

*Courthouses.*

*Christchurch.*—The crier's cottage, Supreme Court, has been repainted, and some paperhanging done. General repairs to roof of Stipendiary Magistrate's Court have been made.

*Kaiapoi.*—The whole of the Courthouse, outbuildings, stable, fences, &c., have been renovated and painted.

*Oxford.*—A porch has been added to the Courthouse and some minor alterations made. Renovations and painting are in progress.

*Waimate.*—Tenders have been received for renovations, repairs, and erection of fencing. Some repairs to roof and outbuildings have been done, and a new boundary-fence erected.

*Ashburton.*—The roof of the Courthouse has been partially renewed. Two rooms have been repapered and renovated, and some other improvements done. The exterior of the building and the fence have been repainted.

*Police-stations.*

*Christchurch.*—An iron fence has been erected and a wash-house built, and clothes-presses have been provided in men's quarters.

*Phillipstown.*—A contract for new iron fence, additions to buildings, renovating, and painting has been finished.

*Rangiora.*—The house has been thoroughly overhauled, renovated, and painted.

*St. Albans.*—Some renovation and drainage work has been done by petty contract.

*Papanui.*—The building has been painted and renovated.

*Lyttelton.*—The sergeant's house has been renovated and painted.

*Coalgate.*—A petty contract for repairs and painting has been completed.

*Southbridge.*—The section has been fenced, the buildings have been painted, the stable has been roofed with iron, and the floor concreted.

*Cheviot.*—Tenders have been asked for repairs, painting, and erection of new fence. The chimneys were rebuilt after the earthquake and the roof repaired.

*Ashburton.*—The guttering and spouting of the Courthouse were renewed or repaired and a new wash-house built.

*Timaru.*—New sergeant's quarters have been erected; also a new outhouse.

*Little River.*—Tenders have been called for repairs and painting, but no offers received.

*Fairlie Creek.*—The office has been lined and papered and minor repairs done. The yard has been asphalted, fencing repaired, and the front fence painted.

*Gaols.*

*Lyttelton.*—A gang of prisoners has been engaged at Sticking Point sea-wall. Two warders' cottages are being built. One is well advanced; the site for the other is being prepared. Most of the work is being done by prison labour.

*Post and Telegraph Offices.*

*Christchurch.*—The ventilation of the telegraph operating-room has been improved and a lavatory provided. Cowls have been fixed on several of the chimneys. The slate roof has been extensively repaired. A bicycle-stand roofed with iron has been erected.

*Amberley.*—A contract for reroofing and papering lineman's cottage and supply of new tank is in progress.

*Papanui.*—A new artesian well has been sunk, windmill and high-level tank provided, and water-supply to houses laid on.

*Cheviot.*—A contract for painting and renovating the Postmaster's house is in progress. After the earthquake the chimneys were rebuilt and the house made habitable.

*Lyttelton.*—Extensive alterations and additions have been carried out and considerable improvements made. A flag-pole has been erected.

*Akaroa.*—The office has been thoroughly renovated, a shed built, and various improvements made.

*Hammer Springs.*—A new post and telegraph office has been built in wood and furnished.

*Waiau.*—The chimneys were rebuilt and the roof repaired in the post-office after the earthquakes.

*Kaikoura.*—A new residence in wood for the Postmaster has been built and the ground fenced.

*Ashburton.*—A new post and telegraph office, in brick, has been built and supplied with fittings and furniture. A bicycle-stand and horse-rail have been provided. The building was opened in November last.

*Timaru.*—The grounds have been filled in, levelled, terraced, and planted. The roadway has been graded. Pipes and stand-pipes have been provided. Some improvements have been made in the clock tower, and sundry repairs to the building, water-service, drains, and fencing done.

*Temuka.*—The building of a new post and telegraph office is nearly completed. Some drains and some fencing have yet to be done. Furniture and fittings have been provided.

*Lunatic Asylum.*

*Sunnyside.*—A new earthenware storm-water drain was laid from the Lincoln Road main entrance to the Heathcote River.

*Industrial and Training Schools.*

*Burnham.*—A new drying-room has been completed and provided with fittings, &c. Four fire hand-pumps have been provided. Some slow-combustion and laundry stoves have been provided. The teacher's cottage has been reroofed, and considerable repairs have been done during the year.