

SESSION II.
1906.
NEW ZEALAND.

“ THE LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS CONSOLIDATION ACT,
1900 ”
(REPORT ON).

*Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly in compliance with Subsection (2), Section 73, of
“The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900.”*

The LAND PURCHASE INSPECTOR to the Right Hon. the PRIME MINISTER.
SIR,—
Land for Settlements Department, Wellington,
19th May, 1906.

I have the honour to submit a report of the operations under the Land for Settlements Act for the year which ended on the 31st March, 1906.

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|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|----|----|
| At the beginning of the financial year the account opened with a credit balance of ... | £ | s. | d. |
| During the year debentures were sold amounting to ... | 716,697 | 17 | 7 |
| Rent, interest, credits, and recoveries amounted to ... | 473,725 | 0 | 0 |
| | 204,466 | 10 | 0 |
| Making a total at the credit of the account during the year of ... | £1,394,889 | 7 | 7 |

| | | | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|----|----|
| Land purchases during the year amount to ... | £ | s. | d. |
| There was expended on roads, surveys, raising debentures, and departmental expenses ... | 780,632 | 12 | 5 |
| Interest on debentures amounted to ... | 47,422 | 0 | 5 |
| Leaving a balance in the account to begin the new year of ... | 162,760 | 3 | 7 |
| | 404,074 | 11 | 2 |
| | £1,394,889 | 7 | 7 |

The Land for Settlements Account may be thus stated:—

| Dr. | £ | Cr. | £ |
|--------------------------|------------|-------------------------|------------|
| Loans raised ... | 4,584,507 | Purchase-money ... | 4,122,648 |
| Rents, &c., received ... | 947,040 | Incidental expenses ... | 285,746 |
| | | Interest ... | 719,078 |
| | | Balance ... | 404,075 |
| | £5,531,547 | | £5,531,547 |

The value of the land paid for at the 31st March, 1906 (including expenses) is £4,408,394, and the receipts for last year are equal to 4·57 per cent. of that sum, although sixteen estates, which cost £229,996, had not been opened for selection, and in forty estates land valued at £8,182 per annum was unlet, and consequently yielded no income.

There were twenty-two estates finally paid for last year, having an area of 269,399 acres; and of this area six estates, containing 242,403 acres, were opened for selection.

Besides these completed purchases there were eight estates, with an area of 17,778 acres, the purchase of which was arranged for at a cost of, say, £134,944, payment for which will come into 1906-7.

There were purchased thirteen estates of under 200 acres each, and nine estates over that area. The smaller properties are near towns, and are partly intended for workers' dwellings. The distribution is as follows:—

| Estates. | | | | | | containing | Acres. |
|--------------|-----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|------------|----------------|
| Auckland, | 5 | ... | ... | ... | ... | | 159,574 |
| Wellington, | 11 | ... | ... | ... | ... | " | 26,529 |
| Marlborough, | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | " | 45,368 |
| Canterbury, | 3 | ... | ... | ... | ... | " | 15,993 |
| Otago, | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | " | 21,929 |
| Southland, | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | " | 6 |
| | <u>22</u> | | | | | | <u>269,399</u> |

A statement of the present condition of the various settlements will be found in the Report of the Lands and Survey Department. The usual tables required by the Act are appended.

The number of properties inspected on the ground was 111, of which nine were in Auckland, twenty-four in Hawke's Bay, thirty-nine in Wellington, twenty-three in Canterbury, fourteen in Otago, and two in Southland. These properties range in area from 5 acres to 30,000 acres, the total area inspected being 469,000 acres.

The Land Purchase Board held forty-five meetings during the year—viz., five in the Auckland District, five in the Hawke's Bay District, one in Taranaki, twenty-three in the Wellington District, six in Canterbury, three in Otago, and two in Southland.

The purchase of 311 estates, containing 911,118 acres, was considered at these meetings, and of these estates sixty-one, containing 241,103 acres, were recommended for purchase. The Government approved of the recommendations concerning fifty-four of these estates, having an area of 236,584 acres.

