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SIR,— Department of Lands and Survey, Wellington, 1st August, 1935.  
I have the honour to submit herewith the annual report on the settlement of Crown lands for the year ended 31st March, 1935, together with particulars of the special settlement of inferior lands, of the development work that is being carried out on unoccupied Crown and settlement lands, and of the operations under the Small Farms Scheme.

I have, &c.,  
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The Hon. Sir E. A. Ransom, Minister of Lands.

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## REPORT.

### REVIEW OF PAST YEAR.

CLIMATIC conditions during the past year were of such a nature as to cause those engaged in agricultural and pastoral pursuits to experience a period of difficulty and anxiety. In the far South a long and severe winter, with heavy falls of snow, caused considerable sheep losses, while the whole Dominion, with the exception of Westland and certain parts of the Auckland Province, was affected by drought conditions caused by an exceptionally hot and dry period in the early and middle summer. Fortunately, in most districts the dry spell terminated in the early autumn and the copious rains which then fell assured an abundance of winter feed.

The effect of the unusually dry summer was particularly felt by the dairy-farmers, and those engaged in this class of farming were, unfortunately, again required to accept for their produce prices which, although showing a slight improvement over those for the previous year, were considerably below the level required to enable them to satisfactorily fulfil their obligations. When it is remembered that approximately 30 per cent. of the total number of dairy-farmers in the Dominion are either tenants or mortgagors of the Department, the extent to which the activities and returns of the Department are affected by the continued low prices for dairy-produce will be realized. It is pleasing to be able to state, however, that, despite the difficulties of the dairy-farmer, the departmental receipts have shown a substantial improvement on those of the previous year, and it can, in fact, be asserted that a reasonable increase in the price of butterfat would go a long way towards placing the majority of the Crown tenants in the position of being able to meet the whole of their obligations in so far as the Department is concerned.

A pleasing feature of the past year has been the satisfactory prices received for stock. The fat lamb market has been quite good, and this fact has caused the prices of store sheep, particularly breeding-ewes, to remain at a satisfactory level. The prices for wool, unfortunately, showed a decided drop on those of the previous year. There was, however, a definitely hardening tendency towards the end of the season and, on the whole, the prospects of the sheep-farmer can be regarded as favourable.

The Department has continued to accord sympathetic treatment to those tenants who, through no fault of their own, have been unable to meet their full commitments, and substantial concessions by way of remissions and postponements of rent and instalments have been granted. The Crown tenants, generally speaking, have faced up admirably to the position and, in many cases, by diversifying their farming-operations, have succeeded in increasing their revenue, thus enabling them to improve their properties and to fulfil their obligations.

There has been, during the year, a steady demand from prospective settlers for land which has been partly or wholly developed by the Department, but, owing to the economic situation and other factors, there has not been a great deal of inquiry for undeveloped land. Selections of Crown and settlement lands on all tenures during the year totalled 302,915 acres. This subject is dealt with more fully at a later stage of this report. At the 31st March the tenants on the books of the Department numbered 37,616, occupying a total area of approximately 19,000,000 acres. Pastoral runs account for 8,830,620 acres, while 1,862,228 acres of purchased estates are held under lease under the provisions of the Land for Settlements Act.

### LEGISLATION.

The Reserves and other Lands Disposal Act, 1934, contains twenty clauses dealing with Crown lands, reserves, &c. Included in this Act are sections further extending temporarily the benefits of certain provisions of the Land Act and the Land for Settlements Act dealing with the granting of remissions and postponements of rent, and temporarily suspending for a further period the operations of the Land Act provisions with respect to the revaluation of rural Crown and settlement land.

### SMALL-FARMS SCHEME.

In April, 1932, the Unemployment Amendment Act was passed, Part I thereof initiating the small-farm plan. It had for its object the "provision of facilities for the settlement of unemployed workers and their families on areas of cultivable land." Many farmers agreed to give or lease to the Minister of Employment small areas of from 5 acres to 10 acres, for the purposes of the Act, and cheap standard-type dwellings were erected and men on relief work were installed. The occupiers were expected to run a few cows, establish gardens, and to endeavour to keep their sustenance requirements to a minimum by obtaining casual work in the locality. It was not expected that more than a few of the men placed under the plan would become entirely independent of the Unemployment Board's funds. Actually 488 men were established under this plan.

In March, 1933, the Government introduced the Small Farms (Relief of Unemployment) Act, 1932-33, providing for the placing of the control of small-farms settlement in the hands of the Small Farms Board, and for the appointment in each district of Committees of experienced men to help in the administration of the scheme.

There was insufficient suitable Crown land available to enable the many applications to be dealt with, and the Board was forced to consider the purchase of suitable land from private owners. The Board was aware that settlers under the original ten-acre scheme were finding it difficult to obtain casual farm-work locally, and it was decided therefore that the objects of the scheme should be enlarged to permit of the settlement of unemployed on self-supporting sections—*e.g.*, for dairying a standard self-supporting farm would be one with a full carrying-capacity of about thirty cows to thirty-five cows. With butterfat prices still depressed it was clear that economy would have to be exercised in the matter of capital expenditure if the returns were to meet living expenses and rent, interest, and working charges. Therefore £1,200 was fixed as the approximate limit which would be advanced for the settlement of any one person.

That this limit is not unreasonably low has been proved by the fact that since the Small Farms Board came into existence 356 full-time farmers have been placed on 23,635 acres, and that only in one or two isolated cases has the cost to the Board exceeded £1,200. Moreover, the Board has under development 35,364 acres, which it is estimated will provide 459 full-time farms each at a cost within the limit mentioned.

The development of this latter area is providing work at slightly better than relief rates for approximately 1,200 men, and from their ranks will be drawn the future occupiers of the 459 farms.

The policy of the Small Farms Board is to select blocks of unimproved or partially improved land (Crown or private) to develop it with "unemployed" labour, and to allocate the subdivisions by holding a ballot among the suitable married men employed on the block.

This policy ensures that the prospective settlers will be established at a cost which should ensure their success even if prices for produce do not greatly exceed their present low level. But it also restricts the scheme largely to those localities, principally in the North Island, where Crown land is available or where low-priced partially-developed lands can be purchased. This accounts for the fact that the small-farms scheme has had practically no application to the highly improved districts of the Dominion. The reason for this will be obvious to those versed in such matters. Under existing economic conditions not only is it necessary to provide the small-farm settler with land and improvements at a minimum price, but also to place him in such a position that he himself, by virtue of his labour in the early years of his occupation, will be able to establish an equity in his property. This cannot be done in districts where the initial price of the land is high, or where there is little work of a developmental nature to be done by which the settler can capitalize his labour.

Apart from the provision of work for the unemployed and their ultimate establishment in farming on their own account the scheme has a definite national value in the restoration of deteriorated or rapidly reverting Crown leaseholds or mortgage securities, some of which have been abandoned, while others are held in too large areas by settlers fighting a losing battle against second growth and noxious weeds. In the latter cases the Board takes over parts of the holdings, and, using unemployed labour, develops and resubdivides them, and, at the same time, develops portions of the areas retained by the original settlers, who are thus given a fresh start on holdings within their capacity to work. An example of this type of work is in operation at Mairoa, Te Kuiti, where several Crown leaseholds and properties subject to Crown mortgages are grouped in one locality; a prime essential of such a scheme being, of course, the provision of a compact block for working.

The small-farms scheme has also made possible the bringing into production of some thousands of acres of unoccupied Crown land which otherwise would not have been capable of economic development.

There is another channel through which unemployed have been placed in remunerative work in the country. This is known as the "Share-milking Scheme," and is also administered by the Small Farms Board as part of the small-farms scheme. The idea is that a landowner should agree to employ an unemployed man to milk an additional herd of cows, either at a minimum wage of £2 per week or on shares with a guaranteed minimum of £104 per annum. In such circumstances the Board will provide up to £300 for the erection of a cottage and/or a cow-shed for the share milker so employed. Three hundred and twenty-six loans have been granted under this scheme.

There can be no doubt that the small-farms scheme is providing a satisfactory avenue for the employment of surplus labour, and that it will prove of value to the Dominion as a whole. The question of extending it on more comprehensive lines is, of course, one of policy involving such considerations as that of still further expanding our production at a time when produce-prices are exceedingly low and when serious marketing problems are facing the Dominion.

#### SUMMARY.

##### *Operations under Original Scheme (mostly 5 Acres to 10 Acres).*

Holdings established .. .. .	488
Number of such holdings since closed .. .. .	79
	409
Share milkers' building loans approved .. .. .	265
Loans repaid .. .. .	4
	261

##### *Operations since Inception of Small Farms Board.*

	Number.	Area (Acres).
Individual full-time holdings established .. .. .	356	23,635
Sections included in blocks under development .. .. .	459	35,364
Share milkers' building loans approved .. .. .	61	..
		£ s. d.
Total expenditure from inception to 31st March, 1934 .. .. .	290,830	17 3
Total expenditure from 1st April, 1934, to 31st March, 1935 .. .. .	225,534	0 0
Grand total .. .. .	£516,364	17 3

Details of land-development operations in the Auckland and North Auckland districts under the small-farms scheme are given in Appendix III in the report of the Land Drainage Branch of the Department.

#### LAND-DEVELOPMENT.

Although the Lands Development Board has not undertaken the development of any new blocks of Crown land, work has been continued on certain blocks where more extensive development is necessary prior to offering the land for selection or where for other reasons it has been considered expedient to defer offering the land for the present.

The extent of the expenditure is disclosed by the figures given below. Farming-operations being undertaken by the Board, on the Galatea, Kakariki, Tapuwae, and Ngakuru Blocks have proved beneficial in maintaining and controlling newly established pasture, and, except in the case of the dairying operations, financial results have been satisfactory.

New loans to Crown tenants under the provisions of the Land Laws Amendment Act, 1929, have been granted in thirty-three cases, and a number of additional loans for improvements and for live-

stock and chattels have been approved also. A total of 488 tenants have now been assisted, loans approved totalling £210,546. The arrears of interest outstanding as at 31st March, 1935, amounted to £7,830, which can be regarded as satisfactory, especially when it is remembered that markets have been adverse for primary products, and that the land was in an undeveloped state prior to the loans being granted.

Pursuant to section 10 of the Land Laws Amendment Act, 1929, the following summary of operations up to 31st March, 1935, is recorded :—

(a) *The several Areas of Unoccupied Crown Lands in respect of which Development Works have been undertaken during the Year.*

*Auckland Land District :—*

Ngakuru Block, of 14,755 acres of light pumice land, fifteen miles from Rotorua : This block, of which 4,325 acres are being developed, will provide about fifty dairy-farms. Twelve share milkers are established and a demonstration farm has been operated by the Department, but it is now proposed to close this farm and install a share milker on it.

A scheme is in operation to collect from the share milkers out of milk proceeds over a period of three years sufficient funds to enable them to acquire permanent leasehold titles to the areas which they are now farming. During last season the butterfat-production from the demonstration farm, containing 89 acres of grass and running sixty cows, was 14,750 lb., representing 245 lb. per cow or 165 lb. per acre. On the main Ngakuru Farm 1,550 ewes were run last year. The results were so encouraging that it is intended to increase the flock to 3,000.

Galatea Estate, of 22,326 acres, near Murupara : Ten share-milking farms and one demonstration farm are being run on this estate, and detailed records are being kept to illustrate the possibilities of the land for dairying. The remainder of the block is being successfully run as a sheep and cattle station. The stock on the estate is approximately 18,000 sheep, 970 dairy cows, heifers, and calves (including the share-milking herds), 2,600 run cattle, 25 horses, 270 pigs.

Full particulars of the extensive developmental work that has been undertaken are given in Appendix III in the report of the Land Drainage Branch of the Department.

*Hawke's Bay Land District :—*

Kakariki Estate, a purchased estate of 17,688 acres at Kotemaori : This block is intended to provide ten holdings for sheep-farming. Developmental and farming operations have been continued on this block, 7,780 acres of new grass having now been established. Live-stock comprise 11,600 sheep, 984 cattle, and 23 horses. After charging interest on all capital invested a loss of £1,390 was made last season, but this was recouped from the net profit resulting from the previous year's farming.

*Taranaki Land District :—*

Tapuwae Estate, of 3,350 acres, a purchased estate in the King-country : This block is estimated to provide approximately eleven mixed farms ; 2,260 acres are being developed. Farming-operations have been continued, a net profit again resulting from the year's working. Stock comprises 4,630 sheep, 822 cattle, and 5 horses. This block was originally subject to bush sickness, but remedial measures have been successfully instituted and the stock on the property is now thriving.

(b) *Total Cost of Development Works carried out to 31st March, 1935.*

Block.	Expenditure on Development to 31st March, 1934.	Expenditure on Development during Year ended 31st March, 1935.	Total Expenditure on Development to 31st March, 1935.	Net Expenditure on Live-stock as at 31st March, 1935.
NORTH AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.				
Wharekohe Block .. .. .	£ 9,815	£ Cr. 21	£ 9,794	£ ..
AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.				
Ngakuru Block .. .. .	82,071	1,680	83,751	5,631
Te Kauwhata Block .. .. .	32,537	Cr. 361	32,176	..
Onepu Block* .. .. .	20,768	Cr. 687	20,081	..
Koromatua Block .. .. .	4,120	..	4,120	..
Galatea Estate .. .. .	55,772	18,538	74,310	5,896
Whangamarino Block* .. .. .	8,726	Cr. 281	8,445	..
Mangatutu Block .. .. .	3,715	..	3,715	..
Pongakawa Block* .. .. .	933	2,831	3,764	943
HAWKE'S BAY LAND DISTRICT.				
Kakariki Estate .. .. .	22,370	4,310	26,680	2,513
TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.				
Tapuwae Estate .. .. .	13,199	235	13,434	6,060
NELSON LAND DISTRICT.				
Easterfield Block .. .. .	1,375	13	1,388	64
	255,401	26,257(net)	281,658	21,107

\* Whangamarino, Pongakawa, and part of Onepu Blocks taken over by Small Farms Board.

In addition to the expenditure on blocks set out above, expenditure has been incurred on the roading, survey, &c., of various areas which are being developed by the settlers themselves. The total expenditure—£339,116—for development, stock, roading, and surveys (apart from roading-costs payable out of Public Works Fund) up to the 31st March, 1935, provides for 592 farms.

(c) and (d) Developed Allotments disposed of.

Block.	Number of Allotments disposed of.	Area.	Tenure.	Rental Capital Value.	Annual Rent or Interest receivable.
		Acres.		£	£ s. d.
Wharekohe .. .. .	17	996	R.L.	9,595	479 15 0
Te Kauwhata .. .. .	12	1,735	R.L.	8,325	416 5 0
Onepu* .. .. .	13	1,356	D.P.	6,165	369 1 6
Koromatua .. .. .	4	538	R.L.	12,285	614 5 0
Mangatutu .. .. .	5	771	R.L.	2,900	145 0 0
Ngakuru .. .. .	5	756	R.L.	4,680	234 0 0
				6,366	318 6 0
Total .. .. .	56	6,152	..	50,316	2,576 12 6

\* In addition, eleven sections selected under small-farms scheme.

(e) The Total Amount advanced to Crown Tenants for the Development of their Holdings, the Number of Advances, and the Purpose for which such Advances have been made.

Number of settlers assisted.. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	488
Loans approved—						£
Improvements .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	204,804
Stock .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	5,742
Total .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	£210,546
Amounts actually advanced—						£
Improvements .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	151,023
Stock .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	2,476
						£153,499

SPECIAL SETTLEMENT OF INFERIOR LANDS.

The following summary of the lands dealt with during the year is furnished in accordance with the provisions of section 223 (14) of the Land Act, 1924 :—

(a) Aggregate area of land set apart: Nil.

