1900. ·NEW ZEALAND.

ASSETS REALISATION BOARD.

BALANCE-SHEET AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE HALF-YEAR ENDED 31_{ST} MARCH 1900.

Laid before Parliament in pursuance of Section 52 of "The Bank of New Zealand and Banking Act, 1895."

I, ALEXANDER MACINTOSH, the Auditor appointed under "The Bank of New Zealand and Banking Act, 1895," to audit the accounts of the Assets Realisation Board, do hereby certify:—

(1.) That I have carefully examined the attached balance-sheet marked "A" and initialled by me, and the attached statement marked "B" and initialled by me, and the accounts and other material whereon the same are based.

(2.) That the said balance-sheet and statement are correct in every particular, and truly and fully set forth the position of the Board at the date thereof, subject to the following observation: (a.) With the exception of live and dead stock on hand, all assets are taken at book-value. A. MACINTOSH, Chief Auditor.

Wellington, N.Z., 16th June, 1900.

A.—Balance-sheet at 31st March, 1900.

Liabilities.	£	s. d.	Assets.
3½ per-cent. debentures outstanding	2,500,000	0 0	£ s. d. £ s. d.
Produce advance account,—	F O 000		Stations 1,541,389 3 0
Drafts drawn against produce	70,098	0 0	Freeholds 332,078 8 0
Colonial Consignment and Distributing			Other properties 156,159 11 11
Company, London,—"Produce Ac-	0.4	0.10	Amount paid in ex-
count"	31	2 10	cess of Mr. Hean's
			valuation 54,507 0 0
			2,084,134 2 11
			Balances due by purchasers 199,288 8 7
			Realisation adjustment account 157,972 14 5
			Cash accounts 41 15 3
			Station suspense ac-
			count 1,706 17 6
			Suspense account . 351 7 6
			Accrued revenue 2,513 17 1
			Bank of New Zealand (including sta-
			tion overdrafts and credits) 52,085 10 0
			Produce consignment account 70,098 0 0
			Profit and loss account 1,936 9 7
Total	£2,570,129	2 10	Total $\pounds 2,570,129$ 2 10
10001		4 10	10001

We hereby certify that we have carefully examined the foregoing balance-sheet and statement, and also the accounts and other material whereon they are based, and that such balance-sheet and statement are correct in every particular, and truly and fully set forth the position of the Board at the date hereof.

W. C. Cuff, Accountant.

Wellington, 12th June, 1900.

WALTER G. FOSTER, General Manager.

B.—Profit and Loss Account for Twelve Months ending 31st March, 1900. £ s. 45,313 2 d. 3 87,455 10 11 Balance at 31st March, 1899 £9,162 7 5 4,048 2 6 Land-tax General charges £3,392 17 13,210 9 11 88,098 13 5 51 13 6 Rent 4,570 9 0 Interest Interest on debentures Exchange paid during the year 7,963 6 5 Revenue accrued, reversal of entry at 31st March, 1899 Deduct expenditure on account of properties 2,054 15 3 1,140 9 8 6,822 16 9 2,513 17 1 Revenue accrued

Bank of New Zealand, payment in terms of "Bank of New Zealand and Banking Act, 1895"... 50,000 0 1,936 9 7 Balance ...£148,728 14 Total .. £148,728 14 4 Total Contingent Assets. Amount outstanding at 31st March, 1900, and due by Bank of New Zealand in terms of Act £ s. d. 50,000 0 0 Amounts previously received under this 200,000 0 0 . . W. C. CUFF, Accountant.

STATEMENT of RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE for the YEAR ending 31st MARCH, 1900.

	Recei	Receipts. Expe			
Capital. Properties sold and purchased Live-stock and implements sold	£ s. d. 51,717 13 7 131,109 6 11	£ s. d	£ s. d. 47,091 5 4	£ s. d	
and purchased Redemption of debentures Permanent improvements		182,827 0 6	55,285 6 9 9,367 1 3	111,743 13	
General. Interest, &c Interest on debentures Exchange Rent Payment by Bank of New Zealand Maintenance of properties Realisation expenses and members'	4,570 9 0 3,392 17 5 50,000 0 0		88,098 13 5 51 13 6 1,140 9 8 3,337 7 11		
travelling-expenses, &c. Land-tax Charges		5 7 ,963 6 5	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	105,838 14	
Stations. Wool and other produce	82,226 15 4 684 1 8 1,111 6 9 		13,761 0 10 2,430 8 9 4,909 17 11 20,249 2 9 3,749 9 9 3,712 4 2 6,244 6 8 9,854 19 4 259 9 2		
Manure Accident insurance	255 5 8	84,277 9 5	$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		
Expenditure on permanent improvements charged to capital on account of stations	•••		9,354 7 3	66,786 9	
Balance			-	40,698 19	
	£	325,067 16	£	325,067 16	

REALISATION for Twelve Months ending 31st March, 1900.

