

SESSION II.

1906.

NEW ZEALAND.

LAND TRANSFER AND DEEDS REGISTRATION

(ANNUAL REPORT OF DEPARTMENTS, 1905-6).

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

The SECRETARY for STAMPS to the COMMISSIONER of STAMPS.

SIR,—

Head Office, Stamp Department, Wellington, 15th May, 1906.

I have the honour to submit the usual report on the working of the Land Transfer and Deeds Registration Departments for the year ended 31st March, 1906.

The returns appended show,—

A.—The business transacted under the Land Transfer Act.

B.—The fees received thereunder, including the fees received on account of Crown grants.

C.—The mortgages and discharges of mortgages, and the amount remaining secured by mortgage under the said Act on the 31st March, 1906.

D.—The arrears existing at the various Land Transfer offices at the close of business on the same date.

E.—The number of deeds received for registration, and the number remaining unregistered on the 31st March last; also the fees received in the Deeds Registration Office.

I have, &c.,

C. A. HICKSON,

Secretary for Stamps.

The Commissioner of Stamps, Wellington.

A.—STATEMENT of BUSINESS transacted under the LAND TRANSFER ACT during the Year ended the 31st March, 1906.

DISTRICT.	APPLICATIONS.				TRANSFERS.				MORTGAGES.			
	No.	AREA.		Value.	No.	AREA.		Value.	No.	AREA.		Value.
		Town and Suburban.	Country.			Town and Suburban.	Country.			Town and Suburban.	Country.	
Auckland	98	A. R. P. 54 0 23	A. R. P. 8,044 3 13	£ s. d. 115,329 12 6	2,697	A. R. P. 627 1 5	598,335 1 11	£ s. d. 1,229,314 14 3	2,105	A. R. P. 364 3 29	430,588 0 28	£ s. d. 1,018,780 14 7
Taranaki	15	3 1 4	2,589 1 33	39,068 0 0	778	203 1 25	59,136 1 30	489,296 18 0	1,280	193 1 25	177,936 0 15	811,117 11 6
Wellington	202	158 1 30	57,068 0 30	598,186 0 0	4,423	2,177 3 38	355,316 0 18	3,430,792 0 0	4,783	1,682 3 34	671,433 0 10	3,559,970 0 0
Hawke's Bay	18	6 3 30	21,238 1 21	181,539 0 0	751	955 3 29	112,272 3 29	632,913 4 9	748	738 3 0	246,491 3 38	741,265 6 0
Poverty Bay	2	..	57 1 20	1,744 0 0	395	221 3 27	136,909 0 19	517,954 18 8	386	210 8 12	338,044 0 29	537,137 8 0
Nelson	13	3 3 19	806 2 26	7,945 0 0	488	176 1 26	37,342 2 11	127,204 2 7	386	117 0 6	39,760 0 2	137,653 6 2
Marlborough	18	7 0 39	14,440 0 11	27,438 0 0	154	65 2 31	39,179 0 16	100,643 4 0	124	50 0 9	40,169 3 11	129,504 0 0
Canterbury	212	120 2 33	34,392 0 34	390,994 0 0	3,769	1,060 2 30	999,838 0 37	3,093,367 0 0	3,339	797 0 2	614,509 0 20	2,694,618 0 0
Otago	56	18 2 3	3,573 2 36	68,842 0 0	1,939	433 3 4	183,352 1 11	823,726 0 0	1,430	311 1 12	209,523 2 8	728,993 0 0
Southland	15	3 2 13	19,594 3 5	43,497 0 0	1,450	365 1 9	128,706 2 5	627,726 18 1	1,062	270 0 20	137,766 2 18	558,504 7 3
Westland	8	2 2 4	66 0 25	1,183 0 0	201	51 1 32	6,096 2 9	33,871 12 8	103	23 3 36	7,659 1 26	26,605 14 11
Totals	657	379 0 38	161,871 3 14	1,405,765 12 6	17,045	6,339 3 16	2,056,485 0 36	11,102,480 13 0	15,746	4,760 1 25	2,903,882 0 5	10,944,149 8 5
Corresponding period, 1904-5	699	465 1 30	112,956 3 39	1,049,633 2 9	15,428	5,588 2 12	1,449,548 2 22	8,944,630 1 11	13,618	4,150 1 20	2,749,112 3 7	9,190,522 12 4

DISTRICT.	CERTIFICATES IN LIEU OF CROWN GRANTS.				CROWN GRANTS.				REVENUE GRANTS.			
	No.	AREA.		Value.	No.	AREA.		Value.	No.	AREA.		Value.
		Town and Suburban.	Country.			Town and Suburban.	Country.			Town and Suburban.	Country.	
Auckland	175	A. R. P. 10 0 16	15,119 0 37	£ s. d. 9,235 7 8	9	A. R. P. 412 2 27	£ s. d. 12,100 0 0	7	..	..	..	..
Taranaki	113	41 1 2	12,481 3 11	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wellington	108	50 1 24	17,829 2 13	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Hawke's Bay	18	29 1 4	20 0 28	294 0 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Poverty Bay	53	25 1 12	14,980 2 15	6,505 17 2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nelson	98	1 0 23	10,724 3 10	825 9 6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Marlborough	10	..	17,913 2 25	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Canterbury	83	150 2 8	5,326 1 6	9,426 17 4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Otago	96	150 1 30	8,000 3 24	8,324 2 10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Southland	129	100 1 24	7,890 3 37	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Westland	21	5 3 20	1,600 2 31	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals	904	564 3 8	111,888 2 37	34,611 14 6	10	0 3 0	412 3 27	37
Corresponding period, 1904-5	1051	642 1 20	168,003 3 34	53,641 17 9	1	0 1 0	..	49

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Certificates issued.

