I would again draw attention to the fact that the three suburban stations at Parnell, Newton, and Freeman's Bay are private cottages rented by the Government at a cost averaging 11s. per week for each, and which must go on from year to year until steps are taken to purchase sites for police stations. As the value of property in the suburbs is largely increasing, the cost of purchasing sections for police purposes will be the more expensive the longer it is delayed.

The city police still reside in cottages of the Albert Barracks, which may be at any moment required by the Improvement Commissioners. To meet such a contingency, it is desirable that steps

be taken to purchase new quarters.

Some months since the detachment in Armed Constabulary stationed at Ohinemuri was transferred to this district, and have since been employed on the roads to Waitekauri and the Kati-kati. They are now engaged on the latter road, and, under the charge of Sub-Inspector Newall, have made

considerable progress in its formation.

I am pleased to be able to state that the conduct of the Ohinemuri Constabulary, under the command of Sub-Inspector Newall, and the Thames Constabulary, under the charge of Sub-Inspector Bullen, has been entirely satisfactory during the year; while the Constabulary of this station, under the charge of Sub-Inspector Pardy, have been no less deserving of credit for their careful attention to I have, &c., THOMAS BROHAM, their duties.

The Commissioner, Armed Constabulary Force, Wellington.

Inspector A.C.

RETURN showing the Number of Persons and Cases brought before the Police Courts in the AUCKLAND ABMED CONSTABULARY DISTRICT by the ARMED CONSTABULARY, from the 1st JANUARY to 31st DECEMBER, 1875.

Arrests. Total Total Number Number Total Females Number Number Discharged. Convicted. Nature of Offence. No. of Males. Con-Dis-Cases. charged. victed. M. F. M. Absconding from Bail 1 1 Armed Constabulary Act, Desertion ···2 ï 25 1 76 52 24 53 Assault, Common 78 Assault, with intent to commit a Rape... 1 1 ... ... ... 26 Assault on Police ... 27 27 1 26 1. ... ... Assault, indictable ... 6 6 5 1 5 1 ... 4 4 Attempting Suicide ... 4 • • • ... Bestiality ... Breach of the Peace 1 1 ... ... 1 1 ... ... ... ... ... Burglary ...
Breaking and Entering with intent to 2 2 2 2 ... ... ... 1 1 1 1 ... ... ... ... ... commit a Rape ... ... Coinage Act 2 2 2 2 2 2 Customs Regulations 2 2 . . . ï 1 Cruelty to Animals ... 1 1 ... ••• ... • • • 3 3 3 3 Disobeying Summonses ...
Destitute Persons Relief Ordinance ... • • • 9 9 3 217 1,033 212 19 5 24 1,052 Drunkennese Drunk and Disorderly 235 27 201 27 7 228 7 208 ... Embezzlement 2 2 ... 2 ... ... ... 2 2 12 Forgery and Uttering 14 12 ... ... 30 30 Foreign Seamen's Act 30 30 ... ... • • • 2 2 2 2 Fraudulent Insolvency ٠.. ٠., ... ī 1 1 Gaolers and Prisoners Act . . **.** . . . 6 6 Horse and Cattle Stealing House Breaking ... ... . . . ... 3 2 2 ... ... ... ... Illegally Pawning ... Illegally Removing a Dead Body ... ٠., ٠., ... 2 2 2 2 ٠., ... 3 ٠., 6 1 5 Incendiarism 9 1 8 ... ٠., ... Indecent Assault 2 3 3 2 1 3 2 10 1 28 25 11 15 17 Larceny, Indictable ... ... 176 25 126 24 50 201 150 51 Larceny, Summary ... Lunacy ... ... ... ... ... ... Masters and Apprentices Act ... 66 14 18 3 62 21 83 17 ... ... ... Merchant Shipping Act 112 112 16 96 16 ... ... ... Municipal Police Act 2 5 5 6 Malicious Injury to Property Act 35 30 25 4 1 29 Murder 1 3 3 4 2 34 2 Naval Training Schools Act ... 36 36 34 29 29 29 29 Naval Discipline Act Neglected and Criminal Children's Act...
Obtaining Money, &c., by False Pretences
Obstructing Police ... 70 42 28 38 28 66 12 6 6 6 . . . ï ï 15 14 13 1 13 2 ... Passengers Act ٠.. Perjury 4 2 2 1 1 2 3 ٠., Quartz Crushing Regulations... 1 1 1 ... ... ... 1 Railway Regulations 1 1 1 ... ï ï 2 3 1 1 2 Receiving Stolen Property 1 1 Shooting with Intent ... 1 ï 2 10 9 28 26 17 18 Threatening Language Unnatural Offence ... ... ... ... 322 221 101 174 85 47 16 259 63 Vagrant Act ... ... 2,717 2,279 438 2.018 261 2,417 ,300 Totale ... ••• ...

<sup>\* 1,036</sup> different persons were arrested for drunkenness, and 219 for being drunk and disorderly.