

Since the Act came into force the Government have saved the sum of £20,389 1s. 5d. in the form of retiring-allowances which would no doubt have been paid had it not existed.

Recommendations for necessary amendments to the Police Provident Fund Act have been submitted for consideration of the Government.

STATIONS, ETC.

During the year the following works have been completed :—

New Buildings.

Addington	Cells.	Petone	Station.
Carterton	Station.	Raglan	"
Cheviot	"	Ranfurly	"
Clinton	"	Richmond	"
Kaiapoi	"	Seddon	Cells.
Newmarket	"	Waikari	"
Newtown	Training depot and station.		

New Buildings in course of erection.

Hamilton	Quarters.	Otira	Lock-up.
Dunollie	Station.	Rakaia	Station.
Kaikohe	"	Takaka	"
Kaitaia	"	Thames	Offices.
New Plymouth	"		

Additions, Improvements, &c.

Aramoho	Renovations.	Nelson	Renovations
Auckland	Additions	Palmerston North	"
Blenheim	Renovations.	Port Awanui	"
Cambridge	"	Rangiora	"
Denniston	"	Seddonville	"
Ellerslie	"	Sheffield	Additions.
Epsom	Lock-up and out-buildings.	St. Andrew's	Fencing, &c.
Greymouth	Renovations.	Stratford	Renovations.
Hamilton	"	Taihape	Office.
Hastings	"	Tolaga Bay	Clearing reserve.
Lyttelton	"	Waimate	Renovations.
Mosgiel	"	Wanganui	"
		Whangarei	Additions

Additional Improvements, &c., in Hand.

Havelock	Drainage.	Warkworth	Improvements.
Wairoa	Stable, &c.		

Properties Acquired.

Blackball	Site.	South Invercargill	Site.
Granity	Station.	Sydenham	"
Lincoln	Site.	Thames	Additional land.
Morrinsville	Station.	Upper Riccarton	Site.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Police Instruction Classes.

The weekly police instruction classes are still continued, and prove beneficial in raising the standard of education and efficiency of the men.

The third annual examination, which consisted of a selection of subjects from the Police Acts, was held in January last. Twenty-five members offered themselves for examination: 17 passed and 8 failed. On the whole, the examinations showed that the members examined possessed a considerable knowledge of the subjects referred to.

Photographs of Discharged Prisoners.

Arrangements have now been made for the monthly insertion in *Police Gazette* of the photographs of discharged prisoners, together with those of notorious criminals in the Australian States and elsewhere who may either be wanted on some charge or may visit the Dominion. The finger-print classification and reference to the description, &c., of the criminals are affixed thereto, so that at every police-station in the Dominion these photographs are now filed, and are available at all times to every member of the service, besides being transmitted to other Police Forces. This arrangement has thus far proved highly satisfactory in the tracing and identifying of criminals, both in the Dominion and elsewhere.

First Aid to the Injured.

During the year ended March, 1909, 76 probationers presented themselves, at the conclusion of their course of training at the depot, for examination in "first aid to the injured," the examinations being held under the auspices of the St. John Ambulance Association.

Of the 76 men who sat, all passed.