres it would be readily taken up, and therefore recommends Government to offer to	7 0 0	•
		vey District; Blooks II., III., XI., Kauroo Survey District; and Blocks XIV., XV Omenny Survey Dist.				purchase		
Janefield	147 0 2	A	Rich, level agricul- tural land	Oughton, J.	4,888 3 4	The land is undoubtedly very good, and would be readily taken up. The Board therefore recom- mends the nurwhease	33 5 0	
Maarewhenua	11,150 3 36	Blook III. and part of Blook II., Awamoko, and Block III. and part of Block IV., Maerewhenua Survey Dis- tricts	Low - lying downs and flats	Borton, J.	66,905 17 0	That the land is good, and suitable for settlement; that the offering of such a property to the public would create a demand from outside in addition to a limited demand in the district. The Board recommends purchase at a price not greater than	0 0 0 0	See Report attached.
Makareao	2,367 3 31	Blocks VII., IX., XII., XV., Moeraki Survey District, and Block IV., Dunback Survey District	Limestone hill land, and arable flats along banks of Shag River	Kitchener, A. B.	7,168 3 8	The land is good, and suitable for settlement. There is a demand for land in the district. The Board recommends the purchase of 2,368 acres of the land at £3 Is. an acre	3 1 0 0	See Report attached.
Makareao Extension	2,535 3 0	Blocks VIII., XII., and XIV., Moeraki Survey District	Limestone forma- tion; pastoral	Kitchener, A. B.	5,071 10 0	The land is good, and suitable for mixed grazing- runs and farms. There will be a demand for this	2 0 0 7	See Report attached.
Momona	218 2 36	Block IV., Maungatua Survey District	Soil partly river de- posit; subsoil of open porous clayey	Thomson, W.	3,608 19 3	Taked, and one purchase is different recommended The land is good, and suitable for settlement in small farms. There is a demand for land in the district; and that the purchase is therefore recommended	17 0 0	
Pomahaka	7,462 3 1	Blocks X., XI., XIII., and XIV., Pomahaka Survey District	Mostly agricultural land	Douglas, J.	18,656 17 10	We have ascertained the value and suitableness for settlement of the lands, and respectfully recom- mend the purchase of the same at a price not reconding to a avec	2 10 0	See Report attached.
Puketapu	509 0 6 6	Block IV., Moeraki Survey District	Good hill-slopes, all ploughable	Cochrane, J.	3,308 14 10	The land is good, and suitable for settlement. The Board believes there is a demand in the district. The Government is recommended to purchase the land at £6 10s. an acre, conditionally on the title to parts of Sections 4 and 7, Block I., Hawkesbury, being completed	6 10 0	See Report attached.
Carried forward	48,198 3 12	:	•	:	253,390 6 3			

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TABLE C.-STATEMENT of LANDS ACQUIRED to 31st March, 1901, prepared in Terms of Subsection (2) of Section 73 of the said Act-continued.

	Area of each			Name of Person or	Price paid	Report of Valuation Board.		Report on Conditions
Name of Settlement.	Block of Land as purchased.	Locality of Land.	Quality of Land.	Company from whom it was bought or acquired.	to Seller to 31st March, 1901.	Report of Board.	Valuation of Board.	and Settlement of the Land
Brought forward .	A. B. P. 48,198 3 12	:	•	:	£ s. d. 253,390 6 3		£ 8. d.	
Tahawai	69 0 19	Block I., Kurow Survey Dis- trict	Open, level ground; deep, rich, alluvial silt	Stringer, G.	622 1 4	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	0 0 6	See Report attached.
Teanaraki	347 3 18	Block XII., Osmaru, and Block VIII., Awamoko	All rich agricultural land	Meek, W.	5,044 0 6	the Board 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	15 0 0	See Report attached.
Toka-rahi	11,051 2 9	Blocks II., VI., VII., and VIII., Maerewhenua Survey District	First-class table-land and low-lying ridges on lime-	McMaster, A. A	77,360 17 10	too nign 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	7 0 0	See Report attached.
Total	59,667 1 18	•		:	336,417 5 11			
Southland Land District	4,322 3 20	Aparima Valley, Wairaki Survey District	The flat land is good, quick soil, well adapted for grain and root crops. The ridges are composed of a strong clay soil on rough gravel	Stevens's Trustees	10,482 11 8	That the land is suitable for settlement, and is a continuation and extension of the area for agri- cultural farms up the Aparima Valley	0 8 8	See Report attached.
Merriyale	9,998 0 0	Waiau Survey District	Mixed agricultural and pastoral; deep rich, free soil	Elder, Smith, and Co.	24,995 0 0	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 nurchase	2 10 0	See Report attached.
Otahu	6,044 0 29	Waiau Survey District		Menzies and Batger	7,555 4 6	That the land is suitable for settlement, and is practically an extension of the Merrivale and Waiau Valley Settlements, to which it is adjacent	1 5 0	See Report attached.
Totals	20,365 0 9	:	perty	:	43,032 15 9			•
Grand totals	395,482 3 27	:	:	:	1,710,547 10 6			

* Total to be paid, £178,176 78.8d.

