

"THE LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS ACT, 1894."

TABLE C.—STATEMENT OF LANDS acquired to 31st March, 1897, prepared in Terms of Subsection (2) of Section 39 of the said Act—*continued*.

Name of Settlement.	Area of each Block of Land as purchased.	Locality of Land.	Quality of Land.	Name of Person or Company from whom it was bought or acquired.	Price paid to Seller to 31st March, 1897.	Price to be paid where Transaction not complete at 31st March, 1897.	Report and Valuation of Board.		Report on Conditions and Settlement of the Land.
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Marlborough Land Dist.— Blind River ..	A. B. P. 5,020 0 0	Blocks XII. and XIV., Clif- ford Bay Survey District, Marlborough Land District	Agricultural and pastoral lands	Fell, C. Y. ..	£ s. d. 14,678 10 5	£ s. d. ..	In the belief that a demand exists in the district, the Board recommends the purchase	£ s. d. 3 5 0	See Report attached.
Omaka ..	3,898 0 0	Block VI., Avon Survey Dis- trict, and Block I., Taylor Pass Survey District, Marl- borough Land District	Good agricultural land	Goulter, Charles ..	10,865 13 6	..	The land is good, and suitable for settlement. There is a demand for such land in the district, and the Board therefore recommends the purchase	2 15 9	See Report attached.
Puhi Puhi ..	320 0 0	Sections 50 and 51, Puhupuhi Survey District, Marl- borough Land District	..	Parsons, J. A. ..	..	320 0 0	The land is good, and suitable for settlement. There is a demand for such land in the district, and the Board therefore recommends the purchase	1 0 0	
Total ..	9,238 0 0	..	..	..	25,544 3 11	320 0 0			
Westland Land District— Poerua ..	3,230 1 6	Blocks X. and XIV., Te Kinga Survey District, Westland Land District	Mica-schist silt on shingle	Clark, C. ..	3,634 1 6	..	To meet the strong desire for land on the part of the people residing in the district, that Mr. Clark be offered £1 2s. 6d. an acre as a final price, and that the proposed road and other expenditure on the total expenditure on which rental will be charged does not exceed £2 an acre on an average	1 2 6	See Report attached.
Total ..	3,230 1 6	..	..	..	3,634 1 6	..			
Canterbury Land District— Albury ..	19,340 3 38	Blocks XI. and XV., Tenga- wai Survey District, and Blocks II. and III., Opawa Survey District	Land of various qua- lities: limestone, rolling downs, and a margin of stony flats	Assets Realisation Board	65,294 11 8	..	The Board recommends the acquisition of the estate, and also recommends the purchase of some 30 acres, being R.S. 18020, to avoid keeping open an un- necessary road	3 7 6	See Report attached.
Arowhenua ..	4,651 0 12	Blocks I. and II., Arowhenua Survey District, Blocks XI., XII., XV., and XVI., Ophi Survey District, and Block IX., Geraldine Survey Dis- trict	Land of various qualities	Assets Realisation Board	28,915 9 9	..	The "Downs" Block (now known as "Waiapi" Settlement) is good and suitable for settlement. The "Upper" Block (now known as "Rakitairi" Settlement) is fair ridgy land, which would do well in areas of from 250 to 500 acres each. The Board recommends the acquisition of both blocks	8 10 0 5 10 0	See Report attached.
Ashley Gorge ..	1,166 0 24	Blocks III., IV., and XVI., Ashley Survey District, and Block IV., Oxford Survey District, Canterbury Land District	Deep marshy soil on flats; the hill land fair pasture	Gould, Beaumont, and Co. (Ellis's Trustees)	4,855 19 6	..	That the land known as the "Homestead Block" is good and suitable for settlement. There is a demand for land in the district. The Government is recommended to purchase this block and 185 acres in addition at a price of £5 10s. an acre. With regard to the 440-acre block near the Ashley Bridge, as subsection (3) of section 4 of the Act it is considered this land, as low-lying country necessary for the working of the high pastoral country behind belonging to the Crown, at a price of £2 an acre	5 10 0 2 0 0	See Report attached.
Carried forward ..	25,158 0 34	..	..	..	99,066 0 11				