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# CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT

(ANNUAL REPORT ON).

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

The SECRETARY for CROWN LANDS to the Hon. the MINISTER of LANDS.

SIR,—

General Crown Lands Office, Wellington, 18th June, 1890.

I have the honour to transmit herewith the annual report and returns of the Crown Lands Department for the twelve months ending the 31st March, 1890.

I have, &c.,

S. PERCY SMITH,

Secretary for Crown Lands.

The Hon. G. F. Richardson, Minister of Lands.

## REPORT.

I HAVE first to draw your attention to the new forms in which the returns and statistics of Crown lands appear this year, which, thanks to the care exercised by Mr. Francis Stevens, the Chief Clerk at the General Crown Lands Office, in their arrangement and in their detail, show clearly the operations of the department both in current and past transactions; much more so, indeed, than could be done under the forms hitherto used, which, owing to various changes in the land-laws from time to time, had become obsolete and obscure.

The period just passed has not been marked by any change in the laws affecting the disposal of Crown lands, and consequently the amending Acts of 1887–88 have had time to develop their special characteristics without interruption. The main features of the land-laws as now current may be briefly summed up as follows: The relegation to the selectors themselves of the choice of tenure under which they will hold their lands, confined, however, to the three systems of cash, deferred-payment, and perpetual-lease; and the general substitution of the ballot for the auction system, which until three years ago was almost the universal mode of disposing of land. The tables attached hereto show clearly the operation of each system; but in order to bring into focus some of the changes which have taken place in the selection of land during the past ten years, and to illustrate the varying popularity of the several systems which have been in force, a brief table has been compiled (Table T), and the same information is also shown graphically in the Appendix.

It will be seen from the table quoted, and also from Table B, that the perpetual-lease tenure remains, as last year, the most popular system, 756 selectors having availed themselves of this method of acquiring a homestead, the average holding of each being 313 acres. If all systems of perpetual lease are included it will be seen that there were 852 selectors for the year, being 24 more than for the previous period. The purchasers for cash follow next in order, with (including village settlers) 702 transactions, of which 337 are town, suburban, and village sections, leaving 365 purchasers of rural land, and with an average area to each of 141 acres. The former popular tenure of deferred payment has fallen from 895 selectors in 1880–81 to 428 in 1890 (including 75 village settlers, who took up an average of 10 acres each, and 49 special-settlement settlers), with an average acreage to each rural selector of 136 acres. It still remains the favourite system in one of the land districts, where it has operated most beneficially in the reclamation of large areas of forest-land. The total number of selectors of Crown lands for the year, exclusive of pastoral lessees, amounts to 2,034. Of these, 1,312 selections are held on improvement conditions. To the 2,034 above may be added 158 purchasers or selectors of education endowments administered by the department.

The average price at which rural lands have been disposed of during the year—*i.e.*, lands selected under Act of 1887, or sold by auction, and exclusive of special settlements—are: Cash, 18s. per acre; deferred payment, 17s. 6d. per acre; perpetual lease, 16s. 10d. per acre.

During the past season considerable areas have been thrown open for selection before sectional survey, principally in Auckland, Wellington, and Nelson. Since this system came into force—about two years and a half ago—there have been altogether 490,000 acres opened to selectors, of which about 167,000 acres have been taken up. In most cases the lands so opened are forest clad and somewhat broken in character, and the want of better road access has prevented the balance of the lands from being selected. There is no doubt that the necessity for depositing with the application the estimated cost of survey (which eventually goes to the credit of the selector) acts as a check to

selections under these conditions, whilst it has at the same time a beneficial effect in stopping speculation. The advantages of the system are that it enables the department to place blocks of land in the market in less time than if previously marked out in sections, and also allows the selector to take up just so much land as suits his wants; but at the same time the cost of survey is somewhat enhanced.

Hitherto very little trouble has arisen through conflicting applications, and generally the system seems to be one which applied under proper restrictions has been and will be conducive of good results.

The area which has been proclaimed and was open for selection on the 31st March last, either as surveyed or unsurveyed lands, was 970,000 acres, whilst it is estimated that 363,000 acres were in course of preparation at the same date, and which will come in for settlement before September.

A general summary of the land transactions of the department for the year is as follows, full details of which will be found in the appendices:—

	Number of Purchasers or Selectors.	Area.			Cash and Scrip received on Current and Past Transactions.		
		A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.
Town lands ... ..	132	70	0	15	59,460	14	3
Suburban ... ..	46	211	0	13			
Rural ... ..	365	46,641	2	28			
Deferred payment ... ..	304	41,376	2	37	46,312	13	7
Deferred payment, village settlements ... ..	75	782	1	26	3,424	8	8
Special-settlement associations ... ..	46	4,970	1	3	10,649	0	3
Village settlements, cash ... ..	159	656	1	15	2,548	4	5
Perpetual lease ... ..	756	236,905	3	7	19,075	17	11
Agricultural lease ... ..	1	53	1	5	1,150	10	6
Village settlements, perpetual lease ... ..	76	1,729	1	33	173	17	5
Village homestead special settlements ... ..	20	270	0	35	2,154	7	4
Small grazing-runs ... ..	35	60,340	1	11	10,088	6	11
Pastoral runs ... ..	273	3,734,296	0	34	153,399	11	8

For particulars as to land and territorial revenue, reference should be made to Table Q, where all details are given. As selections under the perpetual-lease system are increasing rapidly, and replacing cash or deferred-payment selections, the result is that the Land Fund must decrease whilst the territorial revenue augments. As the whole cost of administration and survey of both classes of land are defrayed from the former fund, besides other matters under Acts of Parliament, it does not meet the whole of the charges against it, and this will probably continue to be the case until some adjustment is made between the two accounts by which a portion of the cost of administering the lands from which the territorial revenue is obtained is borne by that fund. In addition to the administration of the ordinary Crown lands, the department has during the year dealt with considerable areas in the shape of endowments, the whole charge for which falls on the Land Fund, a due proportion of the proceeds of which should in all fairness be credited to that Fund. This fund has again been decreased during the year by the exercise of £14,631 12s. 6d. of scrip, mostly issued in fulfilment of engagements under the Forest-trees-planting Encouragement Acts, a considerable amount of which has yet to be presented, and will possibly come in during this year. The current year may also witness a considerable increase under the heading of scrip, should the results of inquiries under the Naval and Military Settlers' Land Act receive parliamentary sanction.

#### RESERVES.

During the year 17,928 acres of land have been reserved for various public purposes, as set forth in the following list:—

	A.	R.	P.
58 primary-education reserves ... ..	11,775	1	23
24 municipal reserves ... ..	13	0	39
30 recreation reserves ... ..	1,186	3	30
5 forest reserves ... ..	1,717	1	0
206 miscellaneous reserves ... ..	3,235	2	7
323 Total ... ..	17,928	1	19

In addition to these, the islands in Lakes Te Anau and Manapouri have been made recreation reserves.

#### SETTLEMENT CONDITIONS, TRANSFERS, ETC.

The area now held under enforced improvement conditions is so large—amounting to 1,829,695 acres, occupied by 9,394 selectors—that it forms no inconsiderable portion of the duty of the department to see that the conditions under the Acts are carried out. These duties are performed by thirteen Crown lands rangers, with occasional assistance from the forest rangers and officers of the Survey Department.

The reports furnished by the Commissioners of Crown Lands go to show that, on the whole, the conditions are very well adhered to, and in nearly all cases residence is complied with, and more improvements have been made than is required by law. As far as can be judged, there seems to be a more general attention given to pursuits connected with the utilisation of land than has been the case for some years past, the market offered by the frozen-meat trade being no doubt a considerable factor in this improved state of affairs.

The Commissioner of Crown Lands for Taranaki—a district in which the deferred-payment lands form the bulk of the holdings—furnishes some figures on the subject of improvements, which are worth quoting:—

First inspection, at end of second year:—

No. of Sections inspected.	Area.	Clearing required by Law.	Actual Clearing made.
249 ... ..	33,914 acres	3,391 acres	7,878 acres.
6 in arrear ... ..	890 "	89 "	17 "
Second inspection, at end of fourth year:—			
100 sections ... ..	12,159 "	2,411 "	4,651 "
2 in arrear ... ..	238 "	48 "	17 "

Final inspection, at end of sixth year:—

		Value required by Law.	Actual Value.
106 sections ... ..	11,179 "	£11,179	£17,961
11 in arrear ... ..	1,498 "	1,498	740

The reports from the other districts are generally of an equally satisfactory character.

Connected with the improvements effected on the lands held under the deferred-payment and perpetual-lease clauses of the Act are the transfers from original selectors to others, for it is only on completion of these improvements that the Land Boards allow of such transfers. For the past twelve months they were as follows for the whole of the colony:—

Deferred payment, 66 transfers, covering 9,637 acres.
Perpetual lease, 72 " " 21,159 "

#### PASTORAL LANDS.

During the past year a considerable area of pastoral lands has been dealt with, principally in Otago and Canterbury. These represent lands which had been previously held under lease, but of which the leases fell in during the year, or will do so this year. Altogether 273 runs, with an area of 3,734,296 acres, were taken up. Many of the boundaries of the old runs have been altered to suit the requirements of the country, and some have been withdrawn altogether from lease, on the recommendation of the Classification Commissioners appointed under the Land Act of 1888, to be utilised for closer settlement. The erection of the rabbit-proof fence in South Canterbury had a material effect in enhancing the rentals acquired in the runs north of it, whilst many of those to the south side, where the country is overrun by rabbits, failed to find bidders at all.

