

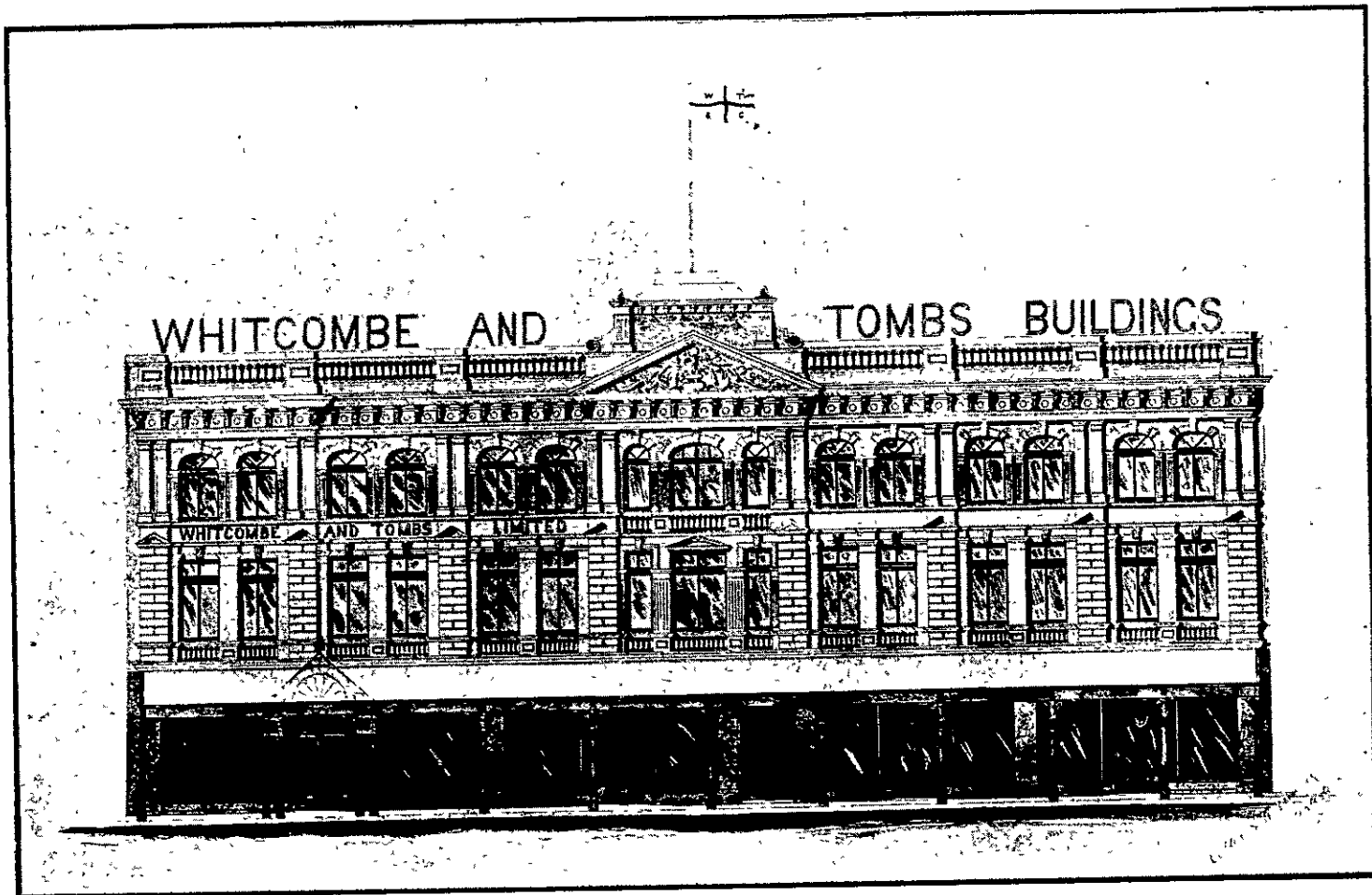
A start is to be made in a few days with the erection of twenty-five workmen's homes at Petone under the scheme sanctioned by Parliament. The cottages, which will be of different designs, are to be completed in fourteen weeks. In order to expedite the work six contracts have been let. Each house will contain five rooms, with bath room, and washhouse, and is to be built of the best materials, in accordance with the designs of Messrs.

The Miramar Borough Council has accepted the tender of Mr. J. Saunders for the road formation and the construction of the tunnel to connect Seatoun with Miramar valley under the new electric tramway scheme. The work is to be completed within nine months. The tunnel which was planned by Messrs Seaton and Sladden, will pierce Seatoun hill and will have a length of 480 ft., a width of 26 ft., and a height of 17 ft 8 in., and will contain

AUCKLAND.

Our Auckland correspondent advises that tender have been called for the following:—

A massive building of brick and stone to serve as a Blind Institute in the northern city, also a large brick office. Architect, P. W. Crocker. Four villas in the city, and two at Remuera. Architect T. L. Holder. Ender's buildings hav



MESSRS. WHITCOMBE AND TOMBS'S NEW WAREHOUSE, CHRISTCHURCH: FRONT ELEVATION.

[Collins & Harman, Architects.]

Penty & Blake, Mr. W. G. Young, Mr. Hoggard, Mr. Hurst Seager (Christchurch), and Mr. J. Charlesworth.

