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NEW ZEALAND.

“THE LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS CONSOLIDATION ACT, 1900”

(REPORT ON).

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“The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900.”*

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

Land for Settlements Department, Wellington,
23rd May, 1907.

SIR,—

I have the honour to submit a report on the operations under the Land for Settlements Consolidation Act of 1900 for the year which ended on the 31st March, 1907.

During last year 222 estates (1,424,405 acres) were offered to the Government, fifty-eight properties were inspected on the ground (497,000 acres), and the Board of Land Purchase Commissioners recommended the Government to purchase fifty-two, of an area of 438,142 acres.

Including estates agreed to be purchased the previous year, but not paid for till this, the transactions completed during the year amount to eight estates, of 9,644 acres, for which £117,328 was paid, and £70,950 was expended on roads, workers' dwellings, and other contingencies.

There were also ten estates, containing 63,080 acres, purchased for £357,181, which, however, are to be paid for and opened for selection in the year 1907-8.

Rents, interest, and other revenue received during the year amount to £227,548 19s. 2d. The interest paid for the money obtained to make the purchases is £188,012 13s., giving a profit for the year of £39,536 6s. 2d. The gain to the whole account since 1894 is £277,188 (including £5,953 6s. 4d. recovered from the sale of reserves, &c.), and of this £50,165 has been paid to the Public Trustee as a sinking fund.

The Board of Land Purchase Commissioners held thirty-two meetings, at which sixty-two estates, of 483,963 acres, were investigated, thirteen being situated in the Auckland District, nineteen in Hawke's Bay, nine in Wellington, two in Nelson, sixteen in Otago, and three in Southland.

The total area acquired under the Acts to the 31st March, 1907, is 995,267 acres, and of this 860,502 acres have been offered for public selection, and 852,647 acres have been taken up and are now occupied by 3,869 tenants.

For workers' dwellings, out of this area and cost 946 acres have been purchased, making, with 10 acres of Crown land at Sydenham, a total of 956 acres, the prime cost being £123,434. The formation of streets and erection of buildings cost £33,976 additional. Upon this land seventy-one dwellings have been built, and fifty-two are occupied. The house-rents received during the year amount to £290, and the rents received from temporary grazing licenses over the remainder of the land not at present required as sites for dwellings is for the year £801.

Of the 852,647 acres selected, 260,463 acres are in new grass, 63,511 in white crops, 39,635 in green crops, and 489,018 in native grass, bush, orchards, &c. The total number of sheep depastured is 696,485, cattle 52,530, horses 12,250, and pigs 8,427.

Negotiations are in progress for the purchase of other estates in Auckland, Hawke's Bay, Wellington, Nelson, Canterbury, and Otago.

A summary of the transactions is as follows :—	Number.	Acres.	Prime Cost. £
Estates purchased to 31st March, 1906 ..	158	985,623	4,124,313
Estates purchased during 1906-7 ..	8	9,644	117,328
	<u>166</u>	<u>995,267</u>	<u>4,241,641</u>
Acquired at 31st March, 1907, but not paid for nor prepared for selection ..	10	63,080	357,181

The Land for Settlements Account now stands as under :—

<i>Dr.</i>	£	<i>Cr.</i>	£
Debentures current	5,105,857	Purchase-money	4,241,641
Rents, &c., received	1,184,279	Incidental expenses	361,917
		Interest	907,091
		Sinking fund	50,165
		Balance	729,322
	<u>£6,290,136</u>		<u>£6,290,136</u>

The usual tables are appended, including one furnished by the Under-Secretary of Lands showing the condition of estates already settled.

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A. BARRON,

Land Purchase Inspector,

Chairman of the Board of Land Purchase Commissioners.

The Hon. Robert McNab, Minister of Lands.

TABLE A.—SUMMARY OF ALL LANDS OFFERED TO THE GOVERNMENT UNDER "THE LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS CONSOLIDATION ACT, 1900," AND ITS AMENDMENTS, FROM 1st April, 1906, TO 31st March, 1907, AND HOW DEALT WITH.