(b) Number of allotments and aggregate area disposed of: One allotment, 221 acres.

The total number of allotments taken up and the area held as at 31st March, 1935, was thirty-four allotments, 7,285 acres.

LANDS FOR SELECTION.

During the year 302,915 acres were taken up on various tenures, the number of selections being 1,036 under all headings. These figures include some 508 sections, comprising altogether an area of 93,617 acres, taken up under miscellaneous leases and licenses, so that the selections on permanent tenures numbered 528 sections, covering a total area of 209,298 acres. The following table gives the selections of Crown lands for the last five years :—

Selections under all Tenures.

Year ending	Number.	Area (Acres).
31st March, 1931 .. .. .	1,639	368,809
31st March, 1932 .. .. .	1,448	406,408
31st March, 1933 .. .. .	1,354	280,518
31st March, 1934 .. .. .	1,118	285,166
31st March, 1935 .. .. .	1,036	302,915

The total of 302,915 acres selected during the year includes lands taken up under both permanent and temporary tenures, and also town and suburban lands. The permanent selections of rural lands only were as follows :—

Class of Land.	Number of Rural Sections selected.	Total Area selected.
		Acres.
Crown and national-endowment land .. .. .	158	87,272
Settlement land .. .. .	37	16,375
Education reserves, &c. .. .. .	12	2,510
Grand totals .. .. .	207	106,157

The lands dealt with above comprise both areas offered for the first time and areas which became available for reoffering through various reasons. The figures for *entirely new* rural areas selected during the year are as follows :—

Class of Land.					Number of New Rural Sections selected.	Total Area selected for the First Time.
						Acres.
Crown and national-endowment land	..	..			82	15,395
Settlement land	..	..	..	..	9	6,370
Education reserves, &c	..	..	..	..	2	214
Grand totals	..	..	..	..	93	21,979

#### RECEIPTS.

The receipts for the year from all sources (excluding, of course, Discharged Soldiers Settlement Account receipts) totalled £1,259,790, an increase of £239,592 on last year's figures.

The receipts for the last five years have been as follows : Year ending 31st March, 1931, £1,005,700 ; 1932, £776,489 ; 1933, £742,820 ; 1934, £1,020,198 ; and 1935, £1,259,790.

#### POSTPONEMENTS, REMISSIONS, AND ARREARS OF RENT.

Rents, the payment of which remained postponed at the 31st March, amounted to £215,729. Arrears of rent at the 31st March (including arrears in respect of the current half-yearly charge) totalled £974,805, while remissions for the year totalled £209,392.

#### REBATES.

For prompt payment of rent 16,983 Crown tenants were granted the usual rebates in terms of section 123 of the Land Act, 1924, and section 59 of the Land for Settlements Act, 1925. These rebates amounted to a total of £36,054.

#### NATIONAL ENDOWMENT.

Of the area in the national endowment, 6,477,398 acres were held under lease or license at the 31st March by 4,450 tenants, paying an annual rental of £142,456, while a very large area (partly, however, covered by existing leases) had been set aside as provisional State forests. For further particulars *re* the national endowment, see parliamentary paper C.—14.

#### EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENT.

An area of approximately 818,227 acres of education endowments under the administration of the various Land Boards is leased to some 4,135 tenants, who pay a total annual rental of £129,303.

#### LAND RESERVED FOR VARIOUS PURPOSES.

Under the provisions of section 360 of the Land Act, 1924, and section 71 of the Land for Settlements Act, 1925, various areas of Crown and settlement land were permanently reserved during the year. The reservations made totalled eighty-seven, covering an area of approximately 1,479 acres. A summary of work carried out under the heading is given below :—

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Purpose of Reserve.	Number of Reservations made.	Area.		
		A.	R.	P.
Aerodrome .. .. .	2	114	3	11
Camping .. .. .	2	9	3	20
Cemetery .. .. .	3	23	0	14·3
Gravel .. .. .	12	23	0	14
Motor-car parking .. .. .	1	0	1	28·7
Municipal .. .. .	3	3	1	35·83
Plantation .. .. .	5	85	2	15
Public-hall site .. .. .	4	2	2	33
Public-school site .. .. .	6	30	2	37·6
Public-school site, addition to .. .. .	1	1	3	3
Quarry .. .. .	2	26	3	18
Recreation .. .. .	28	290	2	24·88
Resting-place for travelling stock .. .. .	3	19	2	15
River-protection .. .. .	8	451	0	31
Roadman's cottage-site .. .. .	3	17	0	2·7
Rubbish-dump .. .. .	1	1	1	20
Site for public buildings of the General Government .. .. .	2	0	1	23·9
Water-conservation .. .. .	1	376	1	20
	87	1,479	0	7·91

The above does not include areas that have been vested in the Crown as public reserves in town subdivisions pursuant to the provisions of section 16 of the Land Act, 1924.

In addition to the above, areas totalling some 48,980 acres in the Otago and Southland Land Districts were set apart as additions to the Sounds National Park.

## EXPENDITURE.

*Summary of Expenditure approved during the Year ended 31st March, 1935.*

Name of Vote or Account.	Net Amount voted.	Gross Expenditure.	Recoveries.	Net Expenditure.
	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Vote, Lands and Survey—				
Subdivision I .. .. .	143,165	226,834 11 6	93,897 2 11	132,937 8 7
Subdivision II .. .. .	28,895	24,889 19 3	206 11 1	24,683 8 2
Subdivision III .. .. .	4,333	3,095 9 9	501 2 9	2,594 7 0
Total, Vote, Lands and Survey .. .. .	176,393	254,820 0 6	94,604 16 9	160,215 3 9
Vote, Land for Settlements : Expenses .. .. .	4,749	5,891 15 4	2,438 7 8	3,453 7 8
Vote, Discharged Soldiers Settlement : Expenses of Management .. .. .	60,375	66,833 12 0	..	66,833 12 0
Vote, Native Land Settlement .. .. .	1,500	745 1 11	..	745 1 11
Vote, Swamp Land Drainage—				
Hauraki Plains District .. .. .	17,200	20,576 4 10	9,189 15 7	11,386 9 3
Swamp Drainage Districts .. .. .	3,050	4,678 10 0	1,045 14 5	3,632 15 7
Vote, Settlement of Unemployed Workers .. .. .	375,000	251,440 18 10	29,132 2 9	222,308 16 1
Totals .. .. .	638,267	604,986 3 5	136,410 17 2	468,575 6 3
<i>Other Accounts.</i>				
Expenditure under special Acts of the Legislature—Section 295 (2), Land Act, 1924 .. .. .		7,115 15 4	..	7,115 15 4
Discharged Soldiers Settlement Account .. .. .		533,043 8 9	..	533,043 8 9
Land for Settlements Account—				
Acquirement of estates .. .. .		..	4,419 14 11	Cr. 4,419 14 11
Expenses incidental to estates .. .. .		5,564 2 6	1,906 1 11	3,658 0 7
Administration expenses of estates .. .. .		11,637 7 8	..	11,637 7 8
Expenditure from capital proceeds of the sale of Crown Lands credited in terms of section 20, Land Act, 1924 .. .. .		2,497 7 4	..	2,497 7 4
Farm Accounts .. .. .		6,965 6 9	..	6,965 6 9
Expenditure under—				
Section 6, Land Laws Amendment Act, 1929 : Development of unoccupied settlement lands .. .. .		31,359 19 4	24,338 6 3	7,021 13 1
Section 7, Land Laws Amendment Act, 1929 : Advances to settlers on settlement lands .. .. .		19,155 6 0	..	19,155 6 0
Section 9, Land Laws Amendment Act, 1929 : Administration expenses .. .. .		1,518 2 3	..	1,518 2 3
Section 13, Land Laws Amendment Act, 1929 : Development of unoccupied Crown lands .. .. .		54,446 0 5	6,718 0 6	47,727 19 11
Section 14, Land Laws Amendment Act, 1929 : Advances to settlers on Crown lands .. .. .		1,935 17 5	..	1,935 17 5
Section 15, Land Laws Amendment Act, 1929 : Administration expenses .. .. .		210 3 9	..	210 3 9
Section 21 (2), Land Act, 1924 : Administration expenses of Cheviot estate .. .. .		301 17 11	..	301 17 11
Section 208 (8), Land Act, 1924 : Interest on portions of capital values of leases paid by lessees .. .. .		278 4 1	..	278 4 1
Section 105, Land for Settlements Act, 1925 : Crown lands proclaimed land-for-settlement lands .. .. .		5,323 8 6	..	5,323 8 6
Section 13, Land Laws Amendment Act, 1926 : Interest on capital proceeds of sales of Crown lands .. .. .		54,482 10 2	..	54,482 10 2
Section 20, Land Laws Amendment Act, 1927 : Value of discharged soldiers settlement lands added to land-for-settlement lands .. .. .		120 0 0	..	120 0 0
Section 47, Land Laws Amendment Act, 1929 : Interest on Crown lands subject to Land for Settlements Act, 1925, and former Land for Settlements Acts .. .. .		8,477 12 0	..	8,477 12 0
Section 13, Land Laws Amendment Act, 1930 : Interest on national endowment trust-moneys .. .. .		2,656 0 8	..	2,656 0 8
Section 19 (4), Finance Act, 1930 (2) : Interest on Cheviot estate accumulated funds .. .. .		18,508 0 10	..	18,508 0 10
Section 11 (1), Finance Act, 1932 : Administration expenses Hutt Valley settlement lands .. .. .		156 5 8	..	156 5 8
Section 11 (2), Finance Act, 1932 : Hutt Valley settlement lands proceeds applied towards purchase-money, &c. .. .. .		12,937 3 9	..	12,937 3 9
Section 11, Deteriorated Lands Act, 1925 : Advances for fencing material, &c. .. .. .		20 0 1	..	20 0 1
Section 10 (1), Native Land Amendment Act, 1932 : Acquisition of land for settlement .. .. .		114 7 6	1,154 13 2	Cr. 1,040 5 8
General Purposes Account : Ellesmere Land Drainage Act, 1905, section 6 .. .. .		529 4 6	..	529 4 6
Expenditure approved by Right Hon. the Minister of Finance from Unauthorized Expenditure Account .. .. .		1,296 18 5	..	1,296 18 5
Refunds of revenue, Deposit Account expenditure, expenditure under special Acts of the Legislature .. .. .		36,111 4 9	..	36,111 4 9
Totals .. .. .		816,761 16 4	38,536 16 9	778,224 19 7
Grand totals .. .. .		1,421,747 19 9	174,947 13 11	1,246,800 5 10

## APPENDICES.

### APPENDIX I.—SETTLEMENT OF CROWN LANDS.

#### EXTRACTS FROM THE REPORTS OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF CROWN LANDS.

##### NORTH AUCKLAND.

(W. D. ARMIT, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

The past season will be long remembered on account of the extreme diversity of conditions experienced throughout the district. In the far North a very good season resulted from copious rains assisting good pasture-growth, and the output of fat lambs, fat bullocks, and butterfat all showed increases.

North of Whangarei severe and continued flooding was experienced, causing actual damage to fences, silting of pastures, and loss of hay and ensilage crops. Similar floods, but of less severity, were experienced south of Whangarei, and satisfactory rainfall conditions were experienced as far south as Helensville. The southern portion of the land district between Helensville and Mercer was subjected to severe drought-conditions during the spring and summer. Farmers were unable in many cases to save their crops, and even where this was done it became necessary to feed out during the summer. Root crops suffered not only from lack of rains, but also to a minor extent from the white butterfly.

Butterfat-prices continue at a very low level, but adjustments and concessions are being made not only by the Department, but also through the machinery of the Mortgagors and Tenants Relief Act.

Farmers who are involved with private creditors find more protection available under the latter legislation than by merely securing relief from rent and interest charges.

Wool values declined to a disappointing extent, although a much higher level was maintained than was experienced during the worst years of the slump. Sheep prices are at an extremely high level not justified by wool values, but doubtless due to the satisfactory prices realized for fat lambs.

Dairy cattle values remain low and quality stock do not command the premium expected. A noticeable move is the increased value of Shorthorns, due to the possibilities of the chilled-beef trade.

Pig husbandry has shown a remarkable increase and has been a profitable side-line, particularly where farmers are possessed of breeding sows. The majority of dairy-farmers are making the best possible use of this opportunity and it is hoped that oversea restrictions will not curtail this development, as it has been of material advantage to a number of relatively small-production farmers.

The difficulty experienced by farmers on low-fertility land in providing finance to maintain a programme of top-dressing is again in evidence. Although a certain quantity is invariably purchased, financial limits, due to low prices, prevent a proper application, and the situation is kept under review where Crown advances are involved in pasture establishment.

Potato-growers experienced a difficult year owing to drought-conditions in the localities concerned.

Generally, it is considered settlers are in a slightly better position than last year, due to the high prices for sheep, the satisfactory prices for pigs, lambs, and store cattle and calves from breeds suitable for export. Butter and wool have been disappointing. Settlers are making a genuine attempt to meet obligations, and the policy of the Department of giving concessions where necessary is fully appreciated by tenants and mortgagors.

##### AUCKLAND.

(K. M. GRAHAM, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

The climatic conditions throughout the year have been notable for the intensely dry period which prevailed over the middle portion of the dairying season, beginning in November and lasting right through into February. Many localities in the Waikato district experienced the drought to an alarming extent. Everywhere the pastures presented a burnt-up appearance and butterfat-production fell rapidly.

Water-supplies for stock in many cases failed completely, and recourse to the installation of new supplies by boring unfortunately necessitated further capital expenditure just at a time when the low prices prevailing for butterfat made it essential to reduce overhead costs to the lowest possible minimum.

Hay and ensilage had to be fed out to stock in many cases and, but for the copious rains which have since fallen, the outlook for the coming winter would have been full of anxiety.

Grass, peat, and scrub fires were prevalent and, in several large peat areas, special labour gangs had to be organized to fight the fires and keep them from spreading to other farms. With the breaking of the drought these fires are now subdued and settlers affected are being assisted, where possible, to re-fence and re-grass damaged areas, and, on the drought-stricken areas generally, there has been a wonderful recovery and re-growth of grass due to the autumn rains and mild temperature prevailing which, it is hoped, will to an appreciable extent offset the fall in production during the midsummer period.



There has been a welcome tendency observable among many settlers to devote more time and care to establishing, or extending accommodation for, pigs on their holdings, and this clearly indicates that we may look forward to it becoming the rule rather than the exception, as hitherto, to find the dairy-farmer devoting to pig-raising as much care and attention as he devotes to butterfat-production.

The pig has for too long been a neglected side-line, and it is, therefore, pleasing to note that settlers are now realizing that, with proper care, the pork output of the dairy-farm makes a substantial addition to its income, and cases could be quoted where it has already more than paid the rent.

The Land Board has again had a strenuous year in dealing with applications for relief due to the continuance of the slump in prices, both for butterfat and wool, and recommendations for remissions of rent and interest or postponements have been made in every case where circumstances and conditions warranted.

Where land partly or wholly developed by the Department has become available for offering for selection there has been no dearth of applications, and it has thus been possible to allot sections of this class to the right type of man with a reasonable assurance of successful prospects ahead. There has, on the other hand, been little or no inquiry for undeveloped land, and it is evident that lack of finance and the high cost of development still operate against the opening of such land for settlement, and will continue to do so until a general stabilization and a better relation between prices and costs of production can become re-established.

In spite of the continued low prices ruling for almost all classes of farm-produce and the added difficulties occasioned by the drought in midsummer, the majority of our settlers have made a commendable effort to meet their annual charges for rent, interest, and mortgage instalments as far as it was in their power to do so after allowing for reduced incomes, the necessity for maintaining their pastures, and other essential farm expenditure. The result has been that our revenue under all headings has shown a substantial increase over the previous year.

