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NEW ZEALAND.

THE POLICE FORCE OF THE DOMINION

(ANNUAL REPORT ON).

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

The COMMISSIONER OF POLICE to the Hon. the MINISTER IN CHARGE OF POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Police Department, Wellington, 8th August, 1930.

I HAVE the honour to present the annual report on the Police Force for the year ended 31st March last.

STRENGTH OF FORCE.

On the 31st March last the number of permanent members of the Force of all ranks was 1,137, being a decrease of nine during the year. The total is made up as follows :—

Superintendents	..	..	..	..	..	4
Inspectors	..	..	..	..	..	14
Sub-Inspectors	..	..	..	..	..	4
Senior Sergeants	..	..	..	..	..	29
Sergeants	..	..	..	..	..	98
Constables	..	..	..	..	..	934
Senior Detectives	..	..	..	..	..	5
Detective-sergeants	..	..	..	..	..	15
Detectives	..	..	..	..	..	34

In addition to the above there were—

Police surgeons	..	..	..	..	..	12
Matrons	..	..	..	..	..	8
District constables	..	..	..	..	..	5
Native constables	..	..	..	..	..	2

There were also nine temporary constables appointed under section 2 of the Police Force Amendment Act, 1919 : these were appointed during the war period, and are over age or otherwise unsuitable for permanent appointment.

STATIONS.

New stations have been established during the year at Miramar, at the railway-construction works at Kopua (Gisborne), Tangarakau, and Tiroroa, and at the Waitaki hydro-electric works near Kurow. The station at Pukehuia has been closed.

CASUALTIES.

The following are the casualties for the year ended 31st March last : Retired on pension under the Public Service Superannuation Act, 6 ; retired under section 26, Police Force Act, 1913 (non-contributor to Superannuation Fund), 1 ; retired as medically unfit, 6 ; died, 6 ; resigned voluntarily, 15 ; called upon to resign, 10 ; dismissed, 11 : total, 55. This is seven more than in the preceding year.

CRIMINAL STATISTICS.

The criminal statistics (Appendix A) deal with offences reported to the police during the year ended 31st December last, and show an aggregate net increase of 1,112 on the figures of 1928. The proportion of offences to the population was 2·3 per cent., as against 2·25 the previous year.

The principal increases during the year appear under the following headings, viz. :—

Theft (petty)	..	..	138	Being found on licensed premises after	
Burglary, shop-breaking, &c.	..	..	106	hours	.. 135
Arson	..	..	36	Selling liquor without a license	.. 63
Mischief	..	..	96	Bankruptcy offences	.. 36
Drunkenness	..	..	211	Opium-smoking, &c.	.. 36
Failing to maintain wives, &c.	..	..	420	Breaches of Motor-vehicles Act	.. 299

There were decreases in the following offences :—

Thefts from dwellings	..	..	43	Forgery	..	..	52
False pretences	..	..	181	Receiving stolen property	..	..	32
Obtaining credit by fraud	..	..	43	Selling liquor after hours	..	..	96
False accounting by officials or clerks	..	..	88	Breaches of Arms Act	..	..	42

The following return shows the number of offences reported in each police district during the year, the number of cases in which arrests or summonses resulted, and the number in which no prosecution followed :—

Police District.	Number of Offences reported.	Number of Offences in which Arrests or Summonses resulted.	Number in which no Arrests or Summonses resulted.
Whangarei	953	918	35
Auckland co-ordinated districts	7,852	7,190	662
Hamilton	2,124	1,947	177
Gisborne	1,362	1,332	30
Napier	1,662	1,547	115
New Plymouth	1,422	1,382	40
Wanganui	1,152	1,110	42
Palmerston North	1,475	1,382	93
Wellington co-ordinated districts	5,378	5,052	326
Nelson	788	702	86
Greymouth	1,627	1,604	23
Christchurch co-ordinated districts	4,341	3,587	754
Timaru	1,220	1,155	65
Dunedin	1,583	1,415	168
Invercargill	1,311	1,252	59
Totals	34,250	31,575	2,675

The percentage of arrests or summonses resulting from offences reported during the year 1929 was 92·18, the figures of the preceding year being 92·4.

SERIOUS CRIMES.

The following is a return of the number of serious crimes as compared with the previous year :—

Crimes.	1928.		1929.	
	Number of Offences reported.	Number of Offences in which Arrests resulted.	Number of Offences reported.	Number of Offences in which Arrests resulted.
Arson	20	17	56	50
Robbery and aggravated robbery	10	8	2	2
Burglary, breaking into shops, dwellings, &c.	986	546	1,092	783
Forgery and uttering	208	200	146	131
Murder	2	2	6	5
Murder, attempted	3	3	5	5
Rape	13	12	16	14
Receiving stolen property	172	171	140	138
Wounding with intent	1	1	4	4
Totals	1,415	960	1,467	1,132

Indecent and sexual offences were as under :—

Offences.	1928.	1929.
Unnatural offence	4	11
Unnatural offence, attempted	4	1
Indecently assaulting a male	55	37
Incest	5	8
Indecent acts	42	23
Concealment of birth	6	4
Assault, indecent	85	93
Rape	13	16
Rape, attempted	10	11
Carnally knowing girls	58	47
Carnally knowing girls, attempted	8	19
Abortion, procuring, &c.	6	6
Exposure of person and grossly indecent acts	255	285
Totals	551	561

DRUNKENNESS.

There has been an increase of 209 in the number of prosecutions for drunkenness during the year as compared with the previous year.

The number charged with drunkenness in 1929 was 6,810 (6,491 males and 319 females), whereas in 1928 the number was 6,601 (6,298 males and 303 females).

From the following table it will be observed that 34 per cent. of the males and 49·5 per cent. of the females had previous convictions recorded against them, and 4·8 per cent. of the males were not permanent residents of the Dominion.

Return showing the Number of Persons charged with Drunkenness during the Year 1929, and the Number of Previous Convictions against them, so far as is known.

—	Males.	Females.	Total.
Not previously convicted	4,283	161	4,444
One previous conviction	749	44	793
Two previous convictions	388	26	414
Three previous convictions	251	28	279
Four previous convictions	133	9	142
Five previous convictions	149	5	154
Over five previous convictions	538	46	584
Totals	6,491	319	6,810

Number of foregoing who were members of the crews of vessels in port, 315.

The following table shows the convictions for drunkenness per ten thousand of the population for each year from 1924 to 1928 in Australia and New Zealand:—

	1924.	1925.	1926.	1927.	1928.
Commonwealth	98·7	97·3	99·5	101·3	94·27
New Zealand	52·7	58·6	53·0	44·6	43·2

PROSECUTIONS AGAINST HOTELKEEPERS.

The number of prosecutions against hotelkeepers during the year shows a decrease of sixteen as compared with the preceding year. There were 651 prosecutions, resulting in 383 convictions, during 1929, as against 667 prosecutions and 361 convictions in 1928.

SLY-GROG SELLING.

There were 100 prosecutions during the year for selling liquor without a license, resulting in eighty-six convictions, and there were also forty-two prosecutions, resulting in thirty-three convictions, for other offences against the provisions of the Licensing Act in force in no-license districts.

The fines imposed on the sly-grog sellers during the year 1929 amounted to £1,342 10s.

GAMING OFFENCES.

There were 280 prosecutions, resulting in 243 convictions, during the year under the Gaming Act, against 319 prosecutions and 295 convictions in 1928.

