

GERALDINE DOMAIN.

Reserves Nos. 305, 306, 1624, and 2716, Town of Geraldine. Area, 105 acres 1 rood 21 perches.

Work done during year: Fences repaired, three gates erected, and cricket-ground, flower-beds, and shrubberies kept in order. Improvements now on domain: Fences, gates, drives, paths, pavilion, swimming-baths, bicycle-track, plantations, shrubberies, and flower-beds. Used for athletic sports, cricket, football, tennis, and general recreation. Proposed operations for ensuing year: General maintenance.

GLENTUNNEL DOMAIN.

Reserve No. 2407, Hororata Survey District. Area, 100 acres.

Work done during year: Hedges cut, gorse grubbed, old fencing removed and replaced by new, trees removed and branches of others lopped, two coppers provided for use of picnics, and seating-accommodation erected. Improvements now on domain: Fences, trees, and ornamental shrubs, pump, and building with two coppers. Used for cricket, football, sports, and picnics. Proposed operations for ensuing year: Removing gorse fences and replacing with standard and wire, planting ornamental trees and shrubs, and erecting seating-accommodation.

GOVERNOR'S BAY DOMAIN.

Reserve No. 3060, Block VII, Halswell Survey District. Area, 6 acres 2 roods 3 perches.

Work done during year: Fences repaired, borders dug and planted with flowers, and drains cleaned out. Improvements now on domain: Hall, dwellinghouse, outbuildings, lean-to, fences, drains, trees, flowers and shrubs. Used for sports, cricket, and picnics. Proposed operations for ensuing year: Painting buildings and improving ladies' dressing-room.

GREENDALE DOMAIN.

Reserve No. 1565, Hawkins Survey District. Area, 8 acres

Used for cricket. Leased for grazing.

HIGHBANK DOMAIN.

Reserve No. 3198, Block II, Corwar Survey District. Area, 10 acres.

Work done during year: Domain cropped and laid down in grass. Improvements now on domain: Fences, plantation, and grassing. Proposed operations for ensuing year: Repairing fences.

HINDS DOMAIN.

Reserve No. 2281, Block III, Hinds Survey District. Area, 22 acres 2 roods 7 perches.

Nil report furnished.

Extract from Special Report.—Hinds Domain is situated at the north-eastern end of Plantation Reserve No. 1783, near Winslow Township, and has been leased with that reserve by the Ashburton County Council. The domain is apparently treated as a portion of the plantation reserve. Both areas are covered with trees of various kinds, evidently planted about the same time, and no dividing-fence is erected. There seems to be no objection to the Domain Board (the Ashburton County Council) administering the domain in conjunction with the plantation reserve if a fair proportion of the revenue from the combined areas is credited to the domain, but this has not been done hitherto. The name "Hinds" given to this domain is misleading, as it is situated at Winslow, about five miles from Hinds Township, where there is another domain known as "Hinds No. 2."

HINDS No. 2 DOMAIN.

Reserve No. 1262, Block VI, Hinds Survey District. Area, 9 acres 2 roods 33 perches.

Extract from Special Report.—This domain, which is situated quite close to the Hinds Railway-station, comprises level land, somewhat stony, and is planted on two sides, the plantations being protected by inner fences parallel with the boundary-fences. Picnics are occasionally held in the reserve, but it contains tennis-courts, and is visited chiefly by tennis players. Grazing rights over the land are let from year to year. The members of the Board are scattered, and meetings are not held regularly. Mr. J. C. Sheldon, the member of the Board who undertakes the duties of secretary, apologized for omitting to prepare annual reports for the years 1905 and 1906 at the proper time, and promised to furnish them at an early date.

HORORATA DOMAIN.

Reserves Nos. 1589 and 2217, Hororata Survey District. Area, 227 acres.

Work done during year: Young trees planted where others failed, soil around shrubs cultivated, and gorse eradicated. Improvements now on domain: Two hundred and fifty chains fences, 40 chains gorse hedge, buildings, grandstand, stables, racecourse, cricket and football ground, artificial lake, 140 acres grassing, 30 acres plantation, 40 chains footpath, and 60 chains water-race. Used for horse-racing and sports.

HURUNUI DOMAIN.

Reserve No. 2598, Waipara and Waikari Survey Districts. Area, 85 acres 2 roods.

Work done during year: Fences repaired and dead trees in plantation replaced. Improvements now on domain: Fences, racing-track, well, concrete tank, and grassing. Chiefly used for horse-racing.