The new buildings, Nos. 145, 147, and 149 Lambton quay, Wellington, are now completed. These commodious shops have been erected on the site of Mr. J. Evans' old premises. The street elevation is of the Romanesque style, treated in a bold manner, with majolica tiles in panels to relieve the cement finish. On the same property, with frontages to Wellington terrace, three brick residences have been erected. The price of the whole block was about £11,000, and the architect is to be congratulated upon the result, the cost of the finished work being within his estimate. Architect, J. S. Swan.

a roadway for vehicular traffic and a raised foot-path for pedestrians, as well as the tramway track. The plans have already been passed by the Public Works Department.

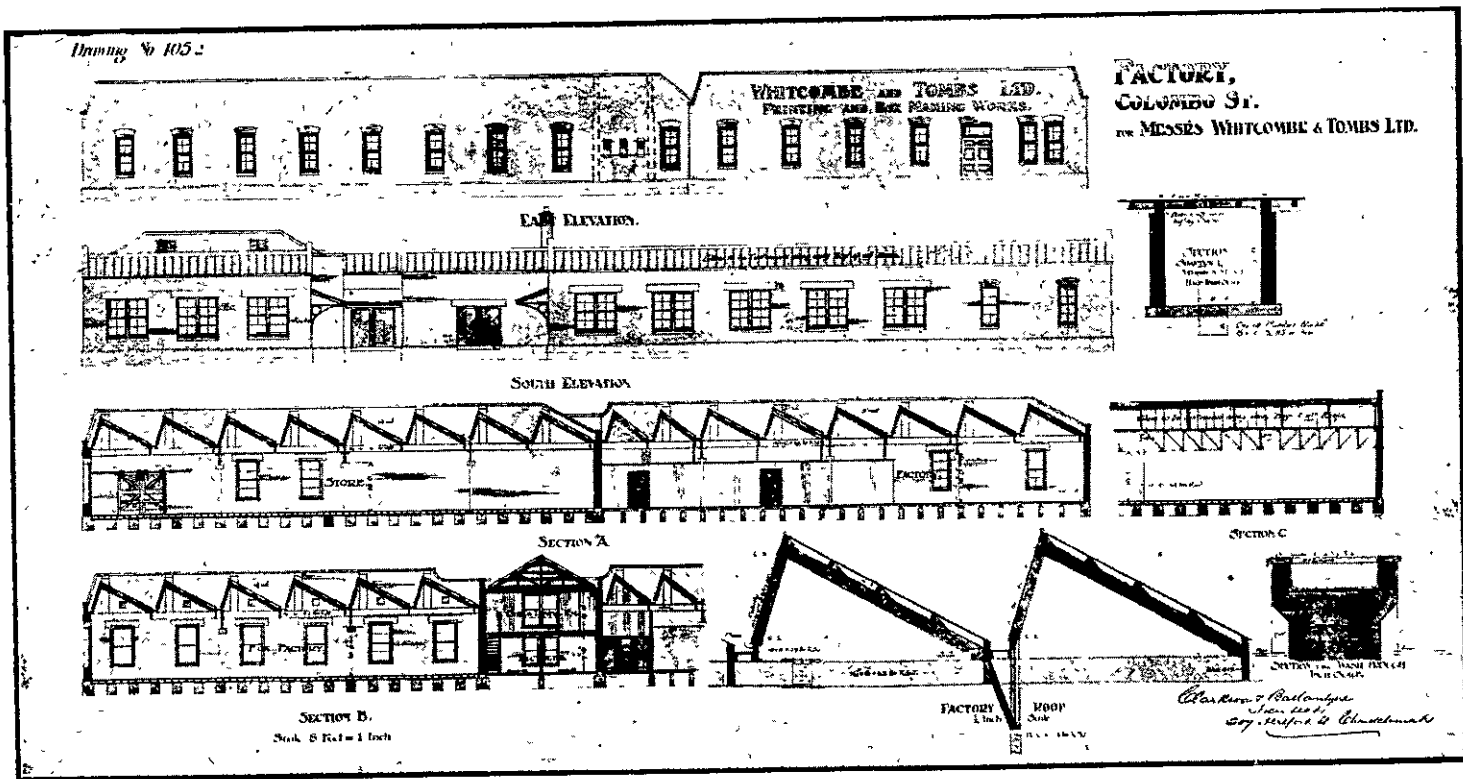
WANGANUI.

Mr. N. Andrew, of Wanganui, is having erected a fine brick building on Taupo quay, to serve as a machinery warehouse for his largely increasing business.

Messrs. Sargood, Son & Ewen are about to build a large brick warehouse which will also be situated on Taupo quay. The firm intend vacating their old premises in Campbell place shortly. The contract price for the new building is stated to be £6,000.

just been completed at a cost of £20,000; a factory in brick, which is to cost between £3,000 and £4,000, is being erected in Quay street, for the New Zealand Laundry Co.; a factory in brick to serve as a branch for Messrs. A. & G. Price, of the Thames, has just been completed at a cost of £3,000; another new building is a factory in Quay street for Messrs. W. A. Ryan & Co., the contract price being £3,000; and Messrs. Hall's large building in brick at Gisborne is nearing completion, price not stated. Contractor, J. T. Julian

The Northern Roller Milling Co.'s new granary, which is to be built in brick on the foreshore, will have a foundation of ferro-concrete piles, and is the first building of its kind in the colony. The



MESSRS. WHITCOMBE AND TOMBS'S NEW FACTORY, CHRISTCHURCH.

[Clarkson & Ballantyne, Architects.]