The total area now owned by the Crown in the Land for Settlements Account is contained in 158 estates, of a total area of 985,623 acres. Within the 142 estates opened for selection there are 754,887 acres leased to 3,556 tenants. They have 579,833 acres in new grass, 61,670 acres in white crop, 35,980 acres in green crop, and there are 177,404 acres in native grass, bush, scrub, orchard, swamp, gardens, &c. The number of live-stock amounts in all to 709,645 sheep, 49,995 cattle, 10,781 horses, and 2,643 pigs.

Proposals for the purchase of some large estates in Auckland, Hawke's Bay, Otago, Nelson, Marlborough, Wellington, and Canterbury are now under consideration.

| The following is the usual summary:— | Number. | Acres. | Prime Cost. £ |
|------------------------------------------------------|------------|----------------|------------------|
| Estates purchased at 31st March, 1905 | 136 | 716,224 | 3,342,015 |
| Estates purchased during year 1905-6 | 22 | 269,399 | 780,633 |
| | <u>158</u> | <u>985,623</u> | <u>4,122,648</u> |
| Acquired but not paid for nor prepared for selection | 8 | 17,778 | 134,944 |

I have, &c.,

A. BARRON,

Land Purchase Inspector,

Chairman of the Board of Land Purchase Commissioners.

The Right Hon. Richard John Seddon, Prime Minister.

P.S.—Since the above report was put into type the Minister whose effective policy directed the operations of the Department ceased from his labours.

As the administrative successor of John McKenzie, Richard John Seddon displayed in this part of his government equal vigour and foresight in a wider range. He was prompt in his dealings and steadfast in his purpose to meet the wants of the people of New Zealand.

Some of the results of the administration by the Government of which these two Ministers were powerful members are given in this report.

14th June, 1906.

TABLE A.—SUMMARY of all LANDS OFFERED to the GOVERNMENT under "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900," and its amendments, from 1st April, 1905, to 31st March, 1906, and how dealt with.

| Land District. | Estates offered. | | Not recommended for Purchase. | | Recommended for Purchase. | | Under Consideration by the Board on 31st March. | | Withdrawn from Negotiations. | | Total. |
|----------------|------------------|--------------|-------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|------------|--------------|
| | No. | Area. | No. | Area. | No. | Area. | No. | Area. | No. | Area. | |
| | | A. R. P. | | A. R. P. | | A. R. P. | | A. R. P. | | A. R. P. | |
| Auckland | 56 | 236,231 3 38 | 26 | 86,194 1 38 | 10 | 13,184 2 0 | 19 | 130,853 0 0 | 1 | 6,000 0 0 | 236,231 3 38 |
| Hawke's Bay | 34 | 290,267 0 0 | 9 | 63,990 0 0 | 7 | 66,515 0 0 | 14 | 134,832 0 0 | 4 | 24,930 0 0 | 290,267 0 0 |
| Taranaki | 10 | 15,568 0 0 | 4 | 5,667 0 0 | 1 | 3,780 0 0 | 5 | 6,121 0 0 | .. | .. | 15,568 0 0 |
| Wellington | 102 | 62,218 3 39 | 68 | 12,603 1 31 | 23 | 27,260 2 12 | 7 | 2,320 1 36 | 4 | 20,034 2 0 | 62,218 3 39 |
| Nelson | 1 | 4,480 0 0 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 4,480 0 0 | .. | .. | 4,480 0 0 |
| Marlborough | 3 | 45,278 0 0 | 2 | 28,605 0 0 | .. | .. | 1 | 16,673 0 0 | .. | .. | 45,278 0 0 |
| Westland | 2 | 7,794 2 0 | 2 | 7,794 2 0 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 7,794 2 0 |
| Canterbury | 63 | 120,274 1 11 | 35 | 67,028 1 21 | 10 | 35,798 2 0 | 17 | 17,438 3 30 | 1 | 8 2 0 | 120,274 1 11 |
| Otago | 31 | 116,801 3 30 | 16 | 22,230 1 34 | 8 | 94,496 0 0 | 7 | 75 1 36 | .. | .. | 116,801 3 30 |
| Southland | 9 | 12,204 0 20 | 6 | 1,935 0 0 | 2 | 69 0 20 | 1 | 200 0 0 | .. | .. | 12,204 0 20 |
| | 311 | 911,118 3 18 | 163 | 306,048 1 4 | 61 | 241,103 2 32 | 72 | 312,993 3 22 | 10 | 50,973 0 0 | 911,118 3 18 |

"THE LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS CONSOLIDATION ACT, 1900," AND ITS AMENDMENTS.