Property.	Area.	Sale Price.	Surplus.	Deficiency.	Book Cost.	Land-tax, plus 10 per Cent.
Properties finally realised.		0 - 3	ė . a			
Auckland— Beach Road Store, part Lots 19 and 22,	A. R. P. 0 1 26	£ s. d. 1,750 0 0	£ s. d.	£ s. d. 450 0 0	£ s. d. 2,200 0 0	£ s. d. 2,200 0 0
Section 8 Lot 7, Takapuna	4 2 0	225 0 0		25 0 0	250 0 0	225 0 0
Wyndham Street Stables Lot 107, Cambridge	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	1,150 0 0 87 10 0	• •	160 0 0 29 10 0	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
Lots 274 and 276, Cambridge	200	50 0 0	•••	15 0 0	65 0 0	66 0 0
Section 6, Kohukohu Lots 5 and 8 of Allotments 86–90, Section	$egin{array}{cccc} 0 & 0 & 34 \\ 9 & 3 & 3 \\ \end{array}$	10 0 0 2,000 0 0	350 0 0	1,192 19 9	1,202 19 9 $1,650 0 0$	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
16, Auckland Part Allotment 2, Kamo, Whangarei	302 0 0	302 0 0		3,205 3 4	3,507 3 4	332 O O
Sections 32 and 34 of Allotment 50,	0 2 0	6 0 0	6 0 0	0,200 0 4	5,001 5 4 **	••
Whangarei Blenheim—						
Part 1, Section 34, Pelorus Valley Part 2, Section 37, Pelorus Valley	201 2 0	240 0 0		216 0 0	456 0 0	264 0 0
Part Section 5A, Omaka	13 3 0	400 0 0	•••	185 16 11	585 16 11	833 0 0
Lot 86 of Sections 1 and 3, Omaka Part Section 6, Omaka	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{array}{ccccc} 450 & 0 & 0 \\ 75 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$	56 9 0	325 0 0	775 0 0 18 11 0	789 0 0
Lot 2 of 16 of 4, Omaka	0 1 0	300 0 0	••	484 0 0	784 0 0	••
Canterbury— Section 713, Gloucester Street, Christ-	40 ft. x 105 ft.	650 0 0	••	950 0 0	1,600 0 0	792 0 0
church R.S. 19089, Rangiora	2 3 23	- 11 11 6		986	21 0 0	13 0 0
Dunedin—						
Leith Brewery Sections 18, 19, Block 48, Rattray Street	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	2,550 0 0 350 0 0	••	$\begin{bmatrix} 2,438 & 0 & 0 \\ 16,017 & 14 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$		3,960 0 0
Lots 12, 13, Block 1, Mornington, with four-roomed house	0 1 0	91 0 0	••	9 0 0	100 0 0	13 8 0 0
Section 123, Kelvin Grove	0 1 33	17 10 0		822 15 0	840 5 0	. ••
Kaiapoi— Part R.S. 320, Kaiapoi	0 0 16.6	110 0 0		666 0 0	776 0 0	**
Nelson— Lots 38 and 39, Haven Road	0 3 0	80 0 0		70 0 0	150 0 0	1 65 0 0
Wellington—		_		:	*	
Victoria Buildings Lot 66, Thomson Street	0 0 29·5 1 1 26	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	• •	92 18 6 561 8 6	6,092 18 6 2,561 8 6	6,039 0 0 2,487 0 0
Sections 3, 4, 149–152, Thorndon Reclama- tion	249 ft. frontage	9,200 0 0	• •	4,835 10 0	14,035 10 0	••
Winton-	0 0 95.0	750 0 0		501 1 7 7 0	1 001 157 0	
Section 15 and part 2, Block 3	0 0 35.8	750 0 0	**	581 17 0	1,331 17 0	••
Properties partially realised. Auckland—						
Lot 5, Section 61, Surrey Hills	40 ft. x 115 ft. 4 0 0	50 0 0 280 0 0		• • •		•.•
Lot 11, Section 61, Surrey Hills	38′ 6″ x 132′	49 1 9			• •	kar i
Lot 26, Section 8, Surrey Hills Lot 37, Kohukohu	52 ft. x 115 ft. 0 0 20	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	•••		• •	• •
Part Lot 3, Section 74, Surrey Hills Part Lockerbie Estate, Paddock No. 20	2 ft. x 132 ft. 18 3 14	$\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 0 & 0 \\ 282 & 11 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$	• •		*,*	• •
Lot 7, Waikato Coal Company's lands	100 1 16	35 0 0		••	••	••
Lot 21, Waikato Coal Company's lands Lot 23, Waikato Coal Company's lands	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	597 3 3 2 297 0 0	•• ′,		•,•	••
Lot 10, Waikato Coal Company's lands	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	190 1 0 353 12 0	•••	••	• •	• •
Lot 19, Waikato Coal Company's lands Lot 12, Section 63, Surrey Hills	40 ft. x 115 ft.	60 0 0		•••	••	• •
Lot 8, Section 61, Surrey Hills Lot 28, Section 5, Surrey Hills	38′ 6″ x 132′ 40 ft. x 132 ft.	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		• •	• •	• •
Lot 13 of 6 and 6a, Henderson	16 0 32 40' x 115' 6"	$\begin{array}{cccc} 12 & 3 & 0 \\ 65 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$	• .•	•.•	••	•••
Lots 8, 9, and 20 of 6 and 6A, Waipareira	65 0 0	48 15 0	••			. • •
Lot 24, Waikato Coal Company's lands Lot 13, Section 21, Surrey Hills	418 0 0 52 ft. x 115 ft.	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$				~ · ·
Sections 38 and 39, Kohukohu	0 1 0 115 ft. x 132 ft.	10 0 0	•.•	٠٠ ۾	••	••
Lot 11, Section 32, Surrey Hills Lots 26-28, Section 6, Surrey Hills	120 ft. x 132 ft.	104 0 0	• •	••	· · · ·	••
Lots 17 and 18, Section 23, Surrey Hills Lot 13, Waikato Coal Company's lands	92 ft. x 115 ft. 444 0 0	299 14 0	•.•	• •		• • •
Lots 14 and 15, Section 21, Surrey Hills	80 ft. x 115 ft.	80 0 0	*.*	•.•	••	• • •
Section 11, Rangiuru	336 0 0 0 0 20	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	•.•	••	••	• •
Lot 14, Waikato Coal Company's lands Lot 6, Section 61, Surrey Hills	565 0 0 52 ft. x 115 ft.	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	••		••	••
Lot 20, Waikato Coal Company's lands	345 0 0	172 10 0	• •		••	
Lots 10 and 11 of 6a, Waipareira Lots 36 and 37, Section 74, Surrey Hills.	14 2 16 80 ft. x 132 ft.	10 19 0 120 0 0		• •		• •
Lot 44, Karangahape Lot 6, Section 82, Surrey Hills	80 0 19 40 ft. x 115 ft.	$egin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	••	• •	••	
Lots 11 and 12, Section 21, Surrey Hills	77 ft. x 132 ft.	77 0 0	••	••	••	••
Lots 9 and 10, Section 21, Surrey Hills Lot 21, Section 10, Surrey Hills	77 ft. x 132 ft. 40 ft. x 115' 6"	57 15 0 40 0 0	• •	••	• •	••
Lot 20, Section 10, Surrey Hills Lot 36, part Victoria Estate	40' x 115' 6" 263 0 0	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	• • •	, . .		• •
Section 3, part Rangiuru	60 0 0	210 0 0		•••		
				ł.		
Lot 27, Section 5, Surrey Hills Lots 13 and 14, Section 23, Surrey Hills	40 ft. x 132 ft. 92' x 115' 6"	50 0 0 98 18 0	••			
Lots 13 and 14, Section 23, Surrey Hills			* *)	••	