At the Canterbury sales, in May and June of 1889, the increase in rentals above those formerly obtained for the same country amounted to £6,018, and £7,970 above the upset prices fixed by the Board. In the thirty-one runs let for short periods at the same time within the Midland Railway area an increased rental of £1,004 was obtained, and in the ten runs let on behalf of the Canterbury College an increase of £1,827 per annum.

The fifty-two runs in Otago, offered in February, 1890, did not fetch their previous rentals by a sum of £1,122.

#### SMALL GRAZING-RUNS.

The figures below show in a condensed form the result of inspections recently made into the degree of compliance with the law as regards improvement and residence on the small grazing-runs. So far as figures are to hand, the table shows an improvement on the inspection made last year, but there are still some cases in which the residential requirements are not complied with, and these cases are shortly to be taken in hand by the Land Boards with a view to cancelling the leases, unless good cause can be shown for the non-compliance with the law by the selectors. Many of those taking up runs on this tenure seem to place a very wide interpretation on the clause which allows of residence within ten miles of the run if such residence be on freehold or leasehold land in the selector's own possession.

The terms on which this class of runs are let are so favourable that no one should find any difficulty in complying with the conditions of the lease.

This table is for a later date than that of the annual return, and therefore shows some differences in the figures.

District.	No. of Runs.	Area.	Value of Improvements.	Area cultivated.	No. of Holders residing.	Not residing, but within Ten Miles.	Not residing or fulfilling Conditions.	Exempt from Residence.
		Acres.	£	Acres.				
Auckland ... ..	10	25,205	3,025	2,040	3	1	2	4
Hawke's Bay ... ..	44	111,180	9,392	4,725	12	13	19	...
Taranaki ... ..	7	6,036	690	400	2	2	3	...
Wellington* ... ..	71	62,613	20,652	9,782	24	20	11	...
Marlborough ... ..	12	6,795	501	180	3	6	3	...
Canterbury† ... ..	7	13,350	...	...	...	...	...	...
Otago ... ..	133‡	282,502	44,704	6,508	69	41	12	11
Southland ... ..	1	200	Nil	Nil	Nil	...	...	...

\* Sixteen runs not yet inspected. † Inspection not complete. ‡ Includes thirteen "Clutha River Trust" runs.

#### ARREARS AND REVALUATION.

Comparing the past year with the previous one, the number of selectors in arrear with their payments of instalments, interest, or rents, it is found that the actual number is less than it was

twelve months ago, though the amount in cash has increased considerably. On the 31st March, 1889, there were 3,862 selectors behindhand with their payments, to the amount of £44,533, whilst on the 31st March, 1890, the figures stand at 3,755 selectors, owing £52,891, nearly half of this sum being due from deferred-payment settlers. As frequently pointed out, many of these are only technically in arrear, for, as most of the payments are due either in January or July, and some on the 1st April, few payments are made on those dates; the selectors generally consider themselves not to be in arrear if their payments are made within the six months during which the payment is due.

The operation of "The Selectors' Lands Revaluation Act, 1889," has naturally retarded payments to a considerable extent during the year. Looking to the large number of properties which had to be revalued, and the late period of the financial year at which the Act came into operation, it was, with the limited number of valuers available, impossible to get the whole of the lands revalued, and the adjustment of the accounts completed this year; but the work is expected to be finished during the current season. This has naturally delayed the annual payments in many cases, pending the readjustment of values. There should not be many arrears when the revaluations are completed, for it is a rule of the department that these are not approved until all payments on the new basis are made up to date.

Under the provisions of this Act, and up to the 31st March last, the following revaluations had been approved by the Minister under section 5 of the Act:—

Deferred-payment selections: Number, 243; area, 34,986 acres; loss, £24,911 by revaluation.

Perpetual-lease selections: Number, 10; area, 1,970 acres; loss, £1,152 by revaluation.

It will be seen that the average reduction on deferred-payment selections is 16s. 3d. per acre, whilst that on perpetual-lease selections is 11s. 6d.

It has been found in many cases that the reductions made in capital value have equalled, or exceeded, the total payments to be made in the case of deferred-payment selectors, in which case such selectors are entitled to their grants forthwith.

The revaluations both in the field and in the consequent computations in the office has thrown a considerable amount of extra work on the officers of the department during the year, somewhat to the detriment, it is feared, of the regular work of inspection by the Crown Lands Rangers, on whose shoulders the field valuations fall. In many cases the members of the Land Boards themselves have made personal inspections of the properties to be revalued, and have thus aided materially in solving the difficult questions involved.

#### THERMAL SPRINGS, ETC.

The work of administration of the department in this respect is practically confined to that of the hot springs at Hammer Plains, which have, as in the previous year, attracted a considerable number of visitors, either from curiosity or from a desire to avail themselves of the curative properties of the waters, which have been proved to be efficacious in cases of rheumatism, sciatica, eczema, gout, or scrofulous complaints. The bath-keeper reports that the number of baths taken during the twelve months was 4,279, and the fees received amounted to £218 8s. There is a married couple in charge of the establishment now; so that lady visitors can have female attendance.

*Taupo Hot Springs.*—Near the north end of the lake there are two establishments, where valuable sites containing hot springs, &c., have been let on long and improving leases to private individuals, who are, by terms of their leases, obliged to furnish stated accommodation, and to improve and adorn the grounds near the springs. Great improvements have been and continue to be made; so that these places now offer considerable attractions to the tourist and those suffering from certain complaints.

*Waiotapu Valley.*—In this locality, situated twenty miles from Rotorua, the State owns a most valuable property, which, in the future, will be the resort of large numbers of people. Thermal wonders of all kinds are to be met with, and healing springs of many varieties. As yet, no steps have been taken to utilise this place, beyond the opening of a carriage-road from Rotorua.

*Nuhaka Hot Springs.*—During the last year some hot saline springs have been discovered in the northern part of Hawke's Bay, and an appropriate area will be reserved round them. The following is the report from the Colonial Laboratory on the character of the water: "This is a clear, colourless, and highly saline water, containing 1,723 grains of fixed salts per gallon, only 22 grains of which is silica. The remaining portion is principally composed of alkaline chloride, with a fair proportion of alkaline carbonates. The water is rich in iodine. This water belongs to the group of mineral waters known as the alkaline chlorinated group. It should prove a valuable mineral water, as it resembles that of Wiesbaden, also that of Harrogate and Cheltenham, but is much more highly charged with salts than they are, its specific gravity being that of common sea-water."

*Waitomo Caves.*—These caves, which were discovered in 1889, and fully described in the Survey report for that year, have been during the period under consideration in charge of a caretaker appointed by Government, whose duty it is to guide visitors through the caves, and to prevent destruction or injury of their beauty, which is so common to all places of interest left to themselves. The land on which the caves are situated at present belongs to the Maoris; but it is to be hoped that places like these will eventually become national property, and, by being under proper care and management, serve as an additional attraction to the many others that New Zealand offers to the tourist. During the year 325 people visited the caves, but there will probably be many more as soon as the road which is in course of construction, is completed, which will be shortly. The train from Auckland passes within six miles of the caves.

#### STATE FORESTS.

At the date of last report an area of 1,385,104 acres had been reserved specially under the New Zealand State Forests Act, or became so reserved by being brought under the provisions of the Act. Since then five reserves, containing an area of 19,288 acres, have been withdrawn from reservation,

as it was found with a more complete knowledge that they contained no timber of value, and were, in addition, suitable for settlement; some of them have since been offered to the public, and are now mostly taken up on settlement conditions. Five reserves, containing 1,717 acres, were made during the year, so that the total now stands at 1,367,533 acres. These reserves comprise areas selected for the timber growing on them, for the preservation of the sources of springs, for climatic or plantation purposes. Experience has shown that the reservation of small forest areas in immediate contiguity to lands undergoing the process of clearing and settlement is a mistake: they cannot be preserved from fires due to the annual burning of the cleared areas, and soon become a danger to surrounding properties.

Happily no fires have occurred in the State forests during the year. Those situated in the North are constantly in danger during the summer, owing to the readiness with which the kauri burns, and the ease with which a fire once started spreads by aid of the gum and resinous droppings from the trees. The three Forest Rangers in the North are occupied wholly during the summer in the prevention of fires and trespass in the forests under their care. Proceedings have been taken in a few cases for the latter offence, against individuals who have been tempted by the search for kauri-gum to break the law.

A good deal of dead kauri, killed by fire during previous years, has been disposed of to prevent its becoming a total loss; but the amount is not great, being equal to 1,286,900ft., which sold for £321 14s. In Southland an amount equal to £3,550 19s. 10d. has been realised from the State forests by timber and saw-mill licenses. Immediately connected with the sale of timber from Crown lands, an amount equalling £211 has been realised from timber seized from individuals found cutting on Crown lands not in State forests. Notwithstanding the warning that occasional seizures give, this practice seems to present to individuals of an unscrupulous nature a temptation too great to be resisted; but the cases in which it occurs are, it is believed, much less frequent now than formerly.

