

*Oteramika*.—1 mile 41½ chains of road has been opened by co-operative labour. This work, when completed, will open up an area of fairly good land along the Mataura River.

*Oteramika, Timpang's Road*.—Tenders have been accepted for ditching, fascining, and blinding 33 chains of this road.

*Kingswell Creek, Seaward Bush*.—The drainage contracts have been completed, but some portions of the drain are through sand ridges, which necessitates timbering in the bottom. Tenders have been accepted for timbering the worst portions of the drain.

*Seaward Bush Township, Road through Block III*.—One co-operative contract is in hand.

*Seaward Bush Township, McQuarrie Road*.—This contract is completed, and the road is in good order.

*Seaward Bush, Blocks III. and IV.*—This work will be put in hand during the coming winter.

*Waimatua-Seaward Bush*.—Contract for formation and gravel is in hand.

*Boxall Road*.—Contract for formation and gravel is completed. This work absorbed all the vote.

*Acker's Village Road*.—Drainage work. One co-operative contract is finished, and one in hand.

*Campbelltown Hundred, Block VIII*.—Two co-operative contracts are completed.

*Waikawa Main Road (Old Waikawa District Vote)*.—Seven co-operative contracts have been completed on this work, and nearly two miles of road were constructed. Repairs to Waikawa Jetty were completed by open tender.

*Waikawa, Block I*.—This work will be put in hand during the coming winter.

*Waikawa, Block VII*.—This road has been surfaced by wages-men. It is the main outlet from the Waikawa Improved-farm Settlement to the dairy factory.

*Waikawa-Otara*.—Two co-operative contracts are in hand on this road, and two others ready to let; but owing to harvesting operations it was not considered advisable to put on more men. This road should be completed now, so as to give through access from Haldane to Waikawa.

*Waikawa-Wyndham Valley Road*.—No work has been done on this road except surfacing, but the balance of the vote will be spent during the winter.

*Baird's Road, Block IX., Waikawa*.—Two co-operative contracts have been completed on this road, which is now in first-class order through the Haldane Settlement.

*Niagara Bridge Road, Block VII., Waikawa*.—No money has been spent on this road during the year, but work can be put in hand during the winter.

*Te Anau-George Sound*.—A hut has been erected at George Sound; boats and landing-slips have been put on Lake Alice and George Sound; staging has been put round the bluffs on Lake Katherine; the track up to the Saddle has been improved; foot-bridges have been put on the creeks, and a track cut round lake.

*Manapouri-Flaxey Creek*.—Two co-operative contracts have been in hand on this road for a considerable time, but owing to settlers leaving the roadwork to look after their own affairs, and other causes, the work is delayed.

*Redcliffe-Manapouri*.—One co-operative and one open contract are in hand on this road. The contracts are proceeding slowly. The work is being carried out by local men.

*Clifden Bridge-Papatotara*.—Three co-operative contracts are in hand ditching and forming the worst portions of the road from the Lower Waiau Ferry to Papatotara. Gravel is found in the drains, so that there will be a good gravelled road at very little expense.

*Orawia-Clifden*.—The formation of this road is completed, but the road will not be of any service till it is metalled through the bush, about a mile and a half.

*Papatotara-Waiau Mouth*.—Work on this road will be proceeded with immediately.

*Waiau Ferry-Papatotara*.—Approach to Lower Waiau Ferry Punt. One co-operative contract has been completed.

*Longwood, Blocks XVI. and I*.—Two co-operative contracts for fencing and one open contract for the erection of a 30 ft. span bridge were completed during the year.

*Longwood, Block I., Sections 17 and 18, and Longwood, Blocks XV. to XVIII*.—Four co-operative contracts and one open contract for road-formation, to give access to back sections in different blocks, were let. Three of the co-operative contracts are still in hand.

*Longwood, Block XVIII*.—One co-operative contract is in hand for road-formation. One contract for the erection of a 30 ft. span bridge has been completed.

*Longwood, Blocks IV., XVI., XVII., and XVIII*.—Tenders have been called for three open contracts, road-formation and gravel, about a mile and a half.

*Manapouri-Dusky Sound*.—An open contract has been let to cut a track 10 ft. wide from Manapouri to Doubtful Sound, a distance of about thirteen miles. Two miles of the work are completed, and I expect the whole to be finished in two months.

*Contingencies and Engineering*.—One small co-operative contract to give access to Section 30, Block IV., Longwood.

*Otara Outfall Drain*.—Two co-operative contracts are in hand, draining road-lines and formation.

*Campbelltown Hundred, Block VIII., Outfall Drain*.—Two co-operative contracts were completed, cutting drain from Seaward Moss Road to Mokotua Creek.

*Outfall Drain along Clifton-Tisbury Road*.—One co-operative contract is in hand.

*Papatotara Punt, Drummond's Ferry*.—A double-boat punt, 36 ft. long, with a platform 34 ft., and a carrying capacity of 12 tons, has been put on the Waiau River at the above-mentioned ferry. The cost of the boats, rope, and poppet-heads in position came to about £190. It will be necessary to make landing-stages at each side of the river, as there is a considerable rise and fall in the water-level, owing to the melting of the snow in the high country.

*Lower Waiau Ferry*.—One co-operative contract has been let and completed during the year. It will be necessary to gravel the approaches to the punt on both sides, but that will not be a costly work, as there is gravel alongside all the way.