

APPENDICES.

APPENDIX No. 1.—ADMINISTRATION.

EXTRACTS FROM THE REPORTS OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF CROWN LANDS
ON SETTLEMENT OPERATIONS DURING THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED
THE 31st MARCH, 1898.

AUCKLAND.

In reporting upon the progress of settlement in this district I desire to call attention to the general summary of transactions following this opening paragraph, which shows that the year has been a fairly progressive one from a settlement point of view, as there are seventy selectors in excess of last year who took up land under the occupation-with-right-of-purchase and lease-in-perpetuity tenures, the area so selected being 15,363 acres more than the previous year. The revenue has also come well up to the estimate, and is some £5,553 in excess of that of last year.

SUMMARY OF LAND TRANSACTIONS DURING THE YEAR 1897-98.

Class of Selection.	Transactions during the Year.			Area held on 31st March, 1898.			Revenue received during the Year.
	Number.	Area.		Number.	Area.		
Cash—		A.	R. P.		A.	R. P.	£
Town	22	22	2 38				
Suburban	17	67	3 15				
Rural	58	6,262	2 30				
Total cash	97	6,353	1 3	...	...		5,570 17 6
Deferred payment	...	...	...	220	25,214	3 10	1,368 10 7
Perpetual lease	...	...	...	688	168,421	3 30	4,086 6 0
Perpetual lease, freehold	27	13,584	0 1	...	...		5,744 6 4
Occupation, right of purchase	186	31,993	0 16	967	178,914	2 16	2,447 17 0
Lease in perpetuity	75	16,355	3 9	511	98,108	3 10	1,421 19 11
Lease in perpetuity under Land for Settlements Act	3	1,131	1 0	63	7,795	2 19	1,211 19 5
Mining districts occupation	2	200	0 0	23	1,188	0 1	10 4 0
Agricultural leases	...	...	...	7	625	2 27	...
Village - homestead special settlement	...	...	...	167	6,793	0 25	*294 5 1
Special settlement associations—							
Deferred payment	...	...	...	8	906	3 3	132 1 8
Perpetual lease	...	...	...	2	200	0 0	...
Lease in perpetuity	...	...	...	121	27,446	3 0	27 10 0
Improved-farm settlements	2	261	0 0	45	5,064	0 0	38 9 7
Homesteads	...	...	...	26	2,859	0 13	...
Small grazing-runs	...	...	...	14	68,849	0 0	388 6 3
Pastoral runs	1	50,800	0 0	13	141,954	0 27	291 19 8
Miscellaneous leases	†38	3,409	1 29	63	5,673	2 6	†791 18 3
Timber sold	233 trees	19,995,005	ft.	...	...	...	15,774 1 9
Thermal springs	17	544	3 32	183	5,273	1 38	884 6 4
Other sources	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,551 8 0
Total areas, &c.	448	124,132	3 10	3,121	745,289	1 25	42,036 7 4
“ timber	233 trees	19,995,005	sup. ft.	...	...	...	...

* Including £73 12s. 6d. repayment of advances. † Including £2 2s. miscellaneous leases under Land for Settlements Act.
 ‡ Includes three selectors (298 acres 2 roods 3 perches) of land under Land for Settlements Acts.
 Survey-fees not included in above received during year, £554 1s. 9d.

It will be noticed from the above summary that the area of cash land-sales is almost exactly the same as last year. The total receipts under that heading, adding in the perpetual leases made freehold, amount to £11,315, or about £380 more than the receipts of 1896-97.

Deferred-payment Lands.—The number of selectors and area held under this system has still further decreased. There are now only 220 selectors, holding 25,214 acres. Twenty selectors, holding 2,001 acres, have acquired the freehold during the past year, and one selection has been forfeited. Of the 220 selectors now on the books, some eighty-six are in arrears with their payments, to the amount of £569.