

The lands being prepared for settlement during 1906-7 are set forth in the subjoined table :—

TABLE B.—LANDS being PREPARED for SETTLEMENT at 1st February, 1907.

| Land District. | Acres. |
|----------------|-----------|
| Auckland | 815,056 |
| Hawke's Bay | 135,239 |
| Taranaki | 32,086 |
| Wellington | 50,000 |
| Nelson | 76,650 |
| Westland | 32,160 |
| Total | 1,141,191 |

LANDS SELECTED, 1906-7.

The demand for Crown land under the various tenures shows no diminution, the number of selectors and the area selected being larger than the previous year. The new selectors total 2,280, the area taken up being 958,652 acres, or an average of 311 acres for each ordinary selector of settlement lands other than pastoral or miscellaneous leases. The subjoined Table C discloses the tenures under which the several tenants or licensees have been granted their holdings :—

TABLE C.—NUMBER of NEW SELECTORS, and AREA taken up, from 1st April, 1906, to 31st March, 1907, and Total Amount of Revenue received during the Year.

| Nature and Tenure of Lands selected. | Number of Selectors. | Area selected. | Average Holding. | | | Cash received on Past and Current Transactions. | | |
|---|----------------------|----------------|------------------|----|----|---|----|----|
| | | | A. | R. | P. | £ | s. | d. |
| Town lands sold for cash | 245 | 255 3 10 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 18,488 | 5 | 11 |
| Suburban lands sold for cash | 52 | 180 3 22 | 3 | 1 | 36 | | | |
| Rural lands sold for cash | 121 | 19,896 2 35 | 164 | 1 | 29 | | | |
| Perpetual leases made freehold | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 5,135 | 19 | 1 |
| Occupation with right of purchase made freehold | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 25,245 | 6 | 6 |
| Deferred-payment instalments | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2,566 | 13 | 7 |
| Perpetual leases | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 3,355 | 2 | 6 |
| Occupation with right of purchase | 412 | 215,529 2 14 | 523 | 0 | 20 | 40,858 | 15 | 10 |
| Lease in perpetuity | 296 | 73,545 3 13 | 248 | 1 | 34 | 36,507 | 6 | 6 |
| Agricultural lease | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 14 | 13 | 4 |
| Village settlement, cash | 15 | 19 2 5 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 386 | 10 | 0 |
| " deferred payment | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 45 | 6 | 8 |
| " perpetual lease | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 410 | 10 | 8 |
| " occupation with right of purchase | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 7 | 18 | 9 |
| " occupation with right of purchase made freehold | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| " perpetual lease made freehold | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 333 | 13 | 9 |
| " lease in perpetuity | 32 | 1,012 1 38 | 31 | 2 | 22 | 1,785 | 6 | .. |
| Village-homestead special settlement | 17 | 173 0 17 | 10 | 0 | 29 | 3,198 | 19 | 10 |
| Special-settlement associations— | | | | | | | | |
| Perpetual lease | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 48 | 7 | 2 |
| Lease in perpetuity | 1 | 4 1 24 | 4 | 1 | 24 | 6,104 | 10 | 3 |
| Improved-farm special settlements | 46 | 5,621 3 18 | 122 | 0 | 34 | 4,769 | 7 | 11 |
| " made freehold | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 519 | 10 | 7 |
| Occupation leases, Mining Districts Land Occupation Act | 26 | 1,043 3 4 | 40 | 0 | 23 | 946 | 3 | 4 |
| Small grazing-runs | 33 | 73,851 1 14 | 2,237 | 3 | 27 | 27,896 | 7 | 8 |
| Pastoral runs | 113 | 370,388 2 34 | 3,277 | 3 | 4 | 69,617 | 5 | 9 |
| Thermal springs, Rotorua | 4 | 1 1 0 | 0 | 1 | 10 | 47 | 5 | 0 |
| Miscellaneous leases and licenses | 481 | 71,706 1 28 | 149 | 0 | 12 | 46,345 | 16 | 11 |
| Miscellaneous | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 32,646 | 6 | 6 |
| Cheviot Estate— | | | | | | | | |
| Cash | 16 | 7 0 31 | 0 | 1 | 32 | 379 | 19 | 6 |
| Lease in perpetuity | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 5,836 | 7 | 10 |
| Village-homestead special settlement | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 836 | 17 | 11 |
| Grazing-farms | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 6,209 | 10 | 7 |
| Pastoral runs | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 193 | 3 | 8 |
| Miscellaneous leases | 4 | 169 2 0 | 42 | 1 | 20 | 219 | 6 | 5 |
| Land for Settlements Acts— | | | | | | | | |
| Cash | 13 | 16 0 15 | 1 | 0 | 38 | 344 | 9 | 11 |
| Lease in perpetuity | 301 | 80,691 2 23 | 268 | 0 | 12 | 172,883 | 6 | 2 |
| " (village) | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 314 | 3 | 0 |
| Special-settlement associations (lease in perpetuity) | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 147 | 1 | 1 |
| Small grazing-runs | 18 | 41,002 1 6 | 2,277 | 3 | 24 | 22,643 | 4 | 5 |
| Pastoral runs | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 121 | 13 | 0 |
| Miscellaneous leases | 34 | 3,533 2 39 | 103 | 3 | 29 | 9,939 | 15 | 3 |
| Totals | 2,280 | 958,652 0 30 | 420 | 1 | 33 | 547,405 | 9 | 0 |