Land District.	Estates offered.		Recommended for Purchase.		Not recommended for Purchase.		Under Consideration by the Board on 31st March, 1907.		Withdrawn from Negotiations.	
	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.
Auckland	35	A. 388,349 1 10	10	A. 143,143 0 0	16	A. 96,084 1 15	7	A. 84,621 3 35	2	A. 64,500 0 0
Hawke's Bay	37	304,400 0 0	22	190,275 3 15	11	97,185 0 25	4	16,989 0 0	..	..
Taranaki	7	8,999 0 0	1	1,900 0 0	3	2,227 0 0	1	510 0 0	..	..
Wellington	68	316,705 3 3	7	17,060 1 32	44	116,204 2 0	16	174,396 2 27	2	4,362 0 0
Nelson	3	7,704 0 0	2	7,201 0 0	1	503 0 0	..	..	1	9,044 0 24
Marlborough	5	139,525 0 0	..	..	4	188,225 0 0	1	1,300 0 0	..	..
Canterbury	36	145,150 1 34	1	20,628 0 0	31	86,813 3 16	4	37,708 2 18	..	..
Otago	25	111,848 1 27	6	57,899 2 22	17	46,229 3 5	2	7,719 0 0	..	..
Southland	6	1,723 0 34	3	34 0 32	3	1,689 0 2	..	..	..	..
Totals	222	1,424,405 0 28	52	488,142 0 21	130	585,161 2 23	35	323,195 1 0	5	77,906 0 24

TABLE B.—RETURN OF LANDS RECOMMENDED FOR PURCHASE BY THE BOARD OF LAND PURCHASE COMMISSIONERS UNDER THE ABOVE ACT FROM 1st April, 1906, TO 31st March, 1907.

Land District and Estate.	Area recommended for Purchase.		Price asked by Vendor.		Price offered by Government.		Remarks.
	A.	R. P.	Price	Per acre	Price	Per acre	
Auckland Land District—	4,623	0 0	£4 10s. per acre	..	£3 10s. per acre	..	Acquired compulsorily for £18,492.
Waimana (Assets Realisation Board)	3,708	0 0	£3 10s. per acre	..	£2 14s. per acre	..	Offer declined by owner.
Tirau	6,858	0 0	£4 5s. per acre	..	£2 12s. 6d. per acre	..	..
Okoroire	7,132	0 0	£3 per acre	..	£1 8s. per acre	..	..
Okauia	7,570	0 0	£3 15s. per acre	..	£1 15s. 6d. per acre	..	..
Paeroa	4,333	0 0	£3 10s. per acre	..	£3 per acre	..	..
Paparamu	11,469	0 0	£3 15s. per acre	..	£2 5s. per acre	..	..
Richmond Downs	90,360	0 0	..	..	..	..	Negotiations carried on by Native Land Purchase Office.
Te Akaun	3,725	0 0	..	..	..	..	Negotiations proceeding.
Matamataharakeke (Kauri Timber Company)	3,350	0 0	..	..	..	..	..
Tangiarouui	143,143	0 0	..	..	..	..	..
Hawke's Bay Land District—	13,840	0 0	£7 12s. 6d. per acre	..	£6 per acre	..	Purchase completed at £6 per acre, with certain exchanges.
Part of Orlig (Smith Bros.)	15,821	0 0	£5 15s. per acre	..	£5 per acre	..	Offer refused by owners.
Kiwi (Chambers Bros.)	12,100	0 0	..	..	..	..	Government declined Board's recommendation.
Tamumu (Hon. W. W. Johnston)	41,761	0 0	..	..	..	..	..
Carried forward	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

