additional lands are purchased for settlement under the Land for Settlements and other Acts. It will be seen also that many more Proclamations, Orders in Council, warrants, and other statutory documents relating to roads and bridges have been issued than heretofore, and this has involved increased correspondence with the local bodies interested therein.

There were 19,112 letters received and 16,416 despatched, besides numerous forms, returns,

posters, and other printed and written matter.

2,745 new subjects were started in the record books, and twenty-three circulars were issued to officers of the department.

The following Proclamations, Orders in Council, and warrants were issued:-Land Acts. Proclamations setting apart village-homestead lands withdrawing village-homestead lands 1 3 setting apart village allotments ... setting apart land as small grazing-runs 2 reserving land as educational endowments miscellaneous ... Orders in Council fixing terms and conditions of village-homestead lands increasing area that may be held in a village-homestead settlement fixing terms and conditions for village allotments altering boundaries of land districts miscellaneous Warrants opening land under Part VI. " of sales of land by auction ... 89 . . . 40 24temporarily reserving lands ... 3 amending description of reserves . . . 14 permanently reserving lands miscellaneous 8 State Forests Acts. 8 Proclamations declaring land to be State forests withdrawing land from State forests 1 Land for Settlements Act. 5 Warrants opening lands for selection ... Cemeteries Act. Warrants appointing trustees Public Domains Act. Orders in Council bringing reserves under Act ... delegating powers under Act ... 43 Native Townships Act. Proclamation amending description of township Order in Council making additional regulations Public Reserves Act. Orders in Council authorising exchange of reserves 2 changing purpose of reserves... 3 vesting reserves in local bodies 17 Warrants changing purposes of reserves 12 In respect to roads, bridges, and towns, the following instruments were prepared and issued: --Public Works Act. Proclamations for taking roads vesting control of bridges, &c. Orders in Council: Roads declared county roads, Native land taken for roads, and sale of land 11 Warrants vesting control of roads, and vesting and authorising the construction of bridges ... Notices of intention to take land for roads Governor's warrants authorising taking and laying off roads through Native 20 Surveyor-General's warrants authorising taking and laying off roads through Native lands Land Act. Proclamations opening and closing roads 51

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