

1888.
NEW ZEALAND.

LAND TRANSFER AND DEEDS REGISTRATION.

(ANNUAL REPORT OF DEPARTMENTS, 1887-88).

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, 30th April, 1888.

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, 1888 :—

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.

I have, &c.,

J. SPERREY,

The Hon. the Commissioner of Stamps, Wellington.

Secretary for Stamps.

STATEMENT of Business transacted under the Land Transfer Acts during the Twelve Months ended the 31st March, 1888.

DISTRICT.	APPLICATIONS.				TRANSFERS.				MORTGAGES.			
	No.	AREA.		Value.	No.	AREA.		Consideration Value.	No.	AREA.		Amount secured
		Town and Suburban.	Country.			Town and Suburban.	Country.			Town and Suburban.	Country.	
Auckland	80	A. R. P. 21 2 36	A. R. P. 17,800 3 8	£ s. d. 83,745 0 0	868	A. R. P. 114 0 17	A. R. P. 317,064 0 12	£ s. d. 476,001 5 3	663	A. R. P. 76 3 4	A. R. P. 156,031 1 30	£ s. d. 439,445 0 0
Taranaki	18	9 3 34	1,846 3 9	13,890 0 0	210	157 2 21	76,878 0 38	57,432 7 3	179	121 2 18	83,388 2 29	73,636 7 11
Wellington	113	32 1 9	51,008 1 12	168,244 0 0	1,073	346 1 7	94,054 2 3	356,196 16 1	905	345 2 36	124,431 1 27	633,943 0 0
Hawke's Bay	44	47 3 31	9,456 2 34	83,111 0 0	681	642 3 12	137,776 1 0	201,843 17 11	564	504 3 34	294,835 3 35	557,471 0 0
Nelson	25	13 0 27	324 0 35	9,323 0 0	252	83 2 39	23,351 3 27	62,490 6 9	243	155 1 31	9,020 2 28	79,018 2 6
Marlborough	6	2 2 0	14,492 1 19	18,380 0 0	74	89 1 16	4,330 2 1	26,921 10 7	80	126 1 14	20,187 2 22	39,405 19 1
Canterbury	145	54 1 8	4,102 3 12	90,254 0 0	1,477	967 3 23	194,672 0 14	722,733 3 4	1,333	443 0 18	208,286 1 22	1,132,930 1 0
Otago	84	55 1 39	3,303 3 35	48,559 0 0	913	856 0 3	64,425 1 6	212,211 16 2	635	369 3 20	91,306 2 17	380,135 0 0
Southland	37	6 3 19	816 1 10	10,578 0 0	578	1,592 1 4	199,112 3 5	294,354 10 1	395	970 1 22	83,325 3 10	198,055 3 3
Westland	6	0 3 23	..	2,738 0 0	95	13 1 5	4,978 3 25	16,187 4 0	60	8 2 4	6,357 3 5	19,817 15 5
TOTAL	558	245 0 25	103,142 1 14	528,822 0 0	6,221	4,868 1 27	1,116,644 2 11	2,436,372 17 5	5,057	3,122 3 1	1,077,172 1 25	3,603,857 9 2
Corresponding period 1886-87	664	666 2 29	56,465 1 37	645,467 10 0	6,431	4,617 1 1	972,174 2 0	2,764,909 7 6	5,633	4,009 0 16	1,175,060 3 12	4,333,577 15 10

DISTRICT	Number.	AREA.		Value.	Caveats.	Registration, Abstracts.	Powers of Attorney.	Revocation Order.	Searches.	Searches General.	Caveats against Dealing.	Plans deposited.	Trust Deeds, &c., deposited.	Leases.	Incumbrances.	Certificates issued.	Transmissions.
		Town and Suburban.	Country.														
		A. R. P.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.													
Auckland	27	2,230 0 0	42,672 2 12	78,344 0 0	9	3	38	..	1,128	31	40	122	20	52	10	867	..
Taranaki	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	84	9	7	1	1	79	..	262	37
Wellington	1	..	..	..	..	..	40	..	867	30	53	33	5	247	..	781	..
Hawke's Bay	..	..	..	..	3	..	39	..	648	53	36	106	5	97	..	641	..
Nelson	..	..	..	..	1	..	6	..	71	5	5	15	4	4	..	55	..
Marlborough	..	..	..	..	2	..	16	..	121	5	5	1	1	9	1	623	..
Canterbury	3	..	273 3 39	547 0 0	..	..	94	..	2,265	195	61	37	9	114	1	1,769	..
Otago	9	1 3 16	123 3 30	235 0 0	..	..	61	..	828	33	62	70	11	272	..	762	..
Southland	64	..	2,772 1 22	6,478 0 0	..	..	17	..	737	91	22	7	7	126	..	498	..
Westland	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	23	6	..	4	1	15	..	58	..
TOTAL	104	2,231 3 16	69,469 3 23	85,604 0 0	18	3	316	..	6,762	458	288	396	57	1,015	12	6,316	37
Corresponding period 1886-87	123	2 1 31	35,820 1 7	63,019 0 0	54	2	319	1	7,026	566	309	311	53	834	4	7,223	42

B.—RETURN OF FEES received under the LAND TRANSFER ACTS for the Twelve Months ended the 31st March, 1888.

