

Table E.—Summary of the Settlements established upon Estates acquired and dealt with, under the Provisions of the Land for Settlements Act, up to the 31st March, 1909—continued.

Land District and Name of Settlement.	Selectors.	Residences.	Principal Purpose for which Holdings are utilised.	Progress during Year.	Present Position.	Prospects.
Canterbury—contd.						
Morice ..	29	27	Dairying and grass-seeding	Good ..	Fairly good ..	Fairly good.
Kinloch ..	30	26	Grazing ..	" ..	" ..	Improving.
Mills ..	21	21	Dairying and small farming	" ..	Good ..	Good.
Culverden ..	43	31	Pastoral and mixed farming	" ..	" ..	" ..
Homestead-sites, &c.	9	5	" ..	" ..	" ..	" ..
Miscellaneous occupation licenses	43	..	" ..	" ..	" ..	" ..
	1,286	1,102				
Otago—						
Airedale ..	12	11	Dairying and general farming	Good ..	Good ..	Good.
Ardgowan ..	66	50	Ditto ..	" ..	" ..	" ..
Barnego ..	24	18	Grain-growing and sheep-grazing	" ..	Sound ..	Very fair.
Duncan ..	7	4	Grain-growing and dairying	Indifferent ..	Not satisfactory	Doubtful.
Earnsleugh ..	13	8	Fruit-growing ..	Very fair ..	Satisfactory ..	Good.
Elderslie ..	34	24	General farming, raising fat lambs, and wool-growing	Good ..	Very good ..	Very good.
Greenfield ..	41	40	General farming, dairying, and wool-growing	" ..	Good ..	" ..
Janefield ..	21	19	Dairying and residential ..	Fair ..	Satisfactory ..	Very fair.
Kauroo Hill* ..	39	2	" ..	" ..	" ..	" ..
Kurow ..	14	13	Dairying and general farming	Fairly good	Good ..	Good.
Maerewhenua ..	75	56	General farming, dairying, wool-growing, and raising fat lambs	Good ..	" ..	Very good.
Makareao ..	35	22	Ditto ..	Fair ..	" ..	Good.
Makareao Ext'sion						
Meadowbank ..	8	7	General farming, grazing, &c.	" ..	" ..	" ..
Momona ..	14	14	Dairying ..	Substantial	Very sound	" ..
Otekaike ..	66	54	Wool-growing, grain, and general farming	Good ..	Good ..	" ..
Plunket ..	18	17	Dairying, wool-growing, and general	" ..	" ..	" ..
Pomahaka ..	27	14	Grain-growing, grazing, &c.	Fair ..	Fair ..	Fair.
Puketapu ..	11	9	Dairying and general farming	Good ..	Good ..	Good.
St. Helen's ..	3	3	General farming ..	Fair ..	Fair ..	Fair.
Steward ..	47	43	General farming, sheep-raising, &c.	Good ..	Good ..	Good.
Tahawai ..	8	8	Dairying ..	Fair ..	" ..	" ..
Taumata ..	9	8	Grain-growing and general farming	Good ..	" ..	" ..
Teaneraki ..	23	15	Dairying and general farming	Fair ..	Fair ..	Fair.
Tokarabi ..	79	47	General farming, dairying, and raising fat lambs	Good ..	Good ..	Very good.
Totara ..	27	25	Dairying and general farming	Fair ..	Fair ..	Fair.
Windsor Park No. 1	37	24	Grain-growing, dairying, and general farming	" ..	Good ..	Good.
Windsor Park No. 2	10	8	Ditto ..	" ..	" ..	" ..
	768	563				
Southland—						
Merrivale ..	48	38	Grazing and dairying ..	Very good ..	Very good	Good.
Otahu ..	6	5	Farming and grazing ..	Good ..	Satisfactory	" ..
Beaumont ..	12	7	Grazing ..	Fair ..	" ..	Encouraging.
Ringway ..	8	8	" ..	" ..	" ..	Fair.
Glenham ..	35	32	Farming, dairying, and grazing	Good ..	Good ..	Very encouraging.
Edendale ..	142	122	Ditto ..	Very good ..	Very good	Excellent.
	251	212				
Grand total ..	4,416	3,638				

\* Just opened. Will be used for general farming and wool-growing.

#### REPORTS ON MATTERS WHICH ARE CONTROLLED AND SUPERVISED BY THE LANDS DEPARTMENT.

##### Crown Purchases from Maori Owners.

In last year's annual report 263,002 acres were reported as being purchased. Additional areas amounting to 6,936 acres have since been acquired at a cost of £5,974. It is proposed to continue purchasing suitable lands direct from the Maori Land Boards whenever the Maori owners are wishful