

The following survey cadets were appointed to the Lands and Survey Department for the year ending 31st March, 1937 :—

T. P. Gibson (Auckland).
E. N. Muir (Auckland).
C. Allen (Christchurch).

W. S. Boyes (Dunedin).
L. L. Elder (Napier).
C. M. Rainsford (Wellington).

Registration of Surveyors.—The annual list of registered surveyors in the Dominion as gazetted on the 18th February, 1937, numbered 482 registered surveyors.

Members of the Board.—In terms of the Surveyors Registration Act, 1928, the following appointments to the Board were gazetted in February, 1937 :—

Government nominees—

Messrs. G. H. Bullard and M. Crompton Smith.

Institute of Surveyors' nominees—

Messrs. A. H. Bogle and C. K. Grierson.

The Surveyor-General (Mr. H. E. Walshe), is, *ex officio*, Chairman of the Board.

Owing to the pressure of official duties Mr. W. Stewart (Valuer-General) resigned from the Board, and Mr. M. Crompton Smith was appointed in his stead.

General.—It has been decided by the Board to include in the written examination, commencing September, 1937, a paper entitled the "Laws and Practice of Valuation." This paper will supply a need that is felt throughout the profession for a more detailed knowledge of land valuation in New Zealand by the practising surveyor. It is hoped that this paper will be included in the curriculum of the examination, at a later date, by reciprocating Boards in the Australian States. At present it will be a special paper set only by the New Zealand Board.

A. J. WICKS, Secretary.

TABLE A.

Class of Work.	Area or Mileage.	Average Cost.	Total Cost.
			£ s. d.
Geodetic triangulation (1st Order)	6,900 square miles	4.74s. per sq. mile	1,635 11 0
Triangulation (2nd Order)	4,200 square miles	17.35s. per sq. mile	3,648 4 4
Triangulation (3rd Order)	122 square miles	39.01s. per sq. mile	238 0 0
Standard traverses	60.5 miles	£45.21 per mile	2,735 7 8
Topographical survey for settlement, &c. ..	66,751 acres	4.08d. per acre	1,135 10 2
Rural survey	27,526 acres	2.15s. per acre	2,963 15 2
Suburban survey	1,696 acres	14.19s. per acre	1,203 7 0
Town survey	388 acres	£2.64 per section	725 6 0
Native land survey, by staff	19,795 acres	0.39s. per acre	386 19 1
Native land survey, by private surveyor ..	2,336 acres	2.73s. per acre	318 7 9
Housing surveys	692 acres	16.52s. per acre	571 15 10
Roads, &c., survey	84.2 miles	£19.53 per mile	1,644 17 2
Other work	4,501 19 4
Total cost of completed work	21,709 0 6

TABLE B.

Land District.	Rural Survey.	Native Land Court.
	Acres.	Acres.
Auckland and North Auckland ..	15,491	20,833
Gisborne	2,481	1,642
Hawke's Bay	2,005	..
Taranaki	1,244	648
Wellington	607
Marlborough	1,299	..
Nelson	98	..
Westland	2,532	..
Canterbury	1,384	43
Otago	609	..
Southland	383	..
Total	27,526	23,773

TABLE C.—RETURN OF FIELD-WORK EXECUTED BY HEAD OFFICE FROM 1ST APRIL, 1936, TO 31ST MARCH, 1937.

District.	Geodetic (First Order) Triangulation.		Second Order Triangulation.		Total Cost.
	Square Miles.	Cost.	Square Miles.	Cost.	
Auckland	6,900	£ s. d. 1,635 11 0	4,200	£ s. d. 3,648 4 4	£ s. d. 5,283 15 4