B.—RETURN of FEES received under the LAND TRANSFER ACT for the Twelve Months ended the 31st March, 1906.

District.	General Fees.			Assurance Fees.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Auckland ...	5,341	8	5	270	8	9	5,611	17	2
Taranaki ...	2,242	4	11	51	19	7	2,294	4	6
Wellington ...	10,985	0	3	1,172	11	3	12,157	11	6
Hawke's Bay ...	1,700	5	0	194	19	11	1,895	4	11
Poverty Bay ...	1,072	1	4	6	11	3	1,078	12	7
Nelson ...	868	16	0	17	3	8	885	19	8
Marlborough ...	385	9	0	104	18	11	490	7	11
Canterbury ...	8,513	0	6	627	4	4	9,140	4	10
Otago ...	3,412	4	6	143	11	7	3,555	16	1
Southland ...	2,494	17	1	89	11	9	2,584	8	10
Westland ...	410	2	0	1	10	6	411	12	6
Totals ...	*37,425	9	0	2,680	11	6	40,106	0	6
Corresponding period, 1904-5 ...	†33,544	7	11	1,944	7	6	35,488	15	5

NOTE.—Includes Crown-grant and district agency fees: * £61 12s. 4d.; † £83 9s. 4d.

C.—RETURN showing the TOTAL AMOUNT of MONEY remaining secured by MORTGAGE under the LAND TRANSFER ACT on the 31st March, 1906.

District.	Amount remaining secured by Mortgage on 31st March, 1905.			Amount secured by Mortgage during the Year ended 31st March, 1906.			Amount of Mortgages paid off during the same Period.			Amount remaining secured by Mortgage on 31st March, 1906.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Auckland...	3,988,267	8	4	1,018,780	14	7	455,431	13	8	4,551,616	9	3
Taranaki ...	4,088,467	2	7	811,117	11	6	558,605	0	0	4,340,979	14	1
Wellington ...	13,795,910	12	6	3,559,970	0	0	1,855,463	0	0	15,500,417	12	6
Hawke's Bay ...	5,650,398	17	7	741,265	6	0	473,620	0	0	5,918,044	3	7
Poverty Bay ...	763,148	9	11	537,137	8	0	393,772	0	0	906,513	17	11
Nelson ...	1,170,081	19	0	137,653	6	2	79,614	0	0	1,228,121	5	2
Marlborough ...	553,591	15	11	129,504	0	0	70,372	0	0	612,723	15	11
Canterbury ...	10,624,171	8	0	2,694,618	0	0	1,675,124	0	0	11,643,665	8	0
Otago ...	3,567,131	0	0	728,993	0	0	561,554	0	0	3,734,570	0	0
Southland ...	4,665,122	8	8	558,504	7	3	349,777	9	2	4,873,849	6	9
Westland ...	164,520	1	6	26,605	14	11	21,528	13	8	169,597	2	9
Totals ...	49,080,811	4	0	10,944,149	8	5	6,494,861	16	6	53,480,098	15	11
Corresponding period, 1904-5	45,493,551	11	3	9,190,522	12	4	5,653,262	19	7	49,030,811	4	0

D.—RETURN showing ARREARS in the LAND TRANSFER DEPARTMENT on the 31st March, 1906.

District.	Applications awaiting Compliance with Requisitions.	Applications detained for Examination in the Survey Office.	Applications (other than those already mentioned) received during the Month and not yet passed.	Unregistered Instruments awaiting Compliance with Requisitions.	Unregistered Instruments detained in the Survey Office.	Certificates of Title due but not issued.	Applications received previous to Current Month not yet passed.
Auckland ...	51	28	3	4	19	45	...
Taranaki ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wellington ...	54	3	1	219	15	50	...
Hawke's Bay ...	8	2	...	...	...	12	...
Poverty Bay ...	...	...	...	6	...	...	1
Nelson ...	4	...	...	2	4	4	...
Marlborough ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Canterbury ...	20	8	...	50	57	135	...
Otago ...	13	...	2	12	...	8	...
Southland ...	7	...	...	10	2	...	...
Westland ...	1	...	...	...	85	...	...
Totals ...	158	41	6	303	182	254	1

Other Instruments unrecorded.

	Transfers.	Mortgages.	Miscellaneous.
Auckland	31	22	18
Wellington	123	168	191
Poverty Bay	1	...	...
Canterbury	22	22	24
Otago	28	22	12
Southland	3	3	7

E.—RETURN showing the NUMBER of DEEDS remaining UNREGISTERED on the 31st March, 1905; the NUMBER received for REGISTRATION, and the NUMBER REGISTERED, during the Twelve Months ended the 31st March, 1906; also the NUMBER REMAINING on that date; and the AMOUNT of FEES collected during the same Period.

District.	Unrecorded on 31st March, 1905.	Received for Registration during the Year ended 31st March, 1906.	Registered during the same Period.	Unrecorded on 31st March, 1906.	Fees.
Auckland ...	164	4,799	4,860	103	£ 4,728 s. 7 d. 8
Taranaki ...	31	757	766	22	721 14 3
Wellington ...	34	2,484	2,318	200	2,608 13 6
Hawke's Bay ...	272	1,104	1,220	156	1,269 12 0
Poverty Bay ...	...	64	64	...	76 11 6
Nelson ...	2	739	733	8	672 5 6
Marlborough ...	8	429	354	83	419 7 0
Canterbury ...	65	1,328	1,345	48	1,361 1 0
Otago ...	59	1,873	1,892	40	1,877 2 0
Southland ...	6	533	499	40	537 10 6
Westland ...	...	95	95	...	74 16 6
Totals ...	641	14,205	14,146	700	£14,347 1 5*

* Includes Crown-grant fees, £186 10s. 5d.; and district agency fees, £23 17s. 6d.

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