REALISATION for Twelve Months ending 31st March, 1900—continued.

Properties.	Area.	Sale Pri	ice.		Surplus.	Deficiency.	Book Cost.	Land-tax, plus 10 per Cent.
Brought forward	A. R. P.	£ 1	s. (£ s. d. 412 9 0	£ s. d. 33,343 1 11		£ s. d.
Properties partially realised—continued.								
Auckland—continued. Lot 23, Section 73, Surrey Hills	52 ft. x 115 ft.	52	0	0	••			
Lot 18, Section 61, Surrey Hills	52 ft. x 115 ft.	65	0	0	••			
Lot 15, Section 23, Surrey Hills	52 ft. x 115 ft.	43		0	••		••	••
Lot 18, Section 20, Surrey Hills Lot 34B, Victoria Estate	52 ft. x 115 ft. 147 0 0	58 1 845		0	• •	::	••	••
Lot 33a, Victoria Estate	83 0 0	456 1	.0	ŏ				
Lot 15, Section 73, Surrey Hills	38' 6" x 132'			3	••	•	••	•••
Lot 27, Section 8, Surrey Hills Lots 186-188, 190-193, Huntly Township	40 ft. x 115 ft. 7 1 2			ŏ	• •		• • •	
Lot 13, Section 33, Surrey Hills	52' x 115' 6"	91	0	0	• •		••	
Lot 6, Section 83, Surrey Hills	40 ft. x 115 ft. 40 ft. x 115 ft.			0	••	••	••	••
Lot 20, Section 5, Surrey Hills Lot 8, Section 21, Surrey Hills	38' 6" x 132'	28 1		6	••	::	::/	::
Lot 27, Section 7, Surrey Hills	40 ft. x 132 ft.			0			••	
Lots 33 and 34A, Victoria Estate Lot 6, Manawaru	118 0 0 97 3 0			0 3		••	••	•••
Lots 157-164, Huntly Township	40 2 28	46 1		3	••		• •	• • •
Lots 28-30 of 6A, Waipareira	178 2 36	134	1	0		••	•• ,	••
Lots 19 and 20, Section 20, Surrey Hills Lot 4, Section 73, Surrey Hills	77 ft. x 132 ft. 40′ 5″ x 89′	67 80 1		6	• •	••	••	••
Lot 4, Section 73, Surrey Hills Lot 21, Section 72, Surrey Hills	38' 6' x 132'	52 1		9	••	::	::	•••
Lot 2, Manawaru	141 3 24	461		6	• •			••
Lot 34, Victoria Estate Lot 18, Section 73, Surrey Hills	150 0 0 38' 6" x 132'	825 52 1		9	• •	••	••	••
Lot 12, Section 32, Surrey Hills	38' 6" x 132'	80		ő	• •		::	::
Lot 13, Section 32, Surrey Hills	38' 6" x 132'			0				
Lot 11, Section 5, Surrey Hills Lot 15, Section 63, Surrey Hills	40 ft. x 132 ft. 44' 10" x 132'			$^{0}_{2}$	• •	••		•••
Lot 15, Section 63, Surrey Hills Lots 15-17, Section 61, Surrey Hills	120 ft. x 115 ft.			ő	• •		• • •	•••
Lot 16, Section 73, Surrey Hills	38′ 6″ x 132′			6				
Lot 16, Section 21, Surrey Hills Lot 10, Section 83, Surrey Hills	40 ft. x 115 ft. 40' 8" x 115'	50 55 1		$\frac{0}{4}$	• •			• •
Lots 21 and 22, Section 20, Surrey Hills	77 ft. x 132 ft.	86 1		6	• •			
Lot 17, Section 10, Surrey Hills	40 ft. x 132 ft.			0	• • ,		••	
Lot 17, Section 21, Surrey Hills Lot 12 of 6A, Waipareira	40' x 115' 6" 15 2 4	50 11 1		0				
Sections 39 and 40 of 6 and 6A, Waipareira	84 1 8	63	4	6				
Lot 12, Section 73, Surrey Hills	38′ 6″ x 132′	62 1		3		••		
Lot 1, Manawaru Lot 7, Section 82, Surrey Hills	146 0 9 37' 5" x 132'			$\frac{0}{7}$	• •		• •	••
