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NEW ZEALAND.

LAND TRANSFER AND DEEDS REGISTRATION:

ANNUAL REPORT OF DEPARTMENTS, 1907-8.

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*Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.*

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The COMMISSIONER OF STAMPS to the MINISTER OF STAMPS.

SIR,— Head Office, Stamp Department, Wellington, 12th June, 1908.  
I have the honour to submit the usual report on the working of the Land Transfer and Deeds Registration Departments for the year ended the 31st March, 1908.

The returns appended show,—

A.—The business transacted under the Land Transfer Act.

B.—The fees received thereunder, including the fees received on account of Crown grants.

C.—The mortgages and discharges of mortgages, and the amount remaining secured by mortgage under the said Act on the 31st March, 1908.

D.—The arrears existing at the various Land Transfer offices at the close of business on the same date.

E.—The number of deeds received for registration, and the number remaining unregistered on the 31st March last ; also the fees received in the Deeds Registration Office.

I have, &c.,  
C. A. HICKSON,  
Commissioner of Stamps.

The Minister of Stamps, Wellington.

A.—STATEMENT of BUSINESS transacted under the LAND TRANSFER ACT during the Year ended the 31st March, 1908.

DISTRICT	APPLICATIONS.						TRANSFERS.						MORTGAGES.							
	No.		Value.		No.		Value.		No.		Value.		No.		Value.		No.		Value.	
	Town and Suburban.	Country.	£	s. d.	A.	B. P.	A.	B. P.	£	s. d.	A.	B. P.	£	s. d.	A.	B. P.	£	s. d.	A.	B. P.
Auckland	187	156 2 13	12,517 3 10	244,441 15 8	3,946 1 140	3 37	886,324	1 34	2,282,592 5 10	2,818	837 3 31	787,249 3 37	1,721,139 3 0	2,818	837 3 31	787,249 3 37	1,721,139 3 0	2,818	837 3 31	787,249 3 37
Taranaki	45	34 3 4	2,149 0 7	46,508 14 0	1,080 232 3 28	3 28	129,235	3 14	1,068,677 0 0	1,503	207 1 31	376,537 1 34	1,430,254 0 0	1,503	207 1 31	376,537 1 34	1,430,254 0 0	1,503	207 1 31	376,537 1 34
Wellington	173	100 3 32	78,279 1 23	824,083 18 3	5,211 2,308 3 8	3 8	632,079 3 21	3 21	4,811,848 0 0	5,934	1,934 1 26	959,042 0 29	5,078,739 0 0	5,934	1,934 1 26	959,042 0 29	5,078,739 0 0	5,934	1,934 1 26	959,042 0 29
Hawke's Bay	17	1 0 15	3,287 3 38	37,205 0 0	1,317 643 2 2	2 2	218,484 1 19	1 19	1,856,100 0 2	381	363 2 23	278,770 0 12	1,354,616 13 8	381	363 2 23	278,770 0 12	1,354,616 13 8	381	363 2 23	278,770 0 12
Poverty Bay	9	1 1 14	614 1 10	40,406 0 0	524 287 2 6	2 6	107,098 0 29	0 29	580,347 16 6	521	208 2 19	404,618 0 20	567,328 6 0	521	208 2 19	404,618 0 20	567,328 6 0	521	208 2 19	404,618 0 20
Nelson	8	9 3 10	93 1 12	4,662 0 0	576 171 2 3	2 3	48,437 0 0	0 0	202,922 2 5	526	219 1 16	164,693 1 15	257,663 14 8	526	219 1 16	164,693 1 15	257,663 14 8	526	219 1 16	164,693 1 15
Marlborough	21	16 0 0	1,702 3 2	45,433 14 1	270 224 2 34	2 34	91,321 3 7	3 7	200,844 7 10	272	104 1 28	143,733 3 31	214,120 0 2	272	104 1 28	143,733 3 31	214,120 0 2	272	104 1 28	143,733 3 31
Canterbury	256	46 3 1	19,413 1 2	367,915 0 0	4,458 870 0 39	0 39	319,611 0 13	0 13	3,787,148 0 0	4,063	230 0 4	262,561 2 18	3,159,243 0 0	4,063	230 0 4	262,561 2 18	3,159,243 0 0	4,063	230 0 4	262,561 2 18
Otago	59	17 2 13	3,392 0 2	68,928 0 0	2,316 337 2 28	2 28	204,739 2 21	2 21	1,248,384 0 0	1,734	230 0 4	1,496,567 0 35	970,233 0 0	1,734	230 0 4	1,496,567 0 35	970,233 0 0	1,734	230 0 4	1,496,567 0 35
Southland	15	2 1 31	2,537 0 34	12,084 0 10	1,788 392 2 18	2 18	273,840 0 32	0 32	1,102,007 18 9	1,175	392 0 5	310,946 3 3	806,514 13 5	1,175	392 0 5	310,946 3 3	806,514 13 5	1,175	392 0 5	310,946 3 3
Westland	7	1 1 21	41 0 2	1,608 0 0	310 137 3 0	3 0	27,263 3 37	3 37	85,270 1 1	174	177 2 26	15,961 1 17	77,634 15 10	174	177 2 26	15,961 1 17	77,634 15 10	174	177 2 26	15,961 1 17
Totals	797	388 2 34	124,028 0 22	1,693,271 2 10	21,791 6,678 0 38	0 38	2,989,491 1 27	1 27	17,226,141 12 7	19,795	5,951 2 24	5,090,682 0 11	15,637,486 6 9	19,795	5,951 2 24	5,090,682 0 11	15,637,486 6 9	19,795	5,951 2 24	5,090,682 0 11
Corresponding period, 1906-7	690	307 2 28	87,719 0 37	1,200,941 11 8	18,388 6,683 0 10	0 10	2,709,539 1 14	1 14	13,695,013 8 11	17,105	5,712 2 30	3,650,561 3 30	12,708,772 4 7	17,105	5,712 2 30	3,650,561 3 30	12,708,772 4 7	17,105	5,712 2 30	3,650,561 3 30

