

Owing to the retirement of Mr. A. A. McNab, Receiver of Land Revenue, Christchurch, the following transfers took place: Mr. G. W. Palmer, Invercargill, to Christchurch; Mr. A. D. Macfarlane, Hokitika, to Invercargill; Mr. F. E. Duncan, Accountant, Dunedin, to be Receiver of Land Revenue, Hokitika; Mr. A. W. Duncan was promoted from Wellington District Office to be Receiver of Land Revenue, Nelson, *vice* Mr. J. R. Macdonald, transferred to Auckland. Mr. P. D. N. Verschaffelt, Record Clerk, Head Office, received an appointment in the office of the Public Service Commissioner, and Mr. J. Bennett succeeded him as Record Clerk.

Messrs. F. Ward and A. Cameron, Crown Lands Rangers for Nelson and Marlborough respectively, were retired on superannuation during the year.

OFFICE WORK.

A summary showing the number of Proclamations, Orders in Council, Warrants, &c., prepared during the year, together with a summary of the expenditure approved by the Department, is appended.

SUMMARY SHOWING THE NUMBER OF PROCLAMATIONS, ORDERS IN COUNCIL, WARRANTS, AND NOTICES PREPARED AND ISSUED DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1913.

	Proclama- tions.	Orders in Council.	Warrants and Notices.	Total.
Under the Land Act and the Land for Settlements Act ..	49	..	341	390
Under the Public Reserves and Domains Act ..	..	144	77	221
Under the Scenery Preservation Acts ..	33	..	4	37
Under the Native Land Act ..	28	..	..	28
Under the Education Reserves Acts ..	4	..	..	4
Under the State Forests Act ..	2	..	..	2
Under the Kauri-gum Industry Acts ..	..	4	5	9
Under the Cemeteries Act ..	..	..	65	65
Under the Timber-floating Act ..	..	..	3	3
Totals ..	116	148	495	759

The following have also been prepared and published:—

Sale-plan posters ..	..	..	150*
Monthly poster of lands offered for selection ..	..	..	12†
Crown Lands Guide (quarterly issues) ..	..	..	4‡
* 122,250 copies printed. † 3,600 copies printed. ‡ 10,750 copies printed.			

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURE APPROVED DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1913.

Vote No.	Name of Vote or Account.	Amount voted (Net)	Expenditure (Gross).	Recoveries.	Expenditure (Net).
		£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
74	Lands and Survey ...	173,184	199,090 17 8	49,111 1 4	149,979 16 4
75	Lands and Survey, Miscellaneous	124,314	56,041 5 3	3,508 7 0	52,532 18 3
115	Improved-farm Settlements	44,150	28,242 16 1	5,922 8 0	22,320 8 1
116	Lands, Miscellaneous	6,000	5 18 0	..	5 18 0
117	State Forests	24,417	22,255 4 7	86 0 11	22,169 3 8
119	Scenery-preservation	11,745	17,351 11 7	480 15 0	16,870 16 7
	Totals	383,810	322,987 13 2	59,108 12 3	263,879 0 11
	Consolidated Fund, Unauthorized Account		683 11 1	..	683 11 1
	Special Acts, Deposit Accounts, &c.		11,860 3 3	..	11,860 3 3
	Land for Settlements Account (including Vote 120)		18,010 12 1	3 17 0	18,006 15 1
	Cheviot Estate Account		17 2 8	..	17 2 8
	Hauraki Plains Settlement Account		21,990 18 11	90 0 0	21,900 18 11
	Rangitaiki Land Drainage Account		15,203 6 0	..	15,203 6 0
	National Endowment Account		22,467 6 8	..	22,467 6 8
	Native Land Settlement Account (including Vote 135)		50,383 5 3	26,997 9 8	23,385 15 7
	Totals		140,616 5 11	27,091 6 8	113,524 19 3
	Grand totals		463,603 19 1	86,199 18 11	377,404 0 2