STATIONS, ETC.

During the year the following works have been carried out:

New Buildings erected.

Houhora (lock-up).

· Te Kuiti.

Murchison.

Waipu. Maungaturoto. Taumarunui. Hastings (Sergeant's residence). Wakefield.

Christchurch (lock-up and storeroom).

Onehunga (lock-up). Otorohanga.

Islington. Temuka.

New Buildings in course of Erection.

Warkworth. Huntly.

Gisborne. Cobden.

Ashburton. Mataura.

Properties purchased.

Howick.

Northcote (site).

Mohaka.

Kingsland.

Shortland.

Kilbirnie.

Additions, improvements, &c., were also effected at the following stations: Dargaville, Eden Terrace, Newmarket, Epsom, Pukekohe, Hamilton, Waihi, Katikati, Taupo, Tauranga, Christchurch, Little River, Timaru, Alexandra, Clyde, Milton, Waitahuna, and Waikaia.

GROWTH OF DEPARTMENT.

The following return shows the growth of the Department, the continued increase of the population, and the total number of offences (irrespective of by-law offences) reported, and in which arrests or summonses resulted, each year since 1877, prior to which date each province in the Dominion had its own Police Force, and reliable data are not available:-

Year.	Officers.	Non-commissioned Officers.	Detectives.	Constables.	Total.	Police to Population.	Cost per Inhabit- ant.	Population.	Offences reported.	Offences where Arrests or Sum- monses re- sulted.	Arrests for Drunkenness (included in "Offences reported").
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In addition to the strength of the Force as shown above, there were 16 district constables, 8 Native constables, 4 police surgeons (one in each city), and 4 matrons (one in each city).