

1909.
NEW ZEALAND.

LAND TRANSFER AND DEEDS REGISTRATION:

ANNUAL REPORT OF DEPARTMENTS, 1908-9.

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

The SECRETARY FOR LAND AND DEEDS to the MINISTER OF STAMPS.

SIR,—

Head Office, Stamp Department, Wellington, 12th May, 1909.

I have the honour to submit the usual report on the working of the Land Transfer and Deeds Registration Departments for the year ended the 31st March, 1909.

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, 1909.

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 Land and Deeds.

The Minister of Stamps, Wellington.

A.—STATEMENT of BUSINESS transacted under the LAND TRANSFER ACT during the Year ended the 31st March, 1909.

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.	
..	157	A. R. P.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	4,123	A. R. P.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	3,448	A. R. P.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.
Auckland	..	141 1 21	10,116 1 28	162,087 0 0	1,041	499,744 0 5	2,200,117 5 11	2,000,117 5 11	1,770	774,576 0 4	1,853,298 1 2	1,853,298 1 2
Taranaki	..	0 3 36	1,001 2 18	21,185 0 0	1,041	106,090 2 11	940,866 0 0	940,866 0 0	1,770	369,856 1 14	1,224,411 0 0	1,224,411 0 0
Wellington	..	254 0 7	16,882 3 11	340,343 0 0	4,481	353 1 16	2,925,845 0 0	2,925,845 0 0	6,017	882,217 2 5	4,187,879 0 0	4,187,879 0 0
Hawke's Bay	..	15 1 13	14,973 1 17	138,305 0 0	1,068	167,223 0 16	912,863 1 7	912,863 1 7	1,006	305,428 3 20	1,182,719 12 2	1,182,719 12 2
Poverty Bay	..	0 1 0	866 1 13	2,480 0 0	370	146 3 14	107,019 1 32	905,699 10 0	563	390,837 1 25	779,121 0 0	779,121 0 0
Nelson	..	13 24 1 19	214 3 12	6,332 0 0	469	175 1 5	161,831 6 9	161,831 6 9	575	77,884 0 10	217,128 5 2	217,128 5 2
Marlborough	..	18 12 2 30	290 1 24	15,251 13 3	236	140 0 39	144,398 0 11	144,398 0 11	266	254,238 3 26	224,454 2 10	224,454 2 10
Canterbury	..	183 40 2 13	11,525 1 7	189,954 0 0	3,565	674 0 38	262,132 3 2	2,581,359 0 0	3,947	529,068 0 0	2,993,410 0 0	2,993,410 0 0
Otago	..	60 31 0 21	23,211 3 2	171,710 0 0	2,186	250 0 10	1,289,413 0 0	1,289,413 0 0	1,747	272,475 2 0	1,145,981 0 0	1,145,981 0 0
Southland	..	11 5 1 28	72 3 23	6,598 11 3	1,389	569 3 39	709,571 8 2	709,571 8 2	1,184	307,818 1 34	777,100 12 4	777,100 12 4
Westland	..	3 0 0 30	1 0 0	291 0 0	168	30 1 37	6,951 2 35	37,883 18 9	192	10,135 1 14	64,963 12 9	64,963 12 9
Totals	..	617 526 1 18	79,156 2 35	1,061,537 4 6	19,096	6,000 0 24	12,209,842 12 1	12,209,842 12 1	20,715	5,903 3 13	14,650,466 6 5	14,650,466 6 5
Corresponding period, 1907-8	..	797 388 2 34	124,028 0 22	1,693,271 2 10	21,791	6,678 0 38	17,226,141 12 7	17,226,141 12 7	19,795	5,351 2 24	15,637,486 6 9	15,637,486 6 9
CERTIFICATES IN LIEU OF CROWN GRANTS.												
DISTRICT.	CROWN GRANTS.				CROWN GRANTS.				CROWN GRANTS.			
	No.	AREA.		Value.	No.	AREA.		Value.	No.	AREA.		Value.
		Town and Suburban.	Country.			Town and Suburban.	Country.			Town and Suburban.	Country.	
..	232	A. R. P.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	..	A. R. P.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	..	A. R. P.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.
Auckland	..	12 3 5	21,609 2 18	11,712 8 4
Taranaki	..	24 2 12	31,411 2 19
Wellington	..	792 1 35	40,695 0 6
Hawke's Bay	..	14 1 0	798 2 16	2,361 17 3
Poverty Bay	44,119 0 34
Nelson	8,607 1 10	5,297 4 6
Marlborough	1,898 3 12	647 6 10
Canterbury	..	6 1 3	5,429 3 37	8,910 0 0
Otago	..	6 2 36	5,085 1 35	8,910 0 0
Southland	..	40 1 11	1,771 0 0	1,502 7 10
Westland	48 2 0
Totals	..	897 1 22	161,475 0 27	30,431 4 9
Corresponding period, 1907-8	..	705 3 10	143,974 3 9	27,357 11 6	3	1,561 3 0
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Southland	..	40 1 11										

B.—RETURN of FEES received under the LAND TRANSFER ACT for the Twelve Months ended the 31st March, 1909.