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The Assistant Surveyor-General to the Hon. the Minister of Lands.

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SIR,— Department of Lands and Survey, Wellington, 27th July, 1901. At the end of last year there were eight estates which had been acquired but had not been offered for lease—viz., Whitehall, Aorangi, Northbank, Papaka, Punaroa, Rautawiri, R.S. 36228, and Barnego, containing in all 39,583 acres.

All these estates, excepting Northbank, were opened for selection during the past year, as well

All these estates, excepting Northbank, were opened for selection during the past year, as well as three others which had been acquired during the year—namely, Langdale, Waipapa, and Lyndon, of an area of 17,304 acres, the total area offered being 43,942 acres, which cost £168,193. Four other estates purchased during the year were not ready for disposal before the 31st of March. They were Earnscleugh, in Otago (part of which is homestead land for the runs, and part is intended for orchards); Maungaraki, in Wellington; Tarawahi, in Canterbury; Hatuma, in Hawke's Bay, an area in all of 28,021 acres. The Northbank Estate in Marlborough purchased during the province year and containing 12,000 acres. Which early for 16,750 is retained for a year during the previous year, and containing 13,000 acres, which cost £6,750, is retained for a year to test its auriferous quality, but has been leased in one run to the former owner at £300 per annum, the goldfields revenue also being payable to the account.

The Waipapa freeholds, of 3,655 acres, were utilised as homesteads for a portion of the highlying pastoral country behind them, but the rent for them has not yet been brought to account.

Of the ten estates opened for selection 41,546 acres in 127 farms and two small grazing-runs, the areas varying from 50 to 2,000 acres, were leased at a rent of £8,174 per annum.

For country lands the demand is very good, as will be seen from the following table, all the lands having been taken up as soon as offered, with the exception of 2,395 acres, part of which is withheld and the remainder hill pasture.

The Hatuma Estate, in Hawke's Bay, offered since the end of the year, containing 25,737 acres, was divided into fifty-eight farms of from 110 to 1,510 acres each, and they were every one leased the first day it was placed in the market. Similarly, Kohika, 3,820 acres; Raincliff, 530 acres; and Mangawhata, 1,226 acres, have all been taken up with the exception of one section in the latter.

The workmen's hamlets were not so readily disposed of, but were taken up after a time, so that now only a few of them contain unlet sections. As a recent instance, the Hamlet of Epuni, within one mile and three-quarters of the Lower Hutt Railway-station, and almost in the neighbourhood of a manufacturing suburb of Wellington, consisting of land of the finest quality for gardens and residences, which was opened for selection on the 25th June, was little competed for, only ten lots out of forty-three offered being selected on the first day. These lots were from $\frac{1}{2}$ acre to $4\frac{1}{2}$ acres.

The Tarawahi Hamlet, about two miles and a half from Cathedral Square, in the City of Christchurch, and only a few chains from a tram-line, was, on the first day, taken up by only eight persons, when thirty-seven families might have founded homes on rich alluvial land fit to grow any garden crop

The following table gives the several estates offered for the first time, and how they were disposed of :--

Land District, a Esta		Area of	Estate	Number of Selectors.	Number of Original Applica- tions.	Area unselected, 31st March, 1901.	Annual Rental payable on Lands leased.	Date when offered for Selection.
Auckland— Whitehall Wellington—		8,959	в. р О (14	A. R. P. 1,285 2 0	£ s. d. 361 4 6	9 April, 1900.
Aorangi . Langdale .		0 105			363 45	Nil 104 0 3	$\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$	5 April, 1900. 19 March, 1901.
Marlborough	- ,	*3,655		1	••		••	25 Feb., 1901.
Papaka	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1,561	2 2	5 9	68 385 293	Nil Nil Nil	$\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$	19 April, 1900. 19 April, 1900. 19 April, 1900.
Lyndon R.S. 36228	·· ··	4,243	3 28	8 8	50	Nil Nil	$\begin{array}{c} 1,001 & 10 & 0 \\ 849 & 19 & 2 \\ 12 & 11 & 4 \end{array}$	5 March, 1901. 17 May, 1900.
Otago Barnego		7,078	2 :	21	65	1,006 0 0	1,316 5 6	15 May, 1900.
Totals		43,941	2	129	1,283	2,395 2 3	8,173 16 6	

ESTATES OFFERED FOR SELECTION DURING 1900-1.

