

SUMMARY OF THE SETTLEMENTS ESTABLISHED UPON ESTATES ACQUIRED AND DEALT WITH UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS ACT UP TO THE 31ST MARCH, 1929—*continued.*

Name of Estate.	Lease-holds.	Free-holds.	Principal Purpose for which Holdings are utilized.					Remarks as to Present Position.
<i>Otago—continued.</i>								
Tokoiti	4	..	Mixed farming	..	..	..	..	Good.
Totara	27	..	"	..	..	..	..	"
Wairuna	11	..	"	..	..	..	..	Fair.
Waitahuna No. 1 ..	1	1	"	..	..	..	..	"
Waitahuna No. 2 ..	6	1	"	..	..	..	..	Poor.
Windsor Park No. 1 ..	37	2	"	..	..	..	..	Very good.
Windsor Park No. 2 ..	10	..	"	..	..	..	..	"
Westcott	7	..	"	..	..	..	..	Poor.
Totals.. ..	1,114	68						
<i>Southland.</i>								
Allenby	5	..	Dairying	..	..	..	..	Good.
Ardlussa	5	..	Pastoral	..	..	..	..	Poor.
Beaumont	8	2	Mixed farming	..	..	..	..	"
Campbell	4	..	"	..	..	..	..	Fair.
Crichton Park ..	4	2	Pastoral	..	..	..	..	"
Edendale	99	54	Dairying	..	..	..	..	Very good.
Ermedale	11	2	Mixed farming	..	..	..	..	Fair.
Fortification Hill ..	6	..	Pastoral	..	..	..	..	"
Glenham	34	10	Mixed farming	..	..	..	..	Very good.
Knowsley Park ..	9	..	Pastoral	..	..	..	..	Poor.
Lambert	1	..	Dairying	..	..	..	..	Fair.
Lamont	6	..	"	..	..	..	..	"
Maori Hill	17	3	Mixed farming	..	..	..	..	Good.
Merrivale	42	12	"	..	..	..	..	"
Merrivale No. 1 ..	9	..	"	..	..	..	..	Fair.
Merrivale No. 2 ..	7	..	"	..	..	..	..	"
Monte Cristo	4	..	Dairying	..	..	..	..	Good.
Otahu	6	2	Mixed farming	..	..	..	..	Fair.
Ringway	4	3	"	..	..	..	..	"
Simpson	1	..	"	..	..	..	..	"
Stalker	8	1	Dairying	..	..	..	..	Very good.
Strathvale	9	..	"	..	..	..	..	"
Teihoka	2	..	Mixed farming	..	..	..	..	Good.
Waiarikiki	7	..	Pastoral	..	..	..	..	Poor.
Waikiwi Town ..	39	22	Suburban building-sites	..	..	..	..	Good.
Totals.. ..	347	113						
Grand totals ..	7,057	2,131						

EXTRACTS FROM REPORTS OF COMMISSIONERS OF CROWN LANDS.

NORTH AUCKLAND.

(O. N. CAMPBELL, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

The only land purchased under the Land for Settlements Act during the year is the estate of the late Roderick Finlayson at Rehia, comprising 253 acres, which has been subdivided into three sections. This land has subsequently been brought within the national-endowment area, and allotted to three soldier settlers in the locality who were in need of dry country to work in conjunction with their respective holdings.

AUCKLAND.

(K. M. GRAHAM, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

No new estates have been acquired or opened for settlement during the year just ended, but a number of sections which have been withheld from settlement, or have come back into the hands of the Crown by forfeiture, have been opened for selection.

The older settlements are now, generally speaking, in a sound position, with the exception of a few settlers, and most of the lessees should have participated largely in the general prosperity of the district during the last year.

With respect to the more recent estates purchased in this district, they are occupied for the most part by soldier settlers who first took up their holdings in boom times; but in spite of this, and also owing to the assistance granted in many cases by way of revaluations, remissions, &c., most of these settlers are now in assured positions. There is still, however, a small proportion whose chances of success appear doubtful, but given another good season or two a considerable number of them should be able to make good.