During the year an estimate of the quantity of kauri timber within the State forests of the North of Auckland has been made with a good deal of care. It is as follows:—

		Kauri. Feet.		Totala. Feet.
Opuawhanga State Forest	...	7,792,000	...	1,276,000
Hukerenui	" "	2,311,500	...	10,000
Puhipuhi	" "	128,915,250	...	3,587,600
Whangarei State Forests	...	107,661,700	...	...
Hokianga	" "	94,000,000	...	...
		340,680,450	...	4,873,600

Reckoning this at 6d. per 100ft. as it stands, the whole is worth £86,388.

The reported discovery of rich silver-lodes in the Puhipuhi State Forest at the end of 1889 has led to the proclamation of this and a great deal of the adjacent country as a goldfield. During the summer months, therefore, this forest will be more liable to fire than heretofore.

The great fire that took place in 1888 killed trees which are estimated to contain 75,000,000ft., and which is deteriorating in value from year to year.

Up to the beginning of this month 204 licenses to dig gum within the forests had been issued—not nearly so great a number as at the same date last year.

Mr. W. Guffie, Chairman of the Maniototo County Council, has been kind enough to furnish particulars as to the planting done by that county during the year. The county is performing a most useful work in planting and distributing forest-trees at a small cost to all who require them, and has expended £238 8s. 8d. in planting and other expenses, and received from sales £29 17s. 3d. during the year; whilst the total expenditure to date has been over £1,500. It is proposed to plant 50,000 trees this season, and to continue planting about 100 acres annually. Maniototo County sets an example which might be followed with advantage by other counties in the open and treeless parts of the colony.

*Waerenga Plantation, Waikato County*, which is situated on the railway-line, about forty miles south of Auckland, is in charge of a nurseryman. Operations during the year have been confined to keeping down the fern and scrub, as far as possible, amongst the young trees. The black wattle-trees, of which a large area (379 acres) has been planted, are looking very well, and appear to thrive on the indifferent soil of which the plantation is composed, some of them being now 20ft. high, though only three years old. The eucalyptus plantation of 502 acres is also looking well, many of the trees being 8ft. to 10ft. in height. The red-gum plantation of about 120 acres is, comparatively, a failure, as the growth of fern and scrub has choked the young trees. It is estimated that a return from the wattle-bark will be secured in seven years from the first planting, when, if the crop is anything like an average one, there should be a considerable sum realised from the sale.

*Papatawa Nursery, Whangarei*.—The nurseryman in charge has added somewhat to the area of ground prepared for seedlings, and shelter-trees have been planted, besides having the care of the young trees in the nursery. There are at the present time about 180,000 plants, of which about 78,000 will be ready for distribution this year. They consist of fifty-five different varieties, mostly of kinds used for economical purposes, with some fruit-trees.

*Kioreroa Plantation, Whangarei*.—In this place the plantations consist of various kinds of trees, many planted out in permanent positions. The trees planted consist principally of catalpa, black and golden wattles, olives, fruit-trees, gums, oaks, planes, sumach, pines, &c. The nurseryman in charge has devoted most of his time to keeping down the growth of scrub and fern. The orchard contains about 2,900 trees, consisting of varieties of apples, pears, oranges, lemons, citrons, olives, plums, hickory, walnuts, &c. With the present strength of the staff, it is impossible to carry on the operations successfully, as a great deal of work requires to be done in planting out, clearing, &c.

During the year a new set of regulations for the working of the forests, saw-mill areas, &c., has been prepared by the Under-Secretary of the department, Mr. H. J. H. Elliott, which, so far, has been found to work satisfactorily, and has enabled the department to deal with the sale of timber and other matters which had not hitherto been provided for.

#### DEPARTMENTAL AND GENERAL.

As immediately connected with the settlement and improvement of the lands of the colony, inquiries have been set on foot to ascertain the cause of the general want of success in the exportation of butter to the United Kingdom. Leaving here, as the article does, in first-rate condition, it is frequently found to have deteriorated on the voyage, and on unpacking is deficient in keeping-qualities; and it is with a view to determine the cause of this and other questions that the department is causing the inquiries to be made. The price in the English market has fallen very much since last year. Inquiries are also being made as to whether a practical butter-maker, acquainted with the Danish method of preparation of the article, can be obtained for the colony.

The large increase from year to year in the number of selectors who hold their lands on improvement conditions involves a large increase in both the field- and office-work. The periodical payments under deferred-payment, perpetual-lease, small grazing-runs, pastoral runs, and other systems necessitates the keeping of an elaborate system of accounts, and a very large amount of correspondence, whilst the inspection of properties on the ground is also augmenting rapidly. In the ten Land Offices of the colony there are now 8,914 separate accounts against so many properties, all involving several entries and computations, besides correspondence during the year. To show how this class of work has increased, the following figures have been compiled: On the 30th June, 1880, there were 2,877 accounts; on the 31st March, 1885, 4,256; and on the 31st March last, 8,914, as above, with every prospect of their increasing. This last year has also witnessed a considerable increase to the work of the local officers in the revaluations which have taken place—a work which will probably continue through the present year. In addition to the foregoing the Commissioners have also made inquiries into the claims of a large number of claimants under the Naval and Military Settlers' Land Act of last session, the total results of which will not appear till next year. The work has been an onerous one, and has borne very heavily on the Commissioners, who were, without this addition, fully occupied in their own special duties.

During the year another edition of the "Land Guide" (Vol. X.) has been issued to the public, giving full particulars of the land-tenures, and descriptions of every section open for selection at the date of publication (January, 1890). Copies have been distributed to all parts of the world, and to every institution where the information is likely to be of service. At the same time local Land Guides for each land district have been published at intervals of about three months, giving all possible information as to the lands available or about to be prepared for selection.

The second volume of Mr. Thomas Mackay's "Manual of the Forage-plants and Grasses Useful to New Zealand" is nearly ready, and will be available for the public very shortly.

The following brief *exposé* of the land-laws in force is added as a guide to the tables annexed:—

TABLE C.—*Cash Lands*.—Town and suburban lands are sold by auction; rural lands either by auction or, more generally, by free selection, after being proclaimed open at a fixed upset price, when they may be either taken up for cash, deferred payment, or perpetual lease, at option of selector, who is restricted to 640 acres of first-class and 2,000 acres of second-class land for *cash* selections.

TABLE D.—*Deferred-payment Lands* are thrown open for selection as above, but the price is 25 per cent. above that of cash or perpetual lease. Selectors are restricted to 640 acres, and must make certain improvements on the land. The freehold is acquired after either ten or fourteen years' annual payments. Residence is compulsory.

TABLE E.—*Perpetual-lease Lands* are also thrown open for selection as above, and the rent is fixed at 5 per cent. on the capital upset cash price. The selector is restricted to 640 acres of first-class land, or 2,000 acres of second-class land, and must make certain improvements, after which he can buy out the freehold. Leases are for thirty-one years, with perpetual right of renewal. The improvements belong to selector. Residence compulsory. *The small areas* are limited to 50 acres, but are otherwise held on the same terms as ordinary perpetual lease.

TABLE G.—*Agricultural Leases* are let on application within the goldfields. They are limited to 320 acres, generally with an upset price of £1 per acre, on which the selector pays 2s. 6d. a year for seventeen years, when the freehold becomes his.

TABLE H.—*Village-settlement Lands, Cash*, consist of village and small-farm sections not exceeding 50 acres each, declared open for selection at an upset price of not less than £5 an acre for village and £1 an acre for farms. Village sections are disposed of by auction amongst the applicants if more than one, and small farms by lot. Village sections must not exceed 1 acre, and small farms 50 acres.

TABLE I.—*Village-settlement Lands, Deferred-payment*, are disposed of just as above, but the payments are distributed over ten years. They are subject to improvement and other conditions, as proclaimed from time to time.

TABLE J.—*Village-settlement Lands, Perpetual Lease*, are disposed of like those for cash above, the rent being 5 per cent. on cash price. The freehold may be acquired. Improvements are necessary.

There is little difference between these three systems and the first three mentioned, beyond the limitation in price and area.

TABLE K.—*Village Homesteads Special Settlements* are declared open for selection. The choice is by lot. They are held on perpetual lease without option of purchase, are limited to 50 acres, and improvements and residence are compulsory. Of the settlements in existence the Government arranged to advance each settler up to £50 for clearing 20 acres, and the cost of building a house up to £20. This system of advances is no longer in force.

TABLE L.—*Special-settlement Associations* are confined to associations of people who combine for settlement and mutual help. The lands selected so far are all held on deferred payment, with generally the same regulations as to improvements and residence as those mentioned in Table D. The cost of survey is borne by the association, and choice is by lot amongst the members, who are obliged to provide a settler for each 100 acres.

TABLE M.—*Homestead Lands* in certain districts may be selected, after proclamation, for the mere cost of survey. Residence and improvement are compulsory. The limit is 300 acres, and the grant may be acquired after five years' residence and on fulfilment of conditions.

TABLE N.—*Small Grazing-runs* are offered at auction at a rental of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. on upset price for terms of twenty-one years. Improvement and residence are compulsory. The limit of area is 20,000 acres.