TABLE B.—RETURN of LANDS RECOMMENDED for PURCHASE by the BOARD of LAND PURCHASE COMMISSIONERS under the above Act from 1st April, 1905, to 31st March, 1906.

| Land District and Vendor. | Area under Consideration. | Price asked by Vendor. | Price offered by Government. | Remarks. |
|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Auckland— | A. R. P. | | | |
| W. Hall | 52 0 0 | £40 per acre | .. | Purchase completed at £40 per acre. |
| R. H. Watt | 18 0 0 | £200 per acre | .. | " " £200 per acre. |
| E. Wood | 50 0 0 | £70 per acre | .. | " " £70 per acre. |
| Executors of W. Fairburn | 119 0 0 | £80 per acre | .. | " " £80 per acre. |
| Mangawhero Estate (Assets Realisation Board) | 5,670 0 0 | £3 10s. per acre | .. | Estate purchased at £3 10s. per acre. |
| Mangapouri Estate | 2,557 0 0 | £3 12s. 6d. per acre | .. | " " £3 12s. 6d. per acre. |
| Waimana Estate | 4,500 0 0 | £3 per acre | .. | Steps are being taken to acquire the estate compulsorily. |
| Te Awamutu Church Mission Trust | 173 0 0 | £6,500 | .. | Purchase completed at £6,500. |
| G. Bishop | 20 0 0 | £30 per acre | .. | " £80 per acre. |
| Auckland A. and P. Society | 25 0 0 | £30 per acre | .. | Property acquired by exchange for 62½ acres, part of areas purchased from W. Fairburn, at Otahuhu, as above. |
| | 13,184 0 0 | | | |
| Hawke's Bay— | | | | |
| Tuhara Estate (J. H. Brown) | 8,200 0 0 | £6 per acre | .. | Offer declined by owner. |
| Ruakuri Estate (Dalgely and Co.) | 24,960 0 0 | £48,000 | .. | Property sold in meantime to another purchaser. |
| Huramua Estate (Executors of T. Carroll) | 2,119 0 0 | .. | .. | Government declined Board's recommendation. |
| Awamate Estate (W. F. Shaw) | 2,329 0 0 | £7 per acre | .. | Offer declined by owner. |
| Kiwi Estate (Obambers Bros.) | 16,172 0 0 | £5 15s. per acre | .. | Negotiations still proceeding. |
| Tamaki (Hawke's Bay Timber Co.'s leasehold interests) | 7,500 0 0 | £1,500 | .. | " |
| Weingaromia No. 3A (City of Glasgow Assets Company) | 5,235 0 0 | £10,000 | .. | " |
| | 66,515 0 0 | | | |

