

work can be carried on. A track to open up the claims already taken up on this reef is estimated to cost £150; of this amount £100 have been authorized as subsidy.

Track from Fern Spur to Butler's Spur.—This is a horse-track along the face of the range. The present track is so steep and in such a wretched condition that many portions of it are almost impassable. It is proposed to improve this track, and do away with the steep grades, at an estimated cost of £300; of this amount £200 has been authorized as subsidy.

HUTT COUNTY, WELLINGTON.

Track, Makara Valley to Terawhiti.—This is a horse-track from the road leading down Makara Valley, at Printer's Flat, to the Maori gardens at Terawhiti, a distance of about nine miles. A good passable track has been constructed, which now brings the Terawhiti mines within three hours' ride from Wellington. The estimated cost of the work was £300; of this amount £200 were authorized as subsidy, of which £106 13s. 4d. have been paid.

COLLINGWOOD ROAD BOARD, NELSON.

Bridge and Approaches over the Aorere River.—This is for a foot-bridge over the Aorere River at Salisbury's Crossing, which, together with approaches, is estimated to cost £220; of this amount £146 13s. 4d. have been authorized as subsidy.

MARLBOROUGH COUNTY, MARLBOROUGH.

Road, Deep Creek to Dead Horse Creek.—This is really widening the old horse-track into a dray-road from Deep Creek to the Caledonian Claim, to enable machinery to be brought on the ground. The cost of the work was estimated at £68; of this amount £45 6s. 8d. was authorized as subsidy.

BULLER COUNTY, NELSON.

Track, Northern Terraces to Oparara.—This is a horse-track to connect the Karamea settlement with Oparara diggings. Many of the settlers at certain seasons of the year, when they have not sufficient work on their farms, work on these diggings, some of whom make fair wages. The estimated cost of the track is £500; of this amount £333 6s. 8d. was authorized as subsidy, of which £250 have been paid. The road is still in course of construction.

Track, Lyell Creek Bluff to Victor Emmanuel Claim.—This is a track to enable supplies to be brought up to the miners who are working on the Victor Emmanuel line of reef, which is situated about four miles and a half up New Creek from its junction with the Buller River. The estimated cost of the work is £650; of this amount £433 6s. 8d. was authorized as subsidy, of which £200 have been paid.

Road to connect Alluvial Diggings with Charleston Road.—This is a dray-road from Westport-Charleston Road to Nine-Mile Beach, to enable the miners who are working there to get sawn timber and supplies brought to their claims. The cost of the work was £400; of this amount £266 13s. 4d. have been paid as subsidy.

Track, Four-Mile Creek towards Grey Valley.—This is a continuation of the horse-track up the Four-Mile Creek. This track has been extended for about a mile and a half, and is now up to the gorge in the Four-Mile Creek. The cost of the work has been £300; of this amount £200 have been paid as subsidy.

Road to connect Alluvial Diggings north of Deadman's Creek.—This is a road that had to be constructed, as the sea had made encroachment on the beach, and washed away the only road there was. The road is some distance back from the beach, and has cost to construct £278; of this amount £185 6s. 8d. have been paid as subsidy.

Road to Cape Foulwind.—This is a road through the Pahihi, between Westport and Addison's Flat, towards Cape Foulwind, in order to give facilities to the miners who are working on the several leads between the Westport-Charleston Road and the ocean beach. It is estimated to cost £450; of this amount £300 were authorized as subsidy, of which £200 have been paid.

Extension of Denniston Road.—This is a horse-track from the Township of Denniston to the Mount William Diggings. Gold has recently been found in this locality, and there is no means of communication. The estimated distance is six miles, and total cost £929; of this amount £300 have been authorized as subsidy.

Road, Ngakawhau to Mokihinui via Beaches.—This is a dray-road from the end of the railway to the Ngakawhau River, going towards Mokihinui. The cost of this work was £100; of this amount £66 13s. 4d. have been paid as subsidy.

Road to connect Ngakawhau Railway with Mokihinui Coal Company's Workings.—This is a dray-road from the ocean beach at the Mokihinui Township to the Mokihinui Coal Company's wharf up the Mokihinui River, and some clearing along the bluff near the Ngakawhau River, so as to allow a continuous line of dray-traffic from the Ngakawhau Railway-station. The total cost of the work was £443 10s.; of this amount £128 13s. 4d. was paid as subsidy by the Mines Department and £250 by the Crown Lands Department.

INANGAHUA COUNTY, NELSON.

Track, Reefton to Big River.—This is the continuation of the track from Reefton to Merrijigs. It is now almost completed to the Big River, where a number of quartz leases are taken up, and some of which are being worked. The distance of this road from Reefton is sixteen miles. It is