#### GISBORNE.

(H. L. PRIMROSE, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

While a comparison of our revenue position over the last four or five years makes quite pleasant reading, the figures need to be carefully analysed before the true position is brought to light, and it will then be disclosed that neither wool nor butterfat have been as much responsible for the good showing as the long overdue and much-needed rise in stock values. The Waikato is still an excellent market for our surplus sheep, the demand being of great assistance to sheep-farmers generally.

Weather conditions were not altogether favourable throughout the year, and there was again a marked absence of heavy rains in the autumn and winter. The soil was therefore hardly in a condition to withstand the dry weather that followed during the summer. This caused a shortage of natural feed, and also, of more serious consequence, many farms were not provided with adequate water-supply. There was thus a sharp decline in production, it being well into the middle of February before the weather broke.

Ragwort continues to spread very rapidly, principally on unoccupied lands, and probably the Opotiki County is the area affected most.

In many districts very few farmers were able to get early fat lambs away, hill-country lambs especially being backward.

Good progress has been made by the Public Works Department in clearing willows out of the Waipaoa and Tareheru Rivers on the flats. These works will result in much benefit to some of our settlements by greatly lessening flood-risk in the one case and better drainage on the other.

Our gross revenue has again shown a very substantial rise on last year's figures.

#### HAWKE'S BAY.

(F. R. BURNLEY, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

The weather conditions have, unfortunately, for the best part of the producing season been detrimental to increased productivity and resulted, in the majority of cases, in herds being dried off prematurely. In the case of sheep flocks the prolonged drought necessitated the drafting of numbers to outside districts. Extensive falls of rain at the close of the season have provided the district with abundant feed for the winter and no difficulty is expected in carrying the flocks through this year.

Wool prices did not open up well, but late sales show a definitely improved tendency.

Butterfat-prices also show an upward trend, and though the pay-out each month has been conservative it is expected that a substantial bonus will be paid later.

Considerable areas of scrub have been cut with a subsidy from the Unemployment Board during the year, and it is expected that increased flocks will be carried during the coming season.

Orchardists' prospects were very favourable at the commencement of the season, but the ravages of orchard pests and the excessively dry season will, it is feared, result in these settlers having difficulty in meeting their obligations.

Notwithstanding the trying conditions of the past season, revenue for the year shows an increase of 13 per cent. over that of the previous year.

## TARANAKI.

(F. H. WATERS, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

Generally speaking, sheep-farming during the past year has been on a payable basis. The exporting prices for fat lambs, wethers, &c., have been very good, and this has been reflected in the prices for store sheep, particularly breeding ewes. Wool prices dropped considerably from the previous year's level, but even with the lower price for wool it is considered that the sheep-farmers have had a good year and most of them should be able to meet annual charges. Unfortunately prices for butterfat still remain low, and the average dairy-farmer is not making sufficient to pay charges and carry on. It is pleasing to note that in some districts more attention is now given to the rearing of pigs, but there is still plenty of room for improvement in this productive side-line.

The year has been an unusual one from a climatic point of view. The winter temperatures were about on the average and there was plenty of rain. A violent storm in October did considerable damage in central Taranaki. Heavy snowfalls round Mount Egmont occurred in September and practically isolated the accommodation houses for some days. The summer was long and unusually hot and, while it was marked by partial drought conditions, the butterfat production fell only slightly. Owing to sufficient rains and heavy dews the pastures maintained their freshness practically throughout, although in the south conditions were not so favourable as in the northern area. In February a tremendous fall of rain caused widespread damage to roads, railways, and farms, the fall in New Plymouth being a record one of 7.29 in. in twenty-four hours. Unfortunately further falls of rain in March did considerable harm where repairs to the February flood damage had not been completed or consolidated. The ample rainfalls in the autumn left the district with its pastures in good condition to start the winter, and there should be an abundance of good feed.

The wool-clip was an average one, and most of the wool was in good condition. The lambing percentage was about normal. Apart from one or two isolated cases of abortion, there has been an absence of serious attacks of disease among stock, although ragwort, as usual, takes heavy toll of cattle. Stock generally should start the winter in good condition. Root crops have not done well owing to the dry spell and also to the white butterfly, but a good deal of hay and ensilage has been provided for winter feed. Unfortunately in some parts, owing to ragwort, it is practically impossible to close up pastures for hay. It is pleasing to note many instances where settlers are going in for purely grassland farming, and there seems no reason why this method should not be extended. It means, of course, ample supplies of fertilizers, but farmers are now alive to this necessity and, as far as finances permit, manures are well provided for.

Reports indicate that ragwort is decreasing a little in the central and southern areas, but is still very bad in the north, and it seems apparent that the menace will not be checked until sheep only are run on the sections. Too much dairying is undertaken on land entirely unsuitable, with the result that half the farm is worked and the balance surrendered to ragwort.

It is very gratifying to again report a decided increase in the revenue received for the year, the increase over the last year's figures being about £12,000, or over 30 per cent.

## WELLINGTON.

(H. W. C. MACKINTOSH, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

There was a fair inquiry for land during the year, but, for the most part, the areas offering were not of that quality that would entice a man with money to adventure his capital, more especially at the present time when markets are so unsteady. Land of good quality is in demand, and any areas offered that would show an immediate return were readily selected.

A good winter and spring were generally experienced by both dairy and pastoral farmers, and stock came through in very fair condition. In the northern portion of the district climatic conditions throughout the year were congenial to all classes of stock, and the good spell of dry weather enabled good progress to be made with burning and resowing of areas affected with fern and second growth. Top-dressing has increased despite the low prices ruling for produce, and settlers are now realizing that it is essential that manures be applied if deterioration of pastures is to be prevented. Prices for stock have shown a rising tendency that does not seem to be warranted when values of wool and mutton are reviewed. Farmers have availed themselves of 4B and other Unemployment Board Schemes to advantage.

In the southern half of the district there was a good spring, but early in the summer a dry, hot spell commenced, which lasted well on towards the end of the year under review. The result was disastrous to the majority of the dairy-farmers. Pastures dried up, and, in some parts of the district, supplementary feed required for the winter was fed out early.

Prices for butterfat are about the same as last year, but the output will be less on account of the long period of dry weather experienced during the summer. Wool prices have been disappointing and the advantage gained last year by pastoralists has not been maintained. Stock prices, however, reached a high level and compensated somewhat for the low prices obtained for wool.

In some parts of the district the white butterfly and aphids are still bad, and crops of soft turnips, chou-moellier, &c., sown for autumn feeding have been practically ruined. In the Wairarapa advantage has been taken to a considerable extent of the 4B Unemployment Board Scheme and many areas have been improved that otherwise would have remained in a neglected state.

Speaking generally, apart from the sharp rise in stock prices, the tenants have had only a fair year.

In spite of low price-levels it is pleasing to be able to report that the revenue for this district shows an increase of slightly over £70,000 compared with the figures for last year.

## NELSON.

(A. F. WATERS, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

The season 1934-35 has been favourable for farming-operations. One heavy fall of snow at the end of June lay on the ground in the back country for about ten days, but, fortunately, without serious consequences. There were abundant warm spring rains which induced a plenteous and early growth, followed by a spell of fine weather to facilitate haymaking. Unfortunately, the early summer was particularly hot and dry, but the district was favoured again with warm autumn rains, with the result that most settlers have ample winter feed.

Wool prices have slumped again, but prices of store sheep and lambs have been quite satisfactory.

Butterfat-prices show very little improvement, which makes the position of the dairy-farmers very difficult.

Following a record season for apples, the quantity exported this year has fallen to almost a third of the preceding year. It was anticipated that there would be an off season following such a heavy crop, but not to the extent disclosed by later reports.

The season has been particularly favourable for tobacco-growing. The manufacturing companies have in many cases reduced their contract quantities, with the result that most growers have been able to fulfil their quotas with high-grade leaf.

Hop-growers have also had a favourable year, and practically all hops grown have been disposed of at remunerative prices.

## MARLBOROUGH.

(P. R. WILKINSON, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

The year just closed has proved to be another very disappointing one from the point of view of the farming community. This district had suffered very severely owing to drought conditions during previous seasons, and, as the present year started off with a break in those conditions and as good rains, together with fairly mild conditions, were experienced right through winter and spring until early October, it was anticipated that a bumper season was on its way.

Dry and very hot conditions again set in, and the returns from most crops, especially on the lighter lands, will be much below anticipation. The wheat yield is expected to be 25 per cent. to 30 per cent. below normal, but peas show a decided improvement on the previous year. Rape and turnips were again very disappointing and were also considerably damaged by the diamond black moth. Grass and white-clover yields were below normal, and many rye-grass samples were poor in quality. Lucerne yields were particularly good this season.

In addition to its effects on crops, the prospects for any reserve of feed for the winter looked poor, but fortunately the dry spell broke in mid-March and, as the rains have continued and conditions have been mild, the grass and other feed has come away rapidly and the district can now face the winter with confidence.

The heavy drop in wool prices, combined with a lighter clip, has been disappointing and will be a serious setback to those who rely wholly on wool for their income. Farmers who had surplus sheep and lambs for disposal did not fare so badly, however, as these commanded reasonable prices and will help to bridge the gap caused by lower wool returns.

The dairy-farmer has been the most seriously affected through poor prices, and the dry summer also resulted in a decline in production.

The fruit season promised well in its early stages, but here again those who relied on natural moisture are faced with disappointment as a big percentage of the fruit is not up to export standard and it is anticipated that the total for export will only be about 46,000 cases.

Mention has been made in previous reports of the alarming increase in the rabbit pest. It is gratifying to be able to report that, owing to the efforts of the Agriculture Department's Stock Inspectors, several Rabbit Boards have been formed and have quickly grappled with the problem. Negotiations are at present under way for the formation of additional Rabbit Boards.

Generally speaking, the Crown tenants appear to be doing their utmost to meet present conditions.

## WESTLAND.

(T. CAGNEY, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

The low prices ruling for butterfat were again this year practically the only serious feature militating against what otherwise might have proved a very successful year. Favourable weather above the average was experienced with some intermittent long, dry spells, which, however, did not reach the stage of serious drought proportions owing to relief by timely rains.

A severe flood, with serious consequences to the farmers in the Arahura Valley, and to a lesser extent in the valleys of the Hokitika and Taramakau Rivers, was experienced towards the end of the period. The severity of the flood in the Arahura Valley resulted in some farmers losing most of their fences and pasture, with anything but a promising outlook for sufficient winter feed to carry their dairy herds through the winter.

A pleasing offset to the low prices for butterfat is the satisfactory prices received for lambs from this district at Canterbury markets. In many cases the prices realized topped the market, and settlers engaged in sheep or mixed farming may be expected to meet their year's land charges.

The year has been conducive to increased butterfat-production, and an increase in output may be expected accordingly. The output of beef in this district is steady and shows little variation from year to year, although ultimately the spread of deer will have a detrimental effect.

The introduction of the amending mining legislation of last year will call for increased supervision by this office in respect of damage done to Crown land by mining, and claims for such damage will receive periodical attention.

The total revenue for the period was £18,463. In addition, receipts from discharged-soldier settlements reached £7,581. Each of these amounts show a gratifying increase compared with those of last year.

## CANTERBURY.

(J. F. QUINN, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

Conditions during the past year have been unfavourable for all classes of farming in this district. During late autumn and spring, conditions were quite unsuitable for cultivation owing to the wet state of the ground, with the result that many crops were sown late and proved a failure owing to the dry weather which continued from October to February.

Sheep-farmers were affected by the drop in the price of wool, although the price of lamb has been fairly well maintained.

Pastoralists on high country had a fair season as regards weather conditions, there being no serious snow losses, and lambing percentages generally were good and wool-weights have been well maintained. All surplus stock from run-country has been selling at very payable prices, in many instances being up to last year's prices.

The dairy industry was badly affected by the drought during the summer months, which caused shortage of feed, resulting in a reduction in the output of butterfat, and with the low prices ruling these settlers are finding it difficult to meet their rent and interest charges, and in many cases it will be necessary to grant further relief by way of remission of rent.

Owing to the long continued drought many settlers were unable to get in winter feed, and as in many cases turnip crops have been a failure, the outlook for the coming winter is not promising.

## OTAGO.

(N. C. KENSINGTON, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

So far as the pastoral and mixed farmer was concerned, the recovery of prices for wool and stock for the 1933-34 season gave a buoyant tone to the ensuing season, 1934-35; and, although wool prices dropped by about 50 per cent. and stock prices were easier, the previous season had put the settlers' accounts in a much better position. It also had the effect of showing that the land retained an equitable value from fair prices.

A fairly severe winter was experienced and several of the high-country runs showed losses above the average.

As mentioned, the 1934-35 season showed a drop in prices, principally as regards wool, but at the early part of the season the prospects were good for lambs and surplus stock. Forward sales were made in many cases at fair prices, but, unfortunately, in common with most parts of the Dominion, this district suffered from a dry spell for about three months, and as a result the usual purchasers for store stock were not forthcoming and prices dropped, while farming revenue for the 1934-35 season also dropped considerably.

In North Otago fair wheat crops were harvested and the price appears to show an increase on the previous season, but high winds and the dry spell mitigated against what promised to be a very plentiful yield. The turnip and rape crops in most parts of the district suffered through the dry spell and many failures have been reported. Fortunately, welcome rain fell at the end of February, and further rain in March has given promise of a recovery of feed for the winter.

The dairy-farmer is still in a difficult position, although the past season's prices may show a slight rise on the previous season. Where possible, more mixed farming is in evidence, and a general improvement in the revenue can be expected under this arrangement.

In Central Otago the fruit crop was heavy, following on the disastrous frost of the previous season. Prices were low, and the position of the orchardist remains one of hope and optimism. The prices realized, with the heavy overhead expenses of picking, packing, &c., leave little margin to recover rapidly from the crop failure as generally experienced last year.

## SOUTHLAND.

(B. C. McCABE, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

Climatic conditions have not been altogether favourable during the past season. The winter was severe and prolonged, and heavy falls of snow in the back country caused considerable losses of sheep.

A hot, dry summer was experienced, and butterfat-production suffered in consequence. This decline in volume, combined with the continued low prices received for dairy-products, has made the position of the dairy-farmer extremely difficult.

Sheep-farmers have experienced a fairly satisfactory season, as, although very low prices were received for wool, the price of fat lambs and surplus ewes has been maintained at a reasonable level.

Grain and grass-seed harvests have been good in many cases, and prices for these lines show an improvement over the last few years.

Rabbits have been more numerous than usual, the dry conditions favouring the spread of this pest, which is becoming an increasingly serious problem in Southland.

Receipts on account of rent and interest showed a further decided improvement.

Further concessions to dairy-farmers on high-priced land have been granted in a number of cases, the low price of butterfat leaving insufficient to meet full charges after living and working expenses were provided for.

A certain amount of club root and blight has been experienced in the turnip crop, but heavy rains at the end of March helped the position considerably, and there should be sufficient feed to carry stock over the winter.

## APPENDIX II.—LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS.

SUMMARY OF THE SETTLEMENTS ESTABLISHED UPON ESTATES ACQUIRED AND DEALT WITH UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS ACT UP TO THE 31ST MARCH, 1935.