Prosecutions of Bookmakers.

The following return shows the result of prosecutions in connection with bookmaking during the year ended 31st March, 1930:—

Offence.	Number of Prosecutions.	Number of Convictions.	Amount of Fines imposed.
Carrying on business of bookmaker	47	32	£ 1,557
Keeping common gaming-house	60	58	2,842
Found in common gaming-house	25	21	45
Laying totalizator odds	18	17	281
Publishing betting-charts	11	10	165
Betting with bookmaker	2	2	4
Street betting	9	7	160
Totals	172	147	5,054

POLICE PROSECUTIONS.

The following is a return of the number of convictions for which fines were imposed and the total amount of such fines in respect of prosecutions instituted by the police during the year ended 31st March, 1930 :—

Fines payable to	Number of Convictions.	Total Amount of Fines imposed.
Consolidated Fund	13,868	£ 26,917
Main Highways Revenue Fund (section 24, Motor-vehicles Act, 1924)	4,856	11,117
Local authorities (by-law offences)	719	648
Total	19,443	38,682

CRIMINAL REGISTRATION BRANCH.

At headquarters the finger-impressions of 3,055 persons were received, classified, searched, and filed during the year; 239 persons were identified as previous offenders who, had it not been for the finger-print system, would probably have passed as first offenders; 960 photographs were taken by the photographers attached to the Branch; the photographs of 2,515 prisoners (4,189 photographs) were dealt with, and 528 photographs were reproduced in the *Police Gazette*.

In fifteen cases of breaking and entering, finger-prints left by the offenders when committing the crimes were identified and the offenders brought to justice. The most noteworthy of these were the following :—

(1) At 2 a.m. on the 17th December last a constable in Dunedin saw a man loitering in one of the streets. He was interviewed, and his finger-prints obtained, and these were found to correspond with some left on a safe which had been blown open in Dunedin a few days previously. On receipt of this information the Dunedin police again located the man and arrested him for this offence. He then made a confession admitting fourteen offences (mostly safe-blowing) which he had committed in Christchurch and Dunedin. Details of his finger-prints were cabled to New Scotland Yard, London, and a reply was received the next day giving particulars of previous convictions recorded against him in England. He was later sentenced to five years hard labour, and declared an habitual criminal.

(2) In July last finger-prints were found at a shop in Christchurch which had been broken into and a partner of the firm shot by the intruder. These impressions were identified as those of a youth who was arrested for another offence, and who subsequently pleaded guilty to the charge of attempted murder and several other charges.

During the year the finger-print system was responsible for the identification of twenty persons wanted by the police, also for identifying one deceased person.

The following table shows the increase in the finger-print collection since the introduction of the finger-print system of identification in March, 1903 :—

Year.	Number of Prints in Collection.	Increase on Previous Year.	Prisoners traced as Previous Offenders.	Year.	Number of Prints in Collection.	Increase on Previous Year.	Prisoners traced as Previous Offenders.
1904 ..	3,500	3,500	117	1918 ..	20,982	1,474	132
1905 ..	4,200	700	72	1919 ..	22,332	1,350	153
1906 ..	5,000	800	88	1920 ..	23,686	1,354	176
1907 ..	6,151	1,151	104	1921 ..	26,650	2,964	232
1908 ..	7,622	1,471	123	1922 ..	28,408	1,758	255
1909 ..	8,718	1,096	138	1923 ..	30,284	1,876	292
1910 ..	9,919	1,201	140	1924 ..	31,929	1,645	289
1911 ..	10,905	986	148	1925 ..	33,802	1,873	267
1912 ..	12,097	1,192	178	1926 ..	35,844	2,042	292
1913 ..	13,552	1,455	183	1927 ..	37,808	1,964	255
1914 ..	15,302	1,750	230	1928 ..	39,409	1,601	276
1915 ..	16,682	1,380	270	1929 ..	40,852	1,443	208
1916 ..	18,134	1,452	218	1930 ..	42,371	1,519	239
1917 ..	19,508	1,374	166				

The section of the Criminal Registration Branch at Auckland which was established in June, 1928, reports as follows :—

The finger-impressions of 764 persons were received, classified, searched, card-indexed, and filed during the year, and fourteen persons were identified as previous offenders. The finger-print collection now totals 1,270 impressions, and 135 re-convictions have been recorded.

The photographs of 288 prisoners were taken, and 1,395 photographs with descriptions and criminal histories supplied to the Department; 233 miscellaneous photographs of exhibits, views of localities, &c., required in investigations and prosecutions were also supplied.

The results of prosecutions and particulars of previous local criminal history were furnished in 390 cases to headquarters.

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:—

Year.	Officers.	Non-commissioned Officers.	Detectives.	Constables.	Total.	Police to Population.	Cost per Inhabitant.	Population.	Offences reported.	Offences where Arrests or Summonses resulted.	Arrests for Drunkenness (included in "Offences reported").
1878	25	90	14	329	458	1 to 944	Not obtainable	432,352	14,157	13,959	6,668
1879	25	84	16	364	489	1 to 948		463,572	16,374	14,696	6,794
1880	25	86	21	379	511	1 to 949		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		517,626	18,613	17,470	6,860
1883	13	72	20	356	461	1 to 1,173		540,753	18,775	17,727	7,572
1884	13	70	17	365	465	1 to 1,263		587,295	18,263	17,322	7,151
1885	20	65	17	372	474	1 to 1,293		613,212	18,955	17,723	7,034
1886	20	66	18	390	494	1 to 1,266		625,849	18,135	17,000	6,260
1887	20	69	18	395	502	1 to 1,265		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	$2/7\frac{1}{2}$	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	1 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	$2/10\frac{1}{2}$	830,800	19,771	18,802	8,269
1903	12	59	20	522	613	1 to 1,388	$2/10\frac{1}{2}$	851,068	20,736	19,867	8,815
1904	12	59	21	534	626	1 to 1,398	$2/10\frac{1}{2}$	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	$2/10\frac{1}{2}$	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	1 to 1,331	$3/2\frac{1}{4}$	977,215	23,510	22,484	10,343
1909	16	87	35	633	771	1 to 1,308	$3/4\frac{1}{4}$	1,008,373	23,930	22,880	10,657
1910	16	86	34	639	775	1 to 1,330	$3/3\frac{1}{2}$	1,030,657	25,106	23,949	11,718
1911	15	87	38	648	788	1 to 1,333	$3/4\frac{1}{2}$	1,050,410	24,999	23,492	11,699
1912	15	89	39	692	835	1 to 1,287	$3/5$	1,075,250	25,981	24,837	11,884
1913	17	93	41	695	846	1 to 1,303	$3/8$	1,102,389	25,415	24,364	11,707
1914	17	94	40	719	870	1 to 1,304	$3/9$	1,134,506	27,563	26,494	13,189
1915	19	100	37	755	911	1 to 1,257	$4/1$	1,145,840	28,412	27,096	13,268
1916	19	104	36	757	916	1 to 1,258	$4/2\frac{3}{4}$	1,152,669	24,920	23,848	10,833
1917	20	108	36	734	898	1 to 1,280	$4/3$	1,150,002	21,724	20,701	8,800
1918	20	111	38	732*	901	1 to 1,274	$4/6\frac{1}{2}$	1,147,391	19,067	18,043	7,228
1919	20	112	41	705*	878	1 to 1,319	$5/2\frac{1}{2}$	1,158,156	24,278	23,312	8,216
1920	21	114	38	743*	916	1 to 1,325	$4/11\frac{3}{4}$	1,214,184	26,106	24,718	8,979
1921	23	112	47	768*	950	1 to 1,310	$6/4\frac{3}{4}$	1,244,620	26,551	25,054	8,671
1922	22	118	43	826*	1,009	1 to 1,289	$6/3\frac{3}{4}$	1,300,967	24,699	22,843	6,409
1923	23	118	44	818*	1,003	1 to 1,321	$5/8\frac{1}{4}$	1,325,301	26,119	24,356	7,035
1924	23	120	47	837*	1,027	1 to 1,312	$5/8\frac{3}{4}$	1,347,853	27,025	25,048	7,470
1925	23	121	51	831*	1,026	1 to 1,344	$5/9\frac{1}{2}$	1,379,487	30,470	28,668	8,277
1926	24	121	52	888*	1,085	1 to 1,299	$5/9\frac{1}{2}$	1,409,692	31,615	29,199	7,854
1927	22	123	56	895*	1,096	1 to 1,312	$5/8\frac{1}{2}$	1,437,980	32,144	29,799	6,884
1928	23	127	54	913*	1,117	1 to 1,301	$5/9$	1,453,517	33,138	30,622	6,601
1929	23	128	56	948*	1,155	1 to 1,273	$6/1\frac{3}{4}$	1,470,649	34,250	31,575	6,810
1930	22	127	54	943*	1,146	1 to 1,298	$6/1$	1,488,612	...	...	...

