New Buildings in course of Erection.

Te Kuiti.

Taumarunui.

Properties purchased.

Mount Albert		 Station.		Maungaturoto	• •	 Site.
Grey Lynn	• •	 ,,		Huntly	• •	 ,,
Te Puke		 ,,	1	Papanui		 ,,

Additions, improvements, &c., were also effected at the following stations: Remuera, Ponsonby, Rotorua, Opotiki, Waitara, Waverley, Raetihi, Moawhango, Mount Cook (Wellington), Greymouth, Kaikoura, Nelson, Christchurch, Dunedin, Clyde, Wyndham, and Otautau.

GROWTH OF DEPARTMENT.

The following return shows the growth of the Department, the continued increase of the population, and the total number of offences (irrespective of by-law offences) reported, and in which arrests or summonses resulted, each year since 1877, prior to which date each province in the Dominion had its own Police Force, and reliable data are not available:—

1878	25	1		Constables.		Population.	ant.	Population.	Offences reported.	or Sum- monses re- sulted.	(included in "Offences reported").
		90	14	329	458	1 to 944)		432,352	14,157	13,959	6,668
1879	25	84	16	364	489	1 to 948	obtain-	463,572	16,374	14,696	6,794
1880	25	86	21	379	511	1 to 949	bts	484,939	17,837	16,723	6,484
1881	13	73	18	337	441	1 to 1,136		500,976	16,635	15,212	5,587
1882	13	72	19	343	447	1 to 1,158	Not ab	517,626	18,613	17,470	6,860
1883	13	72	20	356	461	1 to 1,173	Z (540,753	18,775	17,727	7,572
1884	13	70	17	365	465	1 to 1,263	3/3	587,295	18,263	17,322	7,151
1885	20	65	17	372	474	1 to 1,293	$3/0\frac{3}{4}$	613,212	18,955	17,723	7,034
1886	20	66	18	390	494	1 to 1,266	3/2	625,849	18,135	17,000	6,260
1887	20	69	18	395	502	1 to 1,265	$3/2\frac{1}{2}$	635,215	17,752	16,500	5,226
1888	13	69	17	388	487	1 to 1,328	$3/1\frac{3}{4}$	646,913	12,897	11,854	5,387
1889	13	65	17	389	484	1 to 1,347	$2/10\frac{3}{4}$	652,125	12,945	11,885	5,444
1890	12	66	13	403	494	1 to 1,346	$2/10\frac{3}{4}$	664.855	13,115	12,177	5,866
1891	7	61	14	404	486	1 to 1,375	$2/11\frac{1}{2}$	668,353	12,674	11,748	5,416
1892	7	60	14	401	482	1 to 1,401	2/9	675,775	13,153	12,187	5,360
1893	7	53	14	407	481	1 to 1,439	$2/8\frac{1}{2}$	692,426	13,165	12,100	5,251
1894	7	55	13	410	485	1 to $1,472$	$2/7\frac{1}{4}$	714,258	13,530	12,500	4,594
1895	7	51	13	416	487	1 to 1,495	$2/6\frac{3}{4}$	728,121	14,010	12,435	4,636
1896	6	51	13	414	484	1 to $1,530$	$2/7\frac{1}{2}$	740,699	14,673	13,171	5,005
1897	7	45	12	453	517	1 to 1,461	$2/7\frac{1}{2}$	754,016	15,219	14,042	5,204
1898	7	56	16	457	536	1 to $1,435$	2/8	768,910	16,378	14,730	5,532
1899	11	53	15	475	554	1 to 1,414	$2/9\frac{1}{4}$	783,317	16,865	15,561	6,289
1900	11	56	20	499	586	t to 1,359	$2/10\frac{3}{4}$	796,359	18,358	17,131	7,299
1901	11	56	20	504	591	1 to 1,381	$2/10\frac{1}{4}$	816,290	19,909	18,742	8,057
1902	12	58	20	514	604	1 to 1,375	$\frac{2}{10\frac{1}{2}}$	830,800	19,771	18,802	8,269
1903	$\frac{12}{10}$	59	20	522	613	1 to 1,388	$\frac{2}{10\frac{1}{2}}$	851,068	20,736	19,867	8,815
1904	12	59	21	534	626	1 to 1,398	2/101	875,648	21,066	20,118	9,615
1905	12	65	25	553	655	1 to 1,375	$2/10\frac{1}{4}$	900,682	20,249	19,251	8,707
1906	14	71	25	557	667	1 to 1,387	$\frac{2}{10^{\frac{1}{2}}}$	925,605	21,160	20,241	9,210
1907	14	78	30	577	699	1 to 1,375	3/0	961,604	23,204	22,244	10,203
1908	15	83	32	604	734	I to 1,331	$\frac{3/2\frac{1}{4}}{2/4\frac{1}{4}}$	977,215	23,510	22,484	10,343
1909	16	87	35	633	771	1 to 1,308		1,008,373	23,930	22,880	10,657
	16	86	34	639	775	1 to 1,330		1,030,657	25,106	23,949	11,718
	15	87	$\frac{38}{39}$	648 692	788	1 to 1,333		1,050,410	24,999	23,492	11,699
1912	15	89	39	OBZ	835	1 to 1,287	3/5	1,075,250			

In addition to the strength of the Force as shown above, there are 16 district constables, 8 Native constables, 4 police surgeons (one in each city), and 4 matrons (one in each city).

INSPECTORS' REPORTS.

Extracts from the annual reports of the Inspectors in charge of districts are hereto annexed.

J. CULLEN,

Commissioner of Police.