Name of Estate.	Lease-holds.	Free-holds.	Principal Purpose for which Holdings are utilized.	Remarks as to Present Position.
<i>North Auckland.</i>				
Aponga .. ..	9	..	Dairying and grazing .. ..	Very fair.
Awanui .. ..	6	..	Dairying .. ..	Fair.
Bickerstaffe .. ..	40	9	Grazing .. ..	Good.
Bayliss .. ..	1	..	Dairying .. ..	"
Cadman .. ..	1	..	Grazing .. ..	"
Carroll .. ..	18	9	Homes .. ..	Good.
Craddock .. ..	..	14	Homes and orchards .. ..	"
Dreadon .. ..	4	..	Run-off .. ..	Fair.
Eccleston .. ..	12	16	Homes .. ..	Good.
Finlayson .. ..	1	..	Grazing .. ..	Poor.
Hetana .. ..	2	87	Homes and orchards .. ..	Good.
Kitchener .. ..	1	12	" .. ..	"
Koremoa .. ..	13	..	Dairying and grazing .. ..	Fair.
Lawry .. ..	1	..	Grazing lease .. ..	"
Methven .. ..	2	28	Homes and orchards .. ..	Good.
Motutara .. ..	12	..	Dairying and grazing .. ..	Fair.
Otaroa .. ..	3	..	Dairying .. ..	Good.
Paerata .. ..	2	..	" .. ..	"
Pakaraka .. ..	15	1	" .. ..	"
Parahi .. ..	9	..	Dairying and grazing .. ..	"
Prescott .. ..	11	9	Homes .. ..	"
Plumer .. ..	4	17	" .. ..	"
Puketi .. ..	..	..	Grazing .. ..	Poor.
Puni .. ..	10	..	Dairying .. ..	Good.
Remuera .. ..	29	..	" .. ..	"
Streamlands .. ..	13	..	" .. ..	Fair.
Tangowahine .. ..	19	..	Dairying and grazing .. ..	"
Tauraroa .. ..	2	..	Grazing and mixed farming .. ..	Good.
Te Pua .. ..	5	1	Dairying .. ..	"
Tokiri .. ..	4	..	" .. ..	"
Upokonui .. ..	4	..	Dairying and grazing .. ..	Fair.
Waari .. ..	29	37	Homes and orchards .. ..	Good.
Waimata .. ..	16	..	Dairying .. ..	"
Waiteitei .. ..	10	1	" .. ..	"
Whakata .. ..	6	..	" .. ..	"
Totals .. ..	314	241		
<i>Auckland.</i>				
Apata .. ..	7	1	Dairying .. ..	Good.
Balachraggan .. ..	20	6	" .. ..	Very good.
Bushmere .. ..	2	..	" .. ..	Satisfactory.
Clifford .. ..	8	1	" .. ..	Good.
Delaney .. ..	1	..	Home .. ..	"
Fencourt .. ..	18	34	Dairying and mixed farming .. ..	Very good.
Gorton .. ..	10	..	" .. ..	"
Hannon .. ..	2	..	" .. ..	Good.
Hereford Park .. ..	2	..	" .. ..	Unsatisfactory.
Hikuai .. ..	21	1	" .. ..	Good.
Horahia .. ..	6	..	" .. ..	"
Horahora .. ..	8	2	" .. ..	"
Kaipaki .. ..	4	..	" .. ..	"
Karapiro .. ..	8	11	" .. ..	Very good.
Kopuku .. ..	3	1	" .. ..	Only fair.
Kopuku No. 2 .. ..	5	..	" .. ..	"
Mangaotama .. ..	3	1	" .. ..	Very good.
Mangakura .. ..	6	..	" .. ..	"
Mangapouri .. ..	5	10	" .. ..	"
Mangateparu .. ..	55	1	" .. ..	"
Mangawhero .. ..	10	18	" .. ..	"
Matamata .. ..	69	264	" .. ..	"
Matuku .. ..	11	..	" .. ..	"
Morgan .. ..	4	..	" .. ..	"
Nelson .. ..	3	..	Mixed farming .. ..	Quite satisfactory.
Ngahinepouri .. ..	3	1	Dairying .. ..	Very good.
Norweigan .. ..	3	..	" .. ..	Quite satisfactory.
Nolan .. ..	5	..	" .. ..	"
Ohauiti .. ..	10	2	" .. ..	Doubtful.
Okauia .. ..	6	11	" .. ..	Good.
Omeheu .. ..	10	..	" .. ..	"
Opouriao .. ..	29	71	" .. ..	Very good.
Orini .. ..	2	..	" .. ..	Only fair.
Orongo .. ..	33	2	" .. ..	Fair, improving.
Otamarakau .. ..	7	..	" .. ..	Good.
Otway .. ..	9	9	" .. ..	Very good.
Pakarau .. ..	19	5	" .. ..	"

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Name of Estate.	Leaseholds.	Freeholds.	Principal Purpose for which Holdings are utilized.	Remarks as to Present Position.
<i>Auckland—continued.</i>				
Pukemapou .. ..	12	..	Dairying .. ..	Very good.
Puketarata .. ..	5	..	" .. ..	Good.
Puahue .. ..	20	1	Dairying and mixed farming	"
Rangiatea .. ..	11	16	Dairying .. ..	Very good.
Rangitaiki .. ..	8	..	Dairying and small farming	"
Reporoa .. ..	100	13	Dairying and grazing ..	Fair, improving.
Rewi .. ..	7	5	Dairying .. ..	Very good.
Reynolds .. ..	23	2	" .. ..	Good to doubtful.
Rockburn .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	Fair.
Rotomanuka .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	Good.
Selwyn .. ..	72	182	Dairying and mixed farming	Very good.
Tahaia .. ..	11	..	Dairying .. ..	"
Tainui .. ..	2	1	Grazing .. ..	Fair.
Tairua .. ..	23	4	Residence .. ..	Good.
Taniwha .. ..	11	1	Dairying .. ..	"
Tangao .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	"
Tapapa .. ..	10	..	" .. ..	Very good.
Tautari .. ..	36	10	Business and residence ..	Fair to doubtful.
Teasdale .. ..	12	88	Dairying and mixed farming	Very good.
Te Miro .. ..	37	1	" .. ..	Fair.
Te Ngaroa .. ..	2	..	Dairying .. ..	"
Te Poi .. ..	2	..	" .. ..	Good.
Waiare .. ..	4	..	" .. ..	"
Waimana .. ..	20	23	Dairying and mixed farming	Very good.
Wairakau .. ..	14	..	" .. ..	"
Walters .. ..	3	..	" .. ..	"
Waitakaruru .. ..	15	3	Dairying and grazing ..	"
Whatawhata .. ..	3	..	Dairying .. ..	Good.
Whitehall .. ..	4	15	" .. ..	Very good.
Totals .. ..	897	817		
<i>Gisborne.</i>				
Apanui .. ..	8	..	Dairying .. ..	Good.
Ardkeen .. ..	15	..	Pastoral .. ..	"
Clydebank .. ..	3	3	" .. ..	"
Glencoe .. ..	6	..	Dairying .. ..	"
Homebush .. ..	13	..	" .. ..	"
Hukutaia .. ..	19	2	" .. ..	"
Kanakanaia .. ..	7	1	Pastoral .. ..	"
Ngatapā .. ..	25	3	" .. ..	"
Ohuka .. ..	12	..	" .. ..	Fair.
Paremata .. ..	7	..	Dairying and pastoral ..	"
Pouparae .. ..	3	6	Agricultural .. ..	Good.
Repongaere .. ..	11	1	Dairying and pastoral ..	"
Rere .. ..	2	..	" .. ..	"
Ruangarehu .. ..	2	..	Pastoral .. ..	Poor.
Tappers .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	"
Te Arai .. ..	48	14	Dairying and pastoral ..	Good.
Waimarie .. ..	12	5	" .. ..	"
Wharekaka .. ..	13	..	" .. ..	"
Wigan .. ..	12	7	" .. ..	"
Willows .. ..	14	7	" .. ..	"
Totals .. ..	233	49		
<i>Hawke's Bay.</i>				
Awamate .. ..	6	..	Dairying .. ..	Fair.
Argyll .. ..	50	14	Agricultural and pastoral ..	Very good.
Beattie .. ..	5	..	Pastoral .. ..	Good.
Clydebank .. ..	14	3	" .. ..	"
Corby .. ..	4	..	Mixed farming .. ..	Fair.
Coyne .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	"
Crownthorpe .. ..	18	..	Pastoral .. ..	Good.
Elsthorpe .. ..	35	16	" .. ..	Very good.
Forest Gate .. ..	16	13	Agricultural and pastoral ..	Good.
Glengarry .. ..	27	..	Dairying .. ..	Fair.
Gwavas .. ..	11	1	Agricultural and pastoral ..	Good.
Hatuma .. ..	57	24	" .. ..	Very good.
Kumeroa .. ..	13	3	Agricultural, pastoral, and dairying	"
Lindsay .. ..	58	14	Mixed farming .. ..	"
Mahora .. ..	22	13	" .. ..	"
Manga-a-toro .. ..	22	6	Agricultural and pastoral ..	"
Mangatahi .. ..	20	4	" .. ..	"
Marakeke .. ..	17	..	Mixed farming .. ..	Fair.
Omana .. ..	9	1	Dairying .. ..	"
Otamauri .. ..	15	2	Agricultural and pastoral ..	"
Parinui .. ..	4	..	Mixed farming .. ..	Good.
Pourerere .. ..	6	1	Agricultural and pastoral ..	"
Pukahu .. ..	2	..	Fruit .. ..	Prospects good.
Raumati .. ..	30	3	Pastoral and dairying .. ..	Very fair.
Raureka .. ..	10	9	Dairying and fruit-culture ..	Very good.
Rissington .. ..	5	..	Pastoral .. ..	Good.

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<i>Hawke's Bay—contd.</i>				
Rylands .. ..	5	..	Pastoral .. ..	Good.
Sherenden .. ..	21	..	Mostly pastoral .. ..	Very good.
Springhill .. ..	17	1	" .. ..	"
Te Kaihi .. ..	3	..	Mixed farming .. ..	Good.
Te Kura .. ..	11	..	Dairying .. ..	Fair.
Te Mata .. ..	12	1	Fruit-farming .. ..	Good.
Tongoio .. ..	11	..	Mostly pastoral .. ..	Fair.
Tomoana .. ..	5	9	Fruit and dairying .. ..	Very good.
Waihau .. ..	21	1	Mostly pastoral .. ..	Fair.
Waipuka .. ..	1	..	Pastoral .. ..	"
Watea .. ..	10	..	Mixed farming .. ..	"
Wilder .. ..	4	..	" .. ..	Good.
Woodlands .. ..	8	..	Dairying and agricultural .. ..	"
Miscellaneous .. ..	3	..	Dwellings .. ..	"
Totals .. ..	609	139		
<i>Taranaki.</i>				
Araheke .. ..	3	..	Dairying .. ..	Good.
Clandon .. ..	7	..	" .. ..	Very good.
Croydon .. ..	7	1	" .. ..	Good.
Hawke .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	"
Huatoki .. ..	29	5	Residential and small-farming .. ..	Unsatisfactory.
Huia .. ..	5	..	Mixed farming .. ..	Indifferent.
Huinga .. ..	8	2	Dairying and mixed farming .. ..	Fair.
Karu .. ..	5	..	Mixed farming .. ..	Indifferent.
Katikara .. ..	3	..	Dairying .. ..	Good.
Kohura .. ..	11	..	Mixed farming .. ..	"
Kota .. ..	7	..	" .. ..	Fair.
Mana .. ..	1	..	Grazing .. ..	"
Mangamairi .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	Indifferent.
Marco .. ..	2	..	Mixed farming .. ..	Fair.
Matane .. ..	..	1	Dairying .. ..	Freehold.
Ngutu .. ..	1	..	Mixed farming .. ..	Unsatisfactory.
Okahu .. ..	1	..	Dairying .. ..	Fair.
Parkes .. ..	7	..	" .. ..	Very good.
Piu .. ..	3	..	Mixed farming .. ..	Poor.
Rahu .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	"
Ratapiko .. ..	4	1	Dairying and mixed farming .. ..	Fair.
Spotswood .. ..	8	38	Homestead and small dairying .. ..	Very good.
Taitama .. ..	5	..	Mixed farming .. ..	Fair.
Tariki .. ..	7	1	Dairying .. ..	Good.
Tawhiwhi .. ..	7	..	Mixed farming .. ..	Fair.
Tokaora .. ..	2	14	Dairying .. ..	Very good.
Tututawa .. ..	3	..	Dairying and grazing .. ..	Good.
Totals .. ..	139	63		
<i>Wellington.</i>				
Ahiaruhe .. ..	10	..	Dairying .. ..	Fair.
Akitio .. ..	6	..	Grazing .. ..	Good.
Almadale .. ..	8	..	Dairying .. ..	Lower, good; upper, fair.
Aorangi .. ..	21	21	" .. ..	Good.
Arawhata .. ..	2	..	Dairying, also few sheep .. ..	Very fair.
Armstrong .. ..	1	..	Dairying .. ..	Good.
Bailey .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	"
Bartholomew .. ..	6	..	" .. ..	Improving.
Benge .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	Fair to poor.
Braemore .. ..	4	..	Pastoral .. ..	Good.
Brown .. ..	1	..	Dairying .. ..	"
Bruce .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	Fair to poor.
Bryce .. ..	3	..	" .. ..	Good.
Callender .. ..	1	..	Dairying, also few sheep .. ..	Fair.
Carrington .. ..	34	2	Mixed .. ..	Improving.
Cherry Grove .. ..	3	..	Dairying .. ..	Very satisfactory.
Cloverlea .. ..	17	..	Dairying and residential .. ..	Good.
Corliss .. ..	1	..	Dairying .. ..	"
Coyle .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	Poor.
Currie .. ..	2	..	" .. ..	Satisfactory.
Dawbin .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	Good.
Devonshire .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	"
Dixon .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	"
Dyer .. ..	37	10	Mixed .. ..	Fair.
Eaglesham .. ..	5	..	Dairying and grazing .. ..	Good.
Epuni Hamlet .. ..	18	27	Mixed and gardening .. ..	"
Evans .. ..	1	..	Dairying, also few sheep .. ..	Fair.
Fairfield .. ..	7	1	Dairying .. ..	"
Falloon .. ..	6	..	Dairying, also few sheep .. ..	Good.
Gee .. ..	1	..	Dairying .. ..	Fair.
Glasspole .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	Poor.
Gower .. ..	2	..	" .. ..	Fair.
Graham .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	Medium.

