

Table 30.—TRANSACTIONS IN BUSH, SWAMP, AND SCRUB LANDS UNDER SECTION 127 OF THE LAND ACT, 1908, DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1918.

District.				Selections during the Year.												
				Heavy-bush Land.			Light-bush Land.			Scrub Land.			Totals.			
				Number of Selectors.	Area.	Amount of Rental remitted per Annum.	Number of Selectors.	Area.	Amount of Rental remitted per Annum.	Number of Selectors.	Area.	Amount of Rental remitted per Annum.	Number of Selectors.	Area.	Amount of Rental remitted per Annum.	
					Acres.	£		Acres.	£		Acres.	£		Acres.	£	
Auckland					..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Taranaki					..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wellington					..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nelson				4	2,964	72	2	2,020	50	..	..	6	4,984	122	..	..
Westland					..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals				4	2,964	72	2	2,020	50	..	..	6	4,984	122	..	..

District.			Total Area held at 31st March, 1918.														
			Heavy-bush Land.			Light-bush Land.			Scrub Land.			Swamp Land.			Totals.		
			Number of Selectors.	Area held.	Annual Rental (re-mitted).	Number of Selectors.	Area held.	Annual Rental (re-mitted).	Number of Selectors.	Area held.	Annual Rental (re-mitted).	Number of Selectors.	Area held.	Annual Rental (re-mitted).	Number of Selectors.	Area held.	Annual Rental (re-mitted).
				Acres.	£		Acres.	£		Acres.	£		Acres.	£		Acres.	£
Auckland	..	..	16	7,498	1,098	..	..	..	..	..	..	24	1,699	933	40	9,197	2,031
Taranaki	..	..	13	9,922	764	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13	9,922	764
Wellington	..	..	9	16,729	1,404	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	16,729	1,404
Nelson	..	..	121	64,938	1,655	58	35,510	844	14	9,103	201	..	..	..	193	109,551	2,700
Westland	..	..	9	4,612	94	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	4,612	94
Totals	..	..	168	103,699	5,015	58	35,510	844	14	9,103	201	24	1,699	933	264	150,011	6,993

Table 31.—INSPECTIONS MADE BY THE RANGERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1918.

District.	Number of Properties visited.	Area.	Value of Improvements.		Number of Defaulters.				
			Required.	Actually made.	For Deficient Improvements only.	For Non-residence only.	For Non-residence and Improvements.	For other Reasons.	Total.
		Acres.	£	£					
Auckland	873	165,032	75,608	209,789	25	103	59	7	194
Hawke's Bay	276	87,515	123,946	243,595	31	16	6	..	53
Taranaki	281	75,435	54,106	145,530	11	9	3	..	23
Wellington	127	49,398	30,332	101,482	5	5	..	13	23
Nelson	708	267,458	109,809	288,843	91	52	46	10	199
Marlborough	290	201,597	97,595	217,940	14	11	6	..	31
Westland	424	46,019	19,891	83,475	7	49	12	..	68
Canterbury	894	548,307	331,891	382,906	219	9	4	..	232
Otago	146	81,437	33,088	57,413	24	5	..	..	29
Southland	623	152,680	49,800	198,500	67	46	70	..	183
Totals	4,642	1,674,878	926,066	1,929,473	494	305	206	30	1,035

NOTE.—In addition numerous miscellaneous inspections were made by the Rangers in connection with discharged soldiers settlements, educational-endowment leases, and miscellaneous leases.

Table 32.—ADVANCES OBTAINED FOR THE PURPOSE OF ROADING CROWN LANDS, SHOWING THE AMOUNT BORROWED AND THE AMOUNT REPAID UP TO 31ST MARCH, 1918.

Land District.				Area.	Amount borrowed.	Amount repaid.
				Acres.	£	£
Auckland	..	..	..	1,401,366	365,392	176,535
Hawke's Bay	..	..	..	515,702	154,323	79,785
Taranaki	..	..	..	708,538	233,344	187,513
Wellington	..	..	..	826,346	303,272	230,552
Nelson	..	..	..	415,517	48,046	11,075
Marlborough	..	..	..	217,971	29,943	32,959
Westland	..	..	..	59,717	8,006	2,746
Canterbury	..	..	..	3,552	1,821	1,151
Otago	..	..	..	324,306	24,775	25,777
Southland	..	..	..	181,247	43,675	27,907
Totals	..	..	..	4,654,262	1,212,597	776,000

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