TABLE B.—RETURN OF LANDS RECOMMENDED FOR PURCHASE BY THE BOARD OF LAND PURCHASE COMMISSIONERS, ETC.—*continued.*

Land District and Estate.	Area recommended for Purchase.	Price asked by Vendor.	Price offered by Government.	Remarks.
Hawke's Bay Land District— <i>continued.</i> Brought forward	A. R. P.			
Te Ohu (Mrs. H. J. Matthews)	41,761 0 0	..	£28,000 ..	} Offer refused. Steps are being taken to acquire this estate compulsorily. Owner would not accept Government's offer. Offer accepted and purchase completed. Government deferred Board's recommendation.
Castle Range (T. E. Lindsay)	6,496 0 0	..	£3,645 ..	
Part of Pourere (Nairn Bros.)	1,458 0 0	..	£1,000 ..	
Whenuakura (J. Clark)	4,767 0 0	£9 5s. per acre	£8 10s. per acre	
Mangakuri (Archdeacon Williams and Natives)	2,000 0 0	..	£8 10s. per acre	
Otanga and part Te Ohu (Mrs. Rathbone)	543 2 25	..	..
Abbotsford (Mrs. Rathbone)	20,000 0 0	£10 per acre	£9 10s. per acre	4,028 acres purchased at price offered.
Te Arai (Hon. G. Randall Johnson)	6,029 0 0	..	£7 per acre	Owner refused offer.
Patangata Nos. 1 and 2 (Native-owned)	7,394 0 0	£116,000	£90,907 ..	Offer refused. Steps are being taken to acquire this estate compulsorily.
Pukukura, East and West (Native-owned)	4,140 0 0	..	..	Native Land Purchase Office negotiating.
Aramoana and Blackhead (P. A. McHardy)	3,491 0 0	..	..	Offer declined by owner.
Mangatarata (S. H. Gollan)	3,964 0 0	£9 per acre	£6 10s. per acre	Government declined to purchase.
Waimarama (Native-owned)	7,264 0 0	£8 per acre	..	{ Purchase of 670 acres for £4,924 10s. concluded. Native Land Purchase Office negotiating for balance.
Waingaromia (City of Glasgow Assets Company)	4,100 0 0	..	..	Acquired at £8 10s.
Pipiriri (C. D. Price's leasehold interests)	2,783 0 0	..	..	Under consideration.
B. Chambers' land at Te Mata	82,298 0 0	£9 per acre	..	Purchased at price agreed on.
Aorang'i Native Reserve	5,235 0 0	£2,500	..	Purchase concluded by Native Land Purchase Department.
Te Wai (G. Walker)	84 0 30	£20 per acre	..	Negotiations proceeding. Now lapsed.
	846 0 0	..	..
	4,315 0 0	..	..
	190,275 3 15			
Taranaki Land District— A. Bayly's land at Toko	1,900 0 0	£11 10s. per acre	£11 per acre	Purchase completed at price offered.
Wellington Land District— G. H. Baylis (Island Bay)	16 1 32	£4 per foot	£400 per acre	Owner declined Government's offer.
Otamakapua (Native land)	2,546 0 0	..	..	Negotiations lapsed.
Makirikiri	1,000 0 0	£14 per acre	..	Recommendation disapproved.
Rangitumau (J. Stuckey)	3,608 0 0	£15 10s. per acre	£50,000 ..	Sold prior to Government's offer.
(A. J. Stonewigg)	3,608 0 0	£55,000	£50,000 ..	Offer declined.
Carrington (H. Booth)	6,177 0 0	..	..	Under consideration.
Solway (J. A. Renall)	105 0 0	..	..	Government declined Board's recommendation
	17,060 1 32			
Nelson Land District— Wangapeka (John Tinline)	4,480 0 0	£4 per acre	£15,000 ..	Purchase concluded at £15,000.
Braeburn (Page and Wilker)	2,721 0 0	£5 per acre and £800 for buildings	..	Negotiations proceeding.
	7,201 0 0			

TABLE B.—RETURN OF LANDS RECOMMENDED FOR PURCHASE BY THE BOARD OF LAND PURCHASE COMMISSIONERS, ETC.—continued.

Land District and Estate.	Area recommended for Purchase.		Price asked by Vendor.	Price offered by Government.	Remarks.
	A.	R. P.			
Canterbury Land District— Lincoln College Runs (Hakataramea) ..	20,628	0 0	£12,880	..	Under consideration.
Otago Land District— Crown land adjoining Steward Settlement ..	320	2 33	£1 12s. 6d.	..	Purchased under Land for Settlements Act to form part of Steward Settlement. Purchase concluded. Purchase concluded at £5 10s. per acre and certain exchanges. Offer declined by owners. Purchase completed at prices offered.
Airedale (Hunter and Cameron) ..	180	3 29	£1 10s.	..	
Otekaike (R. Campbell and Co., Limited) ..	2,662	0 0	£10 per acre	..	
Chydevale (New Zealand and Australian Land Company) ..	32,310	0 0	£5 10s. per acre	..	
J. Logan's land at Kurow ..	234	0 0	£19	..	
J. Gibson's property at Ashley Downs ..	728	0 0	£3	..	
	3,697	0 0	£4 10s.	..	
	57,899	2 22			
Southland Land District— Mrs. Brewer (Invercargill) ..	11	2 16	£1,000	..	Government declined Board's recommendation. Property offered again but sold previous to Government's offer. Purchase concluded at price asked.
	11	2 16	£1,000	..	
J. C. Ellis (part of Merrivale Estate) ..	11	0 0	£225	..	

SUMMARY OF ESTATES DEALT WITH.

	Area.		R. P.
	A.	R. P.	
Auckland	..	..	..
Hawke's Bay	..	..	..
Taranaki	..	..	..
Wellington	..	..	..
Nelson ..	..	..	..
Canterbury	..	..	..
Otago ..	..	..	..
Southland	..	..	..
Total ..	..	..	..
	143,143	0 0	..
	190,275	3 15	..
	1,900	0 0	..
	17,060	1 32	..
	7,201	0 0	..
	20,628	0 0	..
	57,899	2 22	..
	34	0 32	..
	438,142	0 21	..