TABLE B.—RETURN OF LANDS RECOMMENDED FOR PURCHASE BY THE BOARD OF LAND PURCHASE COMMISSIONERS, ETC.—*continued.*

| Land District and Vendor. | Area under Consideration. | Price asked by Vendor. | Price offered by Government. | Remarks. |
|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Taranaki— | | | | |
| F. J. Stuart | A. 3,780 0 0 R. 0 0 P. 0 0 | £6 per acre .. | £5 per acre .. | Vendor would not accept Government's offer. |
| Wellington— | | | | |
| J. M. Leigh .. | 143 0 0 | £200 per acre .. | £150 per acre .. | Purchase concluded at £150 per acre. |
| J. Reid .. | 110 0 0 | £135 per acre .. | £150 per acre .. | Declined by Government. |
| Hawtry Estate | 184 0 0 | £25 per acre for 97 acres (£35 per acre for 87 acres) | £5,877 3s. 9d. for 184 acres | Conveyance not yet completed; leasehold interest (£500) included. |
| W. E. Welch | 67 0 0 | £9,600 .. | £90 per acre .. | Estate held in trust. Vendor unable to accept private offer. |
| A. Coles .. | 16 0 0 | £125 per acre .. | £9,000 .. | Purchase of 15a. 3r. 11p. completed at £9,000. |
| J. Saul .. | 19 0 0 | £250 per acre .. | £9,000 .. | Government did not approve Board's recommendation. |
| J. Knight .. | 50 0 0 | £250 per acre .. | £250 per acre .. | Purchase completed at £250 per acre. |
| W. G. Somerville | 11 0 0 | £3,000 .. | £2,500 .. | £2,500. |
| H. E. Gibbons | 37 0 0 | £300 per acre .. | £250 per acre for 22 acres | Offer declined by vendor. |
| J. T. Nott .. | 14 2 0 | £34,960 .. | £200 per acre .. | Purchase not concluded. |
| Mudgway Estate | 68 0 0 | £34,960 .. | £30,590 .. | Purchase completed at this price. |
| Petone Showground | 8 0 0 | £350 per acre .. | £11,960 .. | Vendors would not accept Government's offer. |
| M. P. Cameron | 19 2 0 | £250 per acre .. | £250 per acre .. | Offer declined by vendor. |
| C. A. Loughnan | 32 0 0 | £250 per acre .. | £100 per acre .. | Purchase completed at £100 per acre. |
| D. and J. Love | 52 2 0 | £8,000 .. | £350 per acre for 24 acres | Purchase of 24 acres completed at £250 per acre. |
| R. H. Wall .. | 136 0 0 | £100 per acre .. | £35 per acre .. | Negotiations discontinued. |
| C. Wilmot .. | 8 0 0 | £100 per acre .. | £35 per acre .. | Government declined Board's recommendation. |
| Defence Department, "Polhill Gully" | 40 0 0 | £100 per acre .. | £35 per acre .. | Purchase not completed. |
| Mahupuku .. | .. | £5,250 .. | £5,250 .. | Purchase of leasehold interests in this settlement completed at price agreed on. |
| Hikawera .. | 12 0 0 | £300 per acre .. | £3,250 .. | Ditto. |
| Mrs. Kingdon | 1 1 24 | £295 .. | £200 per acre .. | Purchase completed at £200 per acre. |
| Dry River Estate (Executors of J. Joseph) | 16,000 0 0 | £295 .. | £295 .. | Negotiations still proceeding. |
| Tiraumea (Collins and Warren) | 10,175 0 0 | £75,000 .. | £75,000 .. | Purchase of 16,591 acres at this price completed. |
| G. H. Baylis | 10 0 0 | £4 per acre .. | £3 5s. per acre .. | Offer declined by vendor. |
| R. C. Cook .. | 46 2 38 | £1,750 for 7 acres | £3 5s. per acre .. | Negotiations still proceeding. |
| 27,260 2 12 | | | | |
| Canterbury— | | | | |
| Kinloch Estate (J. F. and H. Buchanan) | 12,757 0 0 | £9 per acre .. | £9 per acre .. | Purchase completed at £9 per acre. |
| J. G. Ruddenkian | 2,095 0 0 | £9 per acre .. | £6 15s. per acre .. | Offer refused by owner. |
| Ohikan Estate (H. White) | 2,230 0 0 | £19 per acre .. | £18 6s. per acre .. | Purchase completed at £18 6s. |
| C. O. Amyes | 75 0 0 | £52 10s. per acre | £19 per acre .. | Government declined Board's recommendation. |
| Hardy and McGoverin | 890 0 0 | £20 per acre .. | £19 per acre .. | Purchase completed at £19 per acre. |
| J. B. Harris | 24 0 0 | £18 per acre .. | £18 per acre .. | Purchase completed at this price. |
| A. E. G. Rhodes | 8 0 0 | £1,750 .. | £8 5s. per acre .. | Board's recommendation declined by Government. |
| Lagmhor .. | 17,700 0 0 | 36 sections at £50 each.. | £30 a section .. | Negotiations still proceeding. |
| C. Bowker .. | 9 0 0 | £3,000 .. | £30 a section .. | Offer declined by vendors. |
| Hagley Park | 10 2 0 | £3,000 .. | £30 a section .. | Government declined Board's recommendation. |
| 35,798 2 0 | | | | |

TABLE B.—RETURN of LANDS RECOMMENDED for PURCHASE by the BOARD of LAND PURCHASE COMMISSIONERS, ETC.—continued.