* Includes temporary constables.

POLICE BUILDINGS, ETC.

The following works in connection with police-stations have been carried out during the year by the Public Works Department:—

A new police-station has been erected at Eastbourne, offices at Hastings and Stratford, and another story has been added to the Auckland Central Police-station.

Repairs, renovations, and improvements were effected at a number of stations, the principal being Matamata, Mount Eden, Ponsonby, Freeman's Bay, Thames, Waihi, Avondale, Newmarket, Parnell, Newton, Remuera, Wellsford, Waimate, Lincoln, Lyttelton, Fendalton, Waikari, Belfast, Islington, Kaiapoi, New Brighton, Christchurch, North Invercargill, Gore, Bluff, Tuatapere, Waikaia, Patutahi, Greymouth, Westport, Hokitika, Ahaura, Granity, Seddonville, Clive, Napier, Takaka, Manaia, Opunaka, Kawakawa, Wellington Central, Kilbirnie, Taranaki Street (Wellington), and Feilding.

Extracts from reports of officers in charge of districts are appended.

W. G. WOHLMANN,
Commissioner of Police.

EXTRACTS FROM ANNUAL REPORTS OF OFFICERS IN CHARGE OF DISTRICTS.

SUPERINTENDENT WOHLMANN—AUCKLAND HEAD DISTRICT.

During the year the strength of the district was increased by two constables, at Otahuhu.

Although the decrease in number of defaulters referred to in my last annual report has not been maintained (the number of charges of breaches of regulation this year being thirty-seven, against twenty-eight men, as compared with twenty, against seventeen men, in 1928) this year compares not unfavourably with 1927, when forty-six charges were preferred against twenty-five men. A considerable proportion of the charges were relatively not serious, the conduct of the police on the whole being satisfactory.

I am constrained to repeat my observation in my report of last year, viz: "To enable efficient patrol of outlying areas of the city for the prevention and detection of crime an increase of motor-cycles with side-cars is essential." Our present motor-cycles are worn out, making it impossible to maintain a patrol which has contributed so materially to the safety of citizens and preservation of property. I strongly support the application of the Inspector in charge of the Central District for two new high-powered motor-cycles with side-cars.

It is gratifying to observe that the decrease in crime in the Auckland co-ordinated districts noted last year has been maintained this year. The offences reported in the year ending 31st December, 1929, totalled 7,852, being a decrease of 1,057, or 11·8 per cent., on those of the previous year. Of the total offences reported 7,190 resulted in arrest or summons, leaving 662, or 8·4 per cent., undetected, as compared with 8·5 per cent. for the previous year.

The officers in charge of the Auckland co-ordinated districts desire to repeat their recommendation in last year's report that the age of drivers of licensed taxis should not be less than twenty-one years.

With the object of controlling itinerant auctioneers it is their opinion that the Auctioneers Act should be amended to provide that licenses should not be issued or renewed by the local authority without a recommendation from the police, as is the case with pawnbrokers and others.

INSPECTOR MCILVENY, AUCKLAND METROPOLITAN DISTRICT.

There were 1,581 offences reported during the year in Auckland Metropolitan District, compared with 1,943 in 1928. Arrests or summonses resulted in 1,271 cases. A marked decrease in reported offences appears under the headings breach of Motor-vehicles Act, theft, and house and shop breaking. The reason therefor can, I think, be largely attributed to strict vigilance on the part of the police, assisted considerably by the introduction of the motor-patrol service, which assuredly has a most deterrent effect.

Regarding serious crime, there were two murders committed by the one person, the cause being insanity. The offender, who is a female, was arrested, and is now detained in a mental hospital.

The conduct of the police generally has been satisfactory, a few only having to be dealt with under the Police Regulations.

I am strongly of the opinion that the minimum age fixed by the regulations under the Motor-vehicles Act, 1924, for drivers of licensed motor-vehicles should be raised to twenty-one years, owing to the great temptation for lads in charge of public cars to do the wrong thing.

INSPECTOR HOLLIS, AUCKLAND CENTRAL DISTRICT.

During the past year the motor patrol in the suburban areas has been very beneficial, but unfortunately, owing to the condition of the motor-cycle in use, a continuous service cannot be maintained. If this patrol is to be carried on it is essential that two new motor-cycles with side-chairs should be immediately provided.

The total number of all offences and crime reported in Auckland Central District was 5,202. Of this number 4,904 were accounted for by arrest or summons, leaving 298 undetected. There was a decrease of 349 compared with the previous year.

During the year serious crime has decreased in this district. There was one charge of murder preferred against a man who was also indicted on a charge of manslaughter. At the hearing of the charge the jury acquitted the accused on the murder charge and found him guilty of manslaughter, for which he was sentenced to twelve years' imprisonment.

The conduct of the police during the year has been, on the whole, satisfactory. One sergeant and sixteen constables were charged with breaches of the regulations, and convicted and fined in each instance. Both branches of the service, uniform and detective, have shown zeal, and in many cases considerable ability, in the discharge of their duties.

SUPERINTENDENT EMERSON, WELLINGTON HEAD DISTRICT.

For the year ended 31st December, 1929, the total number of offences reported in the Wellington co-ordinated districts was 5,378, being an increase of 321 over last year.

The general conduct of the members of the Force has been satisfactory; thirty-three defaulters were dealt with during the year for breaches of regulations.

INSPECTOR RAWLE, WELLINGTON CENTRAL DISTRICT.

A new police-station was opened at Miramar on the 2nd August, 1929.

The number of offences reported for the year 1929 in Wellington Central District was 4,449, an increase of 256 over 1928. The number of offences in which arrests or summonses resulted was 4,243, leaving 206 offences undetected, which shows that slightly more than 95½ per cent. of all offences reported were accounted for.

The only crime of note committed during the year was the "Wahine" mail-robbery, in which two men were concerned, who were subsequently convicted and sentenced to three and two years' imprisonment respectively.