“THE LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS CONSOLIDATION ACT, 1900,” AND ITS AMENDMENTS.
 TABLE C (PART I).—STATEMENT OF LANDS FINALLY ACQUIRED FOR SETTLEMENT BETWEEN 1st April, 1906, and 31st March, 1907.

Name of Settlement and Land District.	Area of each Estate.		Locality of Land.	Mode of Acquisition.	Quality of Land.	From whom acquired.	Price.	
	A.	R. P.					£	s. d.
Auckland Land District— Teasdale	179	0 0	Te Awamutu	By agreement..	Town and agricultural suburban	New Zealand Church Mission Trustees R. H. Watt	6,500	0 0
Carroll	19	1 4	Ellerslie .. .. .	.. .. .	For workers' dwellings	.. .. .	3,855	0 0
	198	1 4					10,355	0 0
Hawke's Bay Land District— Lindsay (Mount Vernon)	2,196	0 20	Fourteen miles from Waipawa	By agreement..	Agricultural	Harding Bros.	896	17 0*
Pouhere	670	0 0	Adjoining Eisthorpe	.. .. .	Agricultural and pastoral	Nairn Bros. Hikatoa and Wiremu Whatakorari	18,667	1 3
Waimarama	2,866	0 20		.. .. .			4,924	10 0
							24,428	8 3
Taranaki Land District— Huinga	1,911	2 4	Toko (near Stratford)	By agreement..	Dairy land, cleared forest and scrub	A. Bayly	21,026	15 6
Wellington Land District— Melling (part)	1	1 24†	Lower Hutt .. .. .	.. .. .	For residence	Mrs. Kingdon	295	0 0
Heretaunga (part)	0	11.7†	Petone	By agreement..	.. .. .	A. Coles	43	17 6
Loughnan	33	2 19	Palmerston North..	.. .. .	.. .. .	Loughnan, Jull, and Limbrick	3,361	17 6
Willford .. .. .				.. .. .	.. .. .		350	0 0‡
	35	0 14					4,050	15 0
Canterbury Land District— Kinloch .. .. .				.. .. .			12	12 6||
Otago Land District— Part Steward	501	2 22	Near Oamaru	By agreement..	Agricultural	Crown land	792	11 0
Totara	3,168	2 6	Five miles from Oamaru	.. .. .	.. .. .	New Zealand and Australian Land Co.	50,183	1 1
Kurov	962	2 12	Kurov .. .. .	.. .. .	Agricultural and pastoral	J. Logan	6,478	17 6
	4,632	3 0					57,454	9 7
			Totals				117,328	0 10

* Amount of second award in Mount Vernon case.
 † Small area purchased to give access to Melling Settlement.
 ‡ Extra area ascertained to be in Hereisauna Settlement at the Hutt, purchased the previous year.
 § Balance of purchase-money held back the previous year till certain roads completed by vendors.

SUMMARY.

Area.	Price.	
	£	s. d.
Auckland	198	1 4
Hawke's Bay	2,866	0 20
Taranaki	1,911	2 4
Wellington	35	0 14
Canterbury	4,632	3 0
Otago	962	2 12
Totals	9,643	3 2

TABLE C (PART II).—ESTATES ACQUIRED BUT NOT PAID FOR at 31st March, 1907.

Name of Settlement and Land District.	Area of each Estate.	Locality of Land.	Mode of Acquisition.	Quality of Land.	From whom acquired.	Price.
Auckland Land District— Mangawhero	Acres. 4,960	Piako County, near Matamata	By agreement.. .. .	Light agricultural	Assets Board	£ 17,360
Mangapouri	2,572	Piako County, near Tirau	"	"	Ditto	9,325
Waimana	4,624	Near Whakatane	Compulsorily	Agricultural and pastoral	"	18,492
Hawke's Bay Land District— Mangatahi (Orig)	12,192	Eighteen miles from Hastings	By agreement.. .. .	"	Smith Bros.	79,284
Otaga	4,028	Near Dannevirke	"	Agricultural and pastoral; cleared forest	Mrs. L. Rathbone	38,270
Nelson Land District— Wangapeka	4,480	On Sherry River, near Tadmor	"	Agricultural and pastoral	John Tinline	15,000
Otago Land District— Otekaike	17,767	Otekaike, near Oamaru	"	"	Robert Campbell and Co. (Limited)	97,720
Plunket (Corriedale)	6,087	Fourteen miles from Oamaru	"	"	R. Oliver	39,565
Taumata	3,697	Ashley Downs, Clinton	"	Agricultural	John Gibson	16,640
Airedale	2,662	Papakaio, near Oamaru	"	Agricultural and pastoral	Hunter and Cameron	25,300
Southland Land District— Part of Merrivale	11	Fronting main road to Eastern Bush	"	Agricultural and road-line	J. C. Ellis	225

