

1886.
NEW ZEALAND.

LAND TRANSFER AND DEEDS REGISTRATION.

(ANNUAL REPORT OF DEPARTMENTS, 1885-1886.)

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

The SECRETARY for STAMPS to the Hon. the COMMISSIONER of STAMPS.

SIR,—

Head Office, Stamp Department, Wellington, 12th May, 1886.

I have the honour to submit the following returns showing the working of the Land Transfer and Deeds Registration Departments for the year ended the 31st March, 1886:—

A.—The business transacted under the Land Transfer Acts.

B.—The fees received thereunder, including the fees received on account of Crown grants.

C.—The mortgages and discharges of mortgages, and the amount remaining secured by mortgage, under the said Acts, on the 31st March last.

D.—The arrears existing at the various Land Transfer Offices at the close of business on the same date.

E.—The number of deeds received for registration, and the number remaining unregistered, on the 31st March last; also the fees received in the Deeds Registration Offices.

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J. SPERREY,

The Hon. the Commissioner of Stamps, Wellington.

Secretary for Stamps.

A.—STATEMENT of BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS under the LAND TRANSFER ACTS during the Twelve Months ended the 31st March, 1886.

Districts.	APPLICATIONS.				TRANSFERS.				MORTGAGES.			
	No.	Area.		Value.	No.	Area.		Consideration-money.	No.	Area.		Amount secured.
		Town and Suburban.	Country.			Town and Suburban.	Country.			Town and Suburban.	Country.	
Auckland ..	181	A. R. P.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.		A. R. P.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.		A. R. P.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.
New Plymouth ..	31	61 3 22	60,024 0 7	188,766 0 0	1,264	301 2 5	289,353 0 0	356,688 8 6	1,065	280 3 25	116,003 0 24	474,832 8 0
Wellington ..	130	7 2 30	869 0 1	13,313 15 0	311	161 0 0	34,458 0 35	62,767 16 10	247	199 2 36	35,075 2 33	109,755 3 6
Hawke's Bay ..	78	50 2 33	24,872 0 4	166,579 10 0	1,056	933 3 5	87,826 1 10	289,937 1 9	756	459 3 1	108,532 3 10	563,497 12 3
Nelson ..	43	40 2 5	60,962 1 38	407,878 0 0	547	2,463 2 24	317,208 2 7	265,387 11 9	434	2,521 1 23	209,165 2 39	678,355 11 1
Marlborough ..	10	59 3 15	904 2 20	16,513 10 0	231	66 2 6	6,227 3 6	41,353 12 8	216	75 1 8	47,190 3 3	152,663 16 3
Canterbury ..	204	21 1 17	507 0 28	17,960 0 0	89	43 1 12	2,589 3 30	19,267 16 9	111	115 2 23	6,691 3 7	96,195 0 0
Otago ..	95	12 1 34	12,160 3 3	215,456 13 0	1,810	749 1 30	286,582 2 0	1,150,667 17 5	1,596	481 1 10	395,930 0 11	1,478,038 9 2
Southland ..	59	35 2 35	7,962 1 1	80,571 0 0	1,181	1,058 0 27	103,116 1 8	393,956 8 11	874	448 0 18	159,335 0 3	556,521 0 0
Westland ..	15	16 1 14	2,580 2 37	25,783 0 0	787	861 1 34	164,868 3 21	452,444 7 0	687	1,031 1 27	259,258 1 31	748,379 18 9
		4 3 25	1 0 0	2,040 10 0	110	80 1 9	8,374 0 0	17,467 11 3	58	10 2 2	6,030 1 3	48,017 17 9
Totals ..	846	311 1 39	170,844 0 19	1,134,861 18 0	7,386	6,718 0 32	1,300,605 1 37	3,049,998 12 10	6,044	5,624 0 13	1,343,213 3 4	4,906,256 16 9
Corresponding period, 1884-85	743	371 1 31	138,380 3 17	1,082,659 3 2	7,225	5,939 1 34	1,200,599 2 27	3,031,341 7 11	5,975	4,910 2 9	1,218,502 1 8	4,195,012 5 0

