

TOTAL NUMBER EMPLOYED by RAILWAY DEPARTMENT (Workshops and Maintenance Dépôts).

Locality.	Men.	Apprentices.	Locality.	Men.	Apprentices.
Christchurch	294	41	Westport	17	4
Wellington	146	17	Waipukurau	2	..
Dunedin	209	26	Invercargill	15	3
Auckland	107	21	Nelson	5	1
Oamaru	3	1	Napier	21	7
Timaru	4	..	Greymouth	16	1
Wanganui	74	15			
Pictou	3	..	Totals	916	137

REPORTS ON ACCOMMODATION PROVIDED for SHEARERS.

District.	Number of Stations.	Remarks.
Akaroa	23	The accommodation provided is satisfactory; any improvements suggested by the Inspector have been carried out. In most cases the shearers employed live in the district at their own homes.
Ashurst	4	All have good accommodation.
Ashburton	4	Improvement since last report. All have good accommodation now.
Blenheim	33	All the stations in this district good accommodation with the exception of two, to which notices were sent to effect repairs, which is being done. One station has iron bedsteads, with only two sleeping in each room. A large bathroom is also provided on this station for use of shearers.
Clive	10	All have good accommodation.
Clinton	5	All have good accommodation.
Cambridge	7	All have good accommodation.
Dargaville	2	Both have good accommodation.
Eltham	2	Both have satisfactory accommodation.
Eketahuna	14	Good accommodation is provided on all stations in this district.
Fairlie .. .. .	..	Accommodation in this district is very fair. In a few cases the Inspector suggested improvements, which was promised by the owners to be attended to before next season.
Foxton	9	Accommodation fairly satisfactory.
Greytown North .. .. .	..	Good accommodation is provided in this district. One station-holder has also complied with the order of Court made at Masterton last year. Another station-holder who received notice to effect improvements has promised to have them done before next season. These are the only two cases reported last year.
Gore	2	All have good accommodation.
Geraldine	7	All have good accommodation.
Hamilton	3	All have good accommodation.
Hampden	6	Accommodation in this district is very good now, as several owners are putting up new buildings to comply with the Act.
Hokianga	2	Both have all the accommodation necessary, as shearing is done by families of the owners.
Herbertville	6	The accommodation in this district is very satisfactory now. Two station-holders who had orders to improve the quarters for shearers have had two new buildings erected.
Hunterville .. .. .	..	Most of the stations in this district have fair accommodation. In a few cases notices have been sent to have improvements effected, most of which will be finished, no doubt, before next season.
Inglewood .. .. .	..	Good accommodation is provided in this district.
Kaikoura	10	Accommodation on three of the stations in this district is rather unsatisfactory. The Inspector has received instructions to notify station-holders where inadequate accommodation is provided to effect alterations before next season.
Lawrence .. .. .	..	All have good accommodation.
Little River	9	All have good accommodation, those receiving notice last year to provide better accommodation having done so.
Mangonui	3	All have good accommodation.
Methven	27	Accommodation in this district is fair. Notices were sent last year to some ten station-owners, who have in most cases complied with the Act.
Naseby .. .. .	..	The accommodation on most stations is very good. In the case of two, notice was sent to have huts rebuilt or otherwise improved before next shearing season.
Nelson	2	Both good.
Ophir	4	Three have good accommodation; the other one has been improved according to the instructions of the Inspector, and is now in very good state.
Ormondville .. .. .	..	No accommodation provided, the land being held by small settlers, not more than 4,000 sheep in district.
Opotiki .. .. .	..	The accommodation is quite sufficient, Maoris being mostly engaged, who reside in district.
Palmerston South .. .. .	..	The accommodation in this district is very good. Last season two were served with notices to erect. One has acted up to order; the other promises to have hut ready for next shearing.
Palmerston North .. .. .	..	All have good accommodation.
Pahiata	1	Only one large station, and good accommodation is provided. All other holdings are small, and only one or two men are engaged.
Pleasant Point .. .. .	..	Inspector newly appointed; has not yet been able to inspect.