	Acres	£
Auckland	12,156	45,177
Hawke's Bay	16,220	117,554
Nelson	4,480	15,000
Otago	30,213	179,225
Southland	11	225
Totals	63,080	357,181

SUMMARY.

"THE LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS CONSOLIDATION ACT, 1900," AND ITS AMENDMENTS.
TABLE C (PART III).—SUMMARY OF ESTATES ACQUIRED UP TO 31st MARCH, 1907.

Name of Land District.	Number of Estates acquired before 31st March, 1906.	Areas acquired before 31st March, 1906.		Number of Estates acquired from 1st April, 1906, to 31st March, 1907.		Area acquired from 1st April, 1906, to 31st March, 1907.		Total Numbers of Estates to 31st March, 1907.	Total Area to 31st March, 1907.		Purchase-money.	Incidental Expenses, Roads, Preliminaries, &c.
		A.	R. P.	A.	R. P.	A.	R. P.		A.	R. P.		
Auckland	20	251,812	2 30	2	198	1 4	252,010	3 34	360,489	£ 63,661		
Hawke's Bay	15	128,906	1 38	2	2,866	0 20	131,772	2 18	757,134	56,919		
Taranaki	3	2,697	2 4	1	1,911	2 4	4,609	0 8	79,363	4,388		
Wellington	24	55,602	3 3	1	35	0 14	55,637	3 17	434,161	45,282		
Marlborough	9	113,749	2 21	..	..	..	113,749	2 21	364,946	41,752
Westland	2	5,124	3 26	..	..	..	5,124	3 26	8,343	2,686
Canterbury	58	261,998	3 9	..	..	..	261,998	3 9	1,428,647	64,770
Otago	21	111,567	2 32	2	4,632	3 0	116,200	1 32	617,312	65,632		
Southland	6	54,162	3 37	..	..	..	54,162	3 37	191,296	16,877
Totals ..	158	985,623	2 0	8	9,643	3 2	995,267	1 2	4,241,641	361,917		

REPORT on the CONDITION and SETTLEMENT of Estates acquired and dealt with under the Provisions of the Land for Settlements Acts, up to the 31st March, 1907.

