

Table 30.—TRANSACTIONS IN BUSH, SWAMP, AND SCRUB LANDS UNDER SECTION 127 OF THE LAND ACT, 1908, DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1917.

District.	Area opened during Year.				Selections during the Year.											
					Heavy-bush Land.			Light-bush Land.			Scrub Land.			Totals.		
	Heavy-bush Land.	Light-bush Land.	Scrub Land.	Totals.	Number of Selectors.	Area.	Amount of Rental remitted per Annum.	Number of Selectors.	Area.	Amount of Rental remitted per Annum.	Number of Selectors.	Area.	Amount of Rental remitted per Annum.	Number of Selectors.	Area.	Amount of Rental remitted per Annum.
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.		Acres.	£		Acres.	£		Acres.	£		Acres.	£
Auckland	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Taranaki	..	382	..	382	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wellington	..	..	..	..	3	4,448	288	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	4,448	288
Nelson	3,977	4,954	2,789	11,720	7	6,135	220	1	159	6	1	1,047	68	9	7,341	294
Westland	..	5,511	..	5,511	..	..	..	9	4,612	94	..	..	..	9	4,612	94
Totals	3,977	10,847	2,789	17,613	10	10,583	508	10	4,771	100	1	1,047	68	21	16,401	676

District.	Total Area held at 31st March, 1917.													
	Heavy-bush Land.			Light-bush Land.			Scrub Land.			Totals.				
	Number of Selectors.	Area held.	Annual Rental (re-mitted).	Number of Selectors.	Area held.	Annual Rental (re-mitted).	Number of Selectors.	Area held.	Annual Rental (re-mitted).	Number of Selectors.	Area held.	Number of Selectors.	Area held.	Annual Rental (re-mitted).
		Acres.	£		Acres.	£		Acres.	£		Acres.		Acres.	£
Auckland ..	16	7,498	1,098	..	..	..	..	..	..	16	7,498	16	7,498	1,098
Taranaki ..	24	16,649	1,150	..	..	..	..	..	..	24	16,649	24	16,649	1,150
Wellington ..	16	17,365	1,480	2	968	65	..	..	..	18	18,333	18	18,333	1,545
Nelson ..	160	81,668	2,209	62	37,192	803	32	14,352	396	254	133,212	254	133,212	3,408
Westland ..	..	..	..	9	4,612	94	..	..	..	9	4,612	9	4,612	94
Totals ..	216	123,180	5,937	73	42,772	962	32	14,352	396	321	180,304	321	180,304	7,295

Table 31.—INSPECTIONS MADE BY THE RANGERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1917.

District.	Number of Properties visited.	Area.	Value of Improvements.		Number of Defaulters.				
			Required.	Actually made.	For Deficient Improvements only.	For Non-residence only.	For Non-residence and Improvements.	For other Reasons.	Total.
		Acres.	£	£					
Auckland ..	633	135,344	66,465	112,180	28	117	56	9	210
Hawke's Bay ..	719	330,579	774,408	865,841	46	55	6	..	107
Taranaki ..	377	134,540	95,559	235,703	15	12	6	..	33
Wellington ..	476	171,173	50,675	161,395	5	12	6	1	24
Nelson ..	938	334,919	109,221	320,695	65	50	50	..	165
Marlborough ..	301	342,780	73,505	249,461	24	15	3	..	42
Westland ..	383	78,303	33,809	90,903	24	7	12	..	43
Canterbury ..	1,172	518,275	339,957	467,823	177	11	5	..	193
Otago ..	475	210,836	177,546	267,815	49	18	..	1	68
Southland ..	905	234,700	107,685	222,330	76	14	28	..	118
Totals ..	6,379	2,491,449	1,828,830	2,994,146	509	311	172	11	1,003

In addition numerous inspections were made by the Rangers in connection with educational endowment leases and miscellaneous applications.

Table 32.—ADVANCES OBTAINED FOR THE PURPOSE OF ROADING CROWN LANDS, SHOWING THE AMOUNT BORROWED AND THE AMOUNT REPAID UP TO 31ST MARCH, 1917.

District.				Area.	Amount borrowed.	Amount repaid.
				Acres.	£	£
Auckland ..	..	..	..	1,391,521	343,791	162,819
Hawke's Bay ..	..	..	..	498,846	150,323	72,828
Taranaki ..	..	..	..	708,531	232,964	167,802
Wellington ..	..	..	..	820,969	301,697	215,473
Nelson ..	..	..	..	415,517	48,046	10,069
Marlborough ..	..	..	..	217,971	29,943	30,940
Westland ..	..	..	..	59,717	8,006	2,424
Canterbury ..	..	..	..	3,552	1,821	1,036
Otago ..	..	..	..	267,516	23,975	25,095
Southland ..	..	..	..	181,247	43,676	25,666
Totals ..	..	..	..	4,565,387	1,184,242	713,652

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