The conduct of the Force generally during the year was good, with the exception of one sergeant reduced to the rank of constable, and one constable charged and found guilty of receiving stolen property.

SUPERINTENDENT EALES, CHRISTCHURCH HEAD DISTRICT.

The total number of offences reported was 4,341, as against 4,220 last year. The majority, which include the more serious offences, occurred in the Central District.

The general conduct has been satisfactory; several constables were dealt with for breaches of the regulations.

SUB-INSPECTOR O'HARA, TEMPORARILY IN CHARGE CHRISTCHURCH CENTRAL DISTRICT.

During the year 3,312 offences were reported in this district, as against 3,492 in the preceding year. In very many cases the offences were committed by youths and young men. Two youths (brothers) were responsible for a number of offences of arson, house and shop breaking, and thefts, and one of these youths was convicted also on a charge of attempted murder. In respect to three other charges of attempted murder, in two of the cases the offenders were convicted of assault only, and in the other case a female offender was committed to a mental hospital.

With a few exceptions the conduct of the members of the Force in this district was good, and their various duties were carried out in a satisfactory manner. Some constables were dealt with for breaches of discipline and regulations.

Motor Regulation No. 11, clause 13, which is commonly termed the "offside rule," and about which there has been much controversy, is in my opinion a very necessary and satisfactory regulation, and has considerably reduced intersection collisions.

SUPERINTENDENT WILLIS, DUNEDIN DISTRICT.

No stations were opened or closed during the year, but a new station will be required in the near future at Maori Hill owing to the growth of that suburb.

The total number of offences reported during the year was 1,583 as against 1,588 for the previous year, a decrease of five.

The district has been very free from crime of a serious nature. A succession of safe-blowings gave some concern for a few weeks, but the offender was detected and sentenced to a long term of imprisonment.

During the year the standard of efficiency has been well maintained, and with three or four exceptions the conduct of non-commissioned officers and men has been uniformly good.

INSPECTOR HARVEY, WHANGAREI DISTRICT.

There has been an increase of offences reported during the year—namely, 953 against 764 for the previous year, resulting in 918 prosecutions. The increase has been in common assault, thefts, breaches of Motor-vehicles Act, and mischief. There was no serious crime committed during the year.

The conduct of the members of the Force has been good, only one defaulter having to be dealt with.

INSPECTOR ECCLES, HAMILTON DISTRICT.

The number of offences reported for the year ended 31st December, 1929, was 2,124, as compared with 1,767 during the previous year, showing an increase of 357 offences. Of the offences reported 1,947 were accounted for by arrest or summons, leaving 177 undetected. Of the cases dealt with, 56 were committed for trial, of which 48 were convicted. The increase in the number of offences reported is probably due to the increase in the resident population and also the increase of the floating population in this district.

Two cases of a serious nature involving the death of four persons occurred during the year.

The first case was that of a man and his wife who were found dead in bed in a shop in Hamilton. The cause of death in both instances was poisoning by strychnine. The evidence produced at the inquest supported the theory that the husband gave the poison to his wife and then committed suicide, as he had purchased the poison mentioned a few days previously from a chemist's shop close to the vicinity of the tragedy. In the case of the wife the Coroner returned a verdict that the cause of death was poisoning by strychnine, but there was not sufficient evidence to show whether or not such poison was self-administered or was given by her husband. In the case of the husband the Coroner found that he committed suicide by poisoning himself with strychnine.

The other serious tragedy was that of a Maori girl aged fourteen years and a Maori boy, six years, found lying dead together wrapped in a blanket in a Maori whare near Cambridge. Death was due in each case to poisoning with hydrochloride of strychnine, which had been kept in the whare for rabbit-poisoning. The evidence at the inquest indicated that the girl gave the boy poison and then committed suicide by taking poison. The poison was administered on cake. The verdict in each case was that death was caused by poisoning through having eaten cake with hydrochloride of strychnine upon it, but that the evidence was not sufficient to show by whom the poison was administered.

A rather unusual case in the history of the Police Force occurred in this district during the year. A bookmaker sent through the post a parcel containing a case of pipes and a £10 note to two detectives. He was subsequently convicted on two charges of bribery and sentenced to nine months' hard labour. This demonstrates that the honour of the Police Force is well maintained.

Two constables were dismissed, one constable was called upon to resign, and six constables were fined for breaches of the Police Regulations. With these exceptions the conduct of the police was satisfactory.

INSPECTOR O'HALLORAN, GISBORNE DISTRICT.

During the year an increase in strength was made at Gisborne Station of one constable, and at Kopua railway-construction works camp of one constable.

The offences return for the year ended 31st December, 1929, showed a total of 1,362 offences reported, as compared with 1,200 in the previous year. Arrests or summonses resulted in 1,332 cases, leaving 30 cases undetected. The most noticeable increases were in breaches of Motor-vehicles Act, failing to maintain, unlawfully using motor-cars, mischief, and housebreaking.

A rather serious epidemic of burglaries occurred in Gisborne Borough some six months ago, and, owing to the fact that a quantity of revolvers and ammunition were stolen from the Drill-hall, and that the burglaries were being repeated for a few weeks despite the efforts of the police, a mild panic was occasioned among a small section of the public. A systematic search by the police resulted in the arrest and conviction of a gang of three young men. Most of the stolen property was recovered, and the youths were sent to the Borstal Institute before any serious damage was done.

The conduct of all members of the Force here has been good. Efficiency has been maintained, and there were no defaulters.

INSPECTOR CUMMINGS, NAPIER DISTRICT.

During the year the strength of the Hastings Station was increased by two constables and the Spit Station by one constable.

The new offices at Hastings were completed and handed over to this Department by the Public Works Department in May last. They are very comfortable and provide a long-felt want. Provision has been made for ample office accommodation for many years to come.

For the year ended 31st December last the total number of offences reported was 1,662, an increase of 203 on the previous year; 1,547 offences were detected, leaving a balance of 115 undetected.

The offence of unlawfully converting motor-cars is becoming very common and creates a great deal of work, this offence is being very difficult to detect. The Motor-vehicles Act is entailing a great deal of work on the part of the police investigating various breaches of the Act in respect to negligent driving, speeding, and other minor breaches, as well as numerous accidents and collisions that require investigation. One class of offence that is increasing is intoxication in charge of cars. In the great majority of cases where convictions are recorded the driving license of the offender is cancelled: this in my opinion is the best form of punishment.

Both branches of the service have done very good work during the year, and as a result we can produce an excellent return in the detection of crime, which showed a fairly substantial increase on the previous year, particularly in respect to housebreaking. The conduct of the various members of the Force during the year has been very good. Only a few men were dealt with for breaches of the regulations.

INSPECTOR FRASER, NEW PLYMOUTH DISTRICT.

During the year the strength of the Force in the district has been increased by one detective and two constables. The detective and one constable were posted at New Plymouth, and one constable at Tangarakau.

The offences return for the year ended 31st December shows the total number of all offences reported to be 1,422 compared with 1,485 for the previous twelve months, being a decrease of 63. Of the offences reported 1,382 were accounted for by arrest or summons, leaving 40 undetected. 225 persons were committed for trial or sentence, and of these 180 were convicted.

During the past twelve months this district has experienced something like a wave of crime in the matter of breaking and entering and theft. I am pleased to be able to report that in nearly every case the offenders have been arrested and sentenced to terms of imprisonment.

