Aparima.—A vote for £100 was taken, but no expenditure has been authorised.

Wallacetown-Spar Bush and Waimatuku Flat.—The vote for £150 has been expended on formation and in gravelling, under the immediate supervision of the Southland County.

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Wright's Bush.—No works executed since last year.

Waianiwa to Spar Bush.—A sum of £100 was spent on gravelling and formation by the Southland County.

Centre Bush Village.—An expenditure of £50 has been authorised, but no work done before

Centre Bush and Otapiri.—The vote of £300 was expended in bushfelling, logging, and formation, and a further sum of £250 will be spent in completing this and gravelling the worst parts. This road will give access to some 14,000 acres of Crown land now under settlement survey, besides being a great boon to the settlers already located in and around the Otapiri Valley.

Forest Hill (Tramway) Road.—Tenders have been called for 40 chains of formation, ditching,

and clearing, but these have not yet been accepted. £100 is available.

Makarewa-Hedgehope.—No work since last year.

Makarewa Village.—A sum of £15 was spent on bushfelling one of the roads through the settlement.

Makarewa to Grove Bush.—A vote of £150 was handed to Southland County, and spent on

formation and gravelling.

Dipton Railway-station to Okaiterua Bush.—A sum of £50 was spent on formation and gravelling by the same county.

Reaby Retreat.—Handed to same county, to be spent on formation and gravelling.

Gow's Ureek Stock Bridge.—A sum of £50 was voted, but no expenditure yet authorised.

Gore Bridge (£1 for £2 subsidy).—A vote for £1,000 was taken, and plans and specifications prepared, but tenders not yet called for.

Mabel District.—A vote of £200 was expended in formation and gravelling by Southland County.

Invercargill Hundred.—The sum of £200 was spent in bushfelling and formation, under the same body. Seaward Bush Township.—Arrangements have been made for expenditure of £200 on clearing,

formation, corduroying, fascining, and gravelling, under the immediate control of the South Invercargill Borough, subject to work being passed by this department.

Tisbury-Waimatua.—The vote of £300 was intrusted to the Southland County, subject to the usual conditions, and was spent on bushfelling and formation. This work will be of material banefit in civing access to postions of Sourcead Bush but it nowing to be extended in order to the

benefit in giving access to portions of Seaward Bush, but it requires to be extended in order to open up that locality properly.

Clifton to Seaward Bush.—Although under a different name, the vote of £200 taken for the

year 1892-93 was really spent on the Seaward Bush Township roads, referred to above, and was also intrusted to the South Invercargill Borough Council. 2 miles 42 chains were partially formed, drained, gravelled, &c.

Woodend Streets.—The sum of £75 was authorised to be spent on clearing, formation, &c., of

51 chains.

Campbelltown Borough.—A vote of £500 was taken, but has not yet been authorised for expenditure.

Campbelltown Hundred.—The Southland County has let a contract for 80 chains of gravelling, principally on the Bluff Road.

Oteramika.—A contract for formation and gravelling has been let under the same county.

Block I., Oteramika.—The Oteramika Road Board was authorised to spend £100 on formation

and tussocking near the present terminus of the Seaward Bush Railway.

Waikawa-Otara.—Two sums of £1,437 and £500 have been authorised for expenditure out of a loan raised under the Acts, and preparations are now being made for expenditure of these by co-operative labour—the first to give access to the recently-opened lands in Blocks II. and VII., Otara, and the second to construct a bridle-track from the Waikawa Township to connect with the road to Waipapa and Fortrose, in order to avoid the inconvenience of crossing a tidal arm of Waikawa Harbour.

Scrubby Hill.—Since last report a further sum of £320 has been authorised for expenditure, to complete the road system as far as possible, and works are now proceeding under the co-operative

Makoreta-Tahaukupu.—The vote of £250 has been diverted from the line named to the Wyndham Valley Road, this route being of more importance to settlers in the immediate future, owing to its being the most direct road to the stock markets at Wyndham. The work will be done

by co-operative labour. Takanui-Niagara.—Nothing has been done since last report, as the Southland County was unable to subsidise the Government grant of £300; but as this is a portion of the main Fortrose— Waikawa Road, largely used by settlers and others, it is desirable that the part referred to should be gravelled as soon as possible. The estimate for this is £1,000.

Waikawa.—No works since last report.

Waikawa-Cattin's.—A large number of men has been employed all the year under the co-operative system on the formation of this road, about thirteen miles and a half of which is now finished and open for traffic, leaving an unformed gap of about four miles to connect with the Otago end. As the whole of this road is in forest country it will be absolutely necessary to make provision for maintenance, and I shall shortly submit proposals for dividing it into sections and offering it to the Chaslands settlers at a fixed price per annum.

Improved Farm Settlements—Chasland's.—A separate report on this settlement having been

already furnished, I need only state here that so far it promises to be a very successful operation.