* Taken up as homesteads for five small grazing runs.

The total number of sections selected during the year out of estates newly offered and from those remaining for selection from previous years is 232. The arrears of rents due by 280 tenants under the Land for Settlements Act is £8,271, and is

£1,078 greater than at the same time in the previous year.

The prime cost of eighty-one estates, containing 331,128 acres, repurchased is £1,710,541, and there was £88,073 expended in incidental expenses, and expenses incurred in incompleted negotiations, in road-making, and in preparing the land for occupation in the smaller areas into

which the properties were divided, making a cost to date of £1,798,614. The lands disposed of are let to 1,789 tenants, at an annual rental of £82,718, and the lands unlet represent an annual rental of £1,910. The yearly value is therefore £84,628.

Excluding the Hatuma Estate (the purchase-money for which was paid at the end of the year but no rents obtained, and the rents of Langsdale, the price of which was not paid last year), the rent actually received during the year is equal to about 5 per cent. on the total cost, and the letting-value of the land offered for selection is 5 1 per cent. It must, however, be considered that there has yet to be expended on roads on these estates about £8,361.

Of rural lands open for selection 12,503 acres in forty one farms are still undisposed of, and there are 233 acres of workmen's hamlets, or land intended for small holdings, in seventy-nine sections which were not taken up at the end of the year.

The exchanges effected under the Act of 1894, and under section 7 of the Act of 1900, are given in attached table. It shows that 29,295 acres were acquired by the Crown in exchange for

51,434 acres of freehold lands and a sum of £784. These exchanges were of lands in the Marlborough District chiefly, and were arranged to give both parties better boundaries, and also land for home-stations for the utilisation of the high pastoral country in the neighbourhood. The following is a summary of the disposal and condition of the estates settled :---

Land District		Selectors.	Residents	Condition.
Auckland—				
Opouriao		72	62	Fairly prosperous.
Okauia Rangiatea		9 19	$\begin{vmatrix} 6\\17 \end{vmatrix}$	Pasture not good. Dairy farms, good pasture.
Karapiro .".		17	10	Dairy farms, good pasture.
Fencourt .		34	22	Dairy farms.
Whitehall		7	-6	Not yet inspected.
lawke's Bay—		10	10	
Raureka Elsthorpe		18 46	18 28	Prosperous, lease conditions complied with. All occupied for pasture.
Elsthorpe Waimarie		17	28 14	Satisfactory crop—maize and grass.
Pouparae		8	6	Cropped with maize, pumpkins, and potatoes.
Tomoana		13	11	In oats, barley, mangolds, potatoes, gardens, and orchards.
Mahora		32	24	
Willows		22	12	Chiefly maize and potato crops—sheep and cattle.
Vellington— Paparangi		37	35 \	
	· · ·	15	10	December of alder additionants actives them. Amalling a boing
	••••	13	13	Progress of older settlements satisfactory, dwellings being rapidly erected.
Aorangi		87	34	tapidly decord.
0.00	• ••	23	12)	
farlborough Blind River .		17	19	Better progress than last year.
^ `	· ··	13		Season good; crops fair.
T 1 1 1 1	· · ·	2	1	Leased with Crown lands.
		112	52	Harvest good, well garnered, improvements well done.
Richmond Brook . Vestland —		11	8	Improvements considerable.
Poerua Settlement		18	8	Not much progress made, season unpropitious.
anterbury		10		many programs many season antitohimons.
Pareora		28	25	Satisfactory, and settlers prosperous.
Studholme Junction		4	3	Satisfactory progress.
Kapua		10	10	Satisfactory; floods troublesome.
o 1	· ··	14 9	14 9	Improvements well done; comfortable homes established. Doing well.
D	· ·· · ··	4	3	Doing fairly well.
The Peake		12	1	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Roimata		26	26	Prosperous; drainage troublesome.
	• ••	4	4	Fairly satisfactory.
Braco		14 2	14	Condition improved.
Epworth Ashley Gorge .		10	10	Satisfactory. Doing fairly well; comfortable houses.
Omihi Valley		1		Stock paddock.
Orakipaoa.		27	18	Residents doing well; non-residents doing little improvement.
Highbank		70	62	Making good progress; less cropping done.
Otarakaro		5	7	Tenants working their holdings well.
Wharenui		26 21	24 18)	Very prosperous.
Walapi		15	15	Both doing well, especially Rakitairi.
Horsley Downs		25	24	Prosperous.
Albury	. <u>.</u> .	74	64	Tenants doing well; settlement improving rapidly.
R.S. 1862)	
Part R.S. 2682 R.S. 36469, Canning		11	•••	
R.S. 36231		1		Let as homesteads for other lands.
R.S. 36056 and 3605		i		
R.S. 36228		1	· · · /	
Marawiti ,	• ••	12	13	Large holdings progressing steadily; small holdings not doing
Haltana		13	12	so well.
	· ··	13	20	Improving rapidly. Progress satisfactory.
	· ··	156	132	Prosperous; advance considerable.
		34	24	Has made fair progress.
Takitu		5	3	Improvements small, high prices of sheep prevented full stocking.
	• ••	33	25	Improvements substantial.
	· ··	6	4 5	Promises well.
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Lyndon		8		Promises well.
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Pomahaka .		13	18	Fair crops; land better stocked.
	• ••	22 8	18 8	Crops fair ; some sections infested with Californian thistle. Condition healthy.
Tahawai Maerewhenua .	 	71	61	Heavy loss by hail storm; condition sound.
	· ··	11	9	Progress good.
A T	· ··	65	51	Very prosperous; fair progress.
Makareao		31	16)	Progress slow, especially small holdings.
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	. <u>.</u> .	14 78	14 43	Most successful. Very satisfactory.
	· · ·	19	43	Bids fair to become prosperous.
		33	14	Very good progress made.
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Merrivale		47	37	Every section improved.
Otahu		5	4	Not much improvement. Returns poor.
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PART III.—AREAS of LAND acquired by Way of Exchange under Land for Settlements Act, and AREAS given in Exchange, to 31st March, 1901.