Land District and Name of Settlement.	Selectors.	Residences.	Principal Purpose for which Holdings are utilised.	Progress during Year.	Present Position.	Prospects.
Auckland—						
Okauia ..	7	7	Grazing	None ..	Unsatisfactory ..	Poor.
Opouriao ..	104	78	Dairying	Excellent ..	Splendid ..	Bright.
Rangiatea ..	19	18	"	Considerable ..	Satisfactory ..	Good.
Karapiro ..	18	11	"	Encouraging ..	Comfortable ..	"
Fencourt ..	34	33	"	" ..	" ..	"
Whitehall ..	10	10	"	Little ..	Fair ..	"
Bickerstaffe ..	31	22	"	Substantial ..	Successful ..	Hopeful.
Matamata ..	178	115	"	Encouraging ..	" ..	Sound.
Matamata Town		9	Business premises..	" ..	" ..	"
Matamata (Waharoa)		4	" ..	" ..	" ..	"
Selwyn (and village)	59	26	Stock-raising ..	Thriving ..	" ..	Hopeful.
Mangawhero ..	..	..	Selected 29th March, 1907.			
Mangapouri ..	..	..		
<i>Hamlets.</i>						
Kitchener ..	11	10	Residential	Fair ..	Fair ..	Fair.
Hetana ..	22	15	"	Little ..	" ..	"
Methuen ..	25	15	"	Satisfactory ..	Prosperous ..	Bright.
Plumer ..	16	13	"	" ..	" ..	Fair.
Craddock ..	9	8	"	Good ..	Satisfactory ..	"
Waari ..	7	4	"	Little ..	Fair ..	Poor.
	549	398				
Hawke's Bay—						
Raureka ..	19	18	Agricultural, dairying, and fruit-culture	Very fair ..	Prosperous ..	Good.
Elsthorpe ..	44	26	Pastoral	" ..	" ..	"
Waimarie ..	18	16	Agricultural	" ..	" ..	"
Pouparae ..	9	9	"	" ..	" ..	"
Tomoana ..	13	12	Agricultural, dairying, and fruit-culture	" ..	" ..	"
Willows ..	22	14	Agricultural	" ..	" ..	"
Mahora ..	34	31	Agricultural, dairying, and fruit-culture	" ..	" ..	"
Hatuma ..	62	59	Agricultural and pastoral ..	" ..	" ..	"
Manga-a-toro ..	26	25	Pastoral	" ..	" ..	"
Kumeroa ..	15	14	Pastoral and dairying ..	" ..	" ..	"
Forest Gate ..	28	25	Agricultural and pastoral ..	" ..	" ..	"
Argyll ..	62	60	"	" ..	" ..	"
Wigan ..	17	12	Pastoral	" ..	" ..	"
Lindsay ..	67	55	Pastoral and agricultural ..	" ..	" ..	"
Mangatahi ..	22	..	Possession given on 30th March, 1907.	ch, 1907.	" ..	"
	458	376				
Taranaki—						
Tokaora ..	13	14	Dairying	Good ..	Satisfactory ..	Good.
Spotswood ..	11	8	Workmen's homes ..	Not good ..	Not satisfactory ..	Not promising.
Clandon ..	6	5	Dairying	Fair ..	Fairly good ..	Fairly good.
Huinga ..	7	6	"	Only disposed of in October last	Satisfactory ..	Good.
	37	33				
Wellington—						
Paparangi ..	37	36	Residential sites, dairying, &c.	Good ..	Very successful ..	Good.
Ohakea ..	15	15	Dairying	Very good ..	Prosperous ..	Very good
Te Matua ..	13	12	"	" ..	" ..	Excellent
Aorangi ..	37	39	Dairying and residential purposes	" ..	" ..	"
Langdale ..	29	23	Grazing and cropping ..	" ..	Well - established and progressive settlement	Very good.
Mangawhata ..	7	8	Dairying	" ..	Prosperous ..	"
Epuni Hamlet ..	42	44	Residential, market gardening, &c.	Good ..	Very satisfactory	Good.
Maungaraki ..	20	16	Ditto	" ..	Satisfactory ..	"
Linton ..	5	5	Dairying	" ..	" ..	"
Longbush ..	8	6	Grazing	" ..	Very prosperous ..	Very promising.
Tablelands ..	10	9	"	Very good ..	" ..	Very good.
Normandale ..	30	24	Residential, poultry, and dairy-farming	Fair ..	Fair ..	Satisfactory.
Tawaha ..	23	16	As most of the selections were made during year under review, the is not yet thoroughly established.			settlement
Hikawera ..	5	..	Inspection not due.			
Mahupuku ..	10	..	" ..			
Dyer ..	35	..	" ..			
	326	253				

REPORT on the CONDITION and SETTLEMENT of Estates acquired and dealt with up to the 31st March, 1907—*continued.*