DISTRICT.	CERTIFICATES IN LIEU OF CROWN GRANTS.						CROWN GRANTS.						MORTGAGES.							
	No.		Value.		No.		Value.		No.		Value.		No.		Value.		No.		Value.	
	Town and Suburban.	Country.	£	s. d.	A.	B. P.	A.	B. P.	£	s. d.	A.	B. P.	£	s. d.	A.	B. P.	£	s. d.	A.	B. P.
Auckland	231	215 1 36	22,836 2 10	10,447 5 9	2	141 3 0	3 0	..	..	3,603	41 189	311	1	754	..	..	513	1,861	..	..
Taranaki	31	14 1 6	4,030 1 18	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,611	72 52	77 3	1	420	..	..	101	365	..	..
Wellington	262	125 1 18	66,773 0 19	..	..	..	..	..	..	5,957	361 392	178 40	2	728	..	..	492	3,438	..	..
Hawke's Bay	18	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,298	66 36	153 2	161	161	..	..	82	584	..	..
Poverty Bay	42	1 2 12	10,351 1 4	3,093 9 8	1	1,420 0 0	0 0	..	..	783	47 21	62 2	2	132	..	..	876	321	..	..
Nelson	48	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	232	9 23	20	..	161	..	..	520	176	..	..
Marlborough	15	0 0 5	4,035 0 2	3,915 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	285	14 16	30	..	69	..	..	24	176	..	..
Canterbury	49	2 1 25	6,889 1 0	2,650 0 0	..	..	..	..	..	4,862	552 141	162	..	235	..	..	523	2,202	..	..
Otago	92	145 0 85	7,344 3 2	5,229 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	1,960	102 72	65	..	275	..	..	303	781	..	..
Southland	40	15 0 5	2,912 1 16	2,021 16 1	..	..	..	..	..	1,203	114 34	62 8	..	271	..	..	35	485	..	..
Westland	19	186 1 33	8,983 3 5	..	..	..	..	..	..	80	9 7	28	..	126	..	..	186	64	..	..
Totals	847	705 3 10	143,974 3 9	27,357 11 6	3	1,561 3 0	3 0	..	..	21,964	1,387 983	1,143 56	3,332	3,332	5	..	3,655	10,361	..	..
Corresponding period, 1906-7	1074	467 3 14	195,238 3 37	68,010 0 5	26	7,910 2 34	2 34	..	..	17,336	1,119 788	990 75	2,991	2,991	11	..	2,654	9,068	..	..

B.—RETURN of FEES received under the LAND TRANSFER ACT for the Twelve Months ended the 31st March, 1908.

District.	General Fees.			Assurance Fees.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Auckland ...	7,431	2	7	333	1	11	7,764	4	6
Taranaki ...	3,008	6	7	44	15	11	3,053	2	6
Wellington ...	13,393	8	9	1,385	18	8	14,779	7	5
Hawke's Bay ...	2,387	19	0	64	3	8	2,452	2	8
Poverty Bay ...	1,449	12	9	62	9	11	1,512	2	8
Nelson ...	1,094	5	0	9	14	4	1,103	19	4
Marlborough ...	577	8	0	94	13	7	672	1	7
Canterbury ...	9,985	10	8	722	17	8	10,708	8	4
Otago ...	4,111	13	0	165	4	11	4,276	17	11
Southland ...	2,884	16	6	26	4	6	2,911	1	0
Westland ...	450	15	0	3	17	5	454	12	5
Totals ...	46,774	17	10*	2,913	2	6	49,688	0	4
Corresponding period, 1906-7 ...	40,147	9	11†	2,533	19	8	42,681	9	7

NOTE.—Includes Crown-grant and district-agency fees: \* £75 2s. 8d.; † £140 8s. 1d.

