

Akaroa.—A tender for the erection of a new police-station building has been accepted, but the erection is delayed pending the settlement of a question of site.

Geraldine.—A wash-house has been built, and water-supply provided. The stable has been improved. The constable's house has been altered and repaired, and put in a better sanitary condition. All the buildings have been repainted.

Temuka.—The constable's cottage has been enlarged, repaired, and painted.

Timaru.—General repairs have been done to all the buildings in the station, and a new out-house built at the detectives' quarters.

Waimate.—Additions and repairs have been done to the constable's cottage, and the building and fence painted.

Post and Telegraph Offices.

Waiau.—Outhouses have been built, and the buildings renovated and repaired.

Rangiora.—The roof of the building has been repaired.

Papanui.—Some repairs and fencing have been done.

Christchurch.—The letter-carriers' quarters have been renovated, and the yard asphalted. A branch post-office has been fitted up and furnished in Lichfield Street.

Sydenham.—The post-office building has been repaired and painted.

New Brighton.—Some rooms have been repapered and linoleum laid.

Sumner.—Improvements have been made in the wash-house and drainage.

Lyttelton.—The exterior of the building has been painted, and some minor renovations have been done. A signalling flag-pole has been erected.

Timaru.—Some minor repairs have been done, and sanitary fittings provided.

Temuka.—The new two-storied brick post-office has been completed and furnished. A well has been sunk, and windmill and pump provided.

Geraldine.—A water-supply has been laid on from the town mains, and surface drainage provided.

Linoleum has been laid on the floor of the Customhouse at Timaru.

The contract for the erection of an auxiliary asylum at Sunnyside is nearly complete. A contract has been let for the erection of a roof over the court at the Asylum, some new tanks have been provided, and the baker's ovens rebuilt.

Education Department Buildings.

Te Oranga Home, Burwood.—The new two-story wing has been completed. A large recreation-ground has been fenced and levelled, and is being laid down in grass. Concrete footpaths have been formed, and a covered way provided between the two buildings. A cottage has been shifted and fitted up as a hospital. A well has been sunk, a windmill and pump provided, and a water-tower built. Irrigation drains have been constructed from the septic tank. Proper roadway access has been provided, and a large quantity of fencing has been done. Improvements have been made in the laundry, bath-room, and in the old building.

Christchurch Receiving Home for Girls.—Some fittings have been provided, and repairs to the water-service done.

Burnham.—General repairs to the old building have been done. Slow-combustion stoves have been provided. New iron ceilings have been fitted in one dormitory and an attendant's room. The teacher's cottage has been re-roofed, and various necessary repairs to the institute carried out. A detention-yard is being fenced, and the drainage system and water-supply are almost completed. The fire-prevention appliances have been maintained.

Deaf-mutes Institute, Sumner.—May's fire-alarm system has been fitted up in the wards. A water-supply has been provided to the old building from the town main. The contract for the erection of the new brick wing has been delayed for want of bricks, but good progress has now been made.

Native School, Kaiapoi.—A new six-room house, with kitchen, scullery, and bath-room, has been built. The school building has been repaired and painted.

Quarantine-station, Quail Island.—Sundry repairs to the building have been carried out. Three large concrete tanks are being constructed by prison labour, but work has been suspended owing to the "Gracchus" cases.

Land Board Office, Timaru.—Some minor works have been carried out. Extensive alterations and additions to the house are being carried out.

An addition in brick has been made to the Christchurch Poultry Depot.

A morgue has been built at the Hanmer Sanatorium and some repairs done.

The post-office, Government Insurance, and Maling's Building, Christchurch, and the post-offices at Lyttelton, Ashburton, Temuka, Geraldine, Timaru, and Waimate, were decorated and illuminated in honour of the coronation of His Majesty King Edward VII.

OTAGO DISTRICT.

Police-stations.

Kaitangata.—A petty contract for renovating the police-station buildings has been completed.

Kurou.—A contract for renovations has been carried out.

Invercargill.—A new brick lock-up has been built at the police-station, and a petty contract for repairs and renovations to the sergeant's quarters has been completed.

North Dunedin.—A contract for the erection of a new police-station in brick has been completed.

St. Bathans.—A contract for additions to the police-station has been completed.

Waikouaiti.—A small office has been built by contract.