

12. MINOR RECOMMENDATIONS.

We recommend the following :—

1. That an area of 927 acres 1 rood 34 perches in Block XI, Ohinemuri Survey District, Auckland, which has been temporarily reserved for water-conservation purposes should be permanently reserved and vested in the Waihi Borough Council as a source for the town water-supply.

2. That the chain reserve along the Pomahaka Stream bounding the Dusky Hill and Conical Hill Plantations should be closed, as at present strangers cannot be excluded from the ground, thus increasing the danger of fire. We may point out that it was from a fire lit by an angler that the last destructive fire originated in the Dusky Hill Plantation.

This concludes the report of your Commissioners.

In witness whereof we have hereunder set our hands and seals this thirty-first day of May, in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

H. D. M. HASZARD, Chairman.
 THOS. W. ADAMS.
 LEONARD COCKAYNE.
 SAMUEL I. CLARKE
 FRANK Y. LETHBRIDGE.
 CHARLES P. MURDOCH.

E. PHILLIPS TURNER, Secretary.
 31st May, 1913.

APPENDICES.

APPENDIX A.

PROPOSED CLIMATIC RESERVE AS PER INDEX-MAP.

NOTE.—In the accompanying schedule and map the areas of the proposed climatic reserves are necessarily very approximate, being situated in high rugged country it would be an expensive matter to define the boundaries upon the ground. However, this is not considered necessary at present: they can be sketched in near enough on the office maps of the respective land districts, and should settlement ever extend up to their boundaries they could then be defined by the Settlement Surveyor.

Land District.	Area.	Remarks.
	Acres.	
Southland ..	119,200	On the Takitimu and Longwood Range, for conservation of the streams that have their sources thereon.
Westland ..	534,600	For conservation of headwaters of various Westland rivers.
Nelson ..	947,000	„ „ Nelson rivers.
Marlborough ..	88,350	„ „ Marlborough rivers.
Wellington ..	93,820	For extension of Tongariro National Park and conservation of headwaters of the Wanganui River.