Land District and Name of Settlement.	Selectors.	Residences.	Principal Purpose for which Holdings are utilised.	Progress during Year.	Present Position.	Prospects.
Marlborough—						
Blind River ..	19	14	Grazing and cropping ..	Fair ..	Good ..	Good.
Omaka ..	13	10	Grazing ..	" ..	" ..	" ..
Puhipuhi ..	2	..	Grazing ..	Small ..	" ..	" ..
Starborough ..	63	49	Grazing and cropping ..	Good ..	Good ..	Good.
Town of Seddon ..	128	50	" ..	Very good ..	" ..	Fairly good.
Richmond Brook ..	11	10	Grazing and cropping ..	" ..	" ..	Good.
Waipapa ..	4	4	Grazing ..	Good ..	Fair ..	Improving
North Bank ..	8	6	Grazing and cropping ..	Fair ..	Moderate ..	" ..
Rainford ..	11	9	Dairying ..	Small ..	Fair ..	Fair.
Flaxbourne ..	125	76	Grazing and cropping ..	Very good ..	Satisfactory ..	Decidedly good.
Town of Ward ..	7	2	" ..	Small ..	Waiting for railway	Good.
	391	230				
Westland—						
Poerua ..	20	15	Grazing and dairy purposes	Very good ..	Prosperous ..	Good.
Kokatahi ..	8	7	" ..	" ..	Good ..	" ..
	28	22				
Canterbury—						
Pareora No. 1 ..	28	25	Small-farming and dairying	Good ..	Good ..	Good.
Studholme Junction ..	4	2	" ..	" ..	" ..	" ..
Kapua ..	12	12	" ..	" ..	" ..	" ..
Rosebrook ..	14	13	" ..	" ..	" ..	" ..
Otaio ..	9	8	" ..	" ..	" ..	" ..
Patea ..	4	2	Grazing ..	Fair ..	" ..	" ..
The Peaks ..	12	1	Mixed farming ..	" ..	" ..	" ..
Roimata ..	26	25	Residential and market gardening	Good ..	" ..	" ..
Kereta ..	4	3	Dairying ..	" ..	" ..	" ..
Braco ..	14	14	Residential and market gardening	" ..	" ..	" ..
Epworth ..	2	1	Small-farming ..	" ..	" ..	" ..
Ashley Gorge ..	10	12	Partly dairying, partly pastoral	" ..	" ..	" ..
Orakipaoa ..	27	20	Small-farming ..	" ..	" ..	" ..
Highbank ..	75	57	Mixed farming ..	Very good ..	Very good ..	Very good.
Otarakaro ..	7	7	Residential and market gardening	Good ..	" ..	" ..
Wharenui ..	26	26	Workmen's homes	" ..	" ..	" ..
Rakitairi ..	22	18	Mixed farming ..	" ..	" ..	" ..
Waipai ..	15	14	Mixed farming and dairying	" ..	Good ..	Good.
Horsley Down ..	26	24	Mixed farming ..	" ..	Very good ..	Very good.
Albury ..	75	60	Mixed farming and dairying	" ..	" ..	" ..
Marawiti ..	13	12	Mixed farming ..	" ..	" ..	" ..
Hekeao ..	15	13	" ..	" ..	" ..	" ..
Pawaho ..	25	25	Workmen's homes	" ..	Good ..	Good.
Waikakahi ..	186	160	Partly pastoral, partly mixed farming	Very good ..	Very good ..	Very good.
Tamai ..	40	40	Workmen's homes	Good ..	Good ..	Good.
Takitū ..	5	5	Pastoral ..	Very good ..	Very good ..	Very good.
Pareora No. 2 ..	32	32	Mixed farming and dairying	" ..	" ..	" ..
Rautawiri ..	6	6	Small-farming ..	Good ..	Good ..	Good.
Papaka ..	9	9	Mixed farming ..	" ..	Very good ..	Very good.
Punaroa ..	17	17	Mixed farming and dairying	" ..	" ..	" ..
Lyndon No. 1 ..	8	8	Pastoral ..	" ..	" ..	" ..
Kohika ..	15	15	Mixed farming and dairying	" ..	" ..	" ..
Tarawahi ..	24	24	Workmen's homes	" ..	" ..	" ..
Raincliff ..	1	1	Pastoral ..	" ..	Good ..	Good.
Puhuka ..	10	10	Workmen's homes	" ..	Very good ..	Very good.
Kaimahi ..	12	11	Market gardening ..	" ..	Improving ..	Improving
Kapuatohe ..	11	10	Workmen's homes	Fair ..	Fairly good ..	Fair.
Rapuwai ..	5	5	Pastoral ..	Good ..	Good ..	Good.
Lyndon No. 2 ..	9	8	" ..	" ..	" ..	" ..
Maytown ..	11	11	Small-farming and dairying	" ..	" ..	" ..
Eccleston ..	4	4	Mixed farming ..	" ..	" ..	" ..
Mead ..	21	19	" ..	" ..	" ..	" ..
Chamberlain ..	20	21	Partly pastoral, partly mixed farming	" ..	" ..	Very good.
Annan ..	39	37	Ditto ..	" ..	Very good ..	" ..
Rosewill ..	154	145	Mixed farming ..	Very good ..	" ..	" ..
Morice ..	29	25	Dairying and grass-seeding ..	Good ..	Good ..	Good.
Kinloch ..	30	18	Pastoral ..	" ..	" ..	" ..
Mills ..	21	15	Dairying and small-farming	" ..	" ..	" ..
Homestead sites, &c.	9	4	" ..	" ..	" ..	" ..
Misc. Occ. Licenses	37	..	" ..	" ..	" ..	" ..
	1,230	1,054				

REPORT on the CONDITION and SETTLEMENT of Estates acquired and dealt with up to the 31st March, 1907—*continued.*