TABLE O.—*Pastoral Leases* are of various areas, but generally large, and represent country too broken, or not fit for other purposes. They are offered by auction for various terms, as may be decided on, up to twenty-one years. Neither residence nor improvement is necessary, nor is compensation allowed for improvements, but (generally) they may be removed by the lessee at end of the term, or the runs may be offered, subject to the improvements, to be paid by incoming to outgoing lessee.

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Summary of LANDS DISPOSED OF from Foundation of the Colony, with Total Cash received, to 31st March, 1890.

District.	Total Area sold.		Total Area reserved or granted under Acts.		Total Area sold or otherwise disposed of since the Foundation of the Colony.		Total Cash received.
	A.	R. P.	A.	R. P.	A.	R. P.	
Auckland .. .. .	1,720,704	1 22	2,781,971	2 27	4,502,676	0 9	604,980
Hawke's Bay .. .. .	1,039,309	1 4	166,116	2 5	1,205,425	3 9	548,846
Taranaki .. .. .	202,459	1 39	516,196	3 10	718,656	1 9	559,738
Wellington .. .. .	1,695,290	3 0	716,355	0 31	2,411,645	3 31	989,945
Nelson .. .. .	1,062,462	2 2	174,257	3 10	1,236,720	1 12	386,736
Marlborough .. .. .	787,467	3 15	177,975	0 7	965,442	3 22	279,891
Canterbury .. .. .	3,021,546	2 36	653,398	1 7	3,674,945	3 2	6,068,947
Westland .. .. .	54,803	3 36	74,812	1 19	129,616	1 15	67,941
Otago .. .. .	1,983,978	0 37	574,408	2 16	2,558,386	3 13	2,069,991
Southland .. .. .	1,360,553	3 21	536,365	1 21	1,896,919	1 2	1,606,876
Totals .. .. .	12,928,577	0 12	6,371,857	2 33	19,300,434	3 5	13,133,891



**Table A.**—Summary of LANDS taken up during the Year ended 31st March, 1890.

For Details see	Auckland.		Hawke's Bay.		Taranaki.		Wellington.		Nelson.		Marlborough.		Canterbury.		Westland.		Otago.		Southland.		Total Area taken up during the Year.		Revenue				Area taken up during previous Years to 31st March, 1889.		Total Forfeitures (including exchanges).		Total Area held on 31st March, 1890, on Settlement Conditions.		Total Area made Freehold to Date.		For Details see	
	Auckland.		Hawke's Bay.		Taranaki.		Wellington.		Nelson.		Marlborough.		Canterbury.		Westland.		Otago.		Southland.		Total Area taken up during the Year.		Received for Sales, Rents, &c., on Lands selected during the Year.		Received during Year on Previous Transactions.		Area taken up during previous Years to 31st March, 1889.		Total Forfeitures (including exchanges).		Total Area held on 31st March, 1890, on Settlement Conditions.		Total Area made Freehold to Date.			
	A.	R. P.	A.	R. P.	A.	R. P.	A.	R. P.	A.	R. P.	A.	R. P.	A.	R. P.	A.	R. P.	A.	R. P.	A.	R. P.	A.	R. P.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	A.	R. P.	A.	R. P.	A.	R. P.	A.	R. P.		
Table C—Cash lands*	13,111	0 23	3,974	3 23	1,212	3 11	4,444	0 33	3,835	0 39	1,720	2 28	11,415	2 15	390	0 0	4,170	0 10	2,643	1 25	46,922	3 17	44,829	1 9	2,456	2 0	12,660	562	0 24	..	..	12,707,485	0 1	Table C—Cash lands.		
" D—Deferred payments..	7,283	2 2	770	0 24	15,220	2 21	6,719	0 18	5,479	0 3	402	3 34	1,029	0 31	208	0 26	3,188	3 25	1,075	0 13	41,376	2 37	1,944	19	744,357	14 0	1,098,490	2 14	216,814	3 8	536,384	2 1	386,668	0 2	" D—Deferred payments.	
" E—Perpetual lease and small areas	54,015	1 38	26,693	0 22	20,839	2 20	80,965	3 3	..	..	252	1 19	18,726	1 37	..	..	30,142	0 18	15,270	3 10	336,905	3 7	5,054	2 6	14,021	15 5	393,900	3 26	42,855	0 32	587,026	0 39	925	1 2	" E—Perpetual lease and small areas.	
" G—Agricultural lease ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	53	1 5	..	..	53	1 5	3	6	3	1,147	4 3	284,971	3 35	139,608	0 26	9,207	2 13	136,209	2 1	" G—Agricultural lease.
" H—Village settlement, cash	..	..	14	2 29	9	3 0	97	3 24	7	2 10	2	3 25	187	1 30	..	..	165	0 35	170	3 22	656	1 15	2,276	12 6	307	11 11	5,125	3 20	..	..	..	..	5,782	0 35	" H—Village settlement, cash.	
" I—Village settlement, deferred payment	..	..	67	1 27	..	..	245	0 34	..	..	..	..	34	0 23	..	..	208	1 2	227	1 20	782	1 26	254	11 9	3,169	16 11	12,983	3 27	1,332	2 20	7,398	0 7	5,035	2 26	" I—Village settlement, deferred payment.	
" J—Village settlement, perpetual lease	..	..	145	3 20	..	..	49	0 11	..	..	10	0 0	648	3 19	..	..	704	0 31	171	1 32	1,729	1 33	104	2 6	69	14 11	586	1 34	25	0 0	2,257	2 26	33	1 1	" J—Village settlement, perpetual lease.	
" K—Village - homestead	..	..	19	1 23	..	..	42	1 36	..	..	..	..	100	0 3	..	..	..	..	108	1 13	270	0 35	16	1 6	2,138	5 10	34,061	3 19	10,779	3 31	23,552	0 23	..	..	" K—Village - homestead special settlement.	
" L—Special settlement associations under clause 163	693	2 24	..	..	..	..	4,276	2 19	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4,970	1 3	..	..	4,970	1 3	896	0 10	9,752	19 5	90,393	3 9	682	3 0	90,840	3 37	3,840	1 15	" L—Special settlement associations under clause 163.	
" M—Homestead	1,751	0 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,751	0 0	244	18 6	..	..	114,640	1 28	7,355	1 9	79,665	1 19	29,370	3 0	..	..	" M—Homestead.
" N—Small grazing-runs	8,820	0 0	21,519	1 15	1,895	0 0	9,479	3 6	..	..	1,944	0 0	..	..	..	..	16,682	0 30	..	..	60,340	1 11	715	0 1	9,373	6 10	486,017	1 23	52,994	3 16	493,362	3 18	..	..	" N—Small grazing-runs.	
Totals ..	35,674	3 7	53,204	3 23	39,177	3 12	106,319	3 34	9,321	3 12	4,332	3 26	22,141	2 38	598	0 26	55,314	0 36	19,672	1 15	395,758	2 29	56,338	17	986,824	11 6	15,181,735	1	19,472,448	2 22	1,829,695	1 23	13,275,350	0 3	Totals.	

\* Includes £11,477 7s. 4d., sales Lake Ellesmere lands.



**Table B.**—ANALYSIS OF HOLDINGS taken up during the Year ending 31st March, 1890.

Description of Land.	No. of Selectors.	No. of Selectors under 1 Acre.	No. of Selectors 1 to 50 Acres.	No. of Selectors 51 to 250 Acres.	No. of Selectors 251 to 500 Acres.	No. of Selectors 501 to 1,000 Acres.	No. of Selectors 1,001 Acres and upwards.
Cash...	543	116	234	145	35	10	3
Deferred payments	304	..	71	186	40	6	1
Perpetual lease and small areas	756	..	91	362	178	86	39
Agricultural lease	1	..	..	1	..	..	..
Village settlement, cash	159	21	138	..	..	..	..
Village settlement, deferred payment	75	6	69	..	..	..	..
Village settlement, perpetual lease	76	1	73	2	..	..	..
Village homestead, special settlement	20	..	20	..	..	..	..
Special settlement under clause 163	46	..	..	46	..	..	..
Homestead	19	..	..	14	..	..	..
Small runs	35	..	..	1	7	8	19
Totals..	2,034	144	701	757	260	110	62

Pastoral runs : 273 holders, with an average to each selector of 13,678 acres.