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<i>Wellington—contd.</i>				
Greystoke .. ..	12	..	Dairying .. ..	Good.
Greves .. ..	1	..	Dairying, also few sheep .. ..	Fair.
Hall-Jones .. ..	12	28	Gardening .. ..	Good.
Hammond .. ..	1	..	Dairying .. ..	Fair.
Hawtreys .. ..	43	53	Residential .. ..	Little demand.
Hardie .. ..	1	..	Dairying .. ..	Good progress.
Haunui No. 1 .. ..	8	..	" .. ..	Good.
Haunui No. 2 .. ..	7	..	" .. ..	"
Harper .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	Fair to good.
Heatherlea .. ..	17	10	" .. ..	Good.
Heretaunga .. ..	12	114	Residential .. ..	Showing up, very good.
Heights .. ..	2	..	Sheep and dry cattle .. ..	Fair to poor.
Hill .. ..	1	..	Dairying, also few sheep .. ..	Fair.
Horrobin .. ..	1	..	Mixed .. ..	Fair to poor.
Johnson .. ..	1	..	Grazing .. ..	Poor.
Kairanga .. ..	11	..	Dairying .. ..	Good.
Kiwitea .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	"
Kopane .. ..	14	..	" .. ..	"
Kuku .. ..	4	..	Mixed .. ..	"
Langdale .. ..	11	14	Grazing .. ..	"
Langley-Purdom .. ..	1	..	Dairying .. ..	"
Lean .. ..	1	..	Residential .. ..	"
Lewis .. ..	1	..	Dairying .. ..	Fair to poor.
Linton .. ..	5	..	" .. ..	Good.
Little .. ..	1	..	Sheep and dry cattle .. ..	"
Littler .. ..	1	..	Dairying .. ..	Very good.
Loughnan .. ..	26	1	Residential .. ..	Very little demand.
Longbush and Mahupuku .. ..	15	7	Mixed .. ..	Good.
Makowai and Extension .. ..	26	..	Dairying .. ..	Improving.
Makopua .. ..	2	..	Pastoral .. ..	"
Marama-a-mau .. ..	6	..	Dairying .. ..	Fair.
Mangawhata .. ..	..	7	" .. ..	Good.
Marshall .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	Fair.
Maungaraki .. ..	19	3	Residential .. ..	Poor.
Mataikona .. ..	5	..	Grazing .. ..	Improving.
Matamua .. ..	2	1	Dairying .. ..	Fair.
Melling .. ..	2	..	Residential .. ..	Good.
Moroa .. ..	19	..	Dairying .. ..	Improving.
Motukai .. ..	3	..	Grazing .. ..	"
Muhunua .. ..	2	..	Dairying .. ..	Fair to poor.
McDonnell .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	Fair.
McKenzie .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	"
McLean .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	Good.
Neligan .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	Fair to good.
Nesdale No. 1 .. ..	1	..	Dairying and pastoral .. ..	Fair.
Nesdale No. 2 .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	"
Ngahape .. ..	6	..	Grazing .. ..	Good.
Ngakaroro .. ..	2	..	Dairying .. ..	Fair.
Ngarara .. ..	5	..	" .. ..	Good.
Normandale .. ..	25	23	Mixed .. ..	Poor.
Ohakea .. ..	2	14	Dairying .. ..	Fair.
Olliver .. ..	2	..	Grazing .. ..	"
Olver .. ..	1	..	Dairying .. ..	Improving.
Omapu .. ..	4	..	" .. ..	Good.
Oroua .. ..	2	..	" .. ..	Fair.
Osborne .. ..	5	..	" .. ..	Good.
Otahome .. ..	2	..	Grazing .. ..	"
Oturoa .. ..	7	..	Dairying .. ..	Failing.
Owenga .. ..	18	3	Residential .. ..	Fair.
Paa Creek .. ..	1	..	Dairying and a few sheep .. ..	Good.
Paparangi .. ..	20	16	Residential .. ..	Fair.
Paramu .. ..	1	..	Grazing .. ..	Poor.
Perham .. ..	1	..	Mixed .. ..	Fair.
Phillips .. ..	4	..	Dairying .. ..	Good.
Pihautea .. ..	27	1	" .. ..	"
Pitt .. ..	..	5	Gardening .. ..	Fair.
Pohehe .. ..	1	..	Dairying, sheep, and cattle .. ..	Good.
Poroporo .. ..	16	2	Mixed .. ..	Fair.
Pukekoa .. ..	9	..	Dairying .. ..	"
Pukenamu and Extension .. ..	8	..	" .. ..	Fair to poor.
Puketoi .. ..	10	..	Grazing, sheep and cattle .. ..	Very good.
Putorino .. ..	14	..	Dairying .. ..	Fair.
Quillinan .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	"
Raumaewa .. ..	3	..	" .. ..	Good.
Ruatangata .. ..	3	..	" .. ..	"
Sandilands .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	Fair.
Saxon .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	Fair to good.
Soland .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	Making progress.
Stanley .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	Improving.
Stokes .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	Fair.
Tablelands and Hikiwera .. ..	12	5	Grazing .. ..	Good.
Taikorea .. ..	5	..	Dairying .. ..	Fair.
Tauherenikau .. ..	1	..	Mixed .. ..	Improving.



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<i>Wellington—contd.</i>							
Taumaihi .. ..	3	1	Residential .. ..	..	..	..	Poor.
Tapuac .. ..	2	..	Grazing .. ..	..	..	..	Good.
Tawaha .. ..	24	1	Mixed .. ..	..	..	..	"
Te Matua .. ..	8	7	Dairying .. ..	..	..	..	"
Te Ore Ore .. ..	8	..	Dairying, mixed farming ..	..	..	..	Good to fair.
Te Whiti .. ..	6	..	Dairying .. ..	..	..	..	Fair.
Tikotu .. ..	3	..	" .. ..	..	..	..	"
Tiraumea .. ..	16	..	Grazing .. ..	..	..	..	Good to fair.
Tupurupuru .. ..	3	..	" .. ..	..	..	..	Good.
Tuturumuri .. ..	12	..	" .. ..	..	..	..	"
Waddington .. ..	13	3	Gardening .. ..	..	..	..	Fair to poor.
Wahren .. ..	1	..	Dairying .. ..	..	..	..	Fair.
Waihora .. ..	3	..	Mixed .. ..	..	..	..	Good.
Waitawa .. ..	3	..	Dairying .. ..	..	..	..	"
Waterson .. ..	2	..	" .. ..	..	..	..	Fair.
Westella .. ..	12	..	" .. ..	..	..	..	"
Westmere .. ..	9	..	Mixed .. ..	..	..	..	Good.
White .. ..	1	..	Dairying .. ..	..	..	..	"
Wilford .. ..	70	127	Residential .. ..	..	..	..	"
Woulfe .. ..	1	..	Dairying .. ..	..	..	..	Very good.
Wright .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	..	..	..	"
Youle .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	..	..	..	Good.
Totals ..	936	507					
<i>Nelson.</i>							
Blue Glen .. ..	1	..	Grazing .. ..	..	..	..	Poor.
Braeburn .. ..	20	2	Mixed farming .. ..	..	..	..	Good.
Glenrae .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	..	..	..	"
Golden Downs ..	1	..	" .. ..	..	..	..	"
Homestead .. ..	1	..	Grazing .. ..	..	..	..	"
Lake .. ..	5	..	" .. ..	..	..	..	Fair.
Maruia .. ..	10	..	Grazing and dairying ..	..	..	..	"
Matakitaki .. ..	1	..	Grazing .. ..	..	..	..	"
Palmer .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	..	..	..	"
Spittall .. ..	1	..	Dairying .. ..	..	..	..	"
Tutaki .. ..	3	1	Grazing .. ..	..	..	..	Poor.
Waimaunga .. ..	1	..	Dairying .. ..	..	..	..	"
Walker .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	..	..	..	Good.
Wangapeka .. ..	16	3	Mixed farming .. ..	..	..	..	"
Miscellaneous ..	4	..					..
Totals ..	67	6					
<i>Marlborough.</i>							
Alberton .. ..	4	..	Agricultural and dairying ..	..	..	..	Poor.
Blind River .. ..	18	..	Sheep and agricultural ..	..	..	..	Very good.
Bomford .. ..	1	..	Agricultural .. ..	..	..	..	Poor.
Erina .. ..	10	2	Sheep .. ..	..	..	..	Fair.
Fernleigh .. ..	6	..	Dairying .. ..	..	..	..	"
Flaxbourne .. ..	126	15	Agricultural and pastoral ..	..	..	..	Very good.
Goat Hills .. ..	3	..	Sheep .. ..	..	..	..	Fair.
Hillersden .. ..	52	8	" .. ..	..	..	..	Good.
Hillersden Bush ..	1	..					..
Linkwaterdale ..	5	..	Dairying and agricultural ..	..	..	..	Fair.
Lynton Downs ..	11	..	Sheep .. ..	..	..	..	"
Moorlands .. ..	6	..	Agricultural .. ..	..	..	..	"
Neville .. ..	1	1	" .. ..	..	..	..	"
Northbank .. ..	9	..	Sheep .. ..	..	..	..	Good.
Omaka .. ..	14	..	Agricultural, sheep, and dairying ..	..	..	..	"
Puhipuhi .. ..	2	..	Sheep .. ..	..	..	..	"
Rainford .. ..	11	..	Dairying .. ..	..	..	..	"
Richmond Brook ..	12	..	Sheep .. ..	..	..	..	Very good.
Starborough .. ..	164	27	Agricultural and pastoral ..	..	..	..	"
Waipapa .. ..	4	..	Sheep .. ..	..	..	..	Good.
Warnock .. ..	2	..	Dairying .. ..	..	..	..	Poor.
Wither .. ..	17	5	Sheep and poultry .. ..	..	..	..	Fair.
Totals ..	479	58					
<i>Westland.</i>							
Kokatahi .. ..	8	..	Dairying and grazing .. ..	..	..	..	Satisfactory.
Poerua .. ..	23	4	" .. ..	..	..	..	"
Raupo .. ..	4	..	" .. ..	..	..	..	"
Runanga .. ..	1	..	Residential .. ..	..	..	..	..
Totals ..	36	4					
<i>Canterbury.</i>							
Acton .. ..	3	..	Mixed farming .. ..	..	..	..	Fair; holdings too small; land dirty, too much cropping.
Albury .. ..	78	3	Sheep-farming and grain-growing ..	..	..	..	Very good.

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<i>Canterbury—contd.</i>				
Allanholme .. ..	8	..	Sheep-farming and grain-growing .. ..	Fair.
Annan .. ..	43	5	Mixed farming and grazing .. ..	Well established.
Ashley Gorge .. ..	7	3	Dairy-farming and grazing .. ..	Fair; "holdings too small; land dirty.
Ashton .. ..	6	..	Mixed farming .. ..	Fair.
Ashwick .. ..	8	..	Sheep-farming and grain-growing .. ..	Satisfactory.
Avenel .. ..	17	..	Mixed farming .. ..	Generally satisfactory.
Avenel Extension .. ..	12	..	" .. ..	Still uncertain.
Avonhead .. ..	16	1	Small farming .. ..	"
Avonhead No. 2 .. ..	16	..	" .. ..	Good.
Aylesbury .. ..	6	..	Mixed farming .. ..	Fair.
Bankfield .. ..	9	..	Mixed farming and grain-growing .. ..	Fair; holdings too small.
Beach .. ..	10	..	Mixed farming .. ..	Fair.
Bourndale .. ..	10	..	Mixed farming and grain-growing .. ..	Well established.
Braco .. ..	3	11	Market-gardening .. ..	Under manager.
Brinklands .. ..	..	2	Dairying and mixed farming .. ..	Still uncertain.
Broadfields .. ..	4	..	Mixed grain-growing .. ..	Uncertain; holdings too small.
Brooksdale .. ..	14	..	Mixed farming .. ..	Fair.
Bruce .. ..	4	..	" .. ..	"
Buckley .. ..	3	..	" .. ..	"
Buddo .. ..	10	5	Workers' dwellings .. ..	"
Burkes Homestead .. ..	1	..	Homestead-site .. ..	"
Chamberlain .. ..	19	2	Sheep-farming and grain-growing .. ..	Fair.
Clandeboyne .. ..	11	..	Dairy-farming and grain-growing .. ..	Very fair.
Clandeboyne No. 2 .. ..	6	..	" .. ..	Fair.
Claremont .. ..	11	..	Sheep-farming and grain-growing .. ..	Poor to fair.
Clayton .. ..	6	..	" .. ..	Good.
Clunes .. ..	8	..	Mixed farming .. ..	Fair; cropping instead of dairying.
Coldstream .. ..	10	..	Mixed farming and grain-growing .. ..	Fair; holdings too small.
Coopers Creek .. ..	1	..	Sheep-farming .. ..	Fair.
Copland .. ..	2	..	Sheep-farming, dairying, and grain-growing .. ..	"
Craigmore .. ..	8	..	Mixed farming .. ..	Poor to fair.
Cricklewood .. ..	10	..	" .. ..	"
Culverden .. ..	56	15	Mixed farming and grazing .. ..	Good.
Douglas .. ..	36	..	Mixed farming and grain-growing .. ..	Fair.
Doyleston .. ..	6	..	Mixed farming .. ..	Uncertain yet.
Drayton .. ..	14	6	Agricultural .. ..	Improving.
Dromore .. ..	4	..	Mixed farming and grazing .. ..	Uncertain; holdings too small.
Eccleston .. ..	4	..	Sheep-farming and grain-growing .. ..	Good.
Epsworth .. ..	..	2	Now freehold .. ..	"
Finlay Downs .. ..	4	..	Mixed farming and grain-growing .. ..	Poor to fair.
Four Peaks .. ..	8	..	Sheep-farming and grain-growing .. ..	Good.
Fyvie .. ..	4	1	Mixed farming .. ..	Not satisfactory.
Glenmark .. ..	28	2	Mixed farming and grazing .. ..	Good.
Glentanner .. ..	..	..	Homestead-site .. ..	Fair.
Gorge Road .. ..	4	17	Workers' homes .. ..	"
Grange .. ..	2	1	Dairying and grain-growing .. ..	Fair; holdings too small.
Hadlow .. ..	1	..	Mixed farming .. ..	Fair.
Hawthorne .. ..	9	..	" .. ..	Satisfactory; holdings too small.
Hei Hei .. ..	13	2	Poultry-farming, &c. .. ..	Uncertain yet.
Hekeao .. ..	10	7	Mixed farming .. ..	Satisfactory.
Hewitt .. ..	1	..	Homestead-site .. ..	"
Highbank .. ..	68	13	Mixed farming .. ..	Good.
Hillboro .. ..	2	..	Mixed farming and grain-growing .. ..	Poor to fair.
Homebrook .. ..	15	..	Mixed farming .. ..	Good.
Homestead-sites .. ..	9	..	" .. ..	"
Hornby .. ..	18	5	Agricultural and gardening .. ..	Fair.
Horsley Downs .. ..	8	22	Mixed farming .. ..	Well established.
Isleworth .. ..	18	..	Mixed grain-growing .. ..	Uncertain.
Jungle .. ..	2	..	Dairy-farming .. ..	Fair.
Kaimahi .. ..	4	9	" .. ..	Satisfactory.
Kakahu .. ..	5	..	Workers' homes and gardening .. ..	Poor to fair.
Kapua .. ..	12	..	Mixed farming and grazing .. ..	Good.
Kapuatohe .. ..	5	9	Market-gardening and dairying .. ..	"
Keith .. ..	..	1	Workers' homes and gardening .. ..	Satisfactory.
Kereta .. ..	4	..	Mixed farming .. ..	Good.
Kinloch .. ..	31	1	Dairying and sheep-grazing .. ..	Well established.
Kohika .. ..	16	..	Mixed farming and grazing .. ..	Good.
Kohika No. 2 .. ..	3	..	Mixed farming .. ..	Poor to fair.
Kowhatu .. ..	5	..	" .. ..	Fair.
Ladbrooks .. ..	14	..	" .. ..	"
Lambrook .. ..	5	..	" .. ..	"
Lansdown .. ..	10	1	Mixed farming and grain-growing .. ..	"
Lauriston .. ..	4	1	Mixed grain-growing .. ..	Fair, too much cropping.
Leeston .. ..	5	1	Agricultural .. ..	Well established.

