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The SURVEYOR-GENERAL to the Hon. the MINISTER OF LANDS.

SIR,—

Wellington, 21st July, 1931.

I have the honour to present herewith the report on survey operations for the year ended 31st March, 1931.

I have, &c.,

The Hon. E. A. Ransom, Minister of Lands.

H. E. WALSH, Surveyor-General.

REPORT.

A SUMMARY of the operations carried out for the year ended 31st March, 1931, follows, grouped under appropriate headings. A concise summary of the field-work completed during the year is tabulated in Tables A, B, and 1 to 5 herewith.

Table A shows that the average costs remain much the same as formerly, with the exception of the Native Land Court surveys, where the increased area and larger blocks dealt with reduced the cost per acre to less than one-half that of the previous year.

Table B shows that a much larger area of both Crown lands and Native lands has been surveyed during this year than was done last year, North Auckland and Otago accounting for the major part of the increase in Crown lands and Auckland for the increase in Native lands.