| Land District and Vendor. | | Area under Consideration. | | Price asked by Vendor. | | Price offered by Government. | | Remarks. |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------|------------------------|------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| Otago— | Belleknives (Mrs. J. A. Park) | .. | A. R. P. | .. | £3,150 | .. | £2,750 | Purchase completed at £2,750. |
| | Clivedale | .. | 32,126 0 0 | .. | £5 10s. per acre | .. | £4 per acre | Negotiations still proceeding. |
| | Totara (New Zealand and Australian Land Company) | .. | 3,859 0 0 | .. | £17 per acre | .. | £16 5s. for 3,848 acres, or £15 17s. 6d. for 3,190 acres, excluding homestead | Purchase concluded at £15 17s. 6d. for 3,190 acres. |
| | Corriedale | .. | 6,134 0 0 | .. | £44,417 | .. | £6 10s. per acre | Purchase completed at £6 10s. |
| | Otekaiki | .. | 17,611 0 0 | .. | £5 15s. per acre | .. | £4 17s. 6d. per acre | Negotiations still proceeding. |
| Southland— | Waitaki Plains | .. | 22,540 0 0 | .. | £4 per acre | .. | £4 per acre | Purchase completed at £4 per acre. |
| | Mrs. Hedley | .. | 34 0 0 | .. | £80 per acre | .. | £80 per acre for 24 acres | Under negotiation. |
| | Clifton | .. | 12,190 0 0 | .. | .. | .. | £5 10s. 6d. per acre | Negotiations still proceeding. |
| | Thomson's Trustees | .. | 50 0 0 | .. | £150 per acre | .. | £75 per acre | Declined by owner. |
| | T. M. McDonald | .. | 19 0 0 | .. | £150 per acre | .. | £100 per acre | Negotiations still proceeding. |
| | | | 69 0 0 | | | | | |

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TABLE C (PART I).—STATEMENT of LANDS FINALLY ACQUIRED for SETTLEMENT between 1st April, 1905, and 31st March, 1906.

| Name of Settlement and Land District. | Area of each Estate. | Locality of Land. | Mode of Acquisition. | Quality of Land. | Name of Person or Company from whom acquired. | Price. |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Auckland Land District— | A. R. P. | Piako County | By agreement.. | Soil light loam and pumice sand, easily worked; part ploughable and part forest | Thames Valley Land Company | £ s. d. 63,749 11 6 |
| | 159,373 3 32 | .. | .. | Volcanic light soil | W. Fairburn | 4,539 0 0 |
| | 56 2 38 | Ellerslie, Auckland Suburbs | .. | .. | El. Wood .. | 3,220 0 0 |
| | 46 0 0 | .. | .. | .. | W. Hall .. | 2,096 10 0 |
| | 52 1 26 | .. | .. | .. | Auckland A. and P. Society and G. Bishop | 6,603 0 0 |
| | 45 2 2 | .. | .. | .. | | 80,208 1 6 |
| Wellington Land District— | 159,374 2 18 | | | | | |
| | 7,087 2 25 | Huanga rua Survey District, Featherston | .. | Fair soil; subsoil resting mostly on papa, part lime stone | M. Mahapuku | 33,250 0 0 |
| | .. | Ditto | .. | .. | Horiana Kingi | 3,250 0 0 |
| | 143 0 24 | Hutt Valley, Wellington | .. | Drained swamp and light foot-hills, subsoil clay | J. M. Leigh | 21,472 10 0 |
| | 50 2 23 | .. | .. | Heavy alluvial soil | J. Knight | 12,340 18 9 |
| | 63 0 0 | .. | .. | .. | Mudgway Estate Company (Limited) | 30,240 0 0 |
| Hall-Jones | 24 1 22 | .. | .. | .. | D. and J. Love | 6,075 0 0 |

TABLE C (PART I).—STATEMENT of LANDS FINALLY ACQUIRED for SETTLEMENT between 1st April, 1905, and 31st March, 1906—*continued*.