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<i>Canterbury—contd.</i>				
Lees Valley .. ..	8	..	Sheep-farming .. .. .	Position difficult; improving.
Lyndhurst .. ..	17	..	Mixed farming .. .. .	Satisfactory.
Lyndon .. ..	7	1	" .. .. .	Well established.
Lyndon No. 2 .. ..	9	..	Mixed farming and grazing .. .. .	"
Macgregor .. ..	..	..	" .. .. .	Very poor.
Marawiti .. ..	12	1	" .. .. .	Good.
Maytown .. ..	9	2	Mixed farming and dairying .. .. .	"
Mead .. ..	21	1	Mixed farming and grazing .. .. .	Well established.
Meadows .. ..	14	..	Mixed farming and grain-growing .. .. .	Fair.
Milford .. ..	4	..	Mixed farming .. .. .	"
Mills .. ..	21	..	Mixed farming and dairying .. .. .	Fair to good.
Moanaroa .. ..	3	..	Mixed farming .. .. .	Fair, improving.
Morice .. ..	28	3	Dairying and grass-seed growing .. .. .	Satisfactory.
Morton .. ..	17	1	Poultry, &c. .. .. .	Uncertain yet.
Montford .. ..	7	..	Mixed farming and grazing .. .. .	Improving.
Mount Nessing .. ..	11	..	Sheep-farming and grain-growing .. .. .	Fair.
New Park .. ..	7	..	Mixed farming .. .. .	Fair; holdings too small.
Oakwood .. ..	5	..	Mixed farming and grain-growing .. .. .	Fair.
Ohapi .. ..	6	..	Mixed farming .. .. .	Good.
Omihi .. ..	..	..	Homestead-site .. .. .	"
Orakiapo .. ..	26	1	Market-gardening .. .. .	Good.
Otaio .. ..	9	..	Mixed farming .. .. .	"
Otarakaro .. ..	..	7	Small farming and dairying .. .. .	Well established.
Papakā .. ..	9	..	Market-gardening .. .. .	Good.
Parcōra .. ..	26	2	Mixed farming .. .. .	"
Pareora No. 2 .. ..	26	7	" .. .. .	"
Patoa .. ..	1	3	Grazing and small-farming .. .. .	Satisfactory.
Pawaho .. ..	8	17	Market-gardening .. .. .	"
Peaks .. ..	9	3	Mixed farming .. .. .	"
Puhuka .. ..	9	1	Workers' homes .. .. .	"
Punaroa .. ..	15	2	Dairying, sheep-farming, and grain-growing .. .. .	Good.
Raincliff .. ..	1	..	Sheep-farming .. .. .	Fair.
Rakitairi .. ..	20	2	Mixed farming and grain-growing .. .. .	Fair to good.
Rapuwai .. ..	5	..	" .. .. .	Fair.
Rautawiri .. ..	6	..	Mixed farming, grain-growing, and small-farming .. .. .	Good.
Riverina .. ..	3	..	Mixed farming .. .. .	Fair; holdings too small.
Roimata .. ..	7	22	Workers' homes .. .. .	"
Rosebrook .. ..	11	3	Small-farming and dairying .. .. .	Fair to good.
Rosewill .. ..	151	11	Sheep-farming and grain-growing .. .. .	Good.
Ruapuna No. 2 .. ..	15	..	Mixed farming .. .. .	Satisfactory.
Scargill .. ..	9	..	Mixed farming and grazing .. .. .	"
Scotston .. ..	2	..	Mixed farming .. .. .	Fair; improving.
Seafeld .. ..	6	..	" .. .. .	Fair; holdings too small.
Seaforth .. ..	6	..	Small-farming and dairying .. .. .	Fair.
Sherwood Downs .. ..	26	1	Sheep-farming and grain-growing .. .. .	Poor to fair.
Springwell .. ..	6	..	Mixed farming and grain-growing .. .. .	Fair to good.
Stoke .. ..	7	..	Mixed farming .. .. .	Good.
Strathmore .. ..	3	..	" .. .. .	Fair.
Studholme Junction .. ..	4	..	Small-farming and dairying .. .. .	Good.
Takitu .. ..	5	..	Sheep-farming .. .. .	"
Tamai .. ..	8	32	Workers' homes .. .. .	Satisfactory.
Tara .. ..	9	1	Sheep-farming and grain-growing .. .. .	Good.
Tarawahi .. ..	3	25	Workers' homes .. .. .	Satisfactory.
Teschemaker .. ..	10	..	Mixed farming and grain-growing .. .. .	Poor to fair.
Timaunga .. ..	16	..	Mixed farming .. .. .	Fair to good.
Timaunga Extension .. ..	7	..	" .. .. .	Fair.
Tripp .. ..	26	..	Sheep-farming and grain-growing .. .. .	Poor to fair.
Valverde .. ..	10	..	Mixed farming .. .. .	Holdings too small; land dirty.
Waiapi .. ..	11	4	Sheep-farming and grain-growing .. .. .	Good.
Waikakahi .. ..	185	19	" .. .. .	"
Waimate .. ..	34	..	Sheep-farming and fruit and grain-growing .. .. .	Poor to fair.
Wairere .. ..	8	..	Mixed farming .. .. .	Fair; holdings too small.
Waitohi Peaks .. ..	10	..	Sheep-farming .. .. .	Improving.
Welburn .. ..	6	..	Mixed farming and dairying .. .. .	Uncertain.
Wharenuī .. ..	13	12	Workers' homes .. .. .	Well established.
Winchester .. ..	10	..	Sheep-farming and grain-growing .. .. .	Fair.
Woodlau .. ..	4	..	Mixed farming and grazing .. .. .	Uncertain yet.
Totals .. ..	1,854	332		
<i>Otago.</i>				
Airedale .. ..	12	1	Dairying and general .. .. .	Good.
Ardgowan .. ..	66	6	" .. .. .	"
Arnmore .. ..	5	..	Mixed .. .. .	Fair.
Arthurton .. ..	4	..	Grazing .. .. .	Good.
Aviemore .. ..	1	..	" .. .. .	"

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Name of Estate.	Lease-holds.	Free-holds.	Principal Purpose for which Holdings are utilized.	Remarks as to Present Position.
<i>Otago—contd.</i>				
Awamoa .. ..	1	1	Mixed .. ..	Good.
Barnego .. ..	20	4	Dairying and general .. ..	"
Bellamy .. ..	14	..	Grazing .. ..	Poor.
Clareview .. ..	5	..	Dairying and general .. ..	Good.
Clifton .. ..	8	..	General .. ..	Fair.
Conical Hills .. ..	45	2	Grazing and general .. ..	Poor.
Crosshill .. ..	6	..	Mixed .. ..	Fair.
Croucher .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	Good.
Dalmain .. ..	3	..	Grazing .. ..	Fair.
Downs .. ..	8	..	Mixed .. ..	"
Duncan .. ..	4	5	Dairying .. ..	Poor.
Earnsclough .. ..	25	1	Fruit .. ..	Fair.
Elderslie No. 1 .. ..	35	2	General .. ..	Good.
Elderslie No. 2 .. ..	16	..	" .. ..	Very good.
Galloway .. ..	11	1	Fruit and homestead-sites .. ..	Very fair.
Gladbrook .. ..	46	3	Dairying .. ..	Fair.
Glenn .. ..	4	..	Mixed .. ..	"
Greenfield .. ..	36	7	" .. ..	Good.
Hilderthorpe .. ..	19	..	General and workers' homes .. ..	Fair.
Janefield .. ..	19	3	Dairying and fruit .. ..	Good.
Kauroo Hills .. ..	42	3	General .. ..	"
Kelso .. ..	3	..	Dairying .. ..	"
Kurow .. ..	11	3	Dairying and general .. ..	Only fair.
Lakeview .. ..	1	..	General .. ..	Good.
Maerewhenua .. ..	77	1	" .. ..	Very good.
Makarao .. ..	33	..	" .. ..	Very fair.
Makarao Extension .. ..	3	..	" .. ..	Poor.
Manuherikia .. ..	11	1	General, with irrigation .. ..	Very fair.
Maraeweka .. ..	8	..	General .. ..	"
Matakanui .. ..	3	..	General and grazing .. ..	Good.
Meadowbank .. ..	11	..	General .. ..	Very good.
Melville Park .. ..	7	..	Dairying and mixed .. ..	Poor.
Momona .. ..	6	8	Dairying .. ..	Very good.
Murrayfield .. ..	2	..	Mixed .. ..	Good.
Oakleigh .. ..	1	..	" .. ..	Only fair.
Otanomomo .. ..	25	1	Dairying .. ..	Good.
Otekaike .. ..	64	1	Mixed .. ..	Fair.
Plunket .. ..	18	2	" .. ..	Good.
Pomahaka .. ..	25	2	" .. ..	Very fair.
Poplar Grove .. ..	21	2	Dairying .. ..	Fair.
Pukeawa .. ..	15	2	Mixed .. ..	Good.
Pukenui .. ..	6	..	" .. ..	"
Puketapu .. ..	6	5	Dairying .. ..	"
Rockford .. ..	4	..	Mixed .. ..	"
Rosebery .. ..	15	..	Grazing and general .. ..	"
Rugged Ridges .. ..	1	..	Grazing .. ..	Very fair.
Steward .. ..	51	4	Mixed .. ..	Good.
St. Helens .. ..	3	..	General .. ..	Very fair.
Tahawai .. ..	7	1	Dairying .. ..	Good.
Tapanui .. ..	6	..	General .. ..	"
Taumata .. ..	9	..	Mixed .. ..	"
Teaneraki .. ..	23	..	Dairying .. ..	Very fair.
Te Puke .. ..	4	..	Mixed .. ..	Good.
Teviot .. ..	24	1	Grazing .. ..	Fair.
Tilverstowe .. ..	7	..	Mixed .. ..	"
Tokarahi .. ..	76	2	" .. ..	Good.
Tokoiti .. ..	4	..	" .. ..	"
Totara .. ..	27	..	" .. ..	"
Wairuna .. ..	11	..	" .. ..	Fair.
Waitatuna No. 1 .. ..	1	1	" .. ..	"
Waitatuna No. 2 .. ..	6	1	" .. ..	Poor.
Westcott .. ..	7	..	" .. ..	"
Wilden .. ..	13	..	Mixed agricultural and pastoral .. ..	Good.
Windsor Park No. 1 .. ..	36	2	Mixed .. ..	Very good.
Windsor Park No. 2 .. ..	10	..	" .. ..	"
Totals .. ..	1,158	79		
<i>Southland.</i>				
Allenby .. ..	5	..	Dairying .. ..	Fair.
Ardlussa .. ..	5	..	Pastoral .. ..	Very poor.
Beaumont .. ..	9	2	Mixed farming .. ..	"
Brydone .. ..	2	..	Dairying .. ..	Fair.
Campbell .. ..	4	..	Mixed farming .. ..	Poor.
Crichton Park .. ..	4	2	Pastoral .. ..	Fair.
Edendale .. ..	98	56	Dairying .. ..	Very good.
Ermedale .. ..	11	2	Mixed farming .. ..	Fair.
Fern Hill .. ..	4	..	" .. ..	"
Fortification Hill .. ..	6	..	Pastoral .. ..	"
Glenham .. ..	31	13	Mixed farming .. ..	Very good.
Knowsley Park .. ..	9	..	Pastoral .. ..	Poor.
Lambert .. ..	1	..	Dairying .. ..	Fair.

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<i>Southland—contd.</i>				
Lamont .. ..	6	..	Dairying .. .. .	Fair.
McCallum .. ..	4	..	" .. .. .	"
Maori Hill .. ..	17	4	Mixed farming .. .. .	Good.
Merrivale .. ..	43	12	" .. .. .	"
Merrivale No. 1 .. ..	9	..	" .. .. .	Fair.
Merrivale No. 2 .. ..	7	..	" .. .. .	"
Monte Cristo .. ..	3	..	Dairying .. .. .	"
Otahu .. ..	6	2	Mixed farming .. .. .	"
Ringway .. ..	4	3	" .. .. .	"
Simpson .. ..	1	..	" .. .. .	Poor.
Stalker .. ..	8	1	Dairying .. .. .	Fair; holdings too small.
Strathvale .. ..	3	..	" .. .. .	Very good.
Tamatea .. ..	7	..	" .. .. .	"
Teihoka .. ..	2	..	Mixed farming .. .. .	Good.
Te Wae Wae .. ..	4	..	Dairying .. .. .	Fair.
Waiarikiki .. ..	7	..	Pastoral .. .. .	Poor.
Waikiwi Town .. ..	29	30	Suburban building-sites .. .. .	Fair.
Totals .. ..	355	127		

EXTRACTS FROM REPORTS OF COMMISSIONERS OF CROWN LANDS.

NORTH AUCKLAND.

(W. D. ARMIT, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

The various settlements have been under review from time to time during the year, and certain concessions to some groups have been necessary owing to prevailing conditions.

Good progress in draining, clearing, and grassing is in evidence on some of the less-improved properties, and elsewhere the usual farming-conditions have been encountered as mentioned in my report on Crown lands.

There are still a number of problems connected with several of the settlements, but time and concessions respecting rental payments will assist in their solution.

Any vacant settlement sections have been speedily reselected, excepting one area in Aponga Settlement, which is being reoffered at reduced values.

No new purchases have been effected during the year.

AUCKLAND.

(K. M. GRAHAM, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

In spite of the bad times and low prices of produce, most of the settlers on the older settlements are carrying on satisfactorily and meeting their obligations to the Department. In the estates which have been more recently settled a certain proportion of the settlers are passing through a difficult period owing to lack of finance necessary to enable them to successfully develop their holdings. In a number of cases the Department has met the position by remissions or postponements of rent or by making advances. With an improvement in the price of farm products most of these settlers should eventually pull through.

In this district there are seven group settlements under the Land Laws Amendment Act, 1928, and, although faced with slump conditions almost immediately after acquiring their holdings, most of the settlers in this class are doing reasonably well and it would require only an improvement in the price of butterfat to give them a good chance of ultimate success.

The Galatea Estate is still being worked for the most part as a sheep and cattle station, but during the year nine share milkers were established on the property with herds averaging about fifty cows. The prospects, generally speaking, in connection with these share-milking farms may be regarded as good, and it is expected that results will prove that Galatea will be quite suitable for successful dairy-farming.

GISBORNE.

(H. L. PRIMROSE, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

There have been no new transactions during the year, and our farming-operations have been restricted to Te Wera.

The general drainage of Homebush Settlement will be much improved as a result of the clearing of willows out of the upper Tareheru River. This good work was carried out by the Public Works Department, and similar operations in the Waipaoa River will benefit some of the settlements on the flats, more particularly Repongaere and Willows.

## HAWKE'S BAY.

(F. R. BURNLEY, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

No purchases of new areas have been made during the year.

Difficulty has confronted both dairy and sheep farmers during the past year owing to low prices ruling, and the drought conditions which have been experienced during the long summer have rendered conditions more difficult.

The Kakariki Settlement is still being farmed by the Department, and with approximately an additional area of 1,300 acres cleared and grassed where required it is expected that the next season will give improved results.

## TARANAKI.

(F. H. WATERS, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

No properties were offered for purchase during the year and no estates were purchased.

The Department continues to farm the Tapuwae Estate of 3,350 acres. This is situated near Mangapehi and is at present carrying 4,630 sheep and 822 cattle. The result of the year's operations shows a profit after charging interest on capital.

On the majority of the settlements dairy-farming is carried on, and the settlers, like those on ordinary Crown lands, have not had a satisfactory year owing to the low price of butterfat. The pastoral settlers have had a satisfactory year and in most cases should be able to meet charges.

## WELLINGTON.

(H. W. C. MACKINTOSH, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

There were no private estates acquired for closer settlement during the year under review. On the majority of the estates acquired in previous years the settlers are following dairying, while those on the balance of the estates are raising sheep and cattle or go in for market-gardening. Settlements are situated in all parts of the district, and these settlers have been affected by the low prices in common with all other tenants throughout the district.

## NELSON.

(A. F. WATERS, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

No new areas have been acquired under the Land for Settlements Act during the past year.

## MARLBOROUGH.

(P. R. WILKINSON, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

No new estates were purchased in this district during the past year.

My report on ordinary Crown lands applies with equal force to lands-for-settlement areas. Most of the settlement sections are devoted to pastoral or mixed farming operations, and although the settlers have all felt the effects of the drop in wool prices and the dry summer they have not had such a bad set-back as those who rely wholly on dairying.