Districts.	CROWN LANDS.				No.	Value.	Caveats.	Registration Abstracts.	Powers of Attorney.	Revocation Order.	Searches.	General Searches.	Caveats against dealing.	Plans deposited.	Trust Deeds, &c., deposited.	Leases.	Encumbrances.	Certificates issued.																														
	Area.		Country.																																													
	Town and Suburban.	Country.																	Town and Suburban.	Country.	Town and Suburban.	Country.	Town and Suburban.	Country.	Town and Suburban.	Country.	Town and Suburban.	Country.	Town and Suburban.	Country.	Town and Suburban.	Country.	Town and Suburban.	Country.														
Auckland ..	51	A. R. P.	A. R. P.	£	6	1	49	1	49	..	1,319	24	31	57	..	51	..	1,517																														
New Plymouth ..	..	2 1 26	116,104 2 13	198,002	..	..	2	..	2	..	119	14	15	1	4	137	1	388																														
Wellington ..	10	..	5,219 3 4	..	2	..	46	..	46	..	737	24	32	19	6	147	..	886																														
Hawke's Bay ..	3	7 1 0	113 0 0	274	3	..	37	..	37	..	557	16	24	88	4	64	..	477																														
Nelson ..	4	..	88,453 0 30	10,000	1	..	9	..	9	..	118	5	1	6	2	10	..	224																														
Marlborough ..	..	..	969 1 30	..	1	..	5	..	5	..	96	15	..	19	..	23	..	102																														
Canterbury ..	37	0 2 32	969 1 30	..	3	..	99	..	99	..	2,841	320	71	29	6	106	2	2,103																														
Otago ..	21	1 2 6	1,909 2 37	2,215	..	..	55	..	55	..	1,093	60	57	62	15	133	2	948																														
Southland ..	14	10 0 0	157 1 29	359	26	..	26	..	26	..	839	103	26	8	8	69	..	943																														
Westland ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	4	..	40	1	1	..	..	3	..	94																														
Totals ..	140	21 3 24	212,927 0 23	210,850	43	1	332	1	332	..	7,759	582	258	289	45	743	5	7,632																														
Corresponding period, 1884-85	427	242 3 22	118,356 0 23	163,063	46	2	342	2	342	1	7,768	566	315	220	43	805	6	7,777																														

B.—RETURN of FEES received under the LAND TRANSFER ACTS for the Twelve Months ended the 31st March, 1886.

District.	General Fees.	Land Assurance.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland ...	3,750 12 11	1,374 8 10	5,125 1 9
New Plymouth ...	798 6 2	114 14 11	913 1 1
Wellington ...	2,851 15 11	459 1 5	3,310 17 4
Hawke's Bay ...	1,753 1 11	1,089 1 2	2,842 3 1
Nelson ...	725 17 6	77 15 0	803 12 6
Marlborough ...	352 10 0	62 3 0	414 13 0
Canterbury ...	6,472 7 11	1,555 0 2	8,027 8 1
Otago ...	2,976 1 7	391 11 8	3,367 13 3
Southland ...	2,390 5 6	681 17 1	3,072 2 7
Westland ...	243 2 4	10 19 0	254 1 4
Totals ...	22,314 1 9*	5,816 12 3	28,130 14 0
Corresponding period, 1884-85 ...	21,917 11 7†	5,164 3 3	27,081 14 10

* Includes £1,099 2s. 11d. Crown-grant fees.

† Includes £1,393 17s. 9d. Crown-grant fees.

C.—RETURN showing the TOTAL AMOUNT of MONEY remaining secured by MORTGAGES under the LAND TRANSFER ACTS on the 31st March, 1886.

