1917. NEW ZEALAND.

LAND TRANSFER AND DEEDS REGISTRATION.

ANNUAL REPORT OF DEPARTMENTS, 1916-17.

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

THE SECRETARY FOR LAND AND DEEDS to the MINISTER OF STAMP DUTIES.

SIR,-

Head Office, Stamp Department, Wellington, 21st May, 1917.

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, 1917.

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, 1917.
- 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.

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P. C. Corliss,

The Minister of Stamp Duties, Wellington.

Secretary for Land and Deeds

A.—Statement of Business transacted under the Land Transfer Act during the Year ended the 31st March, 1917.

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B.—Return of Fees received under the Land Transfer Act for the Twelve Months ended 31st March, 1917.

District.		General Fees.	.	Assurance	Fee	es.	District Agency	y Fe	es.
Auckland Taranaki Wellington Hawke's Bay Poverty Bay Nelson Marlborough Canterbury Otago Southland Westland		\$\\ \frac{\pmath{\pmath{\pmath{\gamma}}}{3},144\\ 8\\ 3,159\\ 17\\ 9,742\\ 5\\ 2,924\\ 7\\ 1,767\\ 12\\ 1,171\\ 11\\ 512\\ 18\\ 7,580\\ 3\\ 3,536\\ 14\\ 2,345\\ 6\\ 366\\ 1	d. 5 8 10 6 6 6 0 0 6 0 9	£ 613 23 322 63 21 3 98 319 104 33	s. 9 2 15 15 14 9 2 14 13 0	d. 11 3 5 1 7 6 7 8 6 9	0 0 2 0 0 	s. 9 9 17 3	d. 0 0 0 0
Totals Corresponding period, 1915	 –16	46,551 6 47,341 2	8	1,655	18	1	10	4 16	0

C.—Return showing the Total Amount of Money remaining secured by Mortgage under the Land Transfer Act on the 31st March, 1917.

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District.		Amount remaining secured by Mort- gage on the 31st March, 1916.	Amount secured by Mortgage during the Year ended 31st March, 1917.	Amount of Mort- gage paid off during the same Period.	Amount remaining secured by Mort- gage on the 31st March, 1917.
Auckland Taranaki Wellington Hawke's Bay Poverty Bay Nelson Marlborough		$ \begin{array}{c} £\\ 19,645,541\\ 9,522,339\\ 30,394,145\\ 12,214,507\\ 2,130,929\\ 2,048,909\\ 23,341,029 \end{array} $	£ 4,174,436 1,491,499 4,204,229 1,421,692 817,930 242,713 304,292	$ \begin{array}{c} \pounds\\ 1,926,635\\ 787,535\\ 2,696,031\\ 884,724\\ 488,510\\ 170,064\\ 210,844 \end{array} $	£ 21,893,342 10,226,303 31,902,343 12,751,475 2,460,349 2,121,558 23,434,477
Canterbury Otago Southland Westland		3,797,578 6,876,817 7,903,118 420,523	3,110,177 931,161 866,856 43,539	2,232,258 602,650 631,035 30,652	4,675,497 7,205,328 8,138,939 433,410
Totals Corresponding p 1915–16	oeriod,	118,295,435 112,752,181	17,608,524 16,032,809	10,660,938	125,243,021

D.—RETURN SHOWING ARREARS IN THE LAND TRANSFER DEPARTMENT ON THE 31ST MARCH, 1917.

District.	Applications awaiting Compliance with Requisitions.	detained for	during the	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	156	74	10	107	92	475	56
Taranaki	7			8			
Wellington	14	20		340	326	394	
Hawke's Bay	4			12	•••	40	2
Poverty Bay	4			2	•••	15	
Nelson	4 3 3	2	•••	7	6	6	•••
Marlborough	3	·	1	2			•••
Canterbury	21	8		77	32	96	2
Otago	5	•••		21	•••	10	• • •
Southland			3	18		39	•••
Westland	•••			20		1	1
Totals	217	104	14	614	456	1,076	61

Other Instruments unrecorded.

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					Transfers.	Mortgages.	Miscellaneous.
$\mathbf{Auckland}$					310	341	329
Taranaki	•••				4	3	3
Wellington	•••				311	257	465
Hawke's Bay		•••	•••		15	17	10
Poverty Bay		•••	• • • •		4	3	39
Nelson		•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	• • •
Marlborough		•••	•••		•••	•••	
Canterbury		•••	•••		23	14	32
Otago			• • •		3	5	10
Southland		•••	• • •		19	22	28
Westland			•••		•••	•••	•••
							
${f T}$	otals	•••			689	662	916

E.—Return showing the Number of Deeds remaining unregistered on the 31st March 1916; the Number received for Registration and the Number registered during the Twelve Months ended the 31st March, 1917; also the Number remaining on that Date, and the Amount of Fees collected during the same Period.

Distric	et.		Unrecorded on 31st March, 1916.	Received for Registration during the Year ended 31st March, 1917.	Registered during the same Period.	Unrecorded on 31st March, 1917.	Fees.
							£
Auckland			722	6,459	6,94 8	233	.6,201
Taranaki	• • •		10	597	5 95	12 .	554
Wellington			191	2,091	2,241	41	1,957
Hawke's Bay			91	1,197	1,209	79	1,233
Poverty Bay			17	57	74	•••	55
Nelson			37	759	789	7	675
Marlborough			37	313	310	40	346
Canterbury		•••	21	1,210	1,183	48	1,173
Otago	•••		52	1,835	1,857	30	1,719
Southland	•••		•••	449	410	39	417
Westland	• • •	•••		48	48		41
Totals			1,178	15,015	15,664	529	14,371*

^{*} Includes Crown-grant fees, £166, and district-agency fees, £14.

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