Section 8, Waharoa Extension	153 0 0	497	5	o				
Lots 56 and 57, Morrinsville Township,	1 0 0	100	0	0	••			••
with cottage Lots 1-3, Section 23, Surrey Hills	132' x 115' 6"	231	0	0	• •			
Lots 14 and 15, Section 67, Surrey Hills	80' x 115' 6"	240	0	0				
Section 10, Waharoa Lots 47 and 48 of 6A, Waipareira	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	150 80 1		0	• •	••	••	
Lots 47 and 48 of 6A, Waipareira Lot 11, Section 83, Surrey Hills	52 ft. x 115 ft.	71 1		ŏ	• •		::	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Lot 10, Section 19, Surrey Hills	38′ 6″ x 132′			6	• •			
Lots 32 and 29, Kohukohu Iron chimneys at Onehunga Ironworks	0 1 0		-	0			::	••
Waharoa Bakery on Section 18, and part	0 1 1.8			ŏ	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •			
Township Section 12, Block 14	7 7 0 00	107 1	c					
Lot 22, Pa Estate Lots 21 and 22, Section 6A, Waipareira	7 3 26 81 0 25	$\begin{bmatrix} & 197 & 1 \\ & 60 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$		3 4			::	::
Small piece of land, part Waharoa	0 1 0	13	0	0				
Lot 1, Section 12, Surrey Hills	52 ft. x 115 ft. 1 1 17	130 7 1		0		• •		••
Lot 106, Karekare Lots 432–436, Ngaruawahia	1 1 1 0			ŏ	• •			::
Lot 14, Section 73, Surrey Hills	38′ 6″ x 132′			3				
Section 28, Kohukohu	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		-	0				• •
Lot 8, Section 14, Surrey Hills	52' x 115' 5"	58 1		ŏ	• •			
Lot 23-28, Section 2, Surrey Hills	240 ft. x 115 ft.	262 1		0				••
Lot 7, Section 21, Surrey Hills Lot 21, Pa Estate	38' 6" x 132' 7 3 11	38 1 195		$\frac{0}{4}$	• •	::	•••	••
Lot 4, Manawaru (finally realised)	160 0 18	880 1	2	6	For surplus	and book cost	see end.	•••
Lot 17, Section 73, Surrey Hills	38' 6" x 132'			6	••	• • •	••	• •
Lots 44 and 45, Huntly Township Lot 14, Section 17, Surrey Hills	0 2 0 40 ft. x 115 ft.			0	••	::	::	• •
Lot 9, Section 24, Surrey Hills	38′ 6″ x 132′	33 1	3	9	• •			
Lot 7 of 5a, Henderson	47 3 28 2 ft. frontage	35 1 65		0		••	• • •	•••
Part Fort Street property Lots 11 and 12, Kohukohu	0 0 32			ŏ	• • •		::	
"Old Cottage," Pa Estate				0	• •			••
Plant and machinery, Onehunga Iron- works	••	1,700	0	0	••	• •	• •	••
Part Lot 6, Manawaru	4 0 32	24	3	0	• •			
Adjustment of Area, 2 a. 0 r. 6 p., at £2 10s.	2 0 6			6				
per acre, Lot 36, Victoria Estate	51 0 29	38	7	6				
Fencourt, Whitehall, and part Karapiro	16,148 0 5	38,963 1		7	• •			••
Part Waharoa (Vowless Deposit)	••	5	0	0	• •		ļ ·· ',	••
Sale of timber on sections at Hamilton Blenheim—	••	18	0	0	••		••	••
Blairich Estate	8,489 0 0	10,000	0	0	• •		••	••
Carried forward		97,851	8	4	412 9 0	33,343 1 11	61.786 4 5	
Carried forward		01,001	-	- 1	U	Land Tar	oriton at o	• •

