## STATE ADVANCES OFFICE

(REPORT BY THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1931.

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## THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

## ADVANCES TO SETTLERS BRANCH.

1. During the year the State Advances Board has authorized 1,568 advances amounting to £1,251,420, and the following statement shows the amount authorized in each provincial district:—

Provincial District.		1				Number of Applications.	$\begin{array}{c} \text{Amount of Advances} \\ \text{authorized.} \\ \textbf{£} \end{array}$	
$\mathbf{Auckland}$			• •			587	459,110	
Taranaki						62	60,545	
Hawke's Bay	7					79	63,365	
$\mathbf{W}$ ellington						316	281,705	
Marlborough		٠				24	16,120	
Nelson						29	19,605	
Westland						28	14,620	
Canterbury						247	182,735	
Otago Č						69	61,410	
Southland	• •					127	92,205	
	Totals					1,568	${£1,251,420}$	

2. During the year the advances paid over are as follows:—

	Number.	$\begin{array}{c} \text{Amount.} \\ \text{\pounds} \end{array}$		
Not exceeding £500	522	152,710		
Exceeding £500 but not exceeding £1,000	759	572,430		
Exceeding £1,000 but not exceeding £2,000	$\dots 283$	381,975		
Exceeding £2,000 but not exceeding £3,500	74	221,625		
${ m Totals} \qquad \ldots \qquad \ldots$	1,638	£1,328,740		

3. The advances paid over classified according to the tenure of the securities, are as follows:—

	Number.	Amount. £	
On freeholds	 1,268	1,060,130	
On leaseholds	 358	254,680	
On freeholds and leaseholds combined	 12	13,930	
Totals	 1.638	£1.328.740	

4. The advances current are as follows:—

		Number.	Amount.			
` <b>*</b>			£	s.	$^{\mathrm{d}.}$	
Not exceeding £500		14,511	3,248,746	<b>2</b>	3	
Exceeding £500 but not exceeding £1,000 .		6,932	5,277,393	9	8	
Exceeding £1,000 but not exceeding £2,000 .		4,029	5,263,706	11	7	
Exceeding £2,000 but not exceeding £3,500 .		1,410	4,314,257	19	10	
Totals		26,882	£18,104,104	3	4	

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