

Provincial Districts.	Applications.	Grants.		
		Bridges.	Roads.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland	78,017 0 0	3 0 0	..	3 0 0
Hawke's Bay	15,502 0 0	4,500 0 0	..	4,500 0 0
Taranaki	8,883 0 0	..	..	..
Wellington	32,564 0 0	2,817 0 0	..	2,817 0 0
Nelson	29,474 0 0	3,229 0 0	..	3,229 0 0
Marlborough	7,550 0 0	..	..	..
Westland	7,431 0 0	2,525 0 0	..	2,525 0 0
Canterbury	21,771 0 0	15 0 0	534 0 0	549 0 0
Otago	61,875 0 0	..	..	..
Totals	263,067 0 0	13,089 0 0	534 0 0	13,623 0 0

District Roads and River Works: Total Amount granted to be paid in Fifteen Years.

On account of this class of works the total amount applied for during the year ended the 31st March last was £12,399, but owing to the repeal of the Roads and Bridges Construction Act no grants were made, with the exception of £191 to complete works in terms of section 46 of the Act. The amounts of the several applications, and of the loans made within the different provincial districts, are shown in the table below :—

Provincial Districts.				Applications.	Grants.
				£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland				3,830 0 0	..
Hawke's Bay				450 0 0	..
Taranaki				..	..
Wellington				4,602 0 0	191 0 0
Nelson				..	..
Marlborough				..	..
Westland				..	..
Canterbury				2,967 0 0	..
Otago				550 0 0	..
Totals				12,399 0 0	191 0 0

SUMMARY.

It will thus be seen that the total amount applied for under the Act for works on main and district roads has been £275,466, and the total amount granted £13,814.

PURCHASE OF NATIVE LANDS, NORTH ISLAND.

During the past financial year the Native Land Purchase Department, under the control of my colleague, the Native Minister, has completed the purchase of some twenty blocks of land, containing in the aggregate over 100,000 acres.

Good progress has also been made in the acquisition of lands adjacent to the Northern Trunk Line of railway. The Waimarino Block, of 490,000 acres, has been passed through the Native Land Court and awarded to about one thousand owners, the majority of whom have already sold their interests to the Crown.