REALISATION for Twelve Months ending 31st March, 1900—continued.

Properties.	Area.	Sale Price.	Surplus.	Deficiency.	Book Cost.	Land-tax, plus 10 per Cent.
Brought forward	A. R. P.	£ s. d. 97,851 8 4	£ s. d. 412 9 0	£ s. d. 33,343 1 11	£ s. d. 61,786 4 5	£ s. d.
Properties finally realised.						l .
Canterbury— Rangitata Estate	5,593 1 20	11,186 15 0) 42			
Lot 10, Glentui Estate	238 0 0 305 0 20	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	cost	••	•••	••
" 11, " "	403 0 8	1,309 18 3	and book end.			
, 4, , ,	165 2 3	1,034 9 10	1 bo	••	•••	••
" 1, " "	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	end end			i ::
" 14, " "	1,300 0 0	4,550 0 0				
" 15, " "	329 3 16 575 0 0	1,484 6 6 862 10 0	surplus		::	
" 17, " "	746 0 0	1,492 0 0				
" 18, " "	364 0 4 936 0 20	855 9 2 1,638 4 5	For			••
" 19 , " "	950 0 20	1,000 ± 0			• •	
Properties partially realised.	415 0 0	0.075 0.0				
Lot 16, Waihaorunga Estate	415 0 0 235 0 0	$egin{array}{ccccc} 2,075 & 0 & 0 \\ 1,128 & 0 & 0 \\ \end{array}$::		• •	.:
" 1 3, " "	328 0 0	1,558 0 0				
" 14, " " " "	314 0 0 508 0 0	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$.:		••	
, 1, , ,	70 2 0	282 0 0				
Part Lot 2, " "	154 1 27	424 13 0	••			••
Belfast lands: sundry proceeds of sales per N.Z. Loan and Mercantile Agency		407 0 6	••		••	•••
Company		041 14 0				
Compensation for improvements on runs 145 and 145a, Glentui	•••	341 14 9	••	• • •	••	••
Part R.S. 320, Kaiapoi	0 1 0	140 0 0				
Dunedin— Sections 20-23, Block 48, Rattray Street	0 2 0	700 0 0		i		
Sections 15 and 16, Block 48, Rattray Street	0 1 0	350 0 0			::	
Section 17, Block 48, Rattray Street	0 0 20	175 0 0	• •	• •		
Grand Pacific Hotel, Musselburgh Sections 145 and 159, Ravensbourne	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	1,500 0 0	· ·	::	::	
Sections 12 and 13, Bishopscourt	0 2 0	70 0 0		.,	::	
Section 17, Kelvin Grove	0 0 17 0 0 19	19 5 0 18 10 0			••	
Section 20, Kelvin Grove Sections 15 and 16, Block 14, Musselburgh	0 0 36	18 10 0 54 0 0	• •	::	::	
Township						
Section 3, Block 15, Musselburgh T'ship. Sections 1 and 5-8, Block 16, Musselburgh	$\begin{array}{ccccc} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \end{array}$	$egin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	• •	••	••	•••
Township	0 2 0	144 0 0	• •	••		
Sections 9-11, Block 16, Musselburgh	0 1 14	100 10 0	• •		••	••
Township Sections 12-19, Block 16, Musselburgh	0 3 26	280 0 0				
Township						
Sections 32-39, Block 16, Musselburgh Township	0 3 26	196 0 0	••	••	••	
Sections 2 and 3, Block 17, Musselburgh	0 1 0	71 0 0				, .
Township	0.1.0					ļ
Sections 18-20, Block 17, Musselburgh Township	0 1 0	99 0 0	••	•••	••	•••
Section 21, Block 17, Musselburgh T'ship.	0 0 18	42 10 0	••			
Sections 3 and 4, Block 18, Musselburgh Township	0 0 36	73 0 0	••	• • •	••	•••
Sections 5-8, Block 18, Musselburgh	0 1 32	138 0 0	••			
Township	0 000					
Sections 21 and 22, Block 18, Musselburgh Township	0 0 36	73 0 0	••	••	••	
Sections 25 and 26, Block 18, Musselburgh	0 0 36	71 0 0	••			
Township Sections 27 and 28, Block 18, Musselburgh	0 0 36	71 0 0				
Township	0 0 36	71 0 0	• •	•••		••
Sections 34-38, Block 18, Musselburgh	0 2 10	180 0 0				
Township Sections 55-57, Block 18, Musselburgh	0 0 36	88 10 0				
Township			• •			
Section 58, Block 18, Musselburgh T'ship	0 0 18 0 0 18	38 10 0				
Section 59, Block 18, Musselburgh T'ship Section 60, Block 18, Musselburgh T'ship	0 0 18	38 0 0 47 10 0	••			
Sections 1 and 2, Block 19, Musselburgh	0 0 36	56 0 0				
Township Section 3, Block 19, Musselburgh T'ship	0 0 18	28 0 0				
Sections 4 and 5, Block 19, Musselburgh	0 0 36	49 0 0		::		
Township	0.000	£0 0 0	•			
Sections 19 and 20, Block 21, Musselburgh Township	0 0 36	50 0 0	• •	•••	••	••
Sections 23 and 24, Block 21, Musselburgh	0 0 36	50 0 0				••
Township Sections 25 and 26, Block 21, Musselburgh	0 0 36	50 0 0				
Township	0 0 00	50 0 0	• •	••	•••	••
Sections 27 and 28, Block 21, Musselburgh	0 0 36	50 0 0	• •	••		
Township Sections 3 and 4, Block 22, Musselburgh	0 1 20	50 0 0				
Township	0 1 20		••		••	••
Carried forward		143,740 12 7	412 9 0	33,343 1 11	61 796 4 =	
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Realisation for Twelve Months ending 31st March, 1900—continued.

