

Miscellaneous: Under this heading 10 Orders in Council, 1 Proclamation, 3 Warrants, and 38 various other documents were prepared, and 16 Crown Lands Guides were revised and printed.

The summary appended gives the number of Crown grants and other titles issued during the year:—

Land District.	Number of Grants.	Area in Grants.	Number of Warrants.	Area in Warrants.	Number of Certificates.	Area in Grants, Warrants, and Certificates	Area granted to Natives.	Number of Leases and Licenses.*	Area in Leases and Licenses.	Number Crown Grants corrected.	Number of Duplicate Grants issued.
		Acres.		Acres.		Acres.	Acr. s.		Acres.		
Auckland ..	14	1,494	32	26,010	259	29,004	1,500	60	1,009	..	2
Hawke's Bay ..	..	..	6	11,500	56	13,500	12,000	1	29	..	..
Taranaki ..	..	..	11	10,503	285	10,530	..	4	1	2	1
Wellington ..	1	118	9	13,020	143	16,040	3,000	38	36,629	..	..
Nelson ..	..	..	6	4,003	64	4,003	..	3	3	..	..
Marlborough ..	..	..	3	3,300	10	3,300	..	4	22,727	2	1
Canterbury ..	..	..	18	75,001	50	75,001	..	12	4,963	..	..
Westland ..	..	..	..	..	16	272	..	..	..	..	..
Otago ..	1	52	13	5,020	183	5,072	..	12	152,610	..	..
Southland ..	..	..	5	8,005	132	8,020	..	1	68	..	..
Totals ..	16	1,664	103	156,362	1,198	164,742	16,500	135	218,039	4	4

\* These leases have been executed by His Excellency. In addition to these about a thousand leases in perpetuity executed by Commissioners of Crown Lands have been received, recorded, and filed.

## ACCOUNTS.

Mr. R. A. Paterson, Accountant, reports:—

The number of vouchers authorised for payment	...	...	...	4,125
Imprest vouchers authorised for credit	...	...	...	3,389
Credit vouchers against other Departments	...	...	...	129
Imprest advances	...	...	...	412
Total	...	...	...	8,055

A detailed statement of the expenditure in respect of each of the appropriations and a full statement from the commencement of the Land for Settlements Account has been issued within the Department, and the various accounts have been balanced with the Treasury books. The following is a summary of the expenditure of the various appropriations and accounts for the year, and which shows also the receipts of the Cheviot Estate and Land for Settlements Accounts:—

*Summary of Statement of Expenditure of Lands and Survey Department for Twelve Months ended 31st March, 1902.*

Name of Vote or Account.	Amount voted.	Expenditure (Gross).	Recoveries.	Expenditure (Net).	Receipts.
	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Lands and Survey ..	118,805	138,300 1 3	24,298 5 10	114,001 15 5	..
Lands and Survey, Miscellaneous ..	12,884	9,221 8 7	3,043 0 11	6,178 7 8	..
Immigration ..	300	539 14 2	400 0 0	139 14 2	..
Improved-farm Settlements ..	3,800	1,677 7 1	7 15 5	1,669 11 8	..
Lands, Miscellaneous ..	3,250	..	..	..	..
State Forests ..	11,322	10,334 13 7	5 7 9	10,339 5 10	..
Land for Settlements Expenses* ..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals ..	150,361	160,073 4 8	27,754 9 11	132,318 14 9	..
Consolidated Fund: Unauthorised Account	..	2,097 17 10	..	2,097 17 10	..
Public Works Fund: Unauthorised Account	..	64 0 9	..	64 0 9	..
Cheviot Estate Account ..	..	8,881 2 6	..	8,881 2 6	14,061 0 8
Land for Settlements Account (including Vote No. 118)	..	499,052 3 0	1,190 6 7	497,861 16 5	90,053 5 6
Permanent Charges, Special Acts, Deposit Accounts, &c.	..	24,905 13 9	7,740 10 10	17,165 2 11	..
Totals ..	..	535,000 17 10	8,930 17 5	526,070 0 5	104,114 6 2
Grand totals ..	..	695,074 2 6	36,685 7 4	658,388 15 2	..

\* Included in Land for Settlements Account.

The amount advanced to imprestees during the year was £45,193.