## WESTLAND.

(T. CAGNEY, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

No land was acquired under the Land for Settlements Act during the year. Practically all the settlements in this district are old established and the charges have been regularly met in all but a few cases, where, however, the arrears may be regarded as recoverable.

## CANTERBURY.

(J. F. QUINN, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

No new estates were purchased for settlement during the year.

The Brinklands Estate at Fairlie is still being farmed by the Department. Considerable improvements have been carried out since the estate was taken over and these are now practically completed. The farming-operations for the past year resulted in a small profit after allowing for interest on the capital invested.

A portion of Ashton Settlement at Seafeld is also being worked by the Department as an Irrigation Farm. Experiments have been carried out, and from these much useful information has been obtained.

## OTAGO.

(N. C. KENSINGTON, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

During the past year four sections on the Arthurton Settlement were selected. This was the last area purchased for settlement under the Land for Settlements Act in this district.

Where mixed farming is being carried on and the overhead expenses are not unduly heavy, the lessees on the older settlements are able to carry on satisfactorily at present prices; but in the case of later purchases, where the areas are restricted, the position continues to be difficult.

## SOUTHLAND.

(B. C. McCABE, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

No new estates were purchased in this district during the year.

The position of the settlers on all the newly purchased estates is now showing a definite improvement.

### APPENDIX III.—LAND-DRAINAGE AND LAND-DEVELOPMENT OPERATIONS.

(R. G. MACMORRAN, Chief Drainage Engineer.)

In accordance with statutory requirements, separate reports deal with (1) Hauraki Plains, (2) Rangitaiki, and (3) Swamp Land Drainage Districts—viz., Kaitaia, Hikurangi, Waihi, and Poukawa Drainage Works.

Our work on other than the above areas has been comprised mainly in land-development operations under the small-farms scheme.

*Mangatete Farm Settlement* (1,270 acres).—Situating near Kaingaroa, subdivided into nine small-farm holdings. The land is clay on a limestone formation and was formerly covered with bush. Work was commenced on this block in May, 1934, when a camp to house forty relief men was erected. For the following four months from ten to fifteen men were engaged, but thereafter the employment of Maoris was sanctioned, and from thirty to forty men were employed for the balance of the year.

The block was subdivided into nine sections, varying in area from 102 acres to 178 acres. Two of the sections are in standing bush and the remainder was mostly in indifferent pasture at the time of taking over. The first work undertaken was to ring-fence, clean up, and top-dress a portion of five sections of open country, and settlers were placed on these sections in August and provided with herds, which have been milked throughout the season.

The principal works carried out have been clearing and logging-up, fencing, top-dressing and cultivating, and erection of buildings on the five occupied sections. All these are now provided with houses and cow-sheds and are sufficiently developed to enable the settlers to carry on with a little further assistance. Houses and cow-sheds are in course of erection on two other sections which are being fenced and cleared of fern, logs, &c., and will shortly be ready for occupation. Other work carried out consisted of splitting posts, felling, cross-cutting, and milling timber used for cow-sheds, bridges, and gates on this and the Kaitaia Swamp Area.

Additional work required in this area is erection of houses, bush-felling, fencing, and grassing on the two sections not yet dealt with, further clearing up and fencing on the sections in hand, and construction of access road between the Mangatete and Puriri Blocks.

Principal works carried out to date comprise 50,000 superficial feet timber felled and cross-cut, 6,600 posts and 1,300 battens split, 210 strainers squared, 4 miles 54 chains fencing erected, 150 acres cleared, 160 acres top-dressed, three cottages erected, two renovated, and three milking-sheds built.

*Kaitaia Small Farms* (1,000 acres).—This swamp comprises 1,000 acres of Crown land on left bank of Awanui River, near Kaitaia. Labour was supplied by Unemployment Board, and an average of fifty men were employed and housed in a camp erected in the centre of the block. The land was originally covered with rushes, nigger-heads, raupo, and manuka, with a few patches of bush along the river-bank.

The principal works carried out comprised drain-excavation, clearing, stumping and preparation of ground for grassing, roadmaking, and fencing. Erection of six houses and cow-sheds was commenced in March and will be completed during April. The six sections on which buildings are being erected could then be occupied, as they are sufficiently improved to carry a few dairy-cows for milking next season.

Drainage-work has absorbed the greater part of the labour employed this year, but main outlets are now practically completed and further drains required consist mainly of small boundary and subdivisional outlets.

Roading is sufficiently advanced to give access to six sections during dry weather, but the access road will be practically impassable for some months of the year until it is metalled, and this work, together with further formation, will require to be carried out in the coming year.

Clearing and grassing has been completed on the whole of the river-frontage. About 200 acres is now sown, comprising all the alluvial and solid country, the balance of the block being peat land of poorer quality and more difficult to establish in good pasture. A hundred acres was sown last autumn in good grasses, which are apparently now well established and likely to provide first-class permanent pasture.

One hundred and forty-eight head of yearling heifers and seven bulls were placed on the area last July. Three of the heifers died during the year from unknown causes, but the remainder have done well and maintained good condition, and further stock can be carried next year.

The principal works carried out during the year comprised 4 miles 65 chains drains constructed, 4 miles 5 chains drains deepened and widened, 20 chains stop-bank erected, 61 chains road-bank formed, five bridges and three culverts built, 200 chains fences erected, 128 acres cleared, 168 acres sown in grass, and 3,000 trees planted.

*Small-farm Areas, Hauraki Plains.*—On two small farms at Mangatarata some 56 acres previously ploughed and cultivated were sown with grass-seed and fertilizer. Two cottages of four rooms were built, also two four-bail milking-sheds, farm-access bridge of 30 ft. span, 255 chains fencing erected, and water-supply provided for each farm.

On an area at Kaihere a cottage was removed from Kerepechi, enlarged, and re-erected. One four-bail milking-shed, 108 chains fencing, and one 24 ft. span access bridge were also erected, and water-supply provided.

On Parks Estate, Te Awamutu, five cottages and four six-bail milking-sheds were erected by contract.

At Mangatangi three cottages and three four-bail milking-sheds were also erected.

*Blackshaw's Small Farm, Cambridge* (250 acres).—An area of partly-developed land, subdivided into five small farms, comprising 120 acres of good flat and balance peat swamp, originally covered with a heavy growth of blackberry and gorse. From six to twenty-two relief men have been employed on drain-construction and clearing. One hundred and thirty acres of dense blackberry and gorse have been cleared, and 2 miles 67 chains of drain constructed. Water-supply was provided for the five sections, together with 32 chains of boundary-fence renewed and four four-bail milking-sheds erected.

*Wharere Farm Settlement* (930 acres).—An area of abandoned and surrendered flax leases on the Waihi Swamp in Tauranga County. The quality of the land is generally good, although a portion is low-lying. Work has been carried out by relief labour and good progress made, despite fluctuation in the number employed.

The main work comprised clearing of scrub and grassing, draining, fencing, and road-formation. The areas grassed were surface-sown after burning, and excellent pasture-establishment has been obtained on areas which were water-logged at the commencement of operations. The grass was stocked with bullocks and young dairy stock. A commencement was made with the building of dwellings and cow-sheds for three farms, on which dairying will be commenced in the coming season.

The principal works carried out comprised 4 miles 39 chains new drains formed, 4 miles 43 chains drains cleaned, 3 miles 61 chains road formed, two store-sheds, thirteen bridges, and 10 miles 50 chains fencing erected, 340 acres cleared of scrub, and 402 acres grassed.

Stock on the area comprise thirty-eight three-year heifers; 100 one-year heifers, 100 two-and-a-half-year-old bullocks, and six pedigree bulls. The bullocks particularly are proving suitable for the consolidation and cleaning-up of this country.

*Tarawera Farm Settlement* (900 acres).—Development of this area was commenced in January, 1934, and good results have been obtained in the clearing, draining, and grassing.

Young dairy stock were purchased, and a commencement was made with the buildings and equipment of six dairy-farms on which these will be utilized during the coming season.

On this area a portion of the land was harrowed only and a portion ploughed and cultivated before grassing. Two small areas were sown in lucerne, and this has made excellent growth.

Where necessary, water-supplies are being installed from wells on the individual sections, whilst in other cases the natural supply is being made use of for the present.

The principal work carried out during the year comprised 91 chains drains constructed, 60 chains road formed, one cottage erected, one store-shed, 4 miles 67 chains fences erected, 400 acres cleared, 6 acres lucerne, and 162 acres grassed.

*Murupara Block* (1,470 acres).—Crown land of undulating pumiceous formation, practically adjoining Galatea Estate, and development was commenced in September, 1933. The land was cleared of scrub and put straight to permanent pasture. A gravity water-supply scheme has been installed and this reticulates the major portion of the area. Permanent cottages were erected and occupied on completion by the men employed on development. Plantations were located on the main boundaries, and boundary and internal fencing proceeded with. A central subdivisional road was located and partly formed. The erection of cow-sheds was put in hand, and eight farms will be fully equipped for dairying next season. The area was stocked with yearling heifers, and these will be available for the dairy-farms. Hay was saved and crops sown for this stock. All pastures were top-dressed in the spring and autumn.

The principal works carried out comprised 155 chains plantations, 485 acres cleared, 454 acres ploughed and cultivated, 414 acres in grass and crops, 80 chains road, 12 miles 19 chains fencing, eight cottages, two cow-sheds, twelve sections reticulated with thirty-eight concrete water-troughs, and ten houses connected.

Stock comprise twelve three-year-old heifers, 264 two-year-old heifers, and nine bulls.

Reasonably good pasture establishment has been obtained on this area. This has been assisted considerably by a favourable season.

*Onepu No. 2 Small Farms*.—Some nine sections of Onepu Block were set aside for small-farm applicants.

Of a total area of 560 acres, some 340 acres were grassed, thus allowing each section to have a portion in grass and a portion in a natural state.

Dwellings, cow-sheds, and water-supply were constructed before sections were allotted in May, 1934.

*Broadlands Block* (1,000 acres).—An area presented to the Crown by Mr. E. Earle Vaile, situated in Taupo County about forty miles south of Rotorua.

Development-work was commenced in October, 1933. The land was cleared of heavy scrub, the better-quality land being sown in permanent pasture and the lighter land in temporary pasture. Additional small areas were sown in oats and swedes. The permanent buildings were erected and occupied when completed by the men engaged on development. Plantations were placed on conveniently situated boundary-lines, and the fencing of these and section boundaries proceeded with. Formation of the main access and subdivisional road was put in hand and carried forward as required for development purposes. A scheme was drawn up and a commencement made of the reticulation of the area from an excellent stream on the block, power to be obtained from a water-wheel on the stream. Yearling heifers were purchased and grazed, and these will be utilized on the six dairy-farms which will be available for dairying in the coming season. The erection of cow-sheds and the equipment of these farms was put in hand late in the year.



Principal works carried out comprised 1 mile 40 chains road, 6 miles 11 chains fencing, 401 acres clearing and stumping, 537 acres ploughing and cultivation, 408 acres grass, 38 acres swedes, 5 acres lucerne, four cottages, and 92 chains plantations.

Pasture-establishment on the better-quality lands has been good, and the swedes and oat crops were very satisfactory. On the lighter land, establishment has been slower, but shows good promise of improvement.

Stock comprises eleven three-year-old heifers, 140 two-year-old heifers, and four pedigree bulls.

*Galatea Estate.*—The following is a summary of operations carried out on this estate.

Clearing: Minor clearing on areas to be ploughed for crops was carried out. An area of 160 acres was cleared of rushes, the rushes being stacked and burnt.

Fencing: This included the fencing of section boundaries and subdivisions to permit of better pasture-control by station stock, the subdivisional fencing of share-farms and the fencing of shelter-belts.

Buildings: The ten share-farm cottages, cow-sheds, store-sheds, and pig and calf shelters were completed on the share-farms. A number of two-men huts were erected on the main camp to replace the tent-accommodation and repairs and additions made to the store-sheds.

Water-supply: The reticulation of the area south of the Township Road was completed, the share-farms being completely reticulated and further troughs placed for each subdivision of the station pastures, a total of 103 700-gallon concrete troughs being constructed on the ground. The share-farm houses, cow-sheds, and pig-pens were connected to the water system.

Ploughing and Cultivation: The lucerne and swede areas, totalling 250 acres, were cultivated and sown, and an additional area of 699 acres was ploughed and cultivated for station swedes and turnips. An area of 535 acres was under cultivation for autumn grass.

Hay, Oats, &c.: The areas required for hay and ensilage were cut by this Branch, and an additional area was cut and saved for station-stock purposes. An area of 70 acres of oats was cut and stacked. Areas totalling 610 acres of grass were topped.

Plantations: A total length of 482 chains of pine plantation was planted, and the older plantations blanked where required. All trees planted are making exceptionally good growth.

Liming and Top-dressing: Areas totalling 437 acres, including the lucerne paddocks, were limed. A commencement was made with the autumn top-dressing, a total of 407 acres being completed.

Grass-harrowing: An area of 250 acres of station pastures was harrowed and this work will be proceeded with.

The following summary gives the work completed during the year :—

	Acres.						
Clearing rushes .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	160
Fencing—	Chains.						
Station .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,703
Share-farms .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,539
Buildings: Ten cottages, ten cow-sheds, eleven store-sheds on share-farms, and six huts and one store-shed at camp.							
Drains cleaned .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,473
Plantations .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	482
Ploughing and cultivation—	Acres.						
Share-farms .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	250
Estate .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,234
Cultivation Demonstration Farm .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	25
Ploughing only for oats .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	50
Crops—							
Lucerne .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	120
Swedes and soft turnips .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	854
Area of grass cut for hay .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	646
Area of grass topped .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	610
	Tons.						
Hay saved station .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	175
Oats stacked .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	60
	Acres.						
Grass harrowed .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	250
Grass limed .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	437
Grass top-dressed .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	407

*Orongo Settlement.*—Since October, 1922, a party of twenty-four relief men has been transported daily from Thames and engaged in deepening drains and raising stop-banks. Work was completed in January, 1935, and men were transferred to Tahuna District and employed in ring-barking willows on banks of Waitoa and Piako Rivers.

*Aponga Settlement.*—A single men's relief camp has operated throughout the year, engaged in roading, metalling, and fencing. Some 2 miles 70 chains of fences have been erected; 1 mile 30 chains road formed, and 1 mile 14 chains metalled.

Summary of Work done.

	Miles.	Ch.		Number.
Clearing drains .. ..	290	42	Cottages built .. ..	45
Widening and deepening drains .. ..	26	42	Milking-sheds built .. ..	42
Constructing new drains .. ..	23	42	Huts built .. ..	20
River-channels and canals maintained	32	28		Cub. yd.
Roads formed .. ..	14	54	Metal used on roads .. ..	4,433
Roads metalled .. ..	5	76	Clay carted for roads .. ..	11,044
Stop-banks formed .. ..	0	70	Spoil excavated by excavators .. ..	241,329
Stop-banks repaired .. ..	5	9	Rock excavated .. ..	3,000
Fences erected .. ..	91	71		Acres.
Water-supply pipes laid .. ..	9	72	Area cleared .. ..	2,289
	Number.		Area stumped .. ..	171
Flood-gates built .. ..	1		Area ploughed .. ..	2,671
Bridges erected .. ..	20		Area grassed .. ..	1,834
Road culverts constructed .. ..	3		Area top-dressed .. ..	567

Office.—The expenditure recorded totalled £154,348 11s. 4d., and of this amount £52,542 12s. 2d. was paid through Thames and Whakatane Imprest Accounts.

A total of 164 piecework and co-operative contracts were let, and 4,599 vouchers prepared and passed for payment. The revenue collected, excluding drainage rates, amounted to £5,289 14s. 2d.