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Township Sections 39 and 30, Block 23, Musselburgh Township Section 1, Block 23, Musselburgh Township Lote 1, Block 23, Musselburgh Township Lot 13, Block 23, Musselburgh Township Lot 14, Burgh Township Lot 2, Block 23, Musselburgh Township Lot 2, Burgh Lot 2, Burg	Dunedin—continued.	0 1 00	75 0 0				
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W. C. Cuff, Accountant.

GENERAL MANAGER'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH, 1900.

Wellington, 18th June, 1900. Meeting held, 19th June, 1900. (No. 6/4.) I have the honour to submit balance-sheet and profit and loss account for year ending 31st March, 1900, and to report that the conduct of the business by the Board has proved extremely satisfactory, not only from a revenue-earning but also from a realisation point of view.

The working and management of station properties shows a surplus of £87,455 10s. 11d., or equal to £5.92 per cent. on book cost and £8.88 per cent. on my valuation.

A proportion of this (£11,855) was surplus over drafts against London consignments unrealised at the 31st March, 1899, and this deducted from the total surplus leaves as the net actual profit of the year the sum of £75,600, which gives £5.14 per cent. on book cost and £7.68 on my valuation.

The statement below gives returns each year from the commencement of the Board's

existence:-

	1896.	1897.	1898.	1899.	1900.
	£	£	£	£	£
Station properties	58,493	56,336	43,296	42,841	87,455
Sundry properties	6,295	6,897	6,659	7,031	6,822

showing approximately an average net earning for the period 1895 to 1900 as follows:---

	On Book Cost.	On my Valuation.	For Year to 31st March, 1900, on latest Government Valuation (1898)
Station properties	3:52 per cent.	5·16 per cent.	plus Stock. 9·26 per cent.
Sundry properties	1·10 per cent.	On Land-tax plus 10 per cent. 1.65 per cent.	3.30 per cent.

(2.) STATUTORY PAYMENTS BY BANK OF NEW ZEALAND

Have been fully complied with in respect of amounts due to the 31st March, 1899, and at date of writing I am advised that cheque is about to reach us for the amount due to the 31st March last-£50,000.

(3.) DEBENTURES AND DEBENTURE INTEREST.

The amount redeemed to the 31st March, 1900, is £180,285, and we are now in a position to repay £75,000, with additional £50,000 as soon as we receive the bank's statutory amount.

Debenture interest (£88,098 13s. 5d.) has been paid prompt to date, and has been provided for as under :-

From surplus from 1898–99	•••	•••	•••	4,686 17	
From surplus from 1899–1900 operations From statutory payment by bank	• • • •	•••	•••	81,474 16 50,000 0	
			;	£136,161 13	8

Leaving a surplus of £48,063 to carry forward.

(4.) REALISATIONS.

The sales have been made in larger volume and to greater value than last year, and embrace 46,429 acres of country lands, realising £111,137, and town and suburban lands and sundries to the value of £43,300.

The enhanced value of produce and stock has been responded to in land, and prices hitherto

unobtainable have been secured.

Nothing has been lost by the Board's policy of feeding the market in no greater quantity than could be absorbed at fair values, and we have succeeded in all cases in selling at or over reserve

prices without difficulty.

The keenest inquiry experienced has been in the South Island, where certain of our estates have been cut up and sold at considerable advance on the prices quoted for the estate as a whole, Glentui having far exceeded anticipations. It is certain that the concluding sale of Glentui freehold was well timed, and had the Board's operations not been somewhat precipitated by outside representations, and we had not sold any portion prior to the 21st December, 1899, we should have had a considerable addition to our surplus on this property.

