

LETTERS PATENT ISSUED, ETC.—*Concluded.*

YEAR.	LETTERS PATENT.	
	Number Issued.	Number Cancelled.
Departmental year ended 31st October, 1889.....	3,282	30
" " " 1890.....	3,273	20
" " " 1891.....	2,449	35
" " " 1892.....	2,955	27
" " " 1893.....	2,936	16
" " 31st December, 1894.....	2,682	16
" " " 1895.....	2,118	12
" " " 1896.....	2,665	20
" " " 1897.....	2,972	17
" " " 1898.....	3,037	19

The next table gives the total amount of pre-emption and homestead fees, and proceeds of sales received in each year from 1st July, 1873, to 30th June, 1898 :—

YEAR Ended 30th June.	Homestead and Pre-emption Fees.	Ordinary Sales.		Sales to Colonization Companies.	Total.
		Cash.	Scrip.	Cash.	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1873.....	6,970	21,616			28,586
1874.....	8,290	17,697			25,987
1875.....	11,570	13,591			25,161
1876.....	4,700	3,704	320		8,724
1877.....	5,620	1,069	136,955		143,645
1878.....	15,370	2,682	120,159		138,211
1879.....	36,026	8,188	210,904		255,119
1880.....	32,358	41,768	81,685		155,812
1881.....	30,682	62,940	70,828		164,451
1882.....	94,228	1,228,424	50,590	354,036	1,727,280
1883.....	127,740	516,092	33,638	248,492	925,962
1884.....	70,390	423,113	40,919	253,713	788,136
1885.....	42,745	193,759	45,875	1,214	288,594
1886.....	40,481	76,140	204,658		321,279
1887.....	26,502	48,176	337,640		412,318
1888.....	28,521	52,238	313,523	*10,000	404,282
1889.....	50,010	57,513	318,238	*16,000	441,761
1890.....	44,500	54,897	228,744		328,141
1891.....	†29,164	91,665	171,425	*4,460	292,254
1892.....	†46,994	108,901	97,822		253,717
1893.....	†37,689	93,671	77,231		208,591
1894.....	†36,462	53,255	27,841		117,558
1895.....	†29,665	37,294	23,270		90,229
1896.....	†18,278	46,374	46,930		111,582
1897.....	†21,179	49,336	16,929		87,444
1898.....	†34,780	80,179	28,918		143,877

*Scrip. †Homestead fees only.