District.	Amount remaining secured by Mortgage on 31st March, 1885.	Amount secured by Mortgage during the Year ended 31st March, 1886.	Amount of Mortgages paid off during the same Period.	Amount remaining secured by Mortgage on the 31st March, 1886.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland ...	2,709,216 7 0	474,832 8 0	225,304 0 0	2,958,744 15 0
New Plymouth ...	459,065 17 8	109,755 3 6	68,243 0 0	500,578 1 2
Wellington ...	2,518,986 5 3	563,497 12 3	286,583 0 0	2,795,900 17 6
Hawke's Bay ...	1,614,439 0 6	678,355 11 1	357,685 1 2	1,935,109 10 5
Nelson ...	380,487 7 2	152,663 16 3	35,973 4 7	497,177 18 10
Marlborough ...	191,547 4 2	96,195 0 0	63,506 0 0	224,236 4 2
Canterbury ...	9,284,871 1 6	1,478,038 9 2	1,009,527 0 0	9,753,382 10 8
Otago ...	5,336,691 17 7	556,521 0 0	422,898 0 0	5,470,314 17 7
Southland ...	3,523,139 0 8	748,379 18 9	766,238 0 0	3,505,280 19 5
Westland ...	71,330 0 4	48,017 17 9	24,703 9 10	94,644 8 3
Totals ...	26,089,774 1 10	4,906,256 16 9	3,260,660 15 7	27,735,370 3 0
Corresponding period 1884-85 ...	...	4,195,012 5 0	2,517,581 4 11	...

D.—RETURN showing WORK in ARREAR in the LAND TRANSFER DEPARTMENT on the 31st March, 1886.

District.	Applications awaiting Compliance with Requisition.	Applications detained for Examination in the Survey Office.	Applications (other than those already mentioned) received during the Month not yet passed.	Applications received previously, not yet passed.	Unregistered Instruments awaiting Compliance with Requisitions.	Unregistered Instruments detained in the Survey Office.	Certificates of Title due but not issued.
Auckland ...	8	42	3	...	14	14	10
New Plymouth ...	4	6	...	...	...	...	...
Wellington ...	35	...	...	...	22	1	...
Hawke's Bay ...	46	8	14	...	...	...	24
Nelson ...	4	1	...	...	...	1	...
Marlborough ...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...
Canterbury ...	24	...	3	...	48	...	25
Otago ...	25	...	5	...	12	4	6
Southland ...	8	...	...	...	10	...	3
Westland ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals ...	156	57	27	...	106	20	68

Other Instruments unrecorded.

	Otago.	Hawke's Bay.	Westland.
Transfers	14	3	...
Mortgages	14	4	...
" discharges	13	2	...
Certificates of title in lieu of Crown grants	...	...	49

E.—RETURN showing the NUMBER of DEEDS remaining UNREGISTERED on the 31st March, 1885, the NUMBER received for REGISTRATION and the NUMBER REGISTERED during the Twelve Months ended the 31st March, 1886; also the NUMBER remaining UNREGISTERED on that Date, and the AMOUNT of FEES collected for the same Period.

District.	Unrecorded, 31st March, 1885.	Received for Registration during the Year ended the 31st March, 1886.	Registered during the same Period.	Unregistered on the 31st March, 1886.	Fees.
Auckland	171	5,778	5,809	140	£ 5,791 s. 8 d. 8
New Plymouth	3	708	671	40	757 2 10
Wellington	93	2,236	2,132	197	2,404 5 5
Hawke's Bay	97	1,332	1,322	107	1,545 14 5
Nelson	44	686	698	32	831 12 6
Marlborough	57	631	623	65	701 5 0
Canterbury	68	2,106	2,120	54	2,496 12 5
Otago	51	1,448	1,484	15	1,610 13 6
Southland	...	365	365	...	445 12 6
Westland	...	79	79	...	73 0 0
Totals	584	15,369	15,303	650	16,657 7 3*

* This includes £505 2s. 3d., Crown-grant fees.

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