

Touwai Native School, Whangaroa.—A contract for the erection of a combined school and residence has been completed.

Tapuaharuru Native School, Lake Rotoiti.—A combined school and residence is in course of erection.

Waotu Native School.—Some additions have been made to the residence. These have been inspected and reported on.

NEW PLYMOUTH—WANGANUI—NAPIER DISTRICTS.

Mokau Police-station.—A constable's residence and a stable have been erected.

New Plymouth Police-station.—Enlarged plans for a sergeant's residence are being prepared, the first plans having been found to give insufficient room.

Inglewood Police-station.—A contract has been advertised for alterations, additions, and repairs.

Rahoutu Lock-up and Office.—A building to serve as lock-up and office has been built.

Normanby Police-station.—A contract for alterations, additions, and repairs* has been completed.

Eltham Police-station.—Tenders have been invited for a third time for the erection of an office for the Clerk of Court.

Waverley Police-station.—Repairs to the stable have been executed, and a contract has been signed for alterations, additions, and repairs to the station.

Manara Police-station.—A contract for a lock-up has been nearly finished.

Marion Police-station.—A contract for alterations, additions, and repairs has been carried out.

Feilding Police-station.—A contract for the erection of residence and lock-up has been nearly finished.

Waipawa Police-station.—Nothing has been done towards the erection of the new buildings at the constable's quarters, recommended last year.

Clive Police-station.—A wash-house has been erected, and a report, with plans, &c., for alterations and repairs has been prepared.

Napier Police-station.—The drains have been improved in accordance with the by-laws.

Spit Police-station.—An office has been added to the residence, a wash-house built, and drains have been laid connecting with the town drainage system.

New Plymouth Courthouse.—A fire-service has been fitted up within the building.

Stratford Courthouse.—A contract for painting this building has been completed.

Wanganui Courthouse.—Contracts for internal alterations to the library and for painting and repairs have been completed.

Palmerston North Courthouse.—The grounds have been laid down in grass, and the paths formed and gravelled. The Court-room has been draped in baize, and the acoustics of the room thereby improved.

Mangaweka Courthouse.—A contract for the erection of this building is making satisfactory progress.

Waipawa Courthouse.—A report and estimates for the necessary repairs have been sent in by the Resident Engineer.

Napier Courthouse.—A considerable amount of work has been done in improving the sanitation of the outbuildings, and in relaying storm-water drains, &c. A new wash-house has been built for the caretaker's residence. Estimates of the cost of repairs and repainting of the building have been prepared.

Stratford Post-office.—A contract for painting and repairs has been finished.

Hawera Postmaster's Residence.—Some rooms have been repainted and repapered, an old well under the house has been filled in, and the space under the ground floor ventilated.

Wanganui Post-office.—Tenders have been received for alterations and repairs.

Mangaweka Post-office.—A contract for the erection of this building was satisfactorily finished.

Palmerston North Post-office.—A defective chimney has been rebuilt.

Napier Post-office.—The drains were relaid and ventilated. The roof of the clock-tower has been overhauled, and the guttering renewed. The telegraph operating-room has been redecorated and ventilated. Other repairs have been done.

New Plymouth Departmental Buildings.—The works to give the proposed increased accommodation have not yet been put in hand.

Napier Departmental Buildings and Survey Office.—Some repairs have been done, and the drainage system brought up to the municipal standard.

Wanganui Customhouse.—A contract for a brick building, to accommodate the Stock and Survey Departments in addition to the Customs, has been advertised.

Te Haroto Native School.—A contract for the erection of this school is in progress.

Koroniti Native School.—A contract for additions has been finished.

Napier Gaol.—Alterations to the drainage system have been authorised.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

The numerous public buildings in Wellington were kept in an efficient state of repair during the year, in addition to the special works referred to below.

Porirua Asylum.—The single-room block for females has been completed, and the single-room block for males is now built up to the level of the first floor. A house has been completed for the Medical Superintendent. A dairy is in course of construction.

Mount View Asylum.—A new boiler-house, with boilers and steam drying closet, has been completed. Alterations have been made in the laundry. The hot-water supply to the baths and other rooms has been improved. The sanitary fittings in the outbuildings have been improved, new water-mains have been laid, and two fire-escape stairs have been built. Tenders for the erection of a mortuary will be called for shortly.