| Name of Settlement and Land District. | Area of each Estate. | Locality of Land. | Mode of Acquisition. | Quality of Land | Name of Person or Company from whom acquired. | Price. |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------|
| <i>Wellington—continued.</i> | | | | | | £ s. d. |
| Pitt .. | A. R. P. 10 2 29 | Hutt Valley, Wellington .. | By agreement.. | Heavy alluvial soil .. | W. G. Somerville .. | 2,500 0 0 |
| Melling .. | 11 3 7 | " .. | " .. | " .. | Mrs. E. Kingdon .. | 2,358 15 0 |
| Hereiraunga .. | 15 3 11 | " .. | " .. | Sandhills .. | A. Coles .. | 9,000 0 0 |
| Hawtrey .. | 180 2 26 | Near Johnsonville .. | " .. | Part adjoining Johnsonville good; rest poor hills.. | F. M., E. S., and H. C. Hawtrey | 5,877 3 9 |
| Tawaha .. | 2,350 2 17 | Huangaia Survey District .. | Compulsorily taken | Part heavy drained swamp, part terraces and hills, fair soil | C. R. Bidwell's trustees | 34,132 14 0 |
| Dyer .. | 16,591 1 14 | Haurangi Survey District, Featherston County | By agreement.. | Hills good to inferior; flats partly light and gravelly, partly heavy alluvial | Jacob Joseph's trustees | 75,000 0 0 |
| Marlborough Land District— | 26,529 2 38 | | | | | 235,497 1 6 |
| Flaxbourne .. | 45,368 0 0 | Cape Campbell Survey District .. | Compulsorily taken | Small flats, downs of fair quality, part limestone; balance hilly pastoral land | Sir G. Clifford and others | 183,043 15 6 |
| Canterbury Land District— | 12,909 3 7 | Akaroa and Ellesmere Survey Districts, Akaroa County | By agreement.. | Well-grassed land; half exposed to east, small area dairying land on west | H. D. and J. F. Buchanan and S. B. Harris | 116,382 18 7 |
| Morice .. | 2,220 1 21 | Pigeon Bay Survey District, Banks Peninsula | " .. | Good cocksfoot-growing land .. | Henry White .. | 40,632 19 6 |
| Mills .. | 862 3 31 | Waumate Survey District .. | " .. | Excellent agricultural land .. | McGovern and Hardie | 16,395 18 7 |
| | 15,993 0 19 | | | | | 173,411 16 8 |
| Otago Land District— | 11 3 6 | Mornington, Dunedin .. | " .. | Fair soil, adjacent to Dunedin Town Belt | Mrs. J. A. Park .. | 2,750 0 0 |
| Windie .. | + | " .. | " .. | " .. | Messrs. Smith .. | 20,000 0 0 |
| Steward .. | 21,917 0 18 | Awamoko and Papakaio Survey Districts, Waitaki County | By agreement.. | Some good level agricultural land, part light and gravelly | St. John McLean Buckley | 85,689 12 6 |
| | 21,928 3 24 | | | | | 108,439 12 6 |
| Southland Land District— | 5 2 17 | Block LXLV, Lothian Hundred .. | " .. | " .. | N.Z. and Australian Land Company | 32 4 9 |
| Edendale (addition to) .. | | | | | | |
| Totals .. | | | | | | |

* Leasehold interests in Hikawera Settlement, purchase of which was completed previous year.

† Balance of purchase-money for this settlement.

‡ £350 still due.

SUMMARY.

| | Area. | Price. |
|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| | A. R. P. | £ s. d. |
| Auckland .. | 159,574 2 18 | 80,208 1 6 |
| Wellington .. | 26,529 2 38 | 235,497 1 6 |
| Marlborough .. | 45,368 0 0 | 183,043 15 6 |
| Canterbury .. | 15,993 0 19 | 173,411 16 8 |
| Otago .. | 21,928 3 24 | 108,439 12 6 |
| Southland .. | 5 2 17 | 32 4 9 |
| | 269,399 3 36 | 780,632 12 5 |

TABLE C (PART II).—ESTATES ACQUIRED BUT NOT PAID FOR at 31st March, 1906.

