

Reserve at the Ahaura, and no doubt as the West Coast gets more permanently settled the whole of the Reserves will become occupied."

GENERAL OBSERVATIONS.

It is not possible that on so short an acquaintance with the condition of the Reserves in New Zealand as my official connection with the trust has enabled me to have, I should be able immediately to point out an improved method of management, or any alteration that would have the effect of rendering the estates at once more productive. It has been my object, rather, to compile a list of the reserves, descriptive of their condition and the nature of the varying responsibility that attaches to them, and to shew their extent in relation to the Native population. Several of the reserves had been lost sight of, and many had remained unutilised.

It may not be premature here to draw attention to the advantage that would accrue from a consolidation of the more scattered reserves being effected, when practicable, whether by the simple consent of the natives, or, if necessary, by legislative enactment, and, further, to the propriety of aiding by a judicious expenditure of any money that could be made available out of the Trust Funds, the practical development of the Whanganui Coal Field—a work that would subserve equally the Native and public interests of Nelson.

The Hon. the Native Minister.

CHARLES HEAPHY,
Commissioner Native Reserves.

SCHEDULE A.

CLASS A. 2.—Trusts under provisions of Crown Grants or Legislative Enactments. Lands in the Town of Nelson set apart by the New Zealand Company for Charitable and Educational purposes, and subject to the Native Reserves Act, 1856.

No.	DISTRICT.			AREA.			REMARKS.
				A.	R.	P.	
5	Town of Nelson	...	...	1	0	0	
50	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
62	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
63	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
64	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
65	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	Part occupied by Native Hostelry Native Hostelry
66	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
93	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
144	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
148	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
152	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
159	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
162	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
177	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
198	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
203	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	Purchased by Provincial Government for £400.
205	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
227	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	Unlet
229	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	Do.
231	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	Do.
233	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
241	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
244	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
248	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
261	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
263	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
265	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
266	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	Exchanged with Messrs Curtis, Bros. for section No. 946, Nelson.
267	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
269	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	Included in exchange with Messrs Curtis, Brothers.
283	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
284	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
294	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
305	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
307	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
344	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	Part sold to Messrs Greenfield and Adams ; proceeds invested in purchase of section No. 58, Picton (Suburban.)
367	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
406	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
416	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
417	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
443	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
521	}	Do.	...	1	1	30	
522		Do.	...	1	0	0	
537	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
582	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
583	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
598	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
710	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
733	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
905	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
911	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
1092	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	
1096	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	Unlet
1099	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	Do.
946	Do.	...	...	1	0	0	Acquired by Exchange from Messrs Curtis, Brothers for Native Reserve Acres Nos. 266 and 269.