Land District and Name of Settlement.	Selectors.	Residences.	Principal Purposes for which Holdings are utilised.	Progress during Year.	Present Position.	Prospects.
Otago—						
Pomahaka Downs	24	16	Mixed farming	Fair ..	Doubtful ..	Not very good.
Teaneraki ..	23	17	Dairying, &c.	" ..	Good ..	Good.
Tahawai ..	8	8	Dairying	Good ..	Very good ..	"
Maerewhenua ..	73	55	Dairying, grain-growing, and raising fat lambs	Fair ..	Sound ..	Very good.
Puketapu ..	11	7	Dairying	" ..	Good ..	Good.
Ardgowan ..	66	48	Dairying and mixed farming	Good ..	Sound ..	Very good.
Makareao ..	30	16	"	Fair ..	Good ..	Good.
Makareao Extension	3	3	Mixed farming	" ..	" ..	"
Momona ..	14	14	Dairying	Very good ..	Very sound ..	"
Tokarahi ..	79	41	Dairying and mixed farming	Fair ..	Sound ..	Very good.
Janefield ..	21	19	Dairying and vegetables ..	Good ..	" ..	Bright.
Elderslie ..	34	24	Mixed farming	Very fair ..	" ..	Very good.
Barnego ..	23	18	Dairying and mixed farming	Good ..	Satisfactory ..	Bright.
Earnssoleugh ..	13	8	Fruit-growing and cattle-grazing	Very fair ..	" ..	Good.
Windsor Park ..	37	23	Dairying and mixed farming	" ..	Sound ..	"
Windsor Park No. 2	10	7	"	" ..	" ..	"
Duncan ..	7	4	Dairying	Poor ..	Doubtful ..	Not bright
St. Helens ..	3	3	"	Very fair ..	Sound ..	Very good.
Greenfield ..	41	39	Mixed farming, chiefly pastoral	Very solid ..	Very satisfactory ..	Bright.
Steward ..	48	39	Grazing and raising fat lambs	Fair ..	Fairly good ..	Good.
Plunket ..	18	..	Dairying and grazing ..	Just settled.		
Totara ..	25	..	"	" ..		
	611	409				
Southland—						
Merrivale ..	49	50	Dairying and stock-raising	Very good ..	Very good ..	Very encouraging
Otahu ..	6	5	Farming and grazing ..	Good ..	Satisfactory ..	Encouraging.
Beaumont ..	13	5	"	" ..	" ..	Ditto.
Ringway ..	8	6	Mixed farming and grazing	" ..	" ..	"
Glenham ..	29	26	Dairying, farming, and grazing	Fair ..	Fair ..	Doubtful.
Edendale ..	133	102	Ditto	Very good ..	Very good ..	Excellent.
	239	194				
Totals ..	3,869	2,969				

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Date	Description	Amount	Balance	Total	Percentage	Remarks
Jan 1	Balance forward	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	
Jan 15	Interest on loans	5.00	105.00	105.00	105.00	
Jan 31	Interest on loans	10.00	115.00	115.00	115.00	
Feb 15	Interest on loans	15.00	130.00	130.00	130.00	
Feb 28	Interest on loans	20.00	150.00	150.00	150.00	
Mar 15	Interest on loans	25.00	175.00	175.00	175.00	
Mar 31	Interest on loans	30.00	205.00	205.00	205.00	
Apr 15	Interest on loans	35.00	240.00	240.00	240.00	
Apr 30	Interest on loans	40.00	280.00	280.00	280.00	
May 15	Interest on loans	45.00	325.00	325.00	325.00	
May 31	Interest on loans	50.00	375.00	375.00	375.00	
Jun 15	Interest on loans	55.00	430.00	430.00	430.00	
Jun 30	Interest on loans	60.00	490.00	490.00	490.00	
Jul 15	Interest on loans	65.00	555.00	555.00	555.00	
Jul 31	Interest on loans	70.00	625.00	625.00	625.00	
Aug 15	Interest on loans	75.00	700.00	700.00	700.00	
Aug 31	Interest on loans	80.00	780.00	780.00	780.00	
Sep 15	Interest on loans	85.00	865.00	865.00	865.00	
Sep 30	Interest on loans	90.00	955.00	955.00	955.00	
Oct 15	Interest on loans	95.00	1050.00	1050.00	1050.00	
Oct 31	Interest on loans	100.00	1150.00	1150.00	1150.00	
Nov 15	Interest on loans	105.00	1255.00	1255.00	1255.00	
Nov 30	Interest on loans	110.00	1365.00	1365.00	1365.00	
Dec 15	Interest on loans	115.00	1480.00	1480.00	1480.00	
Dec 31	Interest on loans	120.00	1600.00	1600.00	1600.00	
Total		1600.00	1600.00	1600.00	1600.00	