

stumped, ploughed, and regrassed is so marked that it is a pressing necessity to treat the whole area on these lines as early as possible. When control was assumed by the office in 1930 it was not possible to fatten lambs on account of the deteriorated state of the pastures, but last season over 1,300 lambs were sold as fats.

The actual progress that has been made can be gauged from the following stock returns.

	Sheep.		Run Cattle.		Wool.	
	Breeding-ewes.	Others.	Breeding-cows.	Others.	Bales.	Gross Proceeds.
1930-31	998	302	..	114	15	£ 63
1936-37	1,949	133	117	90	53	1,251

The prices obtained for the variation classes of wool sold during the season and the average price per bale are shown in the table appended at the end of Part III of this report.

NATIVE TRUST STATIONS.

SUMMARY OF WOOL PROCEEDS FOR YEAR 1936-37, SHOWING AVERAGE PRICE PER POUND.

Class of Wool.	Aohanga.	East Coast Maori Soldiers' Fund.		Hakurenga.	Motuweka.	Tawanui.	Tiratu.
		Hoiā.	Hereheretau.				
	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Ewes	12·87	16·38	14·25	17·28	15·5	15·5	17·23
Wethers	15·5	..	14·4	16·93	16·0	..	..
Hoggets	18·3	16·72	14·2	17·8	17·9	15·25	17·6
Lambs	..	12·12	11·5	..	14·8	13·75	17·3
Rams	14·0	..	14·2	..	16·3	..	..
Necks, bellies, and pieces ..	13·3	12·76	12·5	13·65	11·2	11·75	13·6
Crutchings	9·4	8·75	9·2	10·78	10·0	12·0	9·75
Average price per pound for clip	14·4	15·33	13·25	15·66	14·5	15·5	15·9
Average price per bale	£21 14s. 8d.	£23 1s. 3d.	£17 15s. 7d.	£21 16s. 1d.	£22 8s. 5d.	£20 13s. 2d.	£24 1s. 4d.