District.	General Fees.	Land Assurance.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland	2,184 10 6	410 8 3	2,594 18 9
Taranaki	538 0 0	61 11 6	599 11 6
Wellington	2,791 16 8	424 16 5	3,216 13 1
Hawke's Bay	1,691 16 11	173 11 8	1,865 8 7
Nelson	622 17 0	58 13 11	681 10 11
Marlborough	246 4 0	50 3 7	296 7 7
Canterbury	4,671 12 10	541 12 8	5,213 5 6
Otago	2,180 12 2	231 0 9	2,411 12 11
Southland	1,504 10 5	88 18 0	1,593 8 5
Westland	238 19 2	12 8 9	251 7 11
Totals	16,670 19 8*	2,053 5 6	18,724 5 2
Corresponding period 1886-87	17,170 18 8	2,666 6 9	19,836 5 5

* Includes £6 14s. 10d. district-agency fees, and £1,040 18s. 1d. Crown-grant fees.

C.—RETURN showing the TOTAL AMOUNT of MONEY remaining secured by MORTGAGES under the LAND TRANSFER ACTS on the 31st March, 1888.

District.	Amount remaining secured by Mortgage on 31st March, 1887.	Amount secured by Mortgage during the Year ended 31st March, 1888.	Amount of Mortgages paid off during the same Period.	Amount remaining secured by Mortgage on 31st March, 1888.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland	3,069,791 0 0	489,445 0 0	245,790 0 0	3,313,446 0 0
Taranaki	483,643 2 4	73,636 7 11	61,279 11 6	495,999 18 9
Wellington	3,126,749 0 0	633,943 0 0	680,912 0 0	3,079,780 0 0
Hawke's Bay	2,588,029 0 0	557,471 0 0	211,575 0 0	2,933,925 0 0
Nelson	500,083 1 0	79,018 2 6	45,106 4 8	533,994 18 10
Marlborough	271,147 6 0	39,405 19 1	30,680 2 3	279,873 2 10
Canterbury	9,137,096 0 0	1,132,930 1 0	860,781 1 0	9,409,245 0 0
Otago	4,181,893 0 0	380,135 0 0	343,471 0 0	4,218,557 0 0
Southland	3,891,670 0 0	198,055 3 3	297,119 0 0	3,792,606 3 3
Westland	111,479 2 11	19,817 15 5	77,112 15 7	54,184 2 9
Totals	27,361,580 12 3	3,603,857 9 2	2,853,826 15 0	28,111,611 6 5
Corresponding period 1886-87	...	4,333,577 15 10	2,252,542 18 0	...

D.—RETURN showing WORK in ARREAR in the LAND TRANSFER DEPARTMENT on the 31st March, 1888.

District.	Applications awaiting Compliance with Requisitions.	Applications detained for Examination in the Survey Office.	Applications (other than those already mentioned) received during the Month not yet passed.	Unregistered Instruments awaiting Compliance with Requisitions.	Unregistered Instruments detained in the Survey Office.	Certificates of Title due but not issued.
Auckland	18	23	2	13	4	16
Taranaki	12	...	3	...	...	...
Wellington	23	2	...	24	1	...
Hawke's Bay	28	3	1	...	...	12
Nelson	6	1	...	...	2	...
Marlborough	2	...	...	...	...	...
Canterbury	18	...	...	39	...	...
Otago	25	...	...	14	2	...
Southland	2	...	2	...	...	1
Westland	...	...	...	...	...	1
Totals	134	29	8	90	9	30

Other Instruments unrecorded.

Certificates of title in lieu of Crown grants

Westland.
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E.—RETURN showing the NUMBER of DEEDS remaining UNREGISTERED on the 31st March, 1887, the NUMBER received for REGISTRATION and the NUMBER REGISTERED during the Twelve Months ended the 31st March, 1888; also the NUMBER remaining UNREGISTERED on that Date, and the AMOUNT of FEES collected for the same Period.

District.	Unrecorded on 31st March, 1887.	Received for Registration during the Year ended 31st March, 1888.	Registered during the same Period.	Unregistered on the 31st March, 1888.	Fees.
					£ s. d.
Auckland	112	3,893	3,899	106	3,904 11 3
Taranaki	46	293	334	5	342 1 9
Wellington	22	1,858	1,762	118	1,977 17 0
Hawke's Bay	204	1,052	1,110	146	1,188 16 1
Nelson	78	456	508	26	484 9 3
Marlborough	...	473	473	...	512 14 6
Canterbury	46	1,682	1,664	64	1,913 9 6
Otago	23	1,285	1,273	35	1,412 0 6
Southland	...	327	320	7	347 14 0
Westland	15	72	65	22	95 1 6
Totals	546	11,391	11,408	529	*12,178 15 4

* Includes £337 10s. 4d. Crown-grant fees, and £17 5s. district-agency fees.

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