## 1911. NEW ZEALAND.

## STATE-GUARANTEED ADVANCES OFFICE

(REPORT BY THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1911.

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

## ADVANCES TO SETTLERS BRANCH.

## SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT AND BALANCE-SHEET.

Four thousand nine hundred and fifty-seven applications for loans, amounting to £2,122,749, were received during the year. The advances actually granted numbered 3,183, amounting to £1,204,310, which exceeds those of the previous year by 438, and the amount by £109,190. The Board had from the commencement of its business up to the 31st March, 1911, authorized 32,306 advances, amounting to £11,528,145. Applicants to the number of 3,415 declined the grants offered them, amounting to £1,347,910, making the advances authorized to the 31st March, 1911, 28,891, and the amount £10,180,235 net. The total amount of advances actually paid over during the year for both the Advances to Settlers and Advances to Workers Branches was £1,612,070.

Classified according to provincial districts, the total number and amount of advances, including

repayments advanced again, authorized to date are,-

Provincial District.			Number of applications.	authorized.
Auckland	 		 8,8 <b>53</b>	2,801,268
Taranaki	 	 	4,261	1,898,469
Hawke's Bay	 	 	 1,558	468,465
Wellington	 	 	 8,314	3,118,868
Marlborough	 	 	 936	382,800
Nelson	 	 	 489	148,515
Westland	 	 	 677	162,770
Canterbury	 	 	 2,903	944,435
Otago	 	 	 1,933	743,370
Southland	 	 	 2,382	859,185
Total	 	 	 32,306	£11,528,145

Classified according to provincial districts, the advances authorized during the year ended 31st March, 1911, were,—

Provincial District.			Number of Applications	
Auckland	 		 1,297	458,165
Taranaki	 , ,		 319	147,700
Hawke's Bay	 		 172	56,075
Wellington	 		 89 <b>5</b>	345,075
Marlborough	 		 74	27,870
Nelson	 		 <b>5</b> 9	17,200
Westland	 		 69	17,68 <b>5</b>
Canterbury	 	, .	 408	124,125
Otago	 		 136	41,240
Southland	 		 142	47,745
Total	 		 3,571	£1,282,880
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