

banking premises for Bank of Australasia in brick and marble (Riwaka marble), to cost £9000, to designs of Messrs Atkins and Bacon, architects, Wellington. Erection of business and club premises in brick, at Marton, for Messrs. Davenport Bros., to cost £2,700, to designs of Mr. Robin Hood, architect, Feilding. Erection of new club house for Wanganui Club in St. Hill street, Wanganui, to cost £9000, to designs of Messrs. Rush and James, architects, Hastings. Erection of brick school premises for Wanganui Education Board, at Gonville, designed by the Board's architect, Mr. W. Hood. Also modern residences in brick at Gonville for Messrs. Hughes-Johnston, and W. Scott, designed by Mr. W. McLeod, architect, Wanganui.

During the year ended March 31st last buildings permits were issued in the borough representing a total value of £95,626.

#### WELLINGTON.

Tenders were called last month for the erection of a new block of buildings to be erected for Mr. J. Kirkcaldie, in Lambton Quay, next to the Public Trust Office, by the architects, Messrs. Hoggard, Prouse, and W. H. Gummer, A.R.I.B.A., Messrs. Campbell and Burke being the successful tenderers at £10,217.

The work of erecting a new brick building in Kent Terrace for Messrs. N. Nimmo and Sons is progressing rapidly. The large showroom will face Kent Terrace, and in addition to a spacious workshop there are various offices. The contractors are Messrs. Sanders Bros., and the plans and specifications were prepared by Mr. E. H. Knight.

The tender of £10,980 from Mr. A. E. Hurrell has been accepted for the erection of the new building for the Boys' Institute, in Tasman Street. The plans have been prepared by Mr. W. Gray Young, and show a five-story steel-frame building, with a frontage of 40ft. to Tasman Street, and a depth of 178ft. The front elevation has been designed in the English renaissance style, and is to be built with pressed brickwork, relieved with cement cornice, and balcony. The roof is to be covered with grey green Westmoreland slates, which will be enhanced by the white-painted doorways of the top floor.

Another new picture theatre (the Grand) is to be erected to the designs of Messrs. Hoggard and Prouse and W. H. Gummer, A.R.I.B.A., in Manners Street, on the premises recently occupied by H. Feilder and Co. The building will have a frontage of 61ft. on Manners Street, and a height of 60ft. to top of parapet, and will seat 1400 people. The tender of Messrs. Campbell and Burke has been accepted for the erection. The contract price is £10,196. Other tenders received were as follows:—P. C. Watt, £10,362; Hunt and McDonald, £10,526; Howie and Matthews, £11,240; H. Hurrell, £10,530; Sanders Bros., £11,296; McLean and Gray, £11,545; Murdock and Wallace, £11,994; Watts Bros., £12,029; Wilkenning, £12,160.

A new theatre and concert hall is to be erected in Molesworth Street. The theatre will be for an up-to-date picture theatre, to seat 1000 persons, and the concert hall will accommodate 750.

#### Engineering

The Wellington Harbour Board is calling for tenders for the proposed new Pipitea Wharf and shed. Tenders must be in by August 26th, 1914, and particulars can be obtained from the engineer to the board and also at the offices of the Auckland, Lyttelton and Otago Harbour Boards.

The Public Works Department is calling for tenders for the construction of about four miles of formation and bridge work for the Whangarei Railway Extension. Tenders must be in by June 22nd.

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