1910. NEW ZEALAND.

SETTLEMENT ON CROWN LANDS:

RETURNS RELATIVE TO LANDS OPENED AND LANDS APPLIED FOR, FROM 1905-6 TO 1909-10.

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated the 31st August, 1910.

Ordered, "That there be laid before this House a return showing—(1) The number of sections of land, either Crown land or lands for settlement, opened during the periods of twelve months ended 31st March, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, and 1910; (2) the total number of applicants who applied for land during each of the before-mentioned periods; and (3) the number of successful applicants."—(Mr. FISHER.)

RETURN showing the Number of Sections of Land, either Crown Land or Lands for Settlement, opened up, the Number of Applicants who applied for Land, and the Number of Successful Applicants, during the Years ended 31st March, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, and 1910.

Year ended 31st March.	Number of Sections opened up.*	Number of Applicants who applied for Land.	Number of Successful Applicants.
1906	1,794	8,600	1,435
1907	940	7,548	1,281
1908	1,237	12,901	1,290
1909	2,712	7,658	1,218
1910	1,500	9,646	1,338

^{*}In addition to the number of sections given in this column, several blocks of second-class land were offered prior to survey into specific allotments.

Note.—The above return is confined to lands dealt with under settlement conditions only. Lands offered for sale by public auction, as pastoral runs, and miscellaneous leases, &c., have not been included.

WM. C. Kensington, Under-Secretary.

Approximate ('ost of Paper.-Preparation, not given; printing (1,400 copies), £1 5s.

By Authority: JOHN MACKAY, Government Printer, Wellington.-1910.

Price 3d.]