The general conduct of the police during the past twelve months has been good and their duties satisfactorily performed. Four constables had to be fined for minor breaches of the regulations.

INSPECTOR TILL, WANGANUI DISTRICT.

The total number of offences reported was 1,152, an increase of 135 on the number for the previous year. There was no crime of a serious nature. There was a slight decrease in the number of juvenile offenders during 1929.

The conduct of the police generally throughout the district was good. Only two members of the Force were dealt with for breaches of the regulations.

INSPECTOR SIMPSON, PALMERSTON NORTH DISTRICT.

One constable has been added to the strength at Palmerston North during the year, this being the only change in the strength since last year.

The conduct of the Force has been generally good, and a high standard of efficiency maintained, only three constables being dealt with under the Police Regulations.

The offences return for the year 1929 shows the total number of offences reported as 1,475, as against 1,246 in 1928, an increase of 229. Of the offences reported 1,382 were dealt with either by arrest or summons.

The crime reported has been of the ordinary class with the exception of one case of murder. In this case a mother whose mind was mentally deranged killed her child by drowning it in a bath. She was subsequently committed to a mental hospital by order of the Supreme Court.

INSPECTOR LEWIN, NELSON DISTRICT.

For the year ended 31st December, 1929, the total number of offences reported was 788, compared with 682 for the previous twelve months, being an increase of 86. Of the offences reported, 702 were accounted for by arrest or summons, leaving 86 undetected.

With the exception of one case of causing grievous bodily harm (accused sentenced to seven years' imprisonment), the district has been free from serious crime.

The conduct of the Force in this district, with the exception of one constable, who was dismissed from the service for misconduct, has been good.

As a result of an earthquake on the 17th June, 1929, which for a time seriously affected the district, ten persons lost their lives in the Murchison Sub-district, and one at Tarakohe, near Takaka.

INSPECTOR FITZPATRICK, GREYMOUTH DISTRICT.

A new station was opened at Tiroroa, Buller Gorge, where there is a Public Works camp, in connection with the construction of the Westport-Inangahua Junction railway. The placing of a constable at Tiroroa had the desired effect of maintaining law and order.

The offences return for the year ended 31st December, 1929, shows the total number of all offences reported to be 1,627, as compared with 1,404 for the previous year, being an increase of 223. The principal increase has been in respect of charges of drunkenness (39) and being found on licensed premises after closing-hours (209).

The only serious crime committed during the year was that by two men who committed rape on a girl seventeen years of age. They were each sentenced to seven years' hard labour.

The general conduct of members of the Force in this district has been good, and the duties satisfactorily performed, only two constables being dealt with for breaches of the regulations during the year.

The northern portion of the district had a severe set-back owing to the earthquake which occurred on the 17th June, 1929, in particular Karamea and Maruia districts, where several farms were ruined.

INSPECTOR BIRD, TIMARU DISTRICT.

The strength of the Force at this district was increased by a constable being stationed at Waitaki Hydro Works.

The number of offences reported during the year was 1,220 as against 1,131 last year, being an increase of 89. The only serious crime was a case of arson. A man who set fire to a dwellinghouse was convicted and sentenced to two years' reformatory detention.

The conduct of the members of the Force has generally been good, one sergeant and three constables being dealt with for breaches of Police Regulations.

INSPECTOR CAMERON, TEMPORARILY IN CHARGE INVERCARGILL DISTRICT.

I took temporary charge of the Invercargill Police District on the 8th October, 1929, owing to the death of Inspector J. Fahey.

The total number of offences reported during the year 1929 was 1,311, as against 1,209 for the previous year, being an increase of 102.

There was no serious crime during the year.

The conduct of all ranks, with one or two exceptions, has been good. Five members of the Force were dealt with for breaches of the regulations.

APPENDIX A.

RETURN SHOWING THE NUMBER OF OFFENCES REPORTED, THE NUMBER OF OFFENCES FOR WHICH PERSONS WERE APPREHENDED OR SUMMONED, AND COMPARISON OF CRIME DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1928, AND YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1929.

Offences.	1928. Number of all Offences reported.	1929.										Increase or Decrease in Number of Offences reported.	
		Number of all Offences reported.	Number of Offences in which Arrests or Summonses resulted.	Results of Cases in which Persons were apprehended or summoned. (Charges against Males and Females separately.)						Number of Convictions amongst those committed for Trial.		Increase.	Decrease.
				Committed for Trial.		Summarily convicted.		Dismissed.					
				M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.		
CRIMES AND JUSTICES OF THE PEACE ACTS, ETC.													
Seditious offences	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
<i>Misleading Justice.</i>													
Perjury and false oaths	5	9	9	7	..	..	..	2	5	..	4	..	..
False statements and declarations ..	29	13	13	3	4	6	..	..	3	4	..	..	16
Corrupting juries or witnesses ..	3	2	2	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1
<i>Escapes and Rescues.</i>													
Breaking prison	4	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3
Escaping from prison or lawful custody	23	17	16	2	..	13	1	..	..	2	..	..	6
Assisting or aiding escape from prison or lawful custody	31	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	31
<i>Offences against Religion.</i>													
Disturbing public worship .. ..	..	6	6	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	6	..
<i>Offences against Morality.</i>													
Unnatural offence	4	11	11	9	..	2	..	..	2	..	7	..	..
Unnatural offence, attempted ..	4	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Indecently assaulting a male	54	36	32	23	..	6	..	3	..	20	..	..	18
Indecently assaulting a male, attempted	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
Incest	5	7	7	7	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..
Incest, attempted .. .. .	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..
Indecent acts	42	23	21	11	..	10	..	..	3	..	..	..	19
Publishing obscene matter	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
<i>Offences against the Person, &c.</i>													
Neglecting duties tending to the preservation of life or health	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Murder	2	6	5	4	1	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..
Murder, attempted	3	5	5	4	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	..	..
Manslaughter	4	3	3	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..
Suicide, attempted	95	96	95	..	..	66	26	3	..	..	1	..	..
Concealment of birth	6	4	4	1	2	..	1	..	1	2	..	2	..
Wounding with intent to do grievous bodily harm	1	4	4	4	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..
Endangering safety of persons on railways or tramways	2	2	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Putting explosive substances in places with intent to do bodily harm	..	3	2	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	3	..
Administering poison or other noxious thing with intent to injure or annoy	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Assault causing actual bodily harm ..	10	23	23	12	..	8	..	3	..	7	..	13	..
Causing actual bodily harm under circumstances that, if death had been caused, would be manslaughter	1	3	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..
Assault, indecent	85	93	86	61	..	17	..	8	..	43	..	8	..
Assault with intent to commit a crime	7	4	4	2	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	3
Assault	646	652	640	6	..	532	19	79	4	4	..	6	..
Rape	13	16	14	8	..	4	..	2	..	8	..	3	..
Rape, attempted	10	11	11	9	..	1	..	1	..	6	..	1	..
Carnally knowing girls under sixteen years	58	47	44	38	..	5	..	1	..	26	..	..	11
Carnally know girls under sixteen years, attempts to	8	19	18	15	..	2	..	1	..	4	..	11	..
Defilement of women or girls, procuring, permitting, or conspiring to induce, &c.	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..
Abortion, procuring	2	4	3	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..
Abortion, supplying means of procuring	2	2	2	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
Abortion, procuring own	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Bigamy	9	13	12	9	3	6	3	4
Abduction	2	2	2	1	..	1
Stealing children under fourteen years	13	3	3	3

