

Levels for the proposed hydro-electric scheme for Vailima, Avele, and immediate surroundings were made, and a plan is now in course of preparation.

The coastal traverse was advanced another three miles and a quarter from Saluafata to Falefa, all surveys being connected, and all bearings on true meridian. In conjunction with this work a considerable amount of details of Native villages and topography was fixed, and also the boundary of the Vaa-o-Fonoti district north of Falefa.

A considerable amount of office-work as per schedule was put through, and also routine work for other Departments dealt with, including 759 blue-prints of standard schemes for model villages, and blue-prints of points of interest for the Faipules on their visit to New Zealand were also completed.

WORK FOR THE YEAR.

Class of Work.	Field-work.			Office-work.							
	Acres.	Miles.	Total Cost.	Plans placed on Instruments of Title.		Plans examined.	Plans approved.	Plans drawn.	Tracings.	Lithographs and Maps mounted.	Blue Prints.
				Leases.	Free-hold.						
Topography*	16,000	..	£	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..
Rural ..	0.60	..	5.50	15	44	24	21	4	90	..	..
Town ..	0.25	0.26	6.70	2	7	4	4	4	18	..	..
Native ..	..	..	..	..	..	21	11	..	43	..	..
Standard traverse—											
Road boundaries ..	..	3.25	26.20	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rural boundaries ..	..	1.10	11.50	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Miscellaneous ..	273	41.89	322.55	..	..	..	..	64	38	320	759
Total ..	16,273.85	46.50	372.45	17	51	49	36	74	190	320	759

Cost included in "Miscellaneous—Aleipata—Falevao Road reconnaissance."

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

The demands on the Department for the year ended 31st March have been heavy, owing to the increased work with Crown Estates buildings. The usual maintenance to residents and Government buildings has been carried out, and with the new workshop and machinery better and more economical results are being obtained.

Hospital.—Considerable repairs were carried out to the white hospital, the Chinese wards, and the hospital kitchen. A new stove with high-pressure hot-water supply was installed; three ice-chests were built in wall of kitchen; new pantry erected, with necessary tables, shelves, and sink. A new *fale* was erected, with concrete floor, for Native nurses. The Native nurses' dining-room was extended 14 ft. to accommodate the extra nurses. Shelving was erected in the laboratory; the operating-theatre was repaired. The whole of the *fales* in connection with the Native patients have been rethatched. Extensive repairs to W.C., taps, and general plumbing have been undertaken from time to time. A new ice-chest for laboratory use was erected and installed. A new destructor was erected.

Administration Offices.—The balcony floor-joists on the north and east sides were renewed; several veranda and balcony posts renewed; entrance-porch roof repaired; a considerable amount of balcony bearers and flooring renewed; one new string on stairway renewed; roof and valleys repaired; Judge's room and Courtroom painted out; furniture renovated, and a considerable amount of minor repairs carried out.

Office of Native Affairs.—A new public convenience for exclusive use of Natives was erected adjacent to the Native Office at Mulinu'u. The Native Office building was thoroughly renovated and altered to suit the existing conditions, and a large new three-roomed office was erected. The whole of the Natives' official *fales* have been put into good working-order. The Guest-house and Native Museum erected by the Natives were completed, the necessary concrete-work being executed by the Department.

Vaimea Gaol.—Considerable alterations were carried out to the gaoler's quarters and those belonging to the female wardresses, making the building a great deal more habitable; a new nest of female cells with concrete floors were erected on the ground floor; the mental *fale* was re-roofed; the door of the ammunition-room was repaired; the whole of the compound fence was thoroughly repaired, and a large quantity of posts renewed; the warders' office and storeroom was repaired; the drainage from the gaoler's quarters was thoroughly overhauled and put into good condition, and a number of minor jobs executed.

Wireless Station.—One of the disused buildings was put in order to accommodate the engineer, and a new fence was erected round the section.

Pilot Station.—The old residence and the big boatshed at the pilot station have been pulled down, and all timber stacked for future use, a big proportion of the iron being used in the construction of sheds in the new Public Works yard. The old fence was also removed.

Residences.—Eleven residences were thoroughly renovated during the year, and partial renovations were carried out to thirteen others.