

Police Gaol.—A new police gaol is being erected under contract. The lock-up and outbuildings have been altered, increasing the contract price. The gaoler's residence is nearly completed.

Collingwood Courthouse.—A site for a new building has been bought.

Wakapuaka Cable-station.—New offices have been built under contract, and the old offices converted into a residence.

Takaka Post-office.—A new post-office with residence has been built.

Nelson Asylum.—The laundry has been fitted with steam appliances, drying-closet, &c. A hot-water service has been laid to the bathrooms, and the extension of the drainage in hand last year has been completed. The dining-room has been extended, suitable fire-prevention appliances have been fitted at the auxiliary building, and telephone and alarm services have been fitted up in the main and auxiliary buildings. The exterior of the main building has been repainted. Shutters have been fixed on the upper windows of the auxiliary buildings. The fencing of the airing-courts is being renewed. The necessary maintenance of buildings in the district is being attended to, and generally they are in as good a condition as can be expected considering the age of many of them.

WESTLAND DISTRICT.

Westport.—The following buildings at Westport have been repaired as required: Clerk of Court's house, District Surveyor's residence, Gaoler's residence, Bailiff's residence, and Warden's residence. The interior of the post-office has been painted. A contract for a constable's residence is nearly completed. The Government reserve has been provided with a drainage system, and all necessary connections made.

Lyell.—The lock-up has been repaired and painted.

Reefton.—The Clerk of Court's residence grounds have been fenced.

Reefton Police-station.—A new room has been added, and alterations made. Electric light and water have been laid on, and the building has been repaired and painted.

Ahaura Post- and Telegraph-office.—This building has been repaired and painted.

Ahaura Police-station.—Two new rooms have been built, and the verandah lengthened. The whole building has been painted, and the fencing repaired.

Brunnerton Police-station.—The building has been painted, and drainage has been supplied.

Kanieri.—The police-station and lock-up have been repaired and painted.

Stafford.—The Courthouse and police quarters have been repaired and painted.

Goldsborough.—The repairing and painting of the Courthouse has been finished.

Greenstone.—The Warden's office has been put in a state of repair.

Greymouth.—The Public Works offices were repaired and painted.

Greymouth Post- and Telegraph-offices.—The outbuildings were put in a proper state of repair. The strong-room was underpinned and a damp course put in, and it was painted.

Greymouth Police-station.—The old station-building has been taken down, a store and out-house built, and the station repaired. The work of raising the old prison is now in hand. The lock-up has been shifted. The police paddock has been fenced. Material for the alteration of the stables has been put on the ground. The Police Inspector's house has had the kitchen lined and painted, and a new wash-house has been built.

Greymouth Courthouse.—A number of foundation-blocks were renewed. The building has been repaired and painted inside and outside. The Judge's room has been done up.

Greymouth Stipendiary Magistrate's Courthouse.—Improvements have been made in the Magistrate's room.

The *Customhouse* has been painted.

Hokitika.—The chimney of the day-room of the Asylum has been rebuilt.

Hokitika Police-station.—Drainage has been provided to the constable's house, and some fencing and minor repairs done. The sergeant's house has been repaired and painted.

Hokitika Post- and Telegraph-office.—Some repairs in hand last year have been completed. A new safe has been built, and the old one encased in concrete. The outbuildings have been raised above flood-level, and a wash-house built. Some additional repairs and painting have been done.

Hokitika Gaol.—The outer walls and buildings have been repaired. A new range has been fixed, and gas has been laid on.

CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

Christchurch Supreme Court.—New quarters have been built for the custodian, and the yard asphalted. The roofs of the Court and library have been repaired, and a new skylight fixed.

Christchurch Stipendiary Magistrate's Court.—The offices and the rooms, including the strong-room, have been ventilated. A dwarf partition has been erected in the prisoners' room, and various repairs and sanitary works executed.

Christchurch Police Court.—The furniture has been repaired and renovated.

Geraldine Courthouse.—Two rooms have been added to the building and suitably furnished.

Timaru Courthouse.—The whole of the drainage has been renewed, new grates fixed, and the buildings repaired throughout.

A contract has been let for a Courthouse at Temuka, to be of brick.

Departmental Offices, Provincial Buildings.—Various fittings have been put up in the safes for the Survey Department, and other repairs and renovations done in the rooms occupied by the same department. The gas-fittings have been overhauled in the Land Transfer Office. A shoot has been provided, connecting the Deeds and Stamp Offices. In the Deeds Office the lighting of the strong-room has been improved, and all the furniture repaired. Many repairs and improvements have been done in the offices, and the gutters, drains, and sanitary fittings attended to as required.