**Table C.**—RETURN OF CROWN LANDS SOLD for CASH during the Year ended 31st March, 1890.

District.	Area disposed of.						Average Price per Acre.						Consideration received.		
	Town.		Suburban.		Rural.		Total.		Town.		Suburban.		Rural.		Total.
	Number of Purchasers.	Area.	Number of Purchasers.	Area.	Number of Purchasers.	Area.	Number of Purchasers.	Area.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
Auckland	7	A. R. P. 4 4 1 18	8	A. R. P. 45 1 19	132	A. R. P. 13,061 1 26	147	A. R. P. 13,111 0 23	£ s. d. 30 0 0	£ s. d. 5 0 0	£ s. d. 5,018 15 2	£ s. d. 3,700 4 0	£ s. d. 8,718 19 2	£ s. d. 3,225 11 10	2
Hawke's Bay	3	2 0 38	8	38 0 5	9	3,934 2 20	20	3,974 3 23	£ s. d. 36 11 7	£ s. d. 20 10 6	£ s. d. 3,225 11 10	£ s. d. 826 0 0	£ s. d. 2,191 13 6	£ s. d. 6,806 12 1	6
Taranaki	16	5 3 12	..	..	19	1,206 3 39	35	1,212 3 11	£ s. d. 52 7 4	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. 1,365 13 6	£ s. d. 4,514 5 11	£ s. d. 3,456 12 1	£ s. d. 1,037 17 6	1
Wellington	5	3 3 19	..	..	27	4,440 0 24	32	4,444 0 3	£ s. d. 35 2 0	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. 2,292 6 2	£ s. d. 3,330 2 6	£ s. d. 27,047 15 9	£ s. d. 365 0 0	9
Nelson	39	9 1 25	4	52 3 19	24	3,772 3 35	67	3,885 0 39	£ s. d. 35 3 0	£ s. d. 3 0 0	£ s. d. 2,292 6 2	£ s. d. 1,037 17 6	£ s. d. 27,047 15 9	£ s. d. 365 0 0	9
Marlborough	..	..	..	..	7	1,790 2 28	7	1,790 2 28	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. 22,445 13 3	£ s. d. 4,602 2 6	£ s. d. 27,047 15 9	£ s. d. 365 0 0	9
Canterbury	38	32 2 4	1	1 1 15	68	11,381 2 36	107	11,415 2 15	£ s. d. 8 0 9	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. 22,445 13 3	£ s. d. 4,602 2 6	£ s. d. 27,047 15 9	£ s. d. 365 0 0	9
Westland	..	..	..	..	5	390 0 0	5	390 0 0	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. 3,281 4 2	£ s. d. 795 0 1	£ s. d. 4,076 4 8	£ s. d. 2,534 17 8	8
Otago	19	10 0 7	8	8 0 31	50	4,151 3 12	77	4,170 0 10	£ s. d. 30 2 5	£ s. d. 17 8 7	£ s. d. 2,466 17 8	£ s. d. 68 0 0	£ s. d. 2,534 17 8	£ s. d. 59,460 14 3	3
Southland	5	1 3 12	17	65 1 5	24	2,581 1 8	46	2,648 1 25	£ s. d. 30 10 3	£ s. d. 6 13 2	£ s. d. 44,829 1 9	£ s. d. 14,631 12 6	£ s. d. 59,460 14 3	£ s. d. 59,460 14 3	3
Totals	182	70 0 15	46	211 0 14	365	*46,641 2 28	543	46,922 3 17	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. ..	..

\* Average selections for cash, rural lands, 141 acres.

**Table D.—RETURN OF DEFERRED-PAYMENT RURAL LANDS taken up during the Year ended 31st March, 1890.**

Districts.	Taken up during the Year.				Forfeitures during the Year.				Capitalised during the Year.				Total Area held on 31st March, 1890, including Capitalised Holdings.				Freehold acquired during the Year.				Made Freehold from Commencement of System to 31st March, 1890.				Selectors in Arrear on 31st March, 1890.			
	Area taken up.		Yearly Instalments payable.		Number of Selectors.		Area.		Yearly Interest payable.		Number of Selectors.		Area.		Yearly Instalments and Interest payable.		Number of Selectors.		Area.		Number of Selectors.		Area.		Number of Selectors.		Area.	
	A.	R. P.	£	s. d.	No.	Area.	£	s. d.	No.	Area.	£	s. d.	No.	Area.	£	s. d.	No.	Area.	£	s. d.	No.	Area.	£	s. d.	No.	Area.	£	s. d.
Auckland ..	64	7,283 2 2	410 4 2	..	2	197 2 10	13 2 6	846	48,496 0 23	4,756 19 6	3	298	1 0	38	5,248 3 2	5,780 16 6	110	11,800 2 0	1,658 15 7									
Hawke's Bay ..	4	770 0 24	67 11 0	..	8	1,472 1 37	63 6 0	244	31,305 3 39	3,179 6 2	17	2,162 2 28	2 1	562	53,452 0 13	51,297 19 4	21	3,833 1 8	182 6 2									
Taranaki ..	93	15,220 2 21	1,215 16 0	1	43	4,972 1 18	212 1 8	813	93,013 2 17	9,222 14 0	38	4,063 3 1	0 38	447	40,182 3 31	81,175 3 1	265	27,946 0 14	2,857 8 1									
Wellington ..	33	6,719 0 18	942 0 4	1	19	3,138 2 37	100 10 4	270	52,998 3 26	5,493 0 2	24	3,623 2 9	383	73,616 3 9	74,961 9 9	47	8,779 2 19	609 18 1										
Nelson ..	53	5,479 0 3	303 12 6	11	..	..	..	949	92,975 1 17	6,493 16 10	19	2,050 2 32	297	8,831 1 1	16,823 5 4	..	..	..										
Marlborough ..	5	403 3 34	26 18 8	..	..	..	..	34	2,889 3 38	143 10 9	4	487 1 21	5	579 1 21	658 14 0	..	..	..										
Canterbury ..	7	1,029 0 31	112 12 10	1	1	50 0 0	1 13 4	73	26,265 0 8	2,821 5 9	14	990 3 10	46	1,925 3 26	10,193 19 10	39	16,084 0 37	1,066 0 1										
Westland ..	4	208 0 26	20 16 0	..	..	..	..	76	3,502 2 32	200 12 6	7	247 1 18	40	1,434 3 22	1,585 4 0	60	2,411 3 35	126 10 7										
Otago ..	25	3,188 3 25	309 8 2	18	13	2,146 1 16	87 6 0	448	104,591 2 34	8,645 17 7	30	3,259 3 0	666	87,411 0 29	132,322 13 7	385	91,599 0 8	10,572 12 11										
Southland..	16	1,075 0 13	165 9 6	16	47	4,191 0 19	103 11 0	501	80,345 0 7	4,167 19 8	55	4,507 0 37	816	113,984 3 8	175,570 7 6	350	45,210 3 19	8,480 2 11										
Totals ..	304	41,376 2 37	3,574 9 2	48	133	16,123 2 17	581 10 10	3,754	536,384 2 145	125 2 11	211	21,691 2 23	3,900	386,668 0 2	2,550,374 12 11	1,280	207,957 1 30	25,543 11 5										

\* Not revalued. † Revalued. ‡ Average area per selector, 136 acres.

**Table E.—RETURN OF PERPETUAL-LEASE RURAL AND SMALL-AREA LANDS taken up during the Year ended 31st March, 1890.**

District.	Taken up during the Year.				Previous Transactions to 31st March, 1889.				Forfeitures and Surrenders during the year.				Total Area held on 31st March, 1890.				Made Freehold to 31st March, 1890.				Selectors in Arrear, 31st March, 1890.			
	No. of Selectors.	Area.	Average Upset Rent per Acre.	Annual Rental payable.	No. of Selectors.	Area.	Annual Rental payable.	No. of Selectors.	Area.	Annual Rental.	No. of Selectors.	Area.	Annual Rental.	No. of Selectors.	Area.	No. of Selectors.	Area.	No. of Selectors.	Area.	No. of Selectors.	Area.	No. of Selectors.	Amount.	
Auckland	230	54,015	1 38	0 6	1,315 14 6	226	36,210	0 21	987 13 6	2	184	2 0	4 15 0	456	88,372	0 36	2,786 13 8	1	146	3 0	10,180	0 0	471 2 10	
Hawke's Bay	44	26,693	0 22	0 9	893 8 6	173	71,003	3 21	2,938 3 5	5	1,386	2 0	42 11 7	217	95,411	2 3	3,851 11 11	..	..	..	7,111	0 5	112 8 1	
Taranaki	86	20,839	2 20	0 10	900 13 8	200	36,637	3 20	1,897 18 4	3	575	0 0	28 5 0	286	52,743	1 0	2,798 12 0	1	297	0 0	106	22,587	1 10	786 15 4
Wellington	204	80,965	3 3	0 11	9,714 12 4	538	105,465	2 7	9,173 12 10	2	742	0 0	47 8 0	528	183,951	3 32	8,953 18 6	2	56	3 20	56	13,915	0 9	636 19 7
Nelson	..	..	..	..	..	2	806	2 33	93 8 6	..	..	..	..	2	806	2 33	93 8 6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Marlborough	3	252	1 19	0 7	8 4 6	9	694	1 24	43 19 6	..	..	..	..	9	946	3 3	43 19 6	..	..	..	2	468	0 0	23 8 0
Canterbury	26	8,726	1 37	0 8	624 14 8	80	8,702	2 25	850 15 1	3	270	1 30	23 10 10	101	15,914	0 13	1,133 12 1	2	53	3 26	28	2,656	0 32	257 5 5
Westland	..	..	..	..	..	10	1,263	0 28	37 12 0	..	..	..	..	10	742	1 32	37 12 0	4	370	2 36	3	320	1 8	22 13 6
Otago	112	30,142	0 18	0 9	1,224 13 8	521	111,604	2 12	7,133 10 5	9	4,239	2 24	183 1 4	519	113,156	1 32	5,208 16 5	..	..	..	333	71,600	0 23	5,403 2 9
Southland	51	15,270	3 10	0 10	749 9 10	99	21,511	3 35	884 19 6	3	719	0 12	33 6 4	146	34,980	3 15	1,499 15 0	..	..	..	70	18,145	0 23	788 7 6
Total	756	*236,905	3 7	..	9,431 11	81,858	393,900	3 26	24,086 13 1	27	8,116	0 26	362 18 12	2,274	557,026	0 39	26,407 19 7	10	925	1 2	735	146,983	0 30	8,492 3 0

\* Average area per selector, 313 acres.

