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Wanganui.—A report has been prepared on the groyne, and also on the sea erosion at the mouth of the river.

Waikanae River.—A report has been furnished on proposal to construct a road to give access to various fishermen at the mouth of the river.

Pelorus Sound: Okeoke Rock Beacon.—Plans for new beacon have been prepared.

Wairau Harbour.—A report has been furnished on this question.

Karamea.—Snags in the vicinity of the wharf have been removed. A report has been made on erosion by the river. Reports and estimates have been prepared on proposals to erect a wharf and tramway and repairs to the training-wall.

Westport.—Further reports have been prepared on the encroachment of the sea.

Waimakariri Harbour. - A report has been prepared on this entrance.

Lake Wakatipu.—A report has been made on question of erection of a jetty at Greenstone.

Brighton.—A report has been furnished on proposal to vest portion of the foreshore in the Brighton Domain Board.

Clutha River.—A report has been prepared on the outlet of this river, and the question of a new

Nugget Point Lighthouse.—Repairs to buildings have been carried out.

Invercargill: New River Harbour.—A report has been furnished on this question.

Dog Island Lighthouse.—The work of strengthening the tower and various alterations required have been completed.

Puysegur Point Lighthouse.—Three new cottages and outbuildings for keepers have been erected during the past year.

General.

Owing to the difficulty in obtaining materials, and high cost of labour, very little new work has been carried out. These conditions have also limited the works carried out by local authorities and private concerns.

The proposals submitted for approval have been dealt with as shown below:-

Wharves.—Opua Kotuti: Private wharf approved. Pahi River: Otamatea Lime Company's wharf approved. Kaipara: Private wharf approved. Helensville: Hot Springs Wharf approved. Coromandel: Amodeo Bay—Breastwork and protecting mole approved. Paritu Point: Private wharf approved. Whakatane: Whale Island—Private wharf approved. Ohiwa Kutarere: County Council's wharf approved. Pakawau: West Haven Wharf approved. Onekaka River: Private wharf approved.

Reclamations.—Rodney County: Permission granted to Mr. J. G. Parry to reclaim foreshore. Greymouth: Reclamation by spoil from Cobden quarry approved. Heathcote Estuary: Tramway Board's proposal to deposit quarry-spoil in McCormack's Bay approved. Akaroa Harbour: Wainui

Road Board's proposal to erect reclaiming-walls approved.

Boat-sheds, Skids, &c.—Wellington: Evans Bay—Bathing-sheds approved.

Sound: Jetty and boat-shed for Mr. F. Blythell approved. Queen Charlotte

Foreshore Leases.—Horeke: Motor-garage site approved. Puka Creek: Application by Mr. Parry approved. Kaipara Mud-flat: Application by Mr. Johnson approved.

Bridges and Ferries.—Orewa: Marna Road Board's bridge approved. Manukau: Pollen's Island—Bridge approved. Waihou River: Puriri Ferry approved. Piako River: Pipiroa Ferry approved. Gisborne: Taruheru River Bridge approved.

Invercargill.—Otatara Traffic Bridge: Site and clearances approved.

Harbour Works.—Whakatane Harbour: Stone groyne approved. Patea: Extension of breakwater approved. Akaroa Harbour: Akaroa Borough Council's proposal to erect concrete walling approved.

Miscellaneous.—Marita Bay: Removal of granite approved. Bay of Islands: Waikaro River and Waikiwi Creek—Waitemata Sawmilling Company's boom approved. Te Koa Creek: Clearing of snags approved. Dargaville: North Auckland Farmers' Company (Limited)—Temporary sewage outfall approved. Dargaville: National Bank and others—Temporary sewage outfall approved. Auckland: Little Shoal Bay—Erection of sea-wall by Mr. Clement Wragge approved. Waiwawa River: Shearing-booms for Kauri Timber Company approved. Thames: Kauaeranga River—Mooring-piles for Kauri Timber Company approved. Tauranga: Waikareao Estuary—High-tension transmission-line for Tauranga Borough approved. Rangitikei: Formation of Rangitikei River District approved.

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