

RETURN SHOWING THE AREAS OF CROWN LAND REMAINING FOR FUTURE DISPOSAL, ETC.—*contd.*

Land District.	Crown Lands remaining for Future Disposal.	Approximate Value.	Class of Land.
Westland ..	Acres. 83,757	£ 27,628	About 26,757 acres second-class land ; fair land, carrying sawmilling timber, part of which is being worked by sawmillers. 57,000 acres of third-class land: 25,000 acres swampy land, difficult of drainage and of poor quality ; 5,000 acres auriferous land, part of which is being worked, and of which part has been worked by miners ; 27,000 acres spurs and sidelings carrying timber, not accessible to sawmillers, generally of poor quality.
Otago ..	428,845*	33,000†	The 66,000 acres is situated in the Catlin's district, and consists of rough, broken, bush land, the soil generally being light and poor.
Southland ..	376,555	282,416	About 20,000 acres first-class land, chiefly bush-clad, undulating ; soil, fair to good and well watered ; suitable for cultivation when cleared of timber. 356,555 acres second-class land, chiefly bush-clad ; 65 per cent. undulating, 35 per cent. broken and steep ; soil, 35 per cent. poor, 65 per cent. fair ; all well watered ; small portion suitable for cultivation, mostly pastoral.
Totals ..	4,282,284	2,659,733	

* Inclusive of 362,845 acres on the west coast of Otago of no value for agricultural or pastoral purposes. † For 66,000 acres.

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