

agriculture. Buildings and additional roading are practically completed and the block will be offered for settlement in July next.

*Goodwood* (Locality : Palmerston).—Area, 1,720 acres. Acquired, 18th July, 1946. Subdivided, four sheep-farms. Practically all the pastures require renewal, fences are in very bad condition, as are also the two small cottages. The renewal of pastures has been commenced, but little progress has been made with fencing owing to shortage of materials, and the Housing Department has not received an acceptable tender for erection of houses. An old cottage was made habitable for a Grade "A" ex-serviceman manager and his wife. Extensive water reticulation is in hand.

*Invermay* (Locality : Mosgiel).—Area, 1,262 acres. Acquired, 11th February, 1946. Subdivided, three dairy-farms and one sheep and agriculture unit. On the dairy-farms pasture renewal is well in hand. Apart from pasture renewal on the sheep-farm, the provision of necessary buildings is the main development work remaining to be done.

*Island Cliff* (Locality : Ngapara).—Area, 2,504 acres. Acquired, 24th March, 1944. Subdivided, five sheep and agriculture farms. On this block the provision of an adequate water-supply for domestic and stock purposes has offered considerable difficulty. The problem has now been solved and a scheme of reticulation is in hand. Requisite buildings are still to be erected on three of the units and on completion of these the block will be ready for settlement. Water has already been provided for one unit which will be offered for settlement shortly.

*Marghill* (Locality : Berwick).—Area, 1,178 acres. Acquired, 15th August, 1946. Single-unit sheep-farm. It is intended to retain the area for another twelve months in order to complete the development programme. A Grade "A" ex-serviceman is employed as manager.

*Mayfield* (Locality : Kaitangata).—Area, 120 acres. Acquired, 9th May, 1945. Single-unit dairy farm. Development was completed during the year and a Grade "A" ex-serviceman was settled on fixed charges.

*Moa Flat Downs* (Locality : Heriot).—Area, 15,036 acres. Acquired, 17th March, 1947. Subdivided, three sheep-farms and one farm suitable for fat-lamb production and cropping. This block has only recently been acquired and its development has only just been commenced.

*Moeraki* (Locality : Hampden).—Area, 3,451 acres. Acquired, 28th March, 1947. Subdivided, ten sheep-farms (tentative). When provided with buildings, subdivisional fencing, fairly extensive renewal of pastures, and extension of existing water-supply, will provide attractive farms.

*Moyola* (Locality : Heriot).—Area, 973 acres. Acquired, 1st May, 1946. Subdivided, two sheep-farms. Pasture renewal is well advanced, but difficulty in getting a builder to complete the building programme is holding up ballot. An ex-serviceman is employed as manager with a promise of a section.

*Papanui* (Locality : Dunedin).—Area, 1,082 acres. Development commenced, 1934. Subdivided, three sheep-farms. Development was completed and three settlers (two "A" Grade ex-servicemen and one civilian) were settled on 883 acres, and an area of some 199 acres has been retained.

*Rippleburn* (Locality : Balclutha).—Area, 733 acres. Acquired, 31st July, 1945. Subdivided, two sheep-farms. Erection of buildings and renewal of pastures are in hand, and it is anticipated that this block should be ready for settlement in July, 1949.

*Taiipo Hill* (Locality : Kakanui).—Area, 468 acres. Acquired, 1st March, 1944. Subdivided, two sheep and cropping farms. These units are well watered by a stream and a small artificial reticulation scheme which has yet to be completed. The only obstacle to immediate settlement is the lack of dwellings, &c., on one of the units. Although tenders were called for the erection of these buildings, none were received.