

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
EXPENDITURE on Public Works under the Control of the Resident Engineer, Westland District, and on SALARIES, TRAVELLING EXPENSES, &c., of the Resident Engineer and Staff, from the 31st March, 1886, to the 30th September, 1887.

	Works.	Salaries.	Travelling Expenses.	Contingencies.*	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Out of Public Works Department Votes,—					
Salaries: Departmental: District offices					
Greyhound—Hokitika Railway	18,758 1 8	1,675 0 0	245 0 4	364 13 10	1,695 0 0
Sleepers contract	194 0 0	927 3 4		62 6 11	20,294 19 2
Hokitika—Christchurch Road	7,720 17 11	538 10 6	63 13 0	5 0 0	256 6 11
Buller Road	3,566 0 0	114 18 4	24 14 0	62 2 11	8,323 1 5
Additions to open lines of railways: Greyhound—Brunnerton	63 9 10				3,767 15 3
Nelson, Westport, Greyhound, and Hokitika Road	336 10 4	157 13 4	6 14 6	98 6 2	63 9 10
Waitahu Bridge	150 10 0		0 12 6	1 15 0	599 4 4
Greyhound—Okarito Road	3,099 0 0	254 5 0	27 13 9	71 8 6	132 17 6
Lyell Bridge			10 8 5	12 19 0	3,452 7 3
Police-station, Denniston	235 12 4			44 9 7	23 7 5
Police-station, Brunnerton	170 14 9		0 14 6	3 3 0	44 9 7
New prison, Greyhound	877 11 5	26 5 0		1 12 0	239 9 10
Police-station, Greyhound	395 16 10				172 6 9
				13 0 0	903 16 5
					408 16 10
Out of Mines Department Votes,—					
Mokihinui—Karamaea Road					
Cobden—Coal Creek Road	1,369 7 0	138 13 10			595 15 0
Miscellaneous roads					788 18 0
					123 7 10
Out of Funds provided by Local Bodies,—					
Greyhound Wharf Contract	12,811 19 11	218 6 6			9,945 10 0
Greyhound cranes					2,695 18 5
Sidings					388 18 0
Totals	49,749 12 0	4,070 15 10†	379 11 0†	740 16 11†	54,940 15 9

* Including advertising, fuel for offices, instrument allowances, office expenses generally, and petty expenditure on works, for which special authorities have been issued.
† In these amounts are included charges for surveys, and preparation of contracts representing works to the value of £37,500, over and above the amount in the first column. They also include £1,800 for overseers' wages, which is not usually included in engineering expenses.

NOTE.—The district of which the Resident Engineer has charge extends along the West Coast from Mokihinui to Okarito, a distance of about 150 miles, and the extent to which the works of which he has charge reach from coast-line inland from 5 to 50 miles. It will be evident, therefore, that the supervision under such circumstances must be more costly, especially as the conveniences for travelling are not so good as in some other districts.

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