

CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

Christchurch to Kaikouri: This section is now being overhauled; decayed poles being stumped, and crossings raised.

Christchurch to Waitaki: This section is in very fair order, but a slight overhaul will be necessary during the coming year.

Rolleston to Loop-line: The sections between Springfield and Bealey, and Bealey and Loop-line will require to be overhauled shortly. The Rolleston and Springfield section is in very good order.

Christchurch Railway to Amberley: This section is now in good order, having received an overhaul during the past year.

Kaiapoi to Oxford and View Hill: The Kaiapoi to Oxford portion of this section received a good overhaul during the year. The View Hill portion is in good order.

Christchurch to Lyttelton: It will be necessary to entirely reconstruct this section. The work will be put in hand without delay.

All other sections in this district are in good working order.

OTAGO DISTRICT.

The following new lines have been erected: Ophir to Matakanui, Abbotsford to Middlemarch, a loop from Duntroon line to Georgetown, and an additional wire from Oamaru to Kakanui.

The following reconstructions have been made: Five miles of the main south line between Green Island and Mosgiel, and seventeen miles between Palmerston and Waitaki, and the reconstruction of line between Dunedin and Oamaru is now in progress.

One and a half miles of new line erected at Beaumont on goldfields line on account of road deviations.

Numerous minor repairs have been made on different lines; decayed poles butted and renewed.

It will be necessary to renew the poles on the Riverton line this year.

Generally all the lines in this district are in good order.

The usual circuit plans will be found attached to the report.
