

1895.
NEW ZEALAND.

LAND TRANSFER AND DEEDS REGISTRATION.

(ANNUAL REPORT OF DEPARTMENTS, 1894-95.)

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, 1st June, 1895.
I have the honour to submit the following returns showing the working of the Land Transfer and Deeds Registration Departments for the year ended 31st March, 1895:—
A.—The business transacted under the Land Transfer Act.
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.,

The Commissioner of Stamps, Wellington.

C. A. HICKSON,
Secretary for Stamps.

—RETURN of FEES received under the LAND TRANSFER ACTS for the Twelve Months ended the 31st March, 1895.

District.	General Fees.	Assurance Fees.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland	2,678 15 4	120 8 1	2,799 3 5
Taranaki	1,579 16 9	53 18 9	1,633 15 6
Wellington	4,302 7 6	185 9 11	4,487 17 5
Hawke's Bay	1,504 5 1	69 13 6	1,573 18 7
Nelson	488 6 0	31 10 10	519 16 10
Marlborough	180 4 6	8 10 6	188 15 0
Canterbury	4,434 18 4	407 16 8	4,842 15 0
Otago	1,896 0 2	87 9 3	1,983 9 5
Southland	1,379 7 0	54 1 9	1,433 8 9
Westland	200 5 8	1 18 0	202 3 8
Totals	18,644 6 4*	1,020 17 3	19,665 3 7
Corresponding period, 1893-94 ...	18,228 19 3†	1,119 18 6	19,348 17 9

NOTE.—Includes Crown-grant and district-agency fees: * £193 2s. 7d.; † £189 1s. 10d.

C.—RETURN showing the TOTAL AMOUNT of MONEY remaining secured by MORTGAGE under the LAND TRANSFER ACTS on the 31st March, 1895.

District.	Amount remaining secured by Mortgage on 31st March, 1894.	Amount secured by Mortgage during the Year ended 31st March, 1895.	Amount of Mortgages paid off during the same Period.	Amount remaining secured by Mortgage on 31st March, 1895.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland	4,131,737 7 2	212,939 1 11	258,272 10 5	4,086,403 18 8
Taranaki	1,032,136 5 3	276,168 5 2	125,739 13 7	1,182,564 16 10
Wellington	5,279,901 0 0	978,723 0 0	499,380 0 0	5,759,244 0 0
Hawke's Bay	3,847,607 0 8	467,766 0 0	235,848 0 0	4,079,525 0 8
Nelson	686,548 4 7	86,593 19 7	36,536 16 4	736,605 7 10
Marlborough	257,120 1 4	27,419 1 3	33,857 0 0	250,682 2 7
Canterbury	9,003,980 8 0	1,005,494 0 0	1,011,558 0 0	8,997,916 8 0
Otago	2,784,915 0 0	262,633 0 0	198,655 0 0	2,848,893 0 0
Southland	2,513,900 0 9	272,800 3 2	225,751 10 0	2,560,948 13 11
Westland	68,734 2 2	17,989 1 10	17,823 5 8	68,894 18 4
Totals	29,606,579 9 11	3,608,525 12 11	2,643,426 16 0	30,571,678 6 10
Corresponding period, 1893-94	27,904,465 1 9	4,425,268 10 10	2,723,154 2 8	29,606,579 9 11

D.—RETURN showing ARREARS in the LAND TRANSFER DEPARTMENT on the 31st March, 1895.

District.	Applications awaiting Compliance with Requisitions.	Applications detained for Examination in the Survey Office.	Applications (other than those already mentioned) received during the Month and not yet passed.	Unregistered Instruments awaiting Compliance with Requisitions.	Unregistered Instruments detained in the Survey Office.	Certificates of Title due but not issued.
Auckland	47	8	2	4	2	4
Taranaki	11	...	...	...	...	...
Wellington	30	...	...	49	16	20
Hawke's Bay	4	...	...	...	...	2
Nelson	3	...	...	2	...	...
Marlborough	...	...	...	...	...	...
Canterbury	19	...	...	44	...	27
Otago	16	...	4	11	5	3
Southland	1	...	...	...	...	2
Westland	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals	131	8	6	110	23	58

Other Instruments unrecorded.

	Transfers.	Mortgages.	Leases.	Transmissions.	Orders of Court.	Caveats.
Wellington..	60	50	6	6	5	4
Christchurch	80	70	...	...	...	...
Dunedin ..	4	2	...	...	...	...
Discharges of Mortgages. Transfers of Mortgages. Miscellaneous						
Wellington..	...	...	27	14	...	...
Christchurch	...	...	...	...	...	100

E.—RETURN showing the NUMBER of DEEDS remaining UNREGISTERED on the 31st March, 1894; the NUMBER received for REGISTRATION, and the NUMBER REGISTERED, during the Twelve Months ended the 31st March, 1895; also the NUMBER REMAINING on that date; and the AMOUNT of FEES collected during the same Period.

District.	Unrecorded on 31st March, 1894.	Received for Registration during the Year ended 31st March, 1895.	Registered during the same Period.	Unregistered on the 31st March, 1895.	Fees.
Auckland	193	3,488	3,465	216	£ s. d. 3,551 19 8
Taranaki	22	689	631	80	693 19 3
Wellington	4	1,731	1,699	36	1,849 12 3
Hawke's Bay	39	883	889	33	1,015 0 0
Nelson	...	487	482	5	471 15 0
Marlborough	1	287	288	...	316 3 11
Canterbury	71	1,302	1,367	6	1,454 12 9
Otago	46	1,147	1,187	6	1,176 14 6
Southland	2	256	252	6	281 15 10
Westland	...	61	61	...	55 6 0
Totals	378	10,331	10,321	388	£10,866 19 2*

£ s. d.

* Includes Crown-grant fees 174 9 5

Includes district-agency fees 20 0 0

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