

- (2.) Tenures on which land may be obtained and occupied, and whether change is desirable:
 Lease in perpetuity best system for poor man—no option of freehold should be allowed in these leases, 4.
 Lease-in-perpetuity tenure satisfactory, but partial freehold should be granted by paying off part of capital value, 2.
 Lease with option of purchase is preferable, 1.
 Westland pastoral-lease regulations very good tenure, 3.
 Crown should own all the land, 2.
- (3.) Whether Crown tenants labour under restrictions, &c. :
 Pastoral leases should allow of compensation for improvements, 1.
 Temporary grazing licenses should allow of compensation for improvements, 1.
- (4.) Whether residential conditions are too exacting, and require relaxing:
 Satisfactory conditions, but Land Boards should have more discretionary power, 1.
- (5.) If alterations in law regarding tenure and occupation are necessary:
 Special legislation is needed in Westland District, 1.
- (6.) Homestead system:
 Favours introduction into Westland District, 1.
- (7.) As to working of present ballot system and applications for land:
 Present system of ballot is good, 1.
 Only eligible applications should be admitted to ballot, 1.
 No grouping should be made in ballot, 1.
- (8.) Area and amount of loading for roads, how expended, &c. :
 System of loading fairly satisfactory, but Government should also subsidise amount, 2.
 Loading for roads should be paid off gradually, 1.
 Loading has not been expended very well, 2.
 Expenditure of loading has been satisfactory, 1.
- (9.) Value of land now leased from Crown when so leased and at last valuation:
 Value is steadily increasing, 1.
- (10.) Whether Crown tenants are placed at disadvantage in borrowing privately or from Advances to Settlers Office:
 Advances to settlers good system, but not much availed of in Westland District, 2.
 Advances to settlers satisfactory system to tenants, 1.
 System requires amending, as too slow and unsatisfactory, 1.
- (11.) Condition and position of Crown tenants:
 Prosperous, 1.
- (13.) As to aggregation of estates and area to be held by settlers, &c. :
 No aggregation of estates in Westland, 1.
 No variation needed in limitation of areas, 1.

General remarks—

Administration of mining areas by Warden satisfactory, 1.

CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

Occupation of witnesses—

Farmers, 90.
 Runholders, 13.
 Sheep-buyer, 1.
 Builders, 2.
 Painter, 1.
 Tinsmith, 1.
 Ex-schoolmasters, 2.
 Labourers, 3.
 Director, Agricultural College, 1.
 Wool-sorter, 1.
 Gardener, 1.
 Carpenter, 1.
 Commissioner of Crown Lands, 1.
 Crown Lands Ranger, 1.

(1.) Constitution of Land Boards:

In favour of present nominative system, 43.
 Board should possess greater discretionary powers, 6.
 Crown tenants should be represented on Board, 6.
 Board should be elected, 6.