The sales for the year are as follows:-

Land Stock and implements on proper	ties finally	realised	 •••	$154,437 \\ 13,909$
				£168,346

Land sales being £34,917 in excess of previous year.

The proportion of sales to book cost (£2,731,706) is 21.4, and to land-tax valuation, plus 10 per cent. for sundry properties, and my valuation for station properties, which together total £1,895,179, it is 30.79.

The sales for the period 1895-1900, including stock, total £583,571, as follows:—

		Deficiency on Book Cost (including Realisation Expenses, &c.).	Book Cost.
Sales of properties finally closed	£	£	£
1895-1900 (including stock)	360,534	157,972	518,506
Properties partially sold, 1895-	•		
1900	223,037		
	£583,571		

The localities in which sales have been made are as follows:—

		Estates.	Farms.	Town Sections.	Suburban Properties.		£
Auckland		4	93	538	151	٠	158,819
Canterbury		3	59	18	63		206,056
Hawke's Bay			•••	9			2,304
Otago		2	5	564	95		65,817
Marlborough		1	4	63	6	٠	19,414
Wellington			17	29	1	• • •	86,289
							£538,699
Sundry proceeds:				fire insuran	ce received,	&с.	7,810
Stock sales on pro	perties	finally cl	osed	•••	•••	•••	37,062
					•		£583,571

(5.) STATION PROPERTIES.

It is satisfactory to record considerable advance in values of most of our staple products. This is especially the case in respect of merino and fine crossbred wools, and in consequence our Marlborough country is returning handsomely.

As previously referred to, our returns from working are much ahead of last year, and compare very favourably with any similar period for many years, notwithstanding that we have sold so many of the best revenue-earning estates.

Comparison of Actual Profits for Five Years, Stations sold during that Period being omitted.

Year ending 31st March,				Actual Profit.		Per Cent. on Book Cost.		Per Cent. on my Valuation.
1896				36,408		2.29		$2 \cdot 79$
1897		•••		53,187		3.30		4.49
1898				32,578		2.05		2.82
1899				61,606		3.97		5.64
1900		•••		*75,371		5 ·13	• • •	7.66
Average	retur	n for five	years	51,830	•••	3.34	•••	4.68

The estates sold during the year comprise:-

			Wh	ole.				Acres.
Fencourt, Wh	nitehall, '	Victoria, b	alance of	Karapir	0			16,964
Blairich	• • •	• • •		•••				8,489
Rangitata		•••	• • •	• • •		• • •	• • •	5,593
			TD 7					
<u> </u>			Bala	nce.				F 240
Glentui	•••	•••		• • •	···	•••	• • •	5,649
			Part	s of				
Kakare								711
Lockerbie				ç .				18
Matamata							,	203
Manawaru	• • •							550
Rangiuru		• • •		• • •				396
Eskbank		• • •	• • •			• • •		709
Waihaorunga		•••	•••		•••		•••	2,767
								42,049

^{*} For comparison the balance of profit and loss account (£229 3s. 5d.), Rangiatea and Rangitata, is deducted. In the former the profit was the surplus on the previous year's wool, and the latter was only worked for the first three months of the year.

(6.) Comparison of Operations, 1899 with 1900.

· ·			m .	Grassing.		Oats.		Oaten Hay.		si	ling.		
	Year.	· ·	Rape.	Turnips (alone).*	With Plough.	Surface- sown.	Acres.	Bush. per Acre.	Acres.	Tons per Acre.	Draining	Bushfelling.	Olearing.
1899 1900		•••	Acres. 3,047 2,243	Acres. 10,915 9,015			2,094 762		1,827 1,972	Est. 1 1	Chains. 1,157 669	Acres. 1,603 736	3,654
Increa Decre			 804	1,900	4,409	3,211	1,332	 2	145		488	867	2,261

^{*} In most cases turnips were also sown with grass.

(7.) Working-expenses.

Working-expenses show a decrease on the previous year of £5,108. The only items showing any increase are for regrassing and permanent improvements.

					1899.	1900.
Renewing pastures		• •••			£9,401	£11,146
Implements—depreciation					1,260	1,366
Cost of turniping	•••				17.708	16,525
General expenses, wages, r	epairs, rates	, feed, &c.			38,612	34,955
Rent and interest					3,967	1,684
Rabbiting					1,490	1,201
Grain-growing for sale (at)					857	906
		•				
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					73,295	67,783
Permanent improvements	•••	• • • •	•••	• • •	8,951	9,355
					£82,246	£77,138
					204,210	211,100

(8.) SALES OF STOCK.

Comparison of sales for the two years ending 31st March, 1900:-

Sheep.