District.	General Fees.			Assurance Fees.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Auckland ...	7,815	12	7	343	7	7	8,159	0	2
Taranaki ...	3,016	7	11	106	16	4	3,123	4	3
Wellington ...	12,235	19	11	696	11	9	12,932	11	8
Hawke's Bay ...	2,225	13	6	283	11	2	2,509	4	8
Poverty Bay ...	1,468	11	5	60	1	7	1,528	13	0
Nelson ...	1,020	10	0	19	3	6	1,039	13	6
Marlborough ...	517	10	0	31	15	11	549	5	11
Canterbury ...	8,746	4	6	447	16	1	9,194	0	7
Otago ...	4,143	13	6	368	12	1	4,512	5	7
Southland ...	2,473	11	4	16	19	11	2,490	11	3
Westland ...	484	14	0	0	1	4	484	15	4
Totals ...	44,148	8	8*	2,374	17	3	46,523	5	11
Corresponding period, 1907-8 ...	46,774	17	10†	2,913	2	6	49,688	0	4

NOTE.—Includes Crown-grant and district-agency fees: * £59 0s. 6d.; † £75 2s. 8d.

C.—RETURN showing the TOTAL AMOUNT of MONEY remaining secured by MORTGAGE under the LAND TRANSFER ACT on the 31st March, 1909.

District.	Amount remaining secured by Mortgage on 31st March, 1908.			Amount secured by Mortgage during the Year ended 31st March, 1909.			Amount of Mortgages paid off during the same Period.			Amount remaining secured by Mortgage on 31st March, 1909.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Auckland...	5,889,121	12	11	1,853,298	1	2	785,520	11	2	6,956,889	2	11
Taranaki...	5,255,925	14	1	1,224,411	0	0	647,731	0	0	5,832,605	14	1
Wellington...	19,970,037	12	6	4,187,879	0	0	2,183,137	0	0	21,974,779	12	6
Hawke's Bay...	6,776,496	2	9	1,182,719	12	2	391,973	0	0	7,567,242	14	11
Poverty Bay...	1,427,624	3	11	779,121	0	0	374,384	0	0	1,832,361	3	11
Nelson ...	1,471,582	14	5	217,128	5	2	385,813	7	0	1,302,897	12	7
Marlborough...	863,395	16	4	224,454	2	10	114,615	0	0	973,234	19	2
Canterbury...	14,307,471	8	0	2,993,410	0	0	1,587,364	0	0	15,713,517	8	0
Otago ...	4,134,199	0	0	1,145,981	0	0	540,188	0	0	4,739,992	0	0
Southland...	5,139,087	8	3	777,100	12	4	777,100	0	0	5,139,088	0	7
Westland...	218,998	10	7	64,963	12	9	22,501	11	2	261,460	12	2
Totals ...	65,453,940	3	9	14,650,466	6	5	7,810,337	9	4	72,294,069	0	10
Corresponding period, 1907-8.	59,097,070	7	4	15,637,486	6	9	9,280,616	10	4	65,453,940	3	9

D.—RETURN showing ARREARS in the LAND TRANSFER DEPARTMENT on the 31st March, 1909.

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 ...	43	41	5	7	17	94	...
Taranaki ...	24	...	...	...	...	6	...
Wellington ...	27	...	...	184	23	160	...
Hawke's Bay ...	16	...	...	...	...	16	...
Poverty Bay ...	1	...	...	6	...	10	...
Nelson ...	5	...	...	...	7	7	...
Marlborough ...	...	...	1	...	...	3	...
Canterbury ...	18	12	...	71	50	80	...
Otago ...	19	...	1	...	...	13	...
Southland ...	3	...	...	8	...	4	...
Westland ...	...	...	...	27	58	58	...
Totals ...	136	53	7	303	155	451	...

Other Instruments unrecorded.

	Transfers.	Mortgages.	Miscellaneous.
Auckland	123	101	69
Taranaki	8	7	3
Wellington	25	57	66
Poverty Bay	5	1	3
Canterbury	34	33	37
Otago	16	2	2
Southland	3	2	4

E.—RETURN showing the NUMBER of DEEDS remaining UNREGISTERED on the 31st March, 1908; the NUMBER received for REGISTRATION, and the NUMBER REGISTERED, during the Twelve Months ended the 31st March, 1909; also the NUMBER REMAINING on that date; and the AMOUNT of FEES collected during the same Period.

District.	Unrecorded on 31st March, 1908.	Received for Registration during the Year ended 31st March, 1909.	Registered during the same Period.	Unrecorded on 31st March, 1909.	Fees.
Auckland ...	425	6,394	6,478	341	£ 6,273 s. 2 d. 7
Taranaki ...	18	928	941	5	851 0 6
Wellington ...	30	2,565	2,553	42	2,525 0 11
Hawke's Bay ...	311	1,246	1,505	52	1,489 6 0
Poverty Bay ...	3	77	80	...	84 3 6
Nelson ...	9	1,039	1,040	8	885 3 0
Marlborough ...	3	497	500	...	485 1 0
Canterbury ...	103	1,415	1,444	74	1,395 17 6
Otago ...	74	2,109	2,144	39	2,061 16 0
Southland ...	27	577	590	14	570 4 0
Westland ...	14	140	124	30	119 8 0
Totals ...	1,017	16,987	17,399	605	*16,740 3 0

* Includes Crown-grant fees, £332 1s.; and district-agency fees, £8 5s.

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