## JUDICIAL.

Courthouses.—The expenditure under this head was not exceptionally heavy, the chief items being the new Courthouses at Hamilton, Tauranga, Dannevirke, and Taihape, the acquisition of sites at Te Kuiti and Lower Hutt, and substantial additions at Dargaville, Waihi, and Alexandra.

The present year's vote provides for a new building and site at Auckland, new buildings at Cambridge, Raglan, Kawhia, Te Kuiti, Tolaga Bay, Waitara, Eltham, Feilding, Masterton, Lower Hutt, Ross, Hawkesbury, Kaitangata, and Otautau, and additions at Whangarei, Palmerston North, Wellington, Christchurch, and Black's.

Gaols.—The principal expenditure under this head again took place in connection with the new prison at Auckland, smaller sums being expended at Invercargill, Lyttelton, &c.

For the current year votes are provided for further work at Auckland and Invercargill, for a new building at Gisborne, for additions at Wellington, and for warders' cottages at sundry places.

Police-stations.—The chief expenditure last year took place in connection with the new barracks at Christchurch; new stations at Helensville, Birkenhead, Avondale, Newton, Karangahake, Taumarunui, Tolaga Bay, Bingsland, Addington, and Gore; the purchase of properties at Wanganui, Masterton, Newtown, Collingwood, and Methven; and additions at Rotorua, Tauranga, Waipiro, and Wellington.

The current year's vote provides for new stations at Kaitaia, Whangarei, Eden Terrace (Auckland), Newmarket, Ellerslie, Raglan, Kihikihi, Taupo, New Plymouth, Masterton, Carterton, Petone, Newtown, Richmond, Collingwood, Blackball, Dunollie, Kumara, Cheviot, Kaiapoi, Methven, St. Andrew's, Waimate, Hampden, Ranfurly, Owaka, and Clinton; for additions at Auckland, Thames, Hastings, Waitotara, Kimbolton, Sheffield, Timaru, Dunedin, Roslyn, and Invercargill; and for quarters at Hamilton and Nelson.

## POST AND TELEGRAPH.

A very considerable amount of work was carried out for the Post and Telegraph Department during the year, the expenditure having amounted to The chief items were new offices at Parnell, Tauranga, Tuparoa, Tokomaru Bay, New Plymouth, Bull's, Rongotea, Palmerston North, Lower Hutt, Johnsonville, Nelson, Collingwood, Millerton, Winton, and Otautau; additions at Auckland, Whakatane, Napier, Waipukurau, Wakapuaka, Rangiora, Christchurch, Gore, and Invercargill; and purchase of properties at Manakau and Roslyn. The vote proposed for the current year provides for new offices at Kaitaia, Whangarei, Waipu, Matakohe, Kaipara Flats, Helensville, Birkenhead, Devonport, Mount Eden, Newmarket, Howick, Pukekohe, Huntly, Cambridge, Te Kuiti, Waihi, Port Awanui, Nuhaka, Wairoa, Aramoho, Ohakune, Taihape, Utiku, Kimbolton, Apiti, Terrace End, Foxton, Waikanae, Makuri, Featherston, Te Aro, Karamea, Greymouth, Woolston, Rakaia, Geraldine, Fairlie, Waikouaiti, Roslyn, Green Island, Balclutha, and Wyndham; additions at Auckland, Rotorua, Manakau, Weraroa, Blenheim, North Dunedin, Dunedin, and Bluff; new quarters at Te Awamutu, Whitianga, Waipiro Bay, Martinborough, Havelock, Arrowtown, and Clinton; a new site at Karori; and for completing the wharf for the cable-repairing steamer at Auckland; and also for making a beginning with the new Post-office at Auckland and with the additions to the General Post Office, Wellington.

## MENTAL HOSPITALS.

The principal outlay during the year was not so much upon additions to accommodation as towards bringing the various requirements up to date. At Christchurch and Wellington the laundries have been extended and new plant installed. A dispensary and laboratory have been erected at Waitati, a store and bakehouse at Auckland, and additions made to the farm buildings at Seacliff and