Year.	Number sold.	Net Proceeds.	Average.	Number frozen.	Net Proceeds.	Average.	Total disposed of.	Net Proceeds.	Average.
1899 1900	89,770 86,906	£ 33,312 42,609	£ s. d. 0 7 5	s.16,468 l. 6,360 s.15,720 l. 3,662	£ 10,153 2,963 10,292 2,278	£ s. d. 0 12 4 0 9 4 0 13 1 0 12 5	112,598 106,288		£ s. d. 0 8 3 0 10 5

Cattle.

	4,191 5,276				407	2,683	6 11 10	4,191 5,683	24,570 29,932	5 17 3 5 5 4
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^{*} Value of frozen meat is estimated.

Sheep.—The total number of sheep sold during the year is 86,906, and frozen 19,382, averaging 9s. 10d. and 13s. respectively, or an average of 2s. 2d. per head more than the previous year, equal to £11,514.

Cattle have not returned so well in the aggregate, but the reduced average per head is due to the clearing sale at Fencourt, at which young cattle only were disposed of. Relatively to age, however, our sales have been more profitable.

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(9.) STOCK ON HAND AND VALUATION AT 31ST MARCH, 1900.

			1899.	· -		1900.	
		No. on Hand.	Valuation.	Average.	No. on Hand.	Valuation.	Average.
				Sheep.			
North Island—			£	£ s. d.		£	£ s. d.
Waikato Other estates	•••	$\begin{array}{c} 126,872 \\ 65,252 \end{array}$	$60,272 \\ 27,947$	0 9 6 0 8 6	$112,754 \\ 64,368$	57,002 31,487	0 10 1 0 9 9
South Island		192,124 66,118	88,219 24,921	0 9 2 0 7 6	177,122 63,662	88,489 33,873	0 10 0 0 10 8
		258,242	113,140	0 8 9	240,784	122,362	0 10 2
		¥	(Cattle.			
North Island— Waikato Other estates	•••	14,374 5,966	43,868 19,195	$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$	12,642 4,770	39,317 16,304	3 2 2 3 8 4
South Island	•••	20,340 60	63,063 172	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	17,412 57	55,621 202	3 3 11 3 10 11
	i	20,400	63,235	3 2 0	17,469	55,823	3 3 11

Sheep show an increase in valuation of 1s. 5d. per head on previous year, and since the 31st March market-values have risen considerably.

Cattle also show an increase of 1s. 11d., with increasing values since balance.

(10.) Wool-CLIP.

	1899.		1900.				
	Number shorn.	Average Weight of Fleece.		.,	Number shorn.	Average Weight of Fleece.	
Sheep shorn Lambs shorn	 280,514 43,152	lb. oz. 7 12 2 13	Sheep shorn Lambs shorn		235,596 45,333	lb. oz. 7 12 2 9	

(11.) NET RETURN EOR TWO YEARS.

	18	99.			1900.	,
	Net Weight.	Net Return at Port of Shipment (excluding Insur- ance).	Average per Lb.	Net Weight.	Estimated Net Return at Port of Shipment (exclud- ing Insurance).	Average per Lb.
Greasy Scoured	lb. 1,978,018 204,414	60,720 8,396	d. 7·37 9·86	1,745,904 127,056	£ 55,623 5,260	d. 7·64 9·88

(12.) Lambing.

Ewes to Ram.	Lambs cut and tailed.	Percentage.	Ewes to Rams.	Lambs cut and tailed.	Percentage.
1899.	1899.	1899.	1900.	1900.	1900.
110,485	87,337	79	105,517	82,649	78

(13.) MORTALITY.

	She	ep.		-	Catt	le.	
Dead or	Per						
Missing.	Cent.	Missing.	Cent.	Missing.	Cent.	Missing.	Cent.
1899.	1899.	1900.	1900.	1899.	1899.	1900.	1900.
19,221	5·88	25,883	8·83	1,138 #	5·23	552	2·70

The foregoing statements, Nos. 10 to 13, call for no special comment, the average weight of clip showing no difference. The lambing is about the same. Mortality shows higher, and is attributable to special losses amongst hoggets, and snow losses in high country.

The year as a whole has been favourable as regards seasons, although the summer has been

excessively dry, and at one time our root-crops in both Islands were severely threatened.

Wool made upwards towards the end of 1899, but except in the finer qualities the market was not long sustained. The surplus on wool shipments, which I anticipated in last report, was realised, and I am sanguine that the prices at which we have taken our shipments into account this year will be exceeded.

Inquiry for land is still active. We have made further substantial sales, and anticipate heavy

clearance during the current year.

(14.) London Consignments.

Wool.—Our consignments of this product afloat and unrealised amount to 4,732 bales, and it is matter for regret that prospects are not as encouraging as from the markets of last year we were led to hope. In view, however, of the decline in the market our valuation as at the 31st March is made on safe lines.

Frozen Meat and other Produce is selling remarkably well, and considerable surpluses over drafts are anticipated.

Walter G. Foster, General Manager.

(Memorandum.)

Wellington, 25th June, 1900.

Statutory Payment by Bank of New Zealand.

Referring to paragraph 2: Cheque for £50,000 was paid by the Bank of New Zealand on the 15th June, 1900.

WALTER G. FOSTER, General Manager.

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