Drainage Rates.—Drainage rates levied on Hauraki Plains, Rangitaiki, Kaitaia, and Waihi areas totalled £20,617 14s. 1d., entailing 2,063 rate notices. Rates collected amounted to £9,436 3s. 9d.

Photostat.—This machine was in operation on seventy-five occasions, and 6,974 prints were taken, covering 5,206 for the Department, 196 for other Departments (charged for), 1,491 for other Departments (not charged for), and 81 spoils. This shows 747 less than last year's record of 7,721.

A considerable amount of extra work was created last year by investigations under the small-farm scheme of a non-recurring nature, and it was expected that this year's total would show a decrease. There is no slackening-off in the general work, and the machine is still in constant demand.

Table 1.— RETURN SHOWING (APPROXIMATELY) POSITION OF LANDS IN THE DOMINION AT 31ST MARCH, 1935.

District.	Total area sold or granted and held on Freehold.	Total Area reserved for Public Purposes.	Total Area of Crown Lands leased under all Tenures (exclusive of Reserves leased by Crown).	Total Area of Crown Lands available for Future Disposal.	Total Area of Native Land.	Land unfit for Settlement (including Area occupied by Rivers, Lakes, Roads, &c.).	Total Area in Land District.
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
North Auckland .. ..	2,605,465	442,022	569,259	127,010	517,016	217,428	4,478,200
Auckland .. ..	2,605,420	1,239,208	999,803	566,858	1,633,785	1,175,499	8,220,573
Gisborne .. ..	1,131,909	481,806	536,271	73,263	1,042,139	254,103	3,519,491
Hawke's Bay .. ..	1,546,864	202,324	550,139	165,232	371,535	78,227	2,914,321
Taranaki .. ..	1,122,563	342,041	629,775	71,952	165,751	72,349	2,404,431
Wellington* .. ..	3,521,043	1,069,461	793,627	140,155	787,057	739,726	7,051,069
Nelson .. ..	658,628	2,380,311	767,739	89,304	30,051	788,967	4,715,000
Marlborough .. ..	789,341	348,505	1,467,976	53,806	..	108,372	2,768,000
Westland .. ..	166,183	2,176,720	658,430	393,021	..	469,024	3,863,378
Canterbury .. ..	3,556,323	1,458,587	3,922,432	59,713	..	481,375	9,478,430
Otago .. ..	1,974,512	970,963	5,454,282	26,152	..	668,448	9,094,357
Southland .. ..	1,854,939	4,407,355	1,382,272	109,133	..	129,247	7,882,946
Totals .. ..	21,533,190	15,519,303	17,732,005	1,875,599	4,547,334	5,182,765	66,390,196

\* Includes Chatham Islands.

Table 2.—LANDS SELECTED DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1935.

Land District.	Cash.		Deferred Payments.		Renewable Lease.		Small Grazing-runs.		Pastoral Runs.		Pastoral Licenses in Mining Districts under Special Regulations.		Mining Districts Land Occupation Leases.		Miscellaneous Leases, &c.		Education Endowments.		Totals.	
	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.
North Auckland	16	Acres. 664	16	723	24	6,699	..	..	..	Acres. ..	..	Acres. ..	..	Acres. ..	21	3,439	13	556	90	Acres. 12,081
Auckland	58	9,288	30	1,072	30	10,952	..	..	..	754	4	..	..	..	63	4,290	2	16	187	26,372
Gisborne	4	..	9	76	14	12,764	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	10,711	3	638	42	24,191
Hawke's Bay	13	74	16	247	8	1,872	..	..	1	6,390	..	..	..	..	12	559	4	7	54	9,149
Taranaki	9	1,552	3	216	14	6,447	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	45	12,841	8	168	79	21,224
Wellington	19	906	8	4	16	8,763	..	..	1	4,593	..	..	..	..	54	5,397	11	1,211	109	20,874
Nelson	1	5	..	..	11	5,791	..	..	1	33,935	..	..	..	..	44	6,268	1	335	60	46,803
Marlborough	3	10	..	..	5	3,502	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13	6,683	1	1	22	10,196
Westland	1	1	..	..	5	40	..	..	..	..	16	2,057	8	..	104	9,069	1	60	135	11,234
Canterbury	28	121	3	1,323	24	8,731	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	57	16,766	3	547	115	27,488
Otago	16	94	..	..	16	6,402	..	..	2	60,788	..	..	3	..	56	4,815	7	232	100	72,348
Southland	2	161	1	225	4	1,917	..	..	1	5,500	..	..	..	..	27	12,779	8	373	43	20,955
Totals	170	12,878	86	3,886	171	73,880	..	..	6	111,206	22	3,279	11	24	508	93,617	62	4,145	1,036	302,915

Table 3.—LANDS HELD ON LEASE AT 31st MARCH, 1935.

Land District.	Deferred Payments.		Lease in Perpetuity.		Renewable Lease.		Occupation with Right of Purchase.		Small Grazing-runs.		Pastoral Runs.		Pastoral Licenses in Mining Districts.		Mining Districts Land Occupation Leases.		Perpetual Leases.		Miscellaneous Leases and Licenses.		Education Endowments.		Totals.	
	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.	No.	Area.
North Auckland...	569	51,585	423	Acres.	1,151	235,054	642	Acres.	..	30,800	1	553	..	Acres.	2	71	6	162	499	101,247	772	45,284	4,065	612,987
Auckland ..	1,609	177,762	374	103,184	1,453	307,570	790	207,923	7	183,546	1	8,755	161	42,064	152	3,226	..	..	1,162*	109,455*	194	54,349	5,903	1,045,088
Gisborne ..	75	21,558	81	42,652	309	177,622	102	65,297	79	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	135	27,677	71	38,726	852	557,078
Hawke's Bay ..	154	32,775	409	110,072	576	222,741	155	47,926	20	35,102	9	61,987	..	..	..	..	1	2	121	39,713	190	51,723	1,635	602,041
Taranaki ..	148	18,440	585	143,966	482	163,785	363	149,068	3	3,432	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	328	305	55,775	612	47,055	2,499	581,839
Wellington ..	884	102,675	1,031	143,398	1,177	224,334	401	147,817	16	25,158	6	11,298	..	..	..	..	2	476	591	30,713	518	102,800	4,626	788,669
Nelson ..	81	18,056	357	111,816	633	245,132	48	18,396	6	9,603	4	199,444	138	30,189	19	552	1	104	465	109,925	134	7,894	1,886	751,111
Marlborough ..	40	18,606	549	178,478	293	160,111	73	19,658	108	276,206	40	805,758	..	..	..	..	7	53	218	12,408	31	1,407	1,359	1,472,685
Westland ..	61	6,470	356	40,947	702	81,655	17	3,436	..	..	43	553,715	273	50,569	141	886	1	50	828	192,817	133	15,944	2,555	946,489
Canterbury ..	99	23,114	1,444	251,125	885	357,640	5	705	138	459,809	121	2,789,820	..	..	..	..	57	1,729	992†	199,346†	235	70,846	3,976	4,154,134
Otago ..	92	43,608	1,300	276,963	1,096	367,080	131	18,374	384	1,449,725	314	3,278,198	..	..	368	12,380	67	3,413	1,428†	146,919†	442	46,331	5,622	5,642,991
Southland ..	108	12,793	539	90,867	436	87,609	181	29,569	20	64,989	65	1,121,092	..	..	42	1,308	17	192	427	53,817	803	335,868	2,638	1,798,104
Totals ..	3,920	527,442	7,448	1,561,216	9,193	2,630,333	2,908	819,452	781	2,538,360	604	8,830,620	572	122,822	724	18,423	160	6,509	7,171	1,079,812	4,135	818,227	37,616	18,953,216

\* Includes Thermal Springs District Leases.      † Includes Hammer Crown Leases.      ‡ Includes Agricultural Leases.

NOTE.—This table includes national endowments and education endowments, but excludes other endowments administered by Land Boards.

**Table 4.—LANDS DISPOSED OF UNDER THE LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS ACT TO THE 31ST MARCH, 1935.**

Land District.	Area acquired.		Area of Land unlet, including Land forfeited, surrendered, or resumed, and also Land not yet offered for Selection.	Total Area purchased for Cash and made Freehold to Date.			Total Lands leased to Date.			Rent and other Payments received during the Year.	Total Receipts from inception to 31st March, 1935.
				Number of Purchasers.	Area.	Price realized.	Number of Sectors.	Area.	Annual Rental.		
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.		Acres.	£		Acres.	£	£	£
North Auckland	53,941	1,135	1,894	241	3,039	38,392	314	47,873	15,727	12,813	231,979
Auckland ..	360,729	77,464	18,610	817	140,670	315,109	897	123,985	37,172	36,554	1,120,017
Gisborne ..	87,868	359	9,939	49	7,604	62,916	233	69,966	25,382	24,195	355,172
Hawke's Bay	229,467	2,428	945	139	26,339	164,546	609	199,755	72,772	68,773	1,066,149
Taranaki ..	28,235	258	3,408	63	2,228	53,326	139	22,341	9,145	7,333	236,419
Wellington ..	161,640	1,041	5,184	507	16,647	191,034	936	138,768	74,973	64,685	1,417,652
Nelson ..	63,878	973	11,032	6	1,634	2,953	67	50,239	2,932	2,095	65,525
Marlborough	235,867	2,641	812	58	10,383	44,623	479	222,031	32,514	28,325	898,044
Westland ..	6,033	80	101	4	398	238	36	5,454	863	1,000	19,189
Canterbury ..	607,027	4,593	8,602	332	21,190	161,681	1,854	572,642	156,298	179,420	3,995,941
Otago ..	339,796	3,875	697	79	7,636	38,548	1,158	327,588	89,114	76,252	1,837,295
Southland ..	100,974	1,050	769	127	17,569	68,404	355	81,586	20,142	15,431	504,548
Totals ..	2,275,455	95,897	61,993	2,422	255,337	1,141,770	7,077	1,862,228	537,034	516,876	11,747,930

**Table 5.—ENDOWMENT LANDS ADMINISTERED BY LAND BOARDS AND LEASED AT 31ST MARCH, 1935.**

Land District.	National Endowment.			Education Endowments.			Other Endowments.			Totals.		
	Number	Area.	Annual Rental.	Number	Area.	Annual Rental.	Number	Area.	Annual Rental.	Number	Area.	Annual Rental.
		Acres.	£		Acres.	£		Acres.	£		Acres.	£
North Auckland	469	102,543	7,554	772	45,284	9,065	10	1,651	32	1,251	149,478	16,651
Auckland ..	602	172,130	7,401	194	54,349	3,849	3	542	8	799	227,021	11,258
Gisborne ..	81	153,306	10,759	71	38,726	6,893	14	1,086	314	166	193,118	17,966
Hawke's Bay ..	52	34,764	4,534	190	51,723	9,716	4	41	31	246	86,528	14,281
Taranaki ..	162	62,295	2,781	612	47,055	10,835	18	9,701	1,209	792	119,051	14,825
Wellington ..	119	58,896	4,229	518	102,800	31,018	25	5,219	2,748	662	166,915	37,995
Nelson ..	665	231,418	3,984	134	7,894	655	278	1,669	1,001	1,077	240,981	5,640
Marlborough ..	199	500,949	8,622	31	1,407	500	..	..	..	230	502,356	9,122
Westland ..	952	221,574	3,517	133	15,944	857	20	10	109	1,105	237,528	4,483
Canterbury ..	153	1,657,575	40,710	235	70,846	28,932	201	17,102	1,903	589	1,745,523	71,545
Otago ..	767	2,516,278	40,968	442	46,331	6,081	68	177,280	8,088	1,277	2,739,889	55,137
Southland ..	229	765,670	7,397	803	335,868	20,902	13	109,259	2,363	1,045	1,210,797	30,662
Totals ..	4,450	6,477,398	142,456	4,135	818,227	129,303	654	323,560	17,806	9,239	7,619,185	289,565

Table 6.—TOTAL RECEIPTS, ARREARS, AND POSTPONEMENTS.

RECEIPTS, YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1935.

(Total receipts from debtors and exclusive of credits on account departmental expenditure, &c.)

	Total.	Head Office.	North Auckland.	Auckland.	Gisborne.	Hawke's Bay.	Taranaki.	Wellington.	Marlborough.	Nelson.	Westland.	Canterbury.	Otago.	Southland.
<i>Ordinary Revenue.</i>														
Territorial revenue—														
Crown lands ..	£ 269,456	£ 433	£ 14,415	£ 31,386	£ 24,309	£ 42,672	£ 19,703	£ 34,737	£ 10,197	£ 4,847	£ 6,344	£ 28,596	£ 39,368	£ 12,449
Hauraki ..	8,299	..	..	8,299	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Swamp ..	315	..	..	315	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Small farms ..	2,545	..	593	369	7	1,076	Dr. 5	122	4	59	18	21	197	84
National Endowment ..	145,105	4,308	4,716	3,874	10,324	4,424	2,262	3,835	7,815	2,548	6,069	44,121	42,746	8,063
Westport Harbour Board Endowment ..	1,510	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,510	..	..	..	..
Interest on public moneys—														
Survey liens ..	557	..	..	196	53	62	62	180	1	..	..	3	..	..
Small farms ..	6,706	..	2,323	2,382	62	114	670	671	52	126	38	45	24	199
Miscellaneous ..	345	..	110	..	..	12	..	6	..	..	..	40	177	..
Registration and other fees ..	7	..	7	1	..	..	Dr. 1	..	..	..	..	Dr. 1	1	..
Other receipts—Miscellaneous—														
Hauraki Plains ..	1,821	..	..	1,821	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kauri-gum ..	931	..	..	931	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rangitaki ..	5,293	..	..	5,293	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Scenery-preservation ..	2,493	..	2,131	32	2	27	Dr. 2	108	2	37	35	17	19	85
Swamp ..	4,233	..	..	4,233	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
<i>Deposits Account.</i>														
Education Reserves, primary—														
Sales ..	8,396	..	63	8,325	..	..	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rents ..	121,018	1,574	5,386	2,806	7,806	10,273	8,083	27,065	382	500	773	28,084	5,355	22,331
Education Reserves, secondary : Rents ..	14,198	902	2,581	434	..	2,068	1,123	5,436	74	102	27	358	803	290
Miscellaneous ..	4,857	379	..	..	..	986	1,203	1,951	..	..	338	..	..	..
<i>Public Works Fund.</i>														
Small farms : Capital receipts ..	18,974	..	6,419	5,753	279	343	1,386	2,707	188	151	291	53	376	1,028
Survey liens : Principal ..	1,573	..	..	590	205	295	160	303	14	..	..	6	..	..
Hauraki Plains : Sales ..	2,039	..	..	2,039	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lake Ellesmere : Rents ..	1,748	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,748	..	..
<i>Land for Settlements Account.</i>														
Receipts derived from estates—														
Rents, &c. ..	458,234	..	12,203	29,096	19,113	64,466	6,991	55,237	26,788	2,039	969	150,750	75,298	15,284
Sales ..	58,642	..	610	7,458	5,082	4,307	342	9,448	1,537	56	31	28,670	954	147
Interest on sales of Crown land ..	Dr. 984	..	..	..	..	..	13	Dr. 997	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sales of Crown land ..	61,787	1,023	9,244	18,780	1,414	2,343	4,059	17,083	245	711	1,477	3,609	1,214	585
Land Act, 1924, section 208 ..	430	..	..	420	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..
Farm receipts ..	8,516	..	..	..	6,188	..	..	..	..	..	..	2,328	..	..
Hutt Valley—														
Rents, &c. ..	5,359	..	..	..	..	..	..	5,359	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sales ..	7,525	..	..	..	..	..	..	7,525	..	..	..	..	..	..

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