C.—RETURN showing the TOTAL AMOUNT of MONEY remaining secured by MORTGAGE under the LAND TRANSFER ACT on the 31st March, 1908.

District.	Amount remaining secured by Mortgage on 31st March, 1907.			Amount secured by Mortgage during the Year ended 31st March, 1908.			Amount of Mortgages paid off during the same Period.			Amount remaining secured by Mortgage on 31st March, 1908.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Auckland...	5,092,109	13	3	1,721,139	3	0	924,127	2	4	5,889,121	12	11
Taranaki...	4,616,325	14	1	1,430,254	0	0	790,654	0	0	5,255,925	14	1
Wellington ...	17,431,433	12	6	5,078,739	0	0	2,540,135	0	0	19,970,037	12	6
Hawke's Bay ...	6,417,022	9	1	1,354,616	13	8	995,143	0	0	6,776,496	2	9
Poverty Bay ...	1,168,737	17	11	567,328	6	0	308,442	0	0	1,427,624	3	11
Nelson ...	1,332,871	2	0	257,663	14	8	118,952	2	3	1,471,582	14	5
Marlborough ...	721,093	16	2	214,120	0	2	71,818	0	0	863,395	16	4
Canterbury ...	13,127,375	8	0	3,159,243	0	0	1,979,147	0	0	14,307,471	8	0
Otago ...	3,857,355	0	0	970,233	0	0	693,389	0	0	4,134,199	0	0
Southland ...	5,159,095	14	10	806,514	13	5	826,523	0	0	5,139,087	8	3
Westland ...	173,649	19	6	77,634	15	10	32,286	4	9	218,998	10	7
Totals ...	59,097,070	7	4	15,637,486	6	9	9,280,616	10	4	65,453,940	3	9
Corresponding period, 1906-7.	53,480,098	15	11	12,708,772	4	7	7,091,800	13	2	59,097,070	7	4

## D.—RETURN showing ARREARS in the LAND TRANSFER DEPARTMENT on the 31st March, 1908.

District.	Applications awaiting Compliance with Requisitions.	Applications detained for Examination in the Survey Office.	Applications (other than those already mentioned) received during the Month and not yet passed.	Unregistered Instruments awaiting Compliance with Requisitions.	Unregistered Instruments detained in the Survey Office.	Certificates of Title due but not issued.	Applications received previous to Current Month not yet passed.
Auckland ...	59	46	6	7	19	74	...
Taranaki ...	5	...	...	9	...	...	...
Wellington ...	34	16	...	243	160	43	...
Hawke's Bay ...	12	1	...	...	...	4	...
Poverty Bay ...	4	...	...	8	...	16	...
Nelson ...	5	...	...	2	7	7	...
Marlborough ...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...
Canterbury ...	23	11	...	75	34	130	...
Otago ...	22	...	3	12	5	20	...
Southland ...	4	...	1	10	6	12	...
Westland ...	...	...	...	...	63	63	...
Totals ...	170	75	10	366	294	369	...

*Other Instruments unrecorded.*

	Transfers.	Mortgages.	Miscellaneous.
Auckland .. .. .	146	82	67
Wellington .. .. .	65	71	54
Poverty Bay .. .. .	5	7	18
Canterbury .. .. .	60	44	56
Otago .. .. .	35	20	20
Southland .. .. .	20	15	19

## E.—RETURN showing the NUMBER of DEEDS remaining UNREGISTERED on the 31st March, 1907; the NUMBER received for REGISTRATION, and the NUMBER REGISTERED, during the Twelve Months ended the 31st March, 1908; also the NUMBER REMAINING on that date; and the AMOUNT of FEES collected during the same Period.

District.	Unrecorded on 31st March, 1907.	Received for Registration during the Year ended 31st March, 1908.	Registered during the same Period.	Unrecorded on 31st March, 1908.	Fees.
Auckland ...	201	6,130	5,906	425	£ 6,115 s. 1 d. 0
Taranaki ...	32	760	774	18	701 6 0
Wellington ...	228	2,837	3,035	30	2,827 14 0
Hawke's Bay ...	245	1,489	1,423	311	1,728 12 6
Poverty Bay ...	...	80	77	3	83 11 0
Nelson ...	9	903	903	9	766 10 0
Marlborough ...	18	571	586	3	576 5 0
Canterbury ...	63	1,482	1,442	103	1,464 9 0
Otago ...	99	2,264	2,289	74	2,250 4 6
Southland ...	6	676	655	27	644 18 6
Westland ...	...	105	91	14	81 18 6
Totals ...	901	17,297	17,181	1,017	*17,240 10 0

\* Includes Crown-grant fees, £287 2s. 6d.; and district-agency fees, £6 15s.

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