

## KAIHERE FERRY

The ferry service across the Piako River at Kaihere has been continuously maintained.

## PUMP-STATION

The drainage-pumping-station serving the Kerepechi Blocks operated for 223½ hours in June, July, August, September, and October.

## SURVEYS AND OFFICE WORK

Engineering surveys carried out on the Hauraki Plains during the year required 23 miles 23 chains of levels, 2 miles 75 chains of traverse lines, and the taking of 92 cross sections.

The clerical staff of the Kerepechi office is responsible for the preparation of vouchers and fortnightly payment of wages and contract-moneys, ordering and distribution of stores, and the accounts and works costs connected with drainage and land-development operations on the Hauraki Plains and Waihi Drainage Districts.

## SUMMARY

The principal works carried out during the year on the Hauraki Plains have been summarized in the following schedule:—

|                                                  | Length.<br>Miles. Ch. | Excavation.<br>Cubic Yd. |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Drains cleaned by manual labour .. ..            | 124 35                | ..                       |
| Drains cleaned by weed-cutting launch ..         | 21 19                 | ..                       |
| Drains widened and deepened by manual labour     | 7 32                  | 11,781                   |
| Canals and stop-banks improved by machines ..    | 5 0                   | 131,934                  |
|                                                  |                       | Acres.                   |
| Area of swamp harrowed or rolled with tractor .. | ..                    | 679                      |
| Area of swamp sown in grass .. ..                | ..                    | 408                      |

*Expenditure and Rates.*—Maintenance expenditure for the year amounted to £3,219, while £7,590 was expended on other works. The rates struck amounted to £3,085, and the collections, including arrears, totalled £3,290.

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## STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

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