

	Poles. M. ch.	Wire. M. ch.
Maharahara to Kiritaki	2 60	2 60
Branch to Te Moechau	0 15	0 15
Featherston to Te Pare	9 0	15 10
Branch to Ruataniwha	...	0 1½
Pohangina to Komako	10 0	10 0
Tarata to Matau	13 40	13 40
Hastings to Pakipaki	0 10	5 0
Turakina to Wangaehu	...	4 64
Eketahuna to Ihuraua Valley	5 60	5 60
Waikanae to Reikorangi (metallic circuit)	3 0	6 0
Apiti to Utuwai	14 0	14 0
Waituna West to Rewa	5 0	5 0
Douglas Road to Huiroa	4 0	4 0
Puniwhakau to Makahu	4 40	4 40
Rongotea to Carnarvon	3 26	3 26
Glen Oroua to Taikorea	3 0	3 0
Fernhill to Pakowhai	2 40	2 40
Napier to Pohui	...	26 0
Extension to Peep-o'-Day (new office)	0 15	0 15
Sentry Hill to Waitara	4 0	25 40
Trunk telephone wires—		
Feilding to Kimbolton	...	18 0
Bull's to Marton	...	9 0
Gisborne to Te Karaka (metallic circuit)	...	37 0
Palmerston North to Longburn (metallic circuit)	...	8 0
Palmerston North to Rongotea (metallic circuit)	6 40	31 0
Waipawa to Waipukurau (metallic circuit)	...	8 0
Featherston to Greytown North	...	18 0
Featherston to Martinborough	...	12 0
Wellington to Palmerston North	...	92 40
For Public Works Department—		
Taihape to overseer's office	0 60	0 60
Turangarere to Waiouru	...	10 0
Waiouru to Ohakune	...	17 0
Douglas Road to Huiroa	...	3 0
Taihape to Mataroa	6 0	6 0
Stratford to Waipuku	...	4 40
Railway wire—		
Muritai to Pencarrow Heads Quarry	0 60	0 60
Less wires dismantled—	Poles. M. ch.	Wire. M. ch.
Sentry Hill to Waitara	4 0	25 40
Railway wire ceased to be maintained by the Department—		
Woodville Railway to Ngawapurua Bridge	4 0	4 0
	8 0	29 40
Net increase	...	128 71½ 592 78

The lengths of lines and wires now maintained in this district are 2,216 miles 41½ chains and 7,923 miles 68 chains respectively.

Eleven private wires, aggregating 1 mile 42 chains of line and 11 miles 49 chains of wire, were erected during the year.

There are 25 authorised but uncompleted construction works, some of which are nearing completion, and others will be proceeded with as soon as practicable. These works include extensions to new districts and the erection of wires on existing lines to give increased accommodation and to improve existing services.

Maintenance.

The lines throughout the district are in good order. The overhaul of the main lines from Wellington to New Plymouth and from Palmerston North to Napier has been completed during the year. There are branch lines requiring overhaul, and this will be done during the coming year.

The following sections were overhauled and strengthened, extra or larger poles being provided where necessary:—

	Miles.
Himatangi to Bull's	21
Wairoa to Frasertown	5
Wairoa to Mohaka	22
Waipawa to Waipukurau	4
Waipawa to Pakipaki	23
Pahiatua to Makuri	18
Tolaga Bay to East Cape	67