Land acquired by Cro	own.	Land given by Crown in F	Exchange.	Cas	h.
Locality.	Area.	Locality.	Area.	Paid to Owner.	Paid to Govern- ment.
	A. R. P.		A R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Mt. Fyffe and Greenburn	202 - 3 - 17	Mt. Fyffe and Greenburn	346 1 36		••
Onamalutu, Pine Valley, and Mt. Olympus	3,903 0 0	Mt. Olympus and Pine Valley	11,733 0 0		••
Onamalutu	$724 \ 1 \ 0$	Onamalutu	1,449 0 0		
Hundalee	1,303 0 0	Hundalee	1,761 0 0		
Barefell, Tone, and Whernside	9,820 0 0	Tone and Whernside	5,798 0 0	210 10 4	••
Puhipuhi	1,928 0 0	Whernside and Puhipuhi	3,592 0 24		264 7 6
Hundalee	3,986 1 17	Acheron, Greenburn, and Hundalee		· • •	224 12 11
Spray	6,442 3 0	Mt. Olympus, Spray, Patri- arch, &c.	13,701 0 0		••
Clifford Bay	$138 \ 3 \ 7$	Clifford Bay	323 0 24		505 15 0
,	404 0 0	Stonyhurst and Weld	$522 \ 2 \ 0$		••
Hakataramea	100 0 0	Hakataramea	118 0 0		
Burke	199 1 0	Burke and Tengawai	333 0 0		
Stonyhurst	137 3 12	Stonyhurst	137 3 12		
Totals	29,295 0 13	••	51,434 0 3	210 10 4	994 15 5

ESTATES PURCHASED but not offered for Selection at 31st March, 1901.

							1	Cost.	
	Name	of Estate.			Area	t.	Purchase-money.	Incidental Expenses.	Total Cost.
Earnscleugh Maungaraki Tarawahi Northbank Hatuma	•••	 	••• •• •• ••	•••	A. 1,174 423 31 12,994 26,391 41,015	$ \begin{array}{ccc} 2 & 20 \\ 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ \end{array} $	$\begin{array}{c} \pounds & \text{s. d.} \\ 3,100 & 0 & 0 \\ 2,797 & 0 & 0 \\ 2,857 & 10 & 0 \\ 6,750 & 0 & 0 \\ 141,618 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline \\ 157,122 & 10 & 0 \end{array}$	$ \begin{array}{c} \pounds & \text{s. d.} \\ 25 & 15 & 0 \\ 21 & 2 & 6 \\ . \\ . \\ 5 & 5 & 4 \\ 490 & 18 & 0 \\ \hline 543 & 0 & 10 \\ \end{array} $	$\begin{array}{c} \pounds & \text{s. d.} \\ 3,125 & 15 & 0 \\ 2,818 & 2 & 6 \\ 2,857 & 10 & 0 \\ 6,755 & 5 & 4 \\ 142,108 & 18 & 0 \\ \hline 157,665 & 10 & 10 \\ \end{array}$

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