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Offences.	1928.	1929.										Increase or Decrease in Number of Offences reported.	
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				Committed for Trial.		Summarily convicted.		Dismissed.					
				M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.		
CRIMES AND JUSTICES OF THE PEACE ACT, ETC.—continued.													
Offences against Rights of Property.													
Theft (undescribed)	4,979	5,117	3,700	89	2	3,037	260	296	16	76	1	138	..
Theft, attempted	45	22	22	2	..	16	..	4	..	2	..	..	23
Theft from the person	32	25	10	2	..	6	2	..	..	1	..	..	7
Theft from the person, attempted	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Theft from dwellings	343	300	109	19	..	80	..	10	..	17	..	..	43
Theft from dwellings, attempted	5	13	5	3	..	2	..	..	..	3	..	8	..
Theft by clerks or servants	144	147	143	64	..	68	..	11	..	58	..	3	..
Theft of animals (specified)	36	59	44	21	..	17	..	6	..	6	..	23	..
Theft of animals, attempted	3	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
False pretences	837	656	598	79	1	467	35	16	..	78	..	..	181
False pretences, attempted	19	15	13	..	..	8	1	4	..	..	..	..	4
Obtaining credit by fraud	163	120	108	8	..	89	4	6	1	8	..	..	43
False accounting by officials or clerks	89	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	88
Conspiracy to defraud	8	4	4	2	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	4
Fortune-telling or practising witchcraft	9	7	7	..	..	3	4	..	..	..	..	..	2
Robbery and aggravated robbery	10	2	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	8
Assault with intent to rob	2	2	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Demanding with intent to steal .. .. .	..	2	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..
Extortion by threats	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Burglary	48	28	11	11	..	..	..	..	..	11	..	..	20
Burglary, attempted	3	2	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1
House or shop breaking, &c.	863	975	721	467	4	219	1	30	..	441	4	112	..
House or shop breaking, &c., attempted	72	87	49	30	..	17	..	2	..	30	..	15	..
Being found in dwellinghouse by night	16	16	16	5	..	8	1	2	..	5	..	..	..
Being disguised or in possession of housebreaking implements .. .. .	..	7	6	6	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	7	..
Receiving property dishonestly obtained	172	140	138	28	2	76	11	21	..	21	1	..	32
Forgery	163	111	103	86	5	9	1	2	..	83	..	..	52
Uttering forged documents or false certificates	45	35	28	28	..	..	..	..	..	28	..	..	10
Uttering forged documents or false certificates, attempted .. .. .	..	2	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..
Sending false telegram .. .. .	..	2	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	..
Possessing forged bank notes	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Personation	6	5	5	..	..	3	..	1	1	..	..	..	1
Coin, offences relating to .. .. .	..	13	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13	..
Arson	20	56	50	42	1	7	..	..	..	42	1	36	..
Arson, attempted	5	13	13	11	2	..	..	..	..	8	2	8	..
Setting fire to crops, attempted	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Wilfully placing obstruction on railways	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Placing explosive with intent to destroy buildings, ships, &c.	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mischief	700	796	755	2	..	667	15	69	2	..	..	96	..
Mischief on railways and tramways	10	9	9	..	..	7	..	2	..	..	..	..	1
Possessing or making explosive substance, &c., with intent thereby to commit a crime .. .. .	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..
Sending threatening letters	1	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Threatening acts with intent to intimidate	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Aiding and abetting or counselling the commission of an offence	54	29	29	..	..	18	..	11	..	..	..	..	25
POLICE OFFENCES ACT.													
Breach of the peace or behaviour with intent	476	469	467	..	..	424	5	38	..	..	..	..	7
Cruelty to animals	94	99	98	..	..	83	2	13	..	..	..	5	..
Drunkenness	6,055	6,181	6,181	..	..	5,866	309	6	..	..	..	126	..
Drunk while in charge of horses, &c., or loaded firearms	191	249	247	..	..	240	2	4	1	..	..	58	..
Drunk and disorderly	355	382	382	..	..	370	7	5	..	..	..	27	..
Soliciting prostitution	5	10	10	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	5	..
Exposure of person and grossly indecent acts	255	285	258	14	..	226	6	12	..	5	..	30	..
Using profane, indecent, or obscene language	655	687	680	2	..	617	30	30	1	2	..	32	..

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				Committed for Trial.		Summarily convicted.		Dismissed.						
				M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.			
POLICE OFFENCES ACT—continued.														
Vagrancy (idle and disorderly persons, rogues and vagabonds, and incorrigible rogues)	719	714	713	5	..	557	102	42	7	4	..	..	5
Assaulting, obstructing, or resisting constables, &c.	174	162	162	..	..	159	..	3	..	..	..	..	12
Intimidation to restrict lawful acts ..	25	25	25	..	..	22	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inciting violence, disorder, or lawlessness	7	49	48	..	..	38	..	10	..	..	..	42	..
Unlawfully using horses, motor-cars, &c.	390	380	335	..	..	303	..	31	1	..	..	..	10
Unlawfully on premises by night without criminal intent	150	159	159	..	..	138	6	15	..	..	..	9	..
Sunday trading	81	50	50	..	..	33	15	2	..	..	..	..	31
GAMING ACT.														
Common gaming-house, keeping or managing, &c.	72	67	67	1	..	57	6	3	..	..	..	..	5
Found in a common gaming-house ..	102	50	50	..	..	42	..	8	..	..	..	..	52
Gaming with instruments	33	36	36	..	..	31	..	5	..	..	..	3	..
Publishing advertisements relating to betting on horse-races	5	2	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Lotteries, unlawfully establishing or conducting, &c.	16	6	6	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	10
Betting, unlawful	46	65	65	..	..	52	2	11	..	..	..	19	..
Following occupation of a bookmaker	5	14	14	1	..	6	..	7	..	1	..	9	..	
Trespass on racecourses	40	40	40	..	..	39	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
POST AND TELEGRAPH ACT.														
Putting explosives, &c., into post-office, &c.	..	2	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..
Illegally opening or delaying postal packets	17	21	21	2	..	14	4	..	1	1	..	4	..	
Stealing postal packets, mail-bags, &c.	45	70	60	46	..	12	1	..	1	42	..	25	..	
Stealing money, &c., from postal packets	19	7	7	..	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	12
Injuring post-office pillars or boxes ..	27	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	25
Damaging telephones	8	8	8	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Damaging insulators	10	12	12	..	..	10	..	2	..	..	..	2	..
Posting indecent post-cards or letters ..	2	3	3	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..
False statement re posting postal packets	1	2	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..
Destroying postal packets	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Fraudulently using postage-stamps ..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
DESTITUTE PERSONS ACT.														
Failing to maintain wife or children ..	2,136	2,195	2,099	..	..	1,815	57	200	27	..	..	59	..
Failing for fourteen days to pay maintenance moneys	2,588	2,949	2,773	..	..	2,536	32	181	24	..	..	361	..
Offences by husbands while separation orders are in force	39	40	39	..	..	38	..	1	..	..	..	1	..
Offences prescribed in sections 52 to 58 of Destitute Persons Act	7	3	3	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
SHIPPING AND SEAMEN ACT.														
Ship-desertion	36	42	37	..	..	37	..	..	..	..	..	6	..
Absent without leave	10	24	19	..	..	19	..	..	..	..	..	14	..
Offences against discipline	7	35	35	..	..	33	..	2	..	..	..	28	..
Embezzling cargo	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Stowing away	30	51	51	..	..	51	..	..	..	..	..	21	..
LICENSING ACT.														
Permitting drunkenness or violent conduct	5	7	7	..	..	5	..	2	..	..	..	2	..
Selling or supplying liquor to intoxicated persons	10	16	16	..	..	7	1	8	..	..	..	6	..
Permitting gaming, gambling, &c. ..	..	6	6	..	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	6	..
Selling or supplying liquor, or exposing for sale, or opening or keeping open premises at unauthorized times	623	527	527	..	..	283	27	198	19	..	..	..	96
Supplying liquor to persons under twenty-one years	45	51	51	..	..	25	4	20	2	..	..	6	..
Selling or supplying liquor to prohibited persons	29	35	35	..	..	27	..	8	..	..	..	6	..