| Name of Settlement and Land District. | Area of each Estate. | Locality of Land. | Mode of Acquisition. | Quality of Land. | Name of Person or Company from whom acquired. | Price. |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|------------|
| | A. R. P. | | | | | £ s. d. |
| Auckland Land District— | | | | | | |
| Carroll .. | 19 1 4 | Ellerslie, Auckland Suburbs | By agreement.. | Volcanic light rocky soil | R. H. Watt | 3,855 0 0 |
| Bean (Mangawhero) .. | 5,670 0 0 | | " | Light downs, with some pumice | Assets Realisation Board | 19,845 0 0 |
| McGowan (Mangapouri) | 2,557 0 0 | | " | " | Ditto | 9,269 0 0 |
| Teasdale (Te Awamutu) | 179 0 0 | Mangapiko Survey District (Te Awamutu) | " | Light land; part occupied as Town of Te Awamutu | N.Z. Church Mission Trust | 6,500 0 0 |
| | 8,425 1 4 | | | | | 39,469 0 0 |
| Wellington Land District— | | | | | | |
| Loughnan .. | 32 0 0 | Palmerston North | " | Black soil overlying gravel | Messrs. Loughnan, Jull, and Limbrick | 3,200 0 0 |
| Otago Land District— | | | | | | |
| Charlemont (Totara) .. | 3,192 0 0 | Waitaki County, near Oamaru | " | Heavy black soil derived from limestone | N.Z. and Australian Land Company | 50,673 0 0 |
| Hedley .. | 24 0 0 | Oamaru .. | " | Level agricultural land for workers' homes | Mrs. Jane Hedley .. | 1,920 0 0 |
| Plunket (Corriedale) .. | 6,105 0 0 | Waitaki County .. | " | Fair to good; some flats and some good downs | R. Oliver | 39,682 0 0 |
| Totals .. | 9,321 0 0 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 92,275 0 0 |

| SUMMARY. | | | |
|---------------|--------|-------|-------------|
| | Area. | | Price. |
| | A. | R. P. | £ s. d. |
| Auckland .. | 8,425 | 1 4 | 39,469 0 0 |
| Wellington .. | 32 | 0 0 | 3,200 |
| Otago .. | 9,321 | 0 0 | 92,275 0 0 |
| | 17,778 | 1 4 | 134,944 0 0 |

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TABLE C (PART III).—SUMMARY OF ESTATES ACQUIRED UP TO 31st MARCH, 1906, AND AMOUNTS OF PURCHASE-MONEY PAID.

| Name of Land District. | Number of Estates acquired before 31st March, 1905. | Areas acquired before 31st March, 1905. | | Number of Estates acquired from 1st April, 1905, to 31st March, 1906. | Areas acquired from 1st April, 1905, to 31st March, 1906. | | Total Numbers of Estates to 31st March, 1906. | Total Area to 31st March, 1906. | | Purchase-money. | Incidental Expenses, Roads, Preliminaries, &c |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| | | A. | R. P. | | A. | R. P. | | A. | R. P. | | |
| Auckland | 15 | 92,238 | 0 12 | 5 | 159,574 | 2 18 | 20 | 251,812 | 2 30 | £ 350,078 | £ 39,388 |
| Hawke's Bay | 15 | 128,906 | 1 38 | .. | .. | .. | 15 | 128,906 | 1 38 | 732,900 | 51,464 |
| Taranaki | 3 | 2,697 | 2 4 | .. | .. | .. | 3 | 2,697 | 2 4 | 58,336 | 3,323 |
| Wellington | 13 | 29,073 | 2 5 | 11 | 26,529 | 0 38 | 24 | 55,602 | 3 3 | 430,363 | 27,905 |
| Marlborough | 8 | 68,381 | 2 21 | 1 | 45,368 | 0 0 | 9 | 113,749 | 2 21 | 354,511 | 36,418 |
| Westland | 2 | 5,124 | 3 26 | .. | .. | .. | 2 | 5,124 | 3 26 | 8,343 | 2,536 |
| Canterbury | 55 | 246,005 | 2 30 | 3 | 15,998 | 0 19 | 58 | 261,998 | 3 9 | 1,428,612 | 53,591 |
| Otago | 19 | 89,638 | 3 8 | 2 | 21,928 | 3 24 | 21 | 111,567 | 2 32 | 557,718 | 56,550 |
| Southland | 6 | 54,157 | 1 20 | .. | 5 | 2 17 | 6 | 54,162 | 3 37 | 201,787 | 14,621 |
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