Table F.—EXCHANGES during the Year ended 31st March, 1890.

District.	Deferred Payment to Perpetual Lease.			Perpetual Lease to Deferred Payment.		
	No. of Selectors.	Area.	Annual Instalments.	No. of Selectors.	Area.	Annual Rent.
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.		A. R. P.	£ s. d.
Hawke's Bay .. .. .	..	..	..	1	101 1 24	5 14 2
Taranaki .. .. .	..	..	..	9	1,259 1 23	60 19 5
Wellington .. .. .	..	..	..	2	477 0 0	26 11 0
Otago .. .. .	2	590 0 23	81 14 6	..	..	..
Southland .. .. .	..	..	..	2	322 1 23	18 12 0
Total .. .. .	2	590 0 23	81 14 6	14	2,160 0 30	111 16 7

Table G.—RETURN OF AGRICULTURAL LEASE LANDS taken up during the Year ended 31st March, 1890.

District.	Taken up during the Year.			Forfeitures and Surrenders during the Year.			Total Area held on 31st March, 1890.			Made Freehold from Commencement of System to 31st March, 1890.			Selectors in Arrear on 31st March, 1890.		
	Number of Selectors.	Area taken up.	Yearly Rental payable.	Number of Selectors.	Area.	Yearly Rental payable.	Number of Selectors.	Area.	Total Amount Realised.	Number of Selectors.	Area.	Amount.	Number of Selectors.	Area.	Amount.
		A. R. P. £ s. d.	£ s. d.		A. R. P. £ s. d.	£ s. d.		A. R. P. £ s. d.	£ s. d.		A. R. P. £ s. d.	£ s. d.		A. R. P. £ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland .. .. .	..	..	..	66	2,010 1 2	250 5 0	27	1,304 3 35	339 2 6	31	1,550 0 0	375 11 0	..	..	..
Westland .. .. .	..	..	..	3	158 2 13	19 17 6	32	279 0 15	488 12 11	..	..	..	..	..	..
Otago .. .. .	1	53 1 56 15 0	96 0 0	85	7,014 0 20	879 7 6 1	1,295	128,055 0 26	128,015 2 6	55	5,526 1 36	1,203 9 8	..	..	..
Southland .. .. .	..	..	..	2	24 2 18	3 0 0	50	6,570 1 5	6,570 5 0	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total .. .. .	1	53 1 56 15 0	108 10 0	156	9,207 2 13	1,152 10 0 1	404	136,209 2 1	135,413 2 11	86	7,076 1 36	1,579 0 8	..	..	..

**Table H.**—RETURN of VILLAGE-SETTLEMENT LANDS disposed of for CASH during the Year ended 31st March, 1890.

District.	Village Sections.			Small-farm Sections.			Total during the Year ending 31st March, 1890.			Total Area made Freehold from Commencement of System to 31st March, 1890.		
	No. of Selectors.	Area.	Amount realised.	No. of Selectors.	Area.	Amount realised.	No. of Selectors.	Area.	Amount realised.	No. of Selectors.	Area.	Total Amount realised.
Hawke's Bay ..	11	A. R. P. 11 0 0	£ s. d. 62 0 0	3	A. R. P. 3 2 29	£ s. d. 20 11 3	14	A. R. P. 14 2 29	£ s. d. 82 11 3	221	A. R. P. 606 1 28	£ s. d. 3,919 4 7
Taranaki ..	13	9 3 0	65 0 0	..	..	..	13	9 3 0	65 0 0	283	831 3 9	6,754 0 9
Wellington ..	11	9 1 29	55 0 0	17	88 1 35	384 8 11	28	97 3 24	439 8 11	150	318 0 18	1,741 10 11
Nelson ..	30	7 2 10	150 0 0	..	..	..	30	7 2 10	150 0 0	97	12 2 22	195 0 0
Marlborough ..	..	..	..	1	2 3 25	11 12 6	1	2 3 25	11 12 6	8	12 1 11	63 6 10
Canterbury ..	4	4 0 0	120 0 0	19	183 1 30	743 18 4	23	187 1 30	863 18 4	137	1,091 2 1	4,972 12 7
Otago ..	..	..	..	24	165 0 35	303 1 10	24	165 0 35	303 1 10	80	537 2 4	1,308 7 8
Southland ..	8	6 0 26	52 10 0	18	164 2 36	344 9 8	26	170 3 22	360 19 8	482	2,371 3 22	7,529 4 11
Total ..	77	47 3 25	504 10 0	82	608 1 30	1,808 2 6	159	*656 1 15	2,276 12 6	1,398	5,782 0 35	26,483 8 3

\* Average selections, 4 acres.

**Table I.**—RETURN of VILLAGE-SETTLEMENT LANDS disposed of on DEFERRED PAYMENTS during the Year ended 31st March, 1890.

District.	Taken up during the Year.										Forfeiture.				Total Area held on 31st March, 1890.				Freeholds acquired from Commencement of System to 31st March, 1890.				Selectors in Arrear on 31st March, 1890.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
	Village Sections.					Small-farm Sections.					Total.					Area.		Yearly Instalments payable.		Area.		Yearly Instalments payable.		Area.		Total Amount realised.		Number of Selectors.		Area.		Amount.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																														
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	£ s. d.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																												
Hawke's Bay	5	4 3 29	5 16 4	4	4	62 1 38	21 2 10	9	67 1 27	26 19 2	10	68 1 18	26 3 2	75	894 3 26	342 9 0	36	272 2 20	1,006 11 5	9	78 1 23	12 10 9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	

\* Average area per selector, 10 acres.

Table J.—RETURN of VILLAGE-SETTLEMENT LANDS disposed of on PERPETUAL LEASE during the Year ended 31st March, 1890.

District.	Taken up during the Year.				Forfeitures and Surrenders during the Year.				Total Area held on 31st March, 1890.				Freehold acquired during the Year.		Selectors in Arrear on 31st March, 1890.	
	Village Sections.				Small-farm Sections.				Total.				No. of Selectors.		Area.	
	No. of Selectors.	Area.	Annual Rent payable.	No. of Selectors.	Area.	Annual Rent payable.	No. of Selectors.	Area.	Annual Rent payable.	No. of Selectors.	Area.	Annual Rent payable.	No. of Selectors.	Area.	No. of Selectors.	Amount.
Hawke's Bay	..	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	7	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	7	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	7	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	..	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	..
Wellington	..	..	..	5	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Marlborough	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Canterbury	..	..	..	18	..	..	18	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Otago	..	..	..	31	..	..	31	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Southland	..	..	..	5	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals	9	8 2 12	13 18 0	67	1,720 3 21	190 13 6	76	*1,729 1 33	204 11 6	1	25 0 0	2 10 0	2	33 1 1	10	204 0 6

\* Average area per selector, 23 acres

Table K.—RETURN of SELECTORS under the VILLAGE-HOMESTEAD SPECIAL-SETTLEMENT REGULATIONS for the Year ended 31st March, 1890.

District.	Taken up during the Year.				Forfeitures and Surrenders during the Year.				Total Area held on 31st March, 1890.				Amount advanced to Selectors during the Year.				Total Amount advanced to Selectors: Past and Current Transactions.				Payments made by Selectors during the Year.		Total Payments made by Selectors.		Selectors in Arrear on 31st March, 1890: Interest on Advances and Rent.	
	Number of Selectors.	Area Allotted.	Average Area to each Selector.	Average Rental per Acre.	Number.	Area.	Rental.	Number of Selectors.	Area.	Total Rental.	For Houses.	For Bush-felling, Grassing, and Fencing.	Total Advances.	For Houses.	For Bush-felling, Grassing, and Fencing.	Total Advances.	Payments made by Selectors during the Year.	Total Payments made by Selectors.	Number.	Area.	Amount.					
	A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.					
Auckland ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..					
Hawke's Bay	3	19 1 23	6 4 3	562	322 3 4	133 5 6	343	14 490 0 0	779 7 5	376 10 1	129 18 9	91 506 8 9	4 940 12 15	823 9 9	10 764 1 10	728 1 9	1 099 5 9	313 13 490 3	1 608 16 1	5 19 0 18	6 8 6	5 19 0 18	6 8 6			
Taranaki ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..					
Wellington	3	42 1 36	3 1 10	151	3 39 22	7 0	133	1 836 2 20	284 10 0	260 0	226 16 10	486 16 10	2 130 0 0	3 166 16 6	5 296 16 6	415 15 1	934 6 7	87 1 392 1 15	282 9 4	1 50 0 0	4 13 9	1 50 0 0	4 13 9			
Nelson ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..					
Marlborough	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..					
Canterbury	3	100 0 3	2 9 2	100	0 0 10	0 0	160	5 019 2 38	698 9 5	60 0 0	2 260 0 0	60 0 0	2 260 0 0	250 0 0	2 260 0 0	650 2 81	570 12 11	1 483 2 38	161 9 1	1 483 2 38	161 9 1	1 483 2 38	161 9 1			
Otago ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..					
Southland	11	108 1 13	3 10 4	76	4 2 25	4 16 5	65	716 1 37	175 10 8	40 0 0	21 2 6	61 2 6	736 0 0	265 13 5	1 001 13 5	135 17 10	352 11 1	464 0 5	82 6 1	464 0 5	82 6 1	464 0 5	82 6 1			
Totals ..	20	270 0 35	..	822	2976 3 5	182 3 11	823	23 552 0	232 093 18	9896 10 1	485 8	12 381 18 1	11 611 12 19	722 6	821 333 18	92 154 7	4 477 4 10	525 17 526 2	202 201 16 10	525 17 526 2	202 201 16 10	525 17 526 2	202 201 16 10			

\* Not revalued. † Revalued.

