

RETURNS.

(Made pursuant to section 18 of the Act.)

(a.) THE MONEYS EXPENDED DURING THE PRECEDING FINANCIAL YEAR IN ACQUIRING LAND UNDER THE ACT, IN PREPARING THE SAME FOR WORKERS' DWELLINGS, AND IN ERECTING SUCH DWELLINGS.

	£	s.	d.
Amount expended in acquiring land for workers' dwellings..	7,547	0	7
Amount expended in preparing land for workers' dwellings..	1,353	9	1
Amount expended in erecting dwellings	59,440	12	1
Amount expended in administration and travelling ..	396	5	5
Total	£68,737	7	2*

* As shown on page 4, there were also seventy-seven dwellings in course of erection at the 31st March, 1915, the bulk of the expenditure for which will appear in next year's accounts.

The above return does not include the sum of £603 13s. incurred for maintenance, fire insurance, rates, &c., upon the dwellings erected and leased to occupants under the Act of 1905 (which amount is charged for in the rents collected), nor the sum of £4 10s. paid for clearing noxious weeds from vacant sections.

The total expenditure in connection with workers' dwellings during the year was thus £69,345 10s. 2d.—viz., £68,341 1s. 9d. out of Public Works Fund and £1,004 8s. 5d. out of Labour Department's vote.

(b.) THE NUMBER OF DWELLINGS ERECTED DURING THE YEAR AND THE NUMBER DISPOSED OF.

The number of dwellings erected	172
The number of dwellings disposed of	172

(c.) THE WEEKLY OR OTHER PAYMENTS CONTRACTED FOR, THE AMOUNT OF SUCH PAYMENTS RECEIVED, AND THE AMOUNT OF ARREARS OUTSTANDING.

Settlement.	Weekly or other Payments con- tracted for (Total for Year).	Total Amount received for Year.	Arrears out- standing as at 31/3/15.
Auckland—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Lawry	2,683 10 4	2,666 10 10	268 6 9
Eccleston	750 14 4	756 6 10	112 1 3
Wellington—			
Taitville	98 2 6	90 3 5	7 19 1
Island Bay	921 6 10	934 0 7	39 15 8
Coromandel Street	437 9 8	429 8 5	21 3 11
Heretaunga (Petone)	814 10 9	812 5 4	60 15 10
Christchurch—			
Camelot	1,091 2 1	1,069 17 7	47 8 0
Walker	532 15 6	516 10 4	67 13 10
Chancellor Street	228 11 0	204 7 3	27 13 1
Dunedin—			
Windle	701 8 7	688 15 0	61 5 10
Wanganui—			
Ballance	254 9 0	259 17 0	4 5 11
Willis	235 15 0	232 0 2	22 4 3
Palmerston North—			
Loughnan	198 1 0	198 6 0	2 10 10
Greymouth—			
Cobden	379 13 0	329 8 3	82 16 0
Temuka—			
Buxton	296 16 10	287 9 6	46 6 1
Waimate—			
Willowbridge	408 9 2	309 15 0	98 14 2
Timaru—			
Craigie	298 9 8	290 14 5	19 18 3
Melton Road	290 18 9	189 18 3	100 19 8
Invercargill—			
Seaward Bush	429 11 4	418 6 11	20 3 0
Masterton—			
Kuripuni	193 3 10	173 5 2	19 18 8
Hamilton—			
Laurenson	70 15 9	64 4 7	6 11 2
Westport—			
Leaver	306 4 3	301 1 1	5 3 2
Patea	122 16 0	94 19 6	27 16 6