

Martin's Bay, via Greenstone, Track.—Of this track there have been 6 miles 60 chains completed bush cleared, culverted, corduroy- and foot-bridges formed; 25,600 acres of unsurveyed land benefited, and the Hollyford Valley and Martin's Bay Districts are fairly opened up. Mr. Black has had the supervision of the work.

Road to Martin's Bay Settlement.—Three miles of formation, bush-clearing, corduroy, culverting, and a number of foot-bridges almost completed. Supervised by Mr. Black.

Road through Block IV., Nokomai.—Of formation, 1 mile 26 chains; culverts, side- and catch-water-drains made; 1,000 acres of surveyed and 27,000 acres of unsurveyed land benefited by it. The work is under the supervision of Mr. Black. A further sum of £200 would open up a dray-road to Nokomai Saddle and valley of the Nevis.

Track to Sutherland Falls.—This is a track from the head of Milford Sound to the head of Arthur River, a distance of about 12 miles; formation, bush-clearing, side-drains, corduroy- and foot-bridges, and boat-shed, and hut in course of construction, under the supervision of the Chief Surveyor.

Through Blocks I. and II., Lower Wanaka.—Formed and culverted, 34 chains; and 4,000 acres of surveyed land benefited by it. The work under the supervision of Mr. L. D. MacGeorge. Road completed.

To open up Block VIII., Kurow.—Thirty-three chains of formation and pipe-culverting, 50 chains of formation, culverts, pipe-drains, and gravelled water-crossings; and second portion, 1 mile 10 chains formation, culverts, pipe-drains, and gravelled water-crossings: 1,600 acres of surveyed and 4,400 acres of unsurveyed land benefited. The whole under the supervision of Mr. C. Banks.

To open up Block XIII., Moeraki.—Ten chains first part and 61 chains second part formed, pipe-culverted and catch-water drains made, benefiting 1,700 acres of surveyed land. Supervised by Mr. C. Banks.

To open up Block VIII., Kurow.—Fifty chains formation, culverts, and pipe-drains connect roads already formed, and benefits 345 acres of surveyed land. Under supervision of Mr. C. Banks.

To open up Block IX., Maniototo.—Three miles formation, 6,000 acres of surveyed land benefited, and is an outlet for Upper Taieri, Gimmerburn, &c., via Taieri Lake. Supervised by Mr. R. H. Browne.

To open up Blocks XVI. and XIV., Maniototo.—Formation along steep rocky sidings close to Taieri Lake, 1 mile 15 chains, and 44 chains flat formation; the whole benefiting 5,400 acres of surveyed land. Work supervised by Mr. Browne. The sums spent in Maniototo County are part of the 1886–87 vote, no authority having been given to the county to expend the 1887–88 vote.

To open up Blocks II. and VI., Upper Taieri, and VI., Gimmerburn.—Fifty-seven chains land purchased and 114 chains fencing, benefiting 1,000 acres surveyed land; 40 chains formation, and bridge, 40ft. span, over Gimmerburn, benefiting 1,400 acres of surveyed and the whole of 11,200 acres of unsurveyed land. The work under the supervision of Mr. Browne.

To open up Block V., Lauder (St. Bathans to Tinker's).—A bridge of 30ft. span has been built over Lauder Creek, benefiting 1,800 acres surveyed and 27,000 acres unsurveyed land. Work under supervision of Mr. Browne.

To open up Blocks III. and IV., Rock and Pillar.—Three miles 25 chains formed and culverted, 1 mile 40 chains formation, culverts, side-rock cutting, and pitched crossings; benefiting 9,556 acres of surveyed land. The work supervised by Inspector G. Cruickshanks. A further vote is needed to open up lands recently sold in Waihemo County.

Road to Runs 171E and 171H.—One mile 23 chains formed and culverted, benefiting 10,000 acres of unsurveyed land; the work supervised by Inspector Valentine. A further vote is urgently needed to form 60 chains near Waikouaiti River.

Road on Pomahaka River, Greenvale District.—One mile 51 chains formed and culverted, and under the supervision of Mr. J. Edie, and, with the following road, opens up 1,250 acres of surveyed land.

Switzer's Track to Spylaw Creek.—One mile 5 chains formed and culverted.

Road, Beaumont to Miller's Flat, via East Bank of Clutha.—Thirty-four chains Minzion Creek to Miller's Flat formation, also various bluffs widened. Supervisor of the work, Mr. Edie. Surveyed land benefited 2,600 acres.

Lawrence to Waipori, via Bungtown.—Forty chains Bungtown Flat gravelled, 51 chains Bulger's Flat gravelled, benefiting 8,000 acres of surveyed land. Mr. Edie supervising work.

Tokomairiro River.—Bridge built over the north branch of the river. Mr. Alexander Nelson supervising.

Catlin's Road.—Forty-five chains formed and metalled. Supervised by Mr. Paterson. Benefits 8,600 acres. Outlet for large area in Glenomaru, Catlin's, and Woodlands. Metalling to be proceeded with next year.

Hunt's Road.—Thirty-six chains bush-clearing, formation, culverts, &c., almost completed, benefiting 3,800 acres; under the supervision of Mr. M. Paterson.

By the above it will be seen that a total of 46 miles 19 chains of road has been improved, benefiting 61,958 acres of surveyed land and 113,900 acres of unsurveyed.

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SOUTHLAND.

Waikaka, Wendon, and Greenvale.—Mileage formed, &c., 2 miles nearly; acreage rendered better accessible, 1,500 acres. The work done on road under this heading extends from opposite Section 4, Block VIII., Wendon District, to Section 9, Block IX., same district. The work consists of 152½ chains formation, 136½ chains gravelling, 48 chains ditching, 4,000 cubic yards excavations, and 11 culverts.