NOTE.—No advances for houses or clearings are made to new selectors under this system.

Table L.—RETURN OF SPECIAL-SETTLEMENT ASSOCIATIONS under Clause 163 of "The Land Act, 1885," or the Year ended 31st March, 1890.

District and Survey District.	Name of Special Settlements.	New Selections during the Year.		Total Area of Block.		Price per Acre.	Amount received during the Year.	Total Amount received on Current and Previous Transactions to 31st March, 1890.	Total Area held, 31st March, 1890.		Forfeitures and Surrenders during the Year.		Selectors in Arrears, 31st March, 1890.	
		No.	Area.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	No. of Selectors.	Area.	No. of Selectors.	Area.	No. of Selectors.	Amount.
Auckland—														
Waikare ..	Gordon ..	7	693 2 24	3,000 0 0	1 0 0	144 8 5	559 9 7	33 3,317 2 28	33	3,317 2 28	..	2,724 1 0	27	£ s. d. 335 1 7
Onewhero ..	Tuakau ..	..	..	3,500 0 0	1 0 0	300 10 0	758 3 6	29 2,935 1 24	29	2,935 1 24	..	2,307 2 0	23	160 0 4
Hawke's Bay—														
Norsewood ..	Waipawa ..	..	..	3,221 1 39	1 0 0	491 18 8	2,385 5 9	31 3,014 2 19	31	3,014 2 19	..	551 3 20	6	20 19 0
	Danevirke ..	..	..	1,899 1 32	1 2 6			23 1,751 3 39	23	1,751 3 39	..		..	
Wellington—														
Makuri ..	Woodville-Tiraunee ..	..	..	5,006 1 81	2 6			28 2,804 2 32	28	2,804 2 32	..	200 2 0	3	13 3 3
Apiti ..	Feilding ..	..	..	9,259 3 13	0 0			90 9,150 0 13	90	9,150 0 13	1	1,220 0 0	11	60 9 1
Makuri and Mangahao ..	Pahiatua-Puketoi ..	..	..	5,080 3 01	0 0			45 4,558 2 0	45	4,558 2 0	2	1,756 0 0	17	133 1 11
Mangahao ..	Woodville-Mangahao ..	..	..	5,256 1 15	0 0			50 5,256 1 15	50	5,256 1 15	..	803 2 0	8	44 0 8
Mangahao and Taranui ..	Wellington ..	..	..	5,537 2 36	1 0 0			92 9,221 2 35	92	9,221 2 35	..	141 0 2	21	135 18 2
Mangahao and Taranui ..	Parkville ..	..	..	5,112 0 21	1 5 0			50 5,112 0 21	50	5,112 0 21	..	1,839 1 21	19	83 10 3
Pohangina ..	Awahou-Pohangina ..	..	..	6,494 2 28	1 0 0			57 6,128 2 13	57	6,128 2 13	2	951 2 32	8	95 0 10
Apiti ..	Birmingham ..	..	..	8,790 0 01	2 6			87 8,790 0 0	87	8,790 0 0	..	579 2 0	13	30 1 6
Apiti and Ongo ..	Sandon ..	..	..	5,339 3 10	1 0 0			53 5,339 3 10	53	5,339 3 10	..	559 1 10	6	27 3 0
Mangahao ..	Masterton-Mangahao ..	..	..	4,996 2 33	1 0 0			59 4,596 2 23	59	4,596 2 23	..	830 0 0	8	75 18 0
Mangahao ..	Woodville-Mangatainoka ..	..	..	4,560 0 01	10 0 0			45 4,463 0 0	45	4,463 0 0	..	264 2 2	1	36 5 11
Mangahao ..	Masterton-Hawera ..	..	..	3,074 3 32	10 0 0			32 3,074 3 32	32	3,074 3 32	..	..	9	..
Apiti ..	Pemberton ..	..	..	7,043 0 34	1 0 0			30 7,043 0 34	30	7,043 0 34	..	..	2	..
Mangahao and Mangahoe ..	Hutt ..	39	4,276 2 19	4,276 2 19	2 0 0			79 4,276 2 19	79	4,276 2 19	..	..	..	..
Total ..		46	4,970 1	395,455 0 0	..	10,649 0	330,805 10 6	913,90,840 3 37	913	90,840 3 37	5	526 3	0	18,383 1 241,459 4 10

NOTE.—These lands are held on deferred payments.



**Table M.**—RETURN of HOMESTEAD LANDS taken up during the Year ending 31st March, 1890.

District.	Taken up during the Year.						Forfeitures.			Total Area held on 31st March, 1890.				Made Freehold since Commencement of System to 31st March, 1890.			
	Number of Selectors.	Area.			Average to each Selector.	Number of Selectors.	Area.			Number of Selectors.	Area.			Number of Selectors.	Area.		
		A.	R.	P.			A.	R.	P.		A.	R.	P.		A.	R.	P.
Auckland .. ..	19	1,751	0	0	92 0 0	11	1,498	0	0	459	76,805	0	0	171	27,930	3	0
Westland .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	40	0	0	38	1,440	0	0
Otago .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	1	69	1	9	20	2,820	1	19	..	..	..	..
Total .. ..	19	1,751	0	0	..	12	1,567	1	9	480	79,665	1	19	209	29,370	3	0

**Table N.**—RETURN of SMALL GRAZING-RUNS taken up during the Year ended 31st March, 1890.

District.	Taken up during the Year.				Forfeitures and Surrenders during the Year.				Total Area held on 31st March, 1890.				Arrears on 31st March, 1890.			
	Number of Holders.	Area.	Average Area per Selector.	Annual Rental payable.	Number.	Area.	Annual Rental.	Number of Holders.	Area.	Annual Rental.	Number.	Area.	Amount.	Number.	Area.	Amount.
Auckland .. ..	3	8,820 0 0	Acres.	£ s. d.	..	..	£ s. d.	10	25,205 0 0	156 19 6	6	13,927 0 0	£ s. d.	6	13,927 0 0	64 0 9
Hawke's Bay ..	6	21,519 1 15	..	169 8 6	1	4,531 0 0	51 0 0	44	111,180 2 2	1,120 7 9	15	42,303 1 22	302 10 6	15	42,303 1 22	302 10 6
Taranaki .. ..	2	1,895 0 0	..	23 13 10	1	640 0 0	8 0 0	7	6,036 0 0	97 17 2	4	3,261 0 0	56 5 6	4	3,261 0 0	56 5 6
Wellington ..	10	9,479 3 6	..	253 8 6	2	2,613 2 0	65 6 10	71	62,631 1 31	1,905 0 3	25	23,804 0 12	542 6 10	25	23,804 0 12	542 6 10
Marlborough ..	4	1,944 0 0	1,724	24 6 0	..	..	..	10	4,145 0 0	51 16 3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Canterbury ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	13,350 0 27	851 6 0	1	2,762 3 27	95 7 9	1	2,762 3 27	95 7 9
Otago .. ..	10	16,682 0 30	..	533 14 0	5	9,124 1 15	305 0 2	2121	270,614 2 38	8,333 19 4	71	175,911 3	12,965 1 8	71	175,911 3	12,965 1 8
Southland ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	200 0 0	5 0 0	1	200 0 0	2 10 0	1	200 0 0	2 10 0
Total .. ..	35	60,340 1 11	..	1,069 3 10	9	16,908 3	15 429 7	0 271	493,362 3 18	12,522 6	3 123	262,170 0	224,028 3 0	3 123	262,170 0	224,028 3 0



Table Q.—RETURN OF LAND AND TERRITORIAL REVENUE received during the Year ended 31st March, 1890.

