

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, 1937—*continued*.

Name of Estate.	Lease-holds.	Free-holds.	Principal Purpose for which Holdings are utilized.	Remarks as to Present Position.
<i>Otago—continued.</i>				
Steward	51	4	Mixed	Good.
St. Helens	3	..	General	Very fair.
Tahawai	7	1	Dairying	Good.
Tapanui	7	..	General	"
Taumata	9	..	Mixed	"
Teaneraki	23	..	Dairying	Very fair.
Te Puke	4	..	Mixed	Good.
Teviot	24	1	Grazing	Fair.
Tilverstowe	7	..	Mixed	"
Tokarahi	75	2	"	Good.
Tokoiti	4	..	"	"
Totara	27	..	"	"
Wairuna	11	..	"	Fair.
Waitahuna No. 1 ..	1	1	"	"
Waitahuna No. 2 ..	6	1	"	Poor.
Westcott	7	..	"	"
Wilden	13	..	Mixed, agricultural, and pastoral ..	Good.
Windsor Park No. 1 ..	36	2	Mixed	Very good.
Windsor Park No. 2 ..	10	..	"	"
Totals ..	1,149	87		
<i>Southland.</i>				
Allenby	5	..	Dairying	Fair.
Ardlussa	5	..	Pastoral	Very poor.
Beaumont	10	2	Mixed farming	"
Brydone	2	..	Dairying	Fair.
Campbell	3	..	Mixed farming	Poor.
Crichton Park	4	2	Pastoral	Fair.
Edendale	95	59	Dairying	Very good.
Ermedale	10	3	Mixed farming	Fair.
Fern Hill	6	..	"	"
Fortification Hill ..	6	..	Pastoral	"
Glenham	30	14	Mixed farming	Very good.
Knowsley Park	9	..	Pastoral	Poor.
Lambert	1	..	Dairying	Fair.
Lamont	6	..	"	"
McCallum	4	..	"	"
Maori Hill	16	5	Mixed farming	Good.
Merrivale	44	13	"	"
Merrivale No. 1 ..	9	..	"	Fair.
Merrivale No. 2 ..	7	..	"	"
Monte Cristo	4	..	Dairying	"
Otahu	5	3	Mixed farming	"
Ringway	4	3	"	"
Simpson	1	..	"	Poor.
Stalker	8	1	Dairying	Fair; holdings too small.
Strathvale	9	..	"	Very good.
Tamatea	7	..	"	"
Teihoka	2	..	Mixed farming	Good.
Te Wae Wae	3	..	Dairying	Fair.
Waiarikiki	7	..	Pastoral	Poor.
Waikiwi Town	28	33	Suburban building-sites	Fair.
Totals ..	350	138		

EXTRACTS FROM REPORTS OF COMMISSIONERS OF CROWN LANDS.

NORTH AUCKLAND.

(W. D. ARMIT, Commissioner of Crown Lands.)

A general development improvement is taking place on the majority of the settlements in this district. As in the case of Crown-land tenants, the difficulties which arose as a result of the depression required to be faced, and every deserving case where assistance could reasonably be given by way of postponement or remission of rent received sympathetic consideration.

The financial stress under which many settlers have carried out farming operations during the past few years has considerably improved owing to the heavy rainfall experienced during the past two summer seasons, and pastures have greatly benefited owing to this factor, combined with regular top-dressing with suitable manures, thus resulting in increased production.

In view of the general increase in prices received for farm products settlers should be able to face the future with a considerable degree of confidence.

No new settlements have been acquired during the year.