

APPENDIX TO REPORT.

SIR,—

General Survey Office, Wellington, 21st August, 1883.

Referring to the resolution of the Committee that I should furnish a report on each of the roads disallowed by the Committee in the printed schedule of last year, also in the schedule gazetted by the Hon. the Minister for Public Works, 29th and 31st March, 1883, I have the honour to state that, in the accompanying sheets, the report is arranged in tabular form, the roads being classed as main and district lines according to the definition of the Committee. The moneys which have been authorized and applied for in respect of the several roads are given as received from the Public Works Department.

The remarks will give the Committee a general idea as to the country through which the road-lines run.

J. Shephard, Esq., M.H.R., Chairman,

Roads and Bridges Construction Act Committee.

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Surveyor-General.

Name in Schedule.	Class, per Defi- nition.	Money authorized, 1882-83.	Amount applied for, 1883-84.	Remarks.
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
<i>Waimata County.</i> —Hells- ville, across Kaipara River, and continuing northerly through Kai- para Survey District, 5 miles	.. D	..	..	This road is within one riding, and gives access to several deferred-payment settlers.
<i>Manukau County.</i> —Hunua Railway Station to Hunua Parish, 6 miles	.. D	..	3,536 0 0	Not a main road; wholly within Hunua Road District; runs through a settled country. The extension of road would lead into several thousand acres of hilly Crown lands.
Scotch Church to Tu- ranga Creek, 5 miles	.. D	..	..	Joins Papatoitoi, East Tamaki, and Turanga Road Dis- tricts. A cross-road through a settled district.
Maketu to Ararimu, 10 miles	.. D	..	3,758 0 0	Cross-road connecting settled district with railway; road only used by settlers along line.
Bombay to Paparata, 15 miles	.. D	..	250 0 0	The same remark as previous road.
<i>Cook County.</i> —Gisborne to Waimata, 15 miles	M ..	..	1,400 0 0	Connects a port with a country district. This road is through freehold lands to the Waimata River, 12 miles; thence through Crown lands. The first half, next Gisborne, is open for dray-traffic; the other half is only a bridle-track, recently formed by Crown Lands Department. The settlement of the Waimata Block began in December last by the sale of about 4,000 acres, and about 10,000 acres will be offered during the ensuing season.
<i>Taranaki County.</i> —Opunake to Stratford (part of), 10 miles	.. D	..	..	Joins Taranaki and Hawera Counties. This road, known as Hursthouse's line, was opened about three years ago for strategical purposes in connection with the Native difficulty. The further opening-up of the country has made known a better line of connection between the Port of Opunake and railway-line.
Stratford, eastwards, to- wards Waitara River, 20 miles	.. D	..	..	Joins Taranaki and Patea Counties. Settlement ex- tends for three or four miles along this road-line from the railway station at Stratford. The road-line then passes through endowment, private, and Crown lands, unoccupied.
Tariki Railway Station, eastwards, 15 miles	.. D	..	..	Joins Moa and Clifton Road Districts; settlement along line for a few miles. The extension of line would run through unexplored bush lands to the Waitara River.
<i>Hawera County.</i> —Stratford to Opunake (part of), 14 miles	.. D	217 16 3	2,080 0 0	Joins Hawera and Taranaki Counties. The same re- mark applies as to other portion in Taranaki County.
Normanby, <i>via</i> Con- tinuous Reserve, to Ma- naia, 9 miles	.. D	1,327 9 9	1,818 11 3	Joins Waimate and Hawera Road Districts. This road is through a fertile district recently settled. For several miles the road forms the boundary between the Waimate Plains proper and the Native Continuous Reserve. This road may be regarded as a loop-line to the main coach-road from Hawera to Manaia.
<i>Rangitikei County.</i> —Bull's to Scott's Ferry, 14 miles	.. D	..	300 0 0	Joins Clifton and Rangitoto Ridings. This road-line connects the Township of Bull's with the shipping place at the mouth of the Rangitikei River. This road is used by the settlers along the line and around Bull's for traffic to and from port.
<i>Waipawa County.</i> —Cross- road from Stockade, Wai- pawa River, to Block 191, Makaretu River, 10 miles	.. D	..	..	Connects Ruataniwha and Takapau Road Districts. There are three main road-lines scheduled in the Ruataniwha Plain running parallel to each other, at a distance of from two to three miles. This is the intermediate line, and deemed the least important.
Kaikora to Pourere, <i>via</i> Homewood Bridge, 15 miles	.. D	..	14,465 0 0	Connects Patangata and Taumumu Road District. This road is used by settlers on line of road, but does not communicate from one centre of population to another. Pourere is not a more important shipping place than many others along the sea-coast.
<i>Geraldine County.</i> —Albury to McKenzie Pass, 15 miles	.. D	..	..	Entirely within Mount Cook Riding. This is a short line across the mountain range to the Mackenzie country.
<i>Waimate County.</i> —Waihao Forks to Waitaki, 6 miles	.. D	2,000 0 0	654 0 0	Within North Waihao Riding. This road runs through grass lands held in large areas, and connects with main Waitaki Road going towards railway.