	Auckland.		Hawke's Bay.		Taranaki.		Wellington.		Nelson.		Marlborough.		Canterbury.		Westland.		Otago.		Southland.		Total.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Cash lands* ..	5,018	15 2	3,225	11 10	1,365	13 6	4,375	19 2	8,330	2 6	1,037	17 6	22,445	13 3	365	0 0	3,281	4 2	2,466	17 8	46,112	14 9
Deferred payments ..	1,277	19 9	3,608	15 1	9,089	5 1	7,035	17 9	6,615	17 7	319	15 1	2,495	10 10	221	16 7	8,168	11 9	7,449	3 5	46,302	13 7
Village settlement, cash ..	..	..	82	11 3	65	0 0	711	0 10	150	0 0	11	12 6	863	18 4	..	..	303	1 10	360	19 8	2,548	4 5
Village settlement, deferred payments ..	..	..	369	14 9	124	2 4	623	8 10	..	..	2	12 6	1,323	14 1	..	..	212	9 11	768	6 3	3,424	8 3
Special-settlement associations ..	444	18 5	491	18 8	..	..	9,712	3 2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10,649	0 3
Crown grant fees ..	176	15 3	62	4 9	82	10 11	192	13 10	264	19 0	18	1 6	200	1 2	9	0 0	144	18 3	141	4 2	1,292	8 10
Transfer, lease, and license fees, &c. ..	395	5 1	201	12 6	263	6 0	648	0 0	277	8 11	19	0 0	190	10 0	69	6 0	295	18 0	304	0 0	2,604	6 6
Miscellaneous ..	145	8 11	7	7 6	286	12 0	2,927	1 3	709	2 7	88	19 6	700	13 2	80	13 0	274	2 1	1,450	16 5	6,659	8 5
Total land revenue ..	7,399	2 7	8,049	16 4	11,276	10 6	26,246	4 10	11,347	10 7	1,497	18 7	28,220	0 10	845	15 7	12,680	6 0	12,941	7 7	130,434	13 5
Perpetual lease and small areas ..	1,240	3 5	3,493	0 0	1,887	18 7	6,468	15 1	93	8 6	16	9 3	1,123	2 7	29	5 2	3,809	7 5	914	7 11	19,075	17 11
Agricultural leases ..	330	2 6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	780	18 0	8	2 6	1,150	10 6
Village-settlement perpetual leases ..	..	..	6	18 4	..	..	23	10 10	..	..	1	5 0	85	0 0	..	..	42	18 11	14	4 4	173	17 5
Village-homestead special settlements ..	728	1 9	90	17 4	..	..	415	15 1	0	7 6	21	9 0	650	2 8	..	..	111	16 2	135	17 10	2,154	7 4
Homestead ..	244	18 6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	244	18 6
Small grazing-runs ..	184	2 3	1,177	3 0	78	17 2	1,854	8 1	..	..	69	15 4	155	7 9	..	..	6,558	13 4	10	0 0	10,088	6 11
Pastoral runs ..	175	18 5	666	4 3	..	..	194	8 4	9,623	14 9	8,639	2 3	366,360	0 11	644	16 0	581	14 10	5,493	11 11	153,392	11 8
Coal and mineral leases (rents and royalties) ..	10	0 0	19	7 4	..	..	..	..	5,906	4 10	..	..	147	13 0	50	0 0	283	3 0	420	18 9	6,837	6 11
Timber licenses ..	680	8 1	..	..	..	..	40	0 0	8	5 0	72	1 0	..	..	32	0 0	86	13 0	3,550	19 10	4,470	6 11
Flax-cutting ..	45	10 0	..	..	18	12 6	..	..	2	6 0	5	11 0	..	..	53	2 6	8	5 0	37	0 0	206	14 9
Miscellaneous leases ..	178	13 0	219	14 6	60	19 11	90	0 0	184	4 0	74	14 7	159	7 2	380	11 0	154	0 0	343	14 10	1,845	19 0
Rents of reserves ..	..	..	..	..	101	0 0	51	5 3	994	13 8	853	2 11	687	19 5	32	5 0	99	14 8	..	..	2,810	0 11
Total territorial revenue ..	3,826	17 11	5,673	4 9	2,147	8 2	9,138	2 8	16,813	4 3	9,773	10 4	469,405	1 3	1,244	7 2	73,507	4 4	10,923	17 11	202,457	18 9
Grand total ..	11,226	0 6	13,723	1 1	13,423	18	35,384	7 6	28,160	14 10	11,271	8 11	97,625	2 1	1,990	2 9	86,187	10 4	23,906	5 6	322,885	12 2

\* Includes £11,477 7s. 4d., sales of Ellesmere Lake lands. † Includes rent of Ellesmere lands, £445 11s. 4d. ‡ Paid to State Forests Account.

NOTE.—This table exhibits the transactions of the department for the year, and includes the proceeds of lands which are paid over to various other funds by Act. According to the Treasury returns the following are the correct net figures: Land revenue, £87,692 4s. 2d.; territorial revenue, £199,899 4s. 6d.

**Table R.**—SUMMARY of ARREARS due to the CROWN on the 31st March, 1890.

System.	Reference to De- tail, see Table	No. of Selectors.	Area.		Amount.		
			A.	R. P.	£	s.	d.
Deferred payment .. .. .	D	1,280	207,957	1 30	25,543	11	5
Perpetual lease .. .. .	E	735	146,983	0 30	8,492	3	0
Agricultural lease .. .. .	G	86	7,076	1 36	1,579	0	8
Village settlements on deferred payment	I	247	3,495	3 23	1,586	17	10
Village settlements on perpetual lease	J	10	204	0 6	12	10	9
Village-homestead special settlements: ) Interest on advances and rents	K	525	17,526	2 20	2,201	16	10
Special-settlement associations ..	L	182	18,383	1 24	1,459	4	10
Small grazing-runs .. .. .	N	123	262,170	0 22	4,028	3	0
Pastoral runs .. .. .	O	61	377,661	1 22	1,478	14	6
Miscellaneous (not otherwise specified)	P	506	..	..	6,509	14	11
Total .. .. .	..	3,755	..	..	52,891	17	9

**Table S.**—RETURN of LANDS RESERVED, alienated by Act, Scrip, &c.

District.	During the Year ending 31st March, 1890.				Total Area reserved, granted under Acts, &c., from the Foundation of the Colony to the 31st March, 1890.
	Area reserved for Various Purposes.	Area granted under Acts.	Area taken up by Scrip.	Total Area alienated during the Year.	
	A. R. P.	A. R. P.	A. R. P.	A. R. P.	A. R. P.
Auckland .. .. .	1,607 1 28	22,939 1 0	5,276 2 0	29,823 0 28	2,781,971 2 27
Hawke's Bay .. .. .	8,002 1 12	..	..	8,002 1 12	166,116 2 5
Taranaki .. .. .	1,216 0 20	..	312 2 24	1,528 3 4	516,196 3 10
Wellington .. .. .	3,702 2 2	12,757 2 21	*	16,460 0 23	716,355 0 31
Nelson .. .. .	256 3 24	5,366 2 6	..	32,749 3 13	174,257 3 10
Midland Railway .. .. .	..	27,126 1 23	..	..	..
Marlborough .. .. .	5 0 0	..	..	5 0 0	177,975 0 7
Canterbury .. .. .	467 0 18	131 0 0	1,294 1 19	1,892 1 37	653,398 1 7
Westland .. .. .	33 2 32	..	..	33 2 32	74,812 1 19
Otago .. .. .	2,602 0 31	41 3 29	..	2,644 0 20	574,408 2 16
Southland .. .. .	35 0 12	..	13 0 0	48 0 12	536,365 1 21
Total .. .. .	17,928 1 19	68,362 2 39	6,896 2 3	93,187 2 21	6,371,857 2 33

\* Scrip having been exercised in part payment for land, the area cannot be shown.

Table T.—COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF SELECTORS AND LANDS SELECTED under the Various Systems in Force for the Ten Years ending 31st March, 1890.

Year ending 31st March,	Cash.		Deferred Payment.		Perpetual Lease.		Agricultural Lease.		Village Settlement: Cash.		Village Settlement: Deferred Payment.		Village Settlement: Perpetual Lease.		Village-homestead Special Settlement.		Special-settlement Associations.		Homestead.		Small Grazing-runs.		Year ending 31st March,
	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	
1881	2,068	195,630	895	144,337	..	..	74	6,782	..	*	259	2,095	..	..	..	..	..	..	77	11,984	..	..	1881
1882	2,232	195,390	506	98,960	..	..	41	4,603	..	*	198	1,189	..	..	..	..	..	..	55	8,525	..	..	1882
1883	1,518	164,337	500	80,125	..	..	42	4,879	..	*	64	314	..	..	..	..	..	..	38	4,378	..	..	1883
1884	1,477	144,589	624	135,603	72	14,386	56	6,410	..	*	65	251	..	..	..	..	..	..	24	4,160	..	..	1884
1885	1,242	64,975	621	69,739	111	24,410	24	2,932	..	*	85	499	..	..	..	..	..	..	31	5,628	..	..	1885
1886	770	64,383	581	58,451	138	28,166	28	4,491	78	294	69	527	..	..	..	158	16,820	35	5,880	..	..	..	1886
1887	426	32,633	557	50,527	272	50,329	14	475	65	227	112	585	..	..	896	28,700	455	43,873	49	6,977	68	105,857	1887
1888	554	28,229	319	41,100	367	72,401	15	1,222	68	66	147	1,316	..	..	309	9,451	309	31,740	28	4,220	83	156,482	1888
1889	613	68,498	397	54,419	768	204,749	11	150	143	664	99	1,182	36	622	24	345	209	19,905	11	1,050	81	161,652	1889
1890	543	46,922	304	41,376	756	236,905	1	53	159	656	75	782	76	1,729	20	270	46	4,970	19	1,751	35	60,340	1890

\* Included in Cash Lands.

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