APPENDIX B.

RETURN SHOWING THE STRENGTH AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE NEW ZEALAND POLICE FORCE ON THE 31st MARCH, 1930.

Stations.	Superin- tendents.	Inspectors.	Sub- Inspectors.	Senior Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Constables.	Senior Detectives.	Detective- sergeants.	Detectives.	Total.	Temporary Constables.	District Constables.	Native Constables.
Auckland Co-ordinated Districts.													
Clerical staff	1	..	6	..	..	..	7	..	..	..
AUCKLAND HEAD DISTRICT—													
Auckland ..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Awaroa Bay	1	..
Coromandel	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Helensville	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Henderson	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Howick	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Huntly	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..
Kerepehi	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Mercer	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Otahuhu	1	3	..	..	..	4	1	..	..
Paeroa	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..
Panmure	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Papakura	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Papatoetoe	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Port Fitzroy (Great Barrier)	1	..
Pukekohe	1	2	..	..	..	3	..	..	..
Thames	1	4	..	..	..	5	..	..	..
Thames South	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Tuakau	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Waihi	1	4	..	..	..	5	..	..	..
Waiuku	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Warkworth	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Wellsford	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Whitianga	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Totals ..	1	..	..	4	32	..	..	..	..	37	1	2	..
AUCKLAND METROPOLITAN DISTRICT—													
Auckland ..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Avondale	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Ellerslie	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Epsom	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Grey Lynn	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Kingsland	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Mount Albert	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..
Mount Eden	1	9	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..
Mount Eden South	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Mount Roskill	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
New Lynn	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Newmarket	1	10	..	..	..	11	..	..	..
Newton	1	3	16	..	..	..	20	2	..	..
Onehunga	1	6	..	..	..	7	..	..	..
Point Chevalier	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Remuera	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
St. Heliers Bay	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Totals ..	1	..	1	6	54	..	..	..	..	62	2	..	..
AUCKLAND CENTRAL DISTRICT—													
Auckland Central ..	1	1	1	8	70	1	6	9	97	1	..	..	..
Birkenhead	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Devonport	1	4	..	..	..	5	..	..	..
Freeman's Bay	1	4	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..
Northcote	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Parnell	1	3	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..
Ponsonby	1	4	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..
Queen's Wharf	1	10	..	..	..	..	11	..	..	..
Takapuna	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..
Totals ..	1	1	1	13	99	1	6	9	131	1	..	..	..
Totals, Auckland Co-ordinated Districts	1	2	1	3	23	191	1	6	9	237	4	2	..
Wellington Co-ordinated Districts.													
Clerical staff	1	..	4	..	..	..	5	..	..	..
WELLINGTON HEAD DISTRICT—													
Wellington ..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Carterton	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	..
Eastbourne	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Featherston	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..
Greytown	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Johnsonville	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Lower Hutt	1	3	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..
Masterton	1	5	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..
Martinborough	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Moera	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Petone	1	5	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..
Tinni	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Upper Hutt	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..
Totals ..	1	..	..	1	2	25	..	..	..	29	..	..	..
WELLINGTON CENT'L DISTRICT—													
Wellington ..	1	1	1	5	46	1	1	7	63	1	..	..	..
Brooklyn	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Island Bay	1	..	..	..
Karori	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Kelburn	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Kilbirnie	1	2	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..
Lyall Bay	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Miramar	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Mount Cook	1	2	22	..	..	..	25	..	..	..
Seatoun	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Taranaki St.	1	3	25	..	..	..	29	..	..	..
Thorndon	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Tinakori Road	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Wadestown	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Wellington South	1	5	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..
Wharf (W.)	1	6	..	1	..	8	..	..	..	..
Totals ..	1	1	1	3	116	1	2	7	144	1	..	..	..
Totals, Wellington Co-ordinated Districts	1	1	1	5	15	145	1	2	7	178	..	..	..
Christchurch Co-ordinated Districts.													
Clerical staff	1	..	3	..	..	..	4	..	..	..
CHRISTCHURCH HEAD DISTRICT—													
Christchurch ..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Akaroa	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Amberley	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Ashburton	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..
Chatham Islands	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Cheviot	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Coalgate	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Culverden	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Darfield	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Kaiapoi	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..
Kaikoura	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Leeston	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Lincoln	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Little River	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Lytelton	1	6	..	..	..	..	7	1	..	..
Methven	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Oxford	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Rakaia	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Rangiora	1	1	2
Southbridge	1	1
Waikari	1	1
Totals ..	1	1	2	30	34	1

