

2. SUMMARY OF PRIMARY EDUCATION RESERVES IN THE EDUCATION DISTRICTS.

Education Districts.	Reserves Leased.						Reserves Not Leased.											
	Area.			Estimated Present Capital Value.			Present Annual Income.			Area.			Estimated Present Capital Value.			Estimated Annual Income if Leased.		
	A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Auckland ..	4,895	1	36	19,006	0	0	725	19	0	26,072	2	33	25,762	0	0			
Taranaki ..	1,790	3	35	6,833	16	0	453	16	0	3,254	0	16	10,757	10	0			
Wanganui ..	5,862	3	21				737	17	9	2,969	1	19						
Wellington ..	7,593	1	38				324	9	6	8,195	3	36						
Hawke's Bay ..	40,470	2	19	58,005	0	0	2,845	14	2	21,667	1	11	16,513	5	0			
Marlborough ..	542	0	14	2,108	0	0	104	5	0	37	2	8	585	0	0	38	0	0
Nelson ..	1,619	3	9	1,589	0	0	144	14	9	784	1	13	1,339	10	0	67	0	0
North Canterbury ..	30,108	2	0	116,430	5	0	7,230	16	1	1,216	1	23	2,016	0	0	93	13	6
South Canterbury ..	16,996	2	0	99,808	2	6	6,496	14	4	39	2	23	119	0	0	6	0	0
Grey ..	33	1	24	32	10	0	10	4	0	2,129	1	36	1,503	2	6	37	0	0
Westland ..	1,000	0	0	500	0	0	4	0	0	11,527	3	13	6,060	5	0	125	0	0
Otago ..	15,238	2	16	39,530	0	0	2,514	7	11	1,832	0	39	2,723	0	0	108	15	0
Southland ..	339,847	2	18	232,760	0	0	12,697	9	6	24,520	2	38	40,571	0	0	2,062	1	0
Total ..	466,049	3	30				34,290	8	0	104,247	2	28						

3. SUMMARY OF PRIMARY EDUCATION RESERVES IN PROVINCIAL DISTRICTS.

Provincial Districts.	Reserves Leased.									Reserves Not Leased.								
	Area.			Estimated Present Capital Value.			Present Annual Income.			Area.			Estimated Present Capital Value.			Estimated Annual Income if Leased.		
	A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Auckland ..	21,396	1	36	36,307	0	0	1,533	13	8	32,725	0	26	28,385	0	0			
Taranaki ..	3,127	0	33	12,581	1	0	752	0	4	5,463	0	18	18,763	0	0			
Wellington ..	12,120	0	21				764	2	11	8,956	1	13						
Hawke's Bay ..	23,969	2	19	40,704	0	0	2,037	19	6	15,014	3	18	13,890	5	0			
Marlborough ..	650	0	14	2,520	0	0	121	5	0	174	3	8	1,515	0	0	102	10	0
Nelson ..	4,649	0	33	13,605	10	0	541	18	4	897	3	23	1,585	10	0	79	0	0
Canterbury ..	44,001	0	0	203,842	7	6	13,323	10	10	1,118	3	6	1,205	0	0	35	3	6
Westland ..	1,000	0	0	500	0	0	4	0	0	13,543	2	39	7,317	7	6	150	0	0
Otago ..	355,136	0	34	272,290	0	0	15,211	17	5	26,352	3	37	43,294	0	0	2,170	16	0
Total ..	466,049	3	30				34,290	8	0	104,247	2	28						

NOTE.—The information from which the preceding tables have been compiled was furnished by the School Commissioners of the several provincial districts, who alone are in possession of the requisite particulars. For the reasons stated by the Commissioners in the following Summary, the estimates given in the last column of the tables ["Estimated Annual Income if Leased"] cannot be regarded as complete or reliable. In regard to the reserves in some of the provincial districts no estimate whatever has been given. The School Commissioners of Wellington Provincial District have not furnished any estimate of the present capital value of the reserves: the column under this heading in their return has the following entry: "The Commissioners have no data upon which to estimate the present capital value of their reserves."

4. SUMMARY OF INFORMATION FURNISHED BY SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.

Auckland Provincial District.

"In the last column of the table ['Probable Annual Income of Unlet Reserves'] it is quite impossible in the cases of the Counties of Mongonui, Hokianga, Bay of Islands, Hobson, Whangarei, Rodney, Waitemata, and Manukau to make even an approximate estimate of the probable rental of the unlet reserves. The Commissioners are of opinion that they have no value whatever for letting purposes at the present time. The price of freehold land is so low in these out-districts that there is no inducement to a settler to occupy a reserve unless he obtains its use for a lengthened term free, in return for improvements effected. The term of lease varies from seven to twenty-one years for country lands, and from twenty-one to forty-two years for town lands."

The leases are sometimes sold by public auction, sometimes by tender.

Conditions of Lease for Country Lands.—"1. The term of lease of the undermentioned reserves shall be years from the day of the date of the acceptance by the Commissioners of the tender for the lease thereof. 2. The rent shall be payable half-yearly in advance in case such rental shall not exceed £20 per annum; and quarterly in advance in case such rental shall amount to more than £20 per annum. The lessee shall pay the rent, or cause it to be paid, at the office of the Commissioners, Auckland. 3. The lessee shall pay all rates, taxes, and assessments of whatever kind payable or leviable in respect of the premises leased to him, or agreed so to be. And in the event of the lessee erecting a dwelling-house or other buildings upon the said premises of a greater value than £100, he shall be bound forthwith to insure and keep the same insured in the joint names of himself and the Commissioners or their assigns, in a sum equal to two-thirds of the value of such buildings. And in the event of the said buildings being destroyed or injured by fire, the said insurance money shall forthwith be used to rebuild or reinstate in their former position the buildings so destroyed or injured. And in case the lessee shall at any time fail or neglect to effect or keep on foot the said insurance, the Commissioners shall be at liberty to pay all premiums due upon the