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LAND TRANSFER AND DEEDS REGISTRATION :

ANNUAL REPORT OF DEPARTMENTS, 1912-13.

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

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THE SECRETARY FOR LAND AND DEEDS to the MINISTER OF STAMPS.

SIR,— Head Office, Stamp Department, Wellington, 10th May, 1913.

I have the honour to submit the usual report on the working of the Land Transfer and Deeds Registration Departments for the year ended the 31st March, 1913.

The returns appended show—

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 Act on the 31st March, 1913.

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 Office.

I have, &c.,

P. C. CORLISS,

The Minister of Stamps, Wellington.

Secretary for Land and Deeds.



B.—RETURN OF FEES RECEIVED UNDER THE LAND TRANSFER ACT FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED THE 31ST MARCH, 1913.

District.	General Fees.			Assurance Fees.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Auckland ...	14,135	4	9	588	19	3	14,724	4	0
Taranaki ...	3,631	1	10	124	10	0	3,755	11	10
Wellington ...	10,604	13	1	582	4	6	11,186	17	7
Hawke's Bay ...	3,008	1	4	49	9	10	3,057	11	2
Poverty Bay ...	1,946	12	10	8	7	3	1,955	0	1
Nelson ...	1,219	14	10	22	17	4	1,242	12	2
Marlborough ...	728	2	0	191	5	10	919	7	10
Canterbury ...	9,994	6	8	721	0	11	10,715	7	7
Otago ...	4,280	8	3	95	9	7	4,375	17	10
Southland ...	3,457	7	0	35	8	1	3,492	15	1
Westland ...	439	12	0	0	8	4	440	0	4
Totals ...	53,445	4	7*	2,420	0	11	55,865	5	6
Corresponding period, 1911-12 ...	55,144	13	4†	2,610	13	8	57,755	7	0

NOTE.—Includes Crown-grants and district-agency fees : \* £33 18s. 9d. ; † £44 2s.

C.—RETURN SHOWING THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONEY REMAINING SECURED BY MORTGAGE UNDER THE LAND TRANSFER ACT ON THE 31ST MARCH, 1913.

District.	Amount remaining secured by Mortgage on the 31st March, 1912.			Amount secured by Mortgage during the Year ended 31st March, 1913.			Amount of Mortgages paid off during the same Period.			Amount remaining secured by Mortgage on the 31st March, 1913.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Auckland...	11,731,176	2	11	3,591,740	9	10	1,366,681	10	7	13,956,225	2	2
Taranaki...	7,409,765	14	1	1,470,854	0	0	946,812	0	0	7,933,807	14	1
Wellington	25,052,493	12	6	4,370,066	0	0	2,852,092	0	0	26,570,467	12	6
Hawke's Bay	9,113,048	6	1	1,715,328	3	9	1,138,229	0	0	9,690,147	9	10
Poverty Bay	2,629,360	3	11	837,035	0	0	434,102	0	0	3,032,293	3	11
Nelson ...	1,653,525	18	6	305,097	3	3	167,820	0	0	1,790,803	1	9
Marlborough	1,168,653	2	10	260,784	8	2	121,803	0	0	1,307,634	11	0
Canterbury	19,409,905	8	0	3,605,875	0	0	2,389,379	0	0	20,626,401	8	0
Otago ...	5,525,349	0	0	1,245,504	0	0	880,209	0	0	5,890,644	0	0
Southland	6,134,068	8	1	1,171,981	15	4	638,473	16	11	6,667,576	6	6
Westland	310,918	12	11	69,442	8	8	29,996	7	2	350,364	14	5
Totals ...	90,138,264	9	10	18,643,708	9	0	10,965,597	14	8	97,816,375	4	2
Corresponding period, 1911-12	83,536,631	4	8	19,128,732	4	10	12,527,098	19	8	90,138,264	9	10

D.—RETURN SHOWING ARREARS IN THE LAND TRANSFER DEPARTMENT ON THE 31ST MARCH, 1913.

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.	Applications received previous to Current Month not yet passed.
Auckland ...	109	96	12	79	28	351	41
Taranaki ...	5	...	...	8	...	3	...
Wellington ...	10	35	...	226	6	122	...
Hawke's Bay ...	2	1	1	...	...	9	1
Poverty Bay ...	6	...	...	2	...	17	...
Nelson ...	7	1	...	14	11	12	...
Marlborough ...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...
Canterbury ...	28	21	...	115	52	170	...
Otago ...	7	...	...	25	...	29	1
Southland ...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...
Westland ...	...	...	...	45	...	25	...
Totals ...	178	154	15	514	97	738	43

Other Instruments unrecorded.

	Transfers.	Mortgages.	Miscellaneous.
Auckland ...	133	95	63
Taranaki ...	3	4	4
Wellington ...	185	284	244
Poverty Bay ...	15	16	14
Nelson ...	...	11	1
Canterbury ...	58	53	43
Otago ...	3	2	2

E.—RETURN SHOWING THE NUMBER OF DEEDS REMAINING UNREGISTERED ON THE 31ST MARCH, 1912; THE NUMBER RECEIVED FOR REGISTRATION AND THE NUMBER REGISTERED DURING THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED THE 31ST MARCH, 1913; ALSO THE NUMBER REMAINING ON THAT DATE, AND THE AMOUNT OF FEES COLLECTED DURING THE SAME PERIOD.

District.	Unrecorded on 31st March, 1912.	Received for Registration during the Year ended 31st March, 1913.	Registered during the same Period.	Unrecorded on 31st March, 1913.	Fees.
Auckland ...	245	8,363	8,387	221	£ 8,201 16 9
Taranaki ...	10	801	808	3	780 5 0
Wellington ...	288	2,099	2,190	197	2,004 2 2
Hawke's Bay ...	126	1,550	1,607	69	1,663 18 0
Poverty Bay ...	...	90	90	...	83 3 6
Nelson ...	26	921	847	100	771 17 6
Marlborough ...	2	494	493	3	501 12 0
Canterbury ...	41	1,546	1,559	28	1,467 8 6
Otago ...	28	2,350	2,176	202	2,237 7 6
Southland ...	171	695	863	3	682 6 6
Westland ...	...	106	106	...	93 18 6
Totals ...	937	19,015	19,126	826	18,487 15 11*

\* Includes Crown-grant fees, £277 13s. 5d.; and district-agency fees, £4 5s.

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