APPENDIX B—continued

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Stations.	Superintendents.	Inspectors.	Sub-Inspectors.	Senior Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Constables.	Senior Detectives.	Detective-sergeants.	Detectives.	Total.	Temporary Constables.	District Constables.	Native Constables.
CHRISTCHURCH CENTRAL DISTRICT—													
Christchurch	1	1	1	5	55	1	2	3	69	1	..	..
Addington	1	1	..	..	..	2	1	..	..
Beckenham	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Belfast	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Bingsland	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Fendalton	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Islington	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Linwood	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Lower Riccarton	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
New Brighton	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..
North New Brighton	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Papanui	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Phillipstown	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Upper Riccarton	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
St. Albans	1	2	..	..	..	3	..	..	..
Sumner	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Sydenham	1	4	..	..	..	5	..	..	..
Woolston	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Totals	1	1	1	8	77	1	2	3	94	2	..	..
Totals, Christ'ch Co-ordinated District ..	1	1	1	3	10	110	1	2	3	132	3	..	..
Whangarei District—													
Whangarei	1	..	1	1	8	..	1	..	12	..	..	..
Dargaville	1	2	..	..	..	3	..	..	..
Hikurangi	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Houhora	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Kaikohe	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Kaitiaki	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..
Kawakawa	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Mangawai	1	..	..
Mangonui	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Maungaturoto	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Ohaeawai	1	..	..
Rawene	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..
Ruawai	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Russell	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Waipu	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Whangaroa	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..
Totals	1	..	1	2	24	..	1	..	29	..	2	1
Hamilton District—													
Hamilton	1	..	1	1	17	..	1	1	22	..	..	..
Cambridge	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	..
Frankton Junction	1	3	..	..	..	4	..	..	..
Katikati	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Kawhia	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Kihikihi	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Kirikiriroa	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Matamata	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Morrinsville	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Ngaruawahia	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..
Otorohanga	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Putaruru	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..
Raglan	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Rotorua	1	4	..	..	..	5	..	..	..
Taupo	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Tauranga	3	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..
Te Aroha	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	..
Te Awamutu	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..
Te Kuiti	1	2	..	..	..	3	..	..	..
Te Puke	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Te Whaiti
Tokaanu	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Totals	1	..	1	4	50	..	1	1	58	..	..	..
Gisborne District—													
Gisborne	1	..	1	1	12	..	..	1	16	..	..	..
Kaiti	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Kopua Rly. Camp	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Motu	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Opotiki	1	1	..	..	..	2	..	1	..
Patutahi	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Port Awanui	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Gisborne District—continued.													
Ruatorea	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Taneatua	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Te Araroa
Te Karaka	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Tokomaru Bay	1	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..
Tolaga Bay	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Waipiro Bay	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Whakatane	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	..
Whataupoko	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Totals	1	..	1	3	27	..	..	1	33	..	..	1
Napier District—													
Napier	1	..	1	1	15	..	1	..	19	..	..	..
Carlyle Street	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Clive	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Dannevirke	1	3	..	..	..	4	..	..	..
Hastings	1	1	7	..	..	1	10	..	..	..
Havelock North	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Mohaka	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Nuhaka	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Ongaonga	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Ormondville	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Petane	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Porangahau	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Spit (Napier)	1	3	..	..	..	4	..	..	..
Takapau	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Taradale	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Waipawa	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Waipukurau	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Wairoa	1	2	..	..	..	3	..	..	..
Totals	1	..	2	5	43	..	1	1	53	..	..	..
New Plymouth District—													
New Plymouth	1	..	1	2	10	..	..	2	16	1	..	..
Eltham	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Fitzroy	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Hawera	1	5	..	..	..	6	..	..	..
Inglewood	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Kaponga	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Manaiā	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Mokau	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Moturoa	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Normanby	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Opunake	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Rahotu	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Stratford	1	4	..	..	..	5	..	..	..
Tangarakau	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Waitara	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Whangamomona	1	1
Totals	1	..	1	4	32	2	40	1
Wanganui District—													
Wanganui	1	..	1	2	15	2	21
Aramoho	1							

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Stations.	Superintendents.	Sub-Inspectors.	Senior Sergeants.	Constables.	Senior Detectives.	Detective-sergeants.	Detectives.	Total.	Temporary Constables.	District Constables.	Native Constables.	Stations.	Superintendents.	Inspectors.	Sub-Inspectors.	Senior Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Constables.	Senior Detectives.	Detective-sergeants.	Detectives.	Total.	Temporary Constables.	District Constables.	Native Constables.
Palmerston North District—												Dunedin District—													
Palmerston North	1		1	2	14	1	2	21	1			Dunedin	1	1	1	5	37	1	1	2	49				
Ashhurst					1			1				Alexandra					1				1				
Bulls					1			1				Anderson's Bay					1				1				
Cuba Street (Palmerston N.)					1			1				Balclutha					1				1				
Eketahuna					1			1				Caversham					1				1				
Feilding			1	4				5				Clyde					1				1				
Foxton				2				2				Cromwell					1				1				
Kimbolton				1				1				Green Island					1				1				
Levin				2				2				Kaitangata					1				1				
Marton				2				2				Lawrence					2				2				
Marton Junction				1				1				Middlemarch					1				1				
Otaki				2				2				Milton					1				1				
Pahiatua				2				2				Mornington					1				1				
Pongaroa				1				1				Mosgiel					1				1				
Rongotea				1				1				Naseby					1				1				
Shannon				1				1				North Dunedin				1	4				5				
Terrace End (Palmerston N.)				1				1				North-east Valley					1				1				
Woodville				1				1				Ophir					1				1				
Totals	1		1	3	39	1	2	47	1			Outram					1				1				
												Owaka					1				1				
Nelson District—												Palmerston South					1				1				
Nelson	1		1		8		1	11				Port Chalmers					1	4			5				
Blenheim			1	5				6				Portobello					1				1				
Collingwood				1				1				Ranfurly					1				1				
Havelock				1				1				Ravensbourne					1				1				
Motueka				1				1				Roslyn					2				2				
Murchison				1				1				Roxburgh					1				1				
Pictou				2				2				St. Bathans					1				1				
Richmond				1				1				St. Clair					1				1				
Seddon				1				1				St. Kilda					1				1				
Takaka				1				1				South Dunedin				1	6				7				
The Port				1				1				Waikouaiti					1				1				
Wakefield				1				1				Waitahuna					1				1				
Totals	1		1	1	24		1	28				Waitati					1				1				
												Woodhaugh					1				1				
Greymouth District—												Totals	1	1	1	9	84	1	1	2	100				
Greymouth	1		1	1	10		1	14																	
Ahaura				1				1				Invercargill District—													
Blackball				1				1				Invercargill				1	2	15		1	1	20			
Brunnerton				1				1				Arrowtown					1				1				
Charleston				1				1				Bluff					1	2				3			
Cobden				1				1				Clinton					1				1				
Denniston				1				1				Gore					1	3				4			
Dunollie				1				1				Half-moon Bay					1				1				
Granity				1				1				Lumsden					1				1				
Hokitika			1	3				4				Mataura					1				1				
Kanieri				1				1				Nightcaps					1				1				
Karamaea				1				1				North Invercargill					1				1				
Kumara				1				1				Orepuki					1				1				
Matainui				1				1				Otautau					1				1				
Millerton				1				1				Pembroke					1				1				
Otira				1				1				Queenstown					1				1				
Rcefton			1	2				3				Riverton					1				1				
Ross				1				1				South Invercargill					1				1				
Seddonville				1				1				Tapanui					1				1				
Tiroroa				1				1				Tokanui					1				1				
Waitua				1				1				Tuatapere					1				1				
Westport			1	5				6				Waikaia					1				1				
Totals	1		1	4	38		1	45				Waikiwi					1				1				
												Winton					1				1				
Timaru District—												Wyndham					1				1				
Timaru	1		1	2	12		1	17				Totals				1	4	40		1	1	47			
Duntroon					1			1																	
Fairlie					1			1																	
Geraldine					1			1																	
Glenavy					1			1																	
Hampden					1			1																	
Kurow					1			1																	
Oamaru			1		7			8								3	2	3				8			
Pleasant Point					1			1																	
St. Andrew's					1			1									1					1			
Temuka					1			2																	
Waimataitai					1			1										9				9			
Waimate				1	3			4																	
Waitaki Hydro Works					1			1								1	1	3				5			
Totals	1		2	4	34		1	42				Grand totals	4	14	4	29	98	934	5	15	34	1137	9	5	2

APPENDIX C.

RETURN SHOWING THE PROPORTION OF POLICE TO POPULATION AND COST OF POLICE PER INHABITANT
IN EACH OF THE UNDERMENTIONED PLACES.

Place.	Number of Police.	Estimated Population.	Proportion of Police to Population.	Cost of Police per Inhabitant.
				s. d.
New Zealand	1,146	1,488,612	1 to 1,298	6 1
Victoria	2,144	1,777,065	1 to 829	8 0 ³ / ₄
New South Wales	3,632	2,477,589	1 to 682	9 7 ¹ / ₄
Queensland	1,230	930,871	1 to 757	11 11 ¹ / ₄
South Australia	782	580,271	1 to 742	11 6
Western Australia	556	416,763	1 to 750	12 0 ¹ / ₂
Tasmania	240	219,066	1 to 913	8 9 ¹ / ₂

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