

Road, Reefton to Big River.—This was merely constructed as a horse-track, but now narrow-gauge drays are employed to convey the supplies to the mining-claims that are at work all along the line. The road is now constructed to the Big River Mining-district, a distance of eighteen miles from Reefton, and it promises to open up a large field for mining. The cost of the road from Devil's Creek to the Big River has been £1,792, of which amount a subsidy of £1,194 13s. 4d. has been paid.

Glenroy to Horse Terrace.—This is an extension of the horse-track constructed up the Matakītiki River to a point known as Moonlight's store. The extension leads from the old store, up the bank of the river, to Dead Horse Terrace, where several miners are at work. The cost of the extension has been £254; and the amount of subsidy on this work was £122 10s.

GREY COUNTY.

Track, Irishman's to Lake Brunner.—This horse-track has been in course of construction for two years past, to open up the country and afford facilities for prospecting this portion of the district. It will also be the means of opening up some land that is suitable for settlement. The estimated cost of the track, when completed, is £2,400. Of this amount subsidies to the extent of £1,200 have from time to time been authorised, of which £900 has been paid.

Track, Deep Creek to Bell Hill.—This is a continuation of the horse-track which was constructed about four years ago from No Town to Deep Creek. This track is now being extended towards Bell Hill; several sections of it are under construction, which are estimated to cost £800. Of this amount a subsidy has been authorised to the extent of £400, of which £176 10s. has been paid.

Road, Hatter's Terrace.—This is a dray-road up the western side of Nelson Creek from the Grey Valley Road, to avoid the crossing of the creek, which is dangerous when flooded. The cost of the work has been £800, of which amount a subsidy of £400 has been paid since the end of last financial year.

Track, Baird's Terrace to Lake Brunner.—This is a continuation of the horse-track from Maori Creek or Dunganville to Baird's Terrace. It has now been extended to Lake Brunner at a cost of £400, of which amount a subsidy has been paid to the extent of £200.

WESTLAND COUNTY.

Track, Arahura to Browning's Pass.—A horse-track has been formed from the Arahura River for a distance of twenty-five miles above the Christchurch Road crossing. The work done consists principally of clearing the bush, cutting a track on the sideling, and generally making the track passable for horse-traffic. The cost of the work has been £3,311 6s., and a subsidy has been paid on this amount of £2,207 10s. 8d.

Track, Rough Wainihinihi to Upper Dam.—This is a horse-track from the Wainihinihi Creek over the range to the Kawahaka Creek, where the upper dam of the Waimea water-supply is constructed. This track it is believed will open up some country where payable auriferous ground will be discovered. The cost of the work has been £450. Of this amount a subsidy has been paid of £300.

Track, Okarito Forks to Teal Creek.—This is a horse-track with 3ft. metalled roadway and 12ft. clearing from the main Ross-Okarito Road at the forks of the Okarito River to Teal Creek, to open up the country for prospectors, and also to enable supplies to be conveyed to miners working in this locality. The cost of this track, which is 4 miles 30 chains in length, has been £600. Of this amount £400 has been paid as subsidy.

TUAPEKA COUNTY.

Road to open up Quarry, Waitahuna.—This road was made for the purpose of conveying stones for the construction of the piers of the bridge across the Waitahuna River. The cost of the road has been £160 9s. 10d., of which amount £106 19s. 11d. has been paid as subsidy.

Road, Waipori, via Bungtown.—This is for constructing a portion of the dray-road between the valley of the Waitahuna River and Waipori, which is really a portion of the main road between Lawrence and Waipori, *via* Waitahuna. This road can be used at all seasons of the year, whereas the old road, leading direct from Lawrence to Waipori, is often impassable owing to the depth of snow during the winter months. The cost of constructing the section just completed is £566 8s. 10d. Of this amount £283 4s. 5d. has been paid as a subsidy.

MANIOTOTO COUNTY.

Track, Shepherd's Hut to Vinegar Hill.—This is a horse-track for the purpose of getting supplies conveyed to those who are mining in this locality. The cost of the work has been £100. Of this amount £66 13s. 4d. has been paid as a subsidy.

Track, Kyeburn Peninsula to Main Road.—This is a road to connect the Kyeburn Peninsula with the main road leading to Palmerston, to get supplies and material brought to the miners who are working in this neighbourhood. The cost of this road has been £82. Of this amount £41 was paid as a subsidy.

LAKE COUNTY.

Road, Left Branch, Skipper's Creek.—This is a narrow dray-road which has been constructed up the left branch of Skipper's Creek, for the purpose of getting timber conveyed from the bush on both sides of this branch to the mining-claims at Skipper's. The cost of the work has been £63 9s. 10d. Of this amount £31 14s. 11d. has been paid as subsidy.

WALLACE COUNTY.

Road, Round Hill and Orepuke.—This is a road from the railway-station at Colac Bay to the Round Hill Diggings. There was formerly a corduroyed horse-track between these places, but it became so bad that it was scarcely passable for horse-traffic. A metalled roadway has now been made, at a cost of £1,050. Of this amount £500 has been paid as subsidy.