

1920.
NEW ZEALAND.

FIRE BRIGADES OF THE DOMINION

(REPORT ON THE) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1920, BY THE INSPECTOR
OF FIRE BRIGADES.

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

THE INSPECTOR OF FIRE BRIGADES to the Hon. the MINISTER OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS.

SIR,—

Office of Inspector of Fire Brigades, Wellington, 22nd October, 1920.

Herewith I have the honour to lay before you my twelfth annual report, for the year ending 30th June, 1920, relative to the working of the Fire Brigades Act, and including matter in connection therewith.

During the year four new fire districts have been constituted—viz., Te Aroha (5th March, 1920), Napier (29th March, 1920), Taumarunui (1st April, 1920), Kaitangata (1st June, 1920). Following is a list of the thirty-five fire districts now constituted:—

Auckland	Hamilton	Napier	Tauranga
Balclutha	Hastings	New Plymouth	Te Aroha
Christchurch	Hawera	Oamaru	Timaru
Dannevirke	Hokitika	Ohakune	Waihi
Dargaville	Kaitangata	Palmerston North	Waitara
Dunedin	Lawrence	Petone	Wanganui
Feilding	Levin	Port Chalmers	Whangarei
Gisborne	Masterton	Rotorua	Woolston.
Greymouth	Milton	Taumarunui	

I have officially inspected the brigades, with their stations and equipment, working under the control of Fire Boards, as follows:—

Auckland—10th and 16th April, 1920.	Masterton—31st May, 1920.
Balclutha—22nd January, 1920.	Milton—21st January, 1920.
Christchurch—22nd March, 1920.	New Plymouth—23rd October, 1919.
Dannevirke—17th May, 1920.	Oamaru—20th January, 1920.
Dargaville—11th April, 1920.	Ohakune—4th November, 1919.
Dunedin—26th and 27th January, 1920.	Palmerston North—19th May, 1920.
Feilding—20th May, 1920.	Petone—17th June, 1920.
Gisborne—19th February, 1920.	Port Chalmers—27th January, 1920.
Greymouth—16th March, 1920.	Rotorua—9th December, 1919.
Hamilton—19th April, 1920.	Tauranga—15th December, 1919.
Hastings—18th May, 1920.	Timaru—23rd March, 1920.
Hawera—21st October, 1919.	Waihi—17th December, 1919.
Hokitika—17th March, 1920.	Waitara—22nd October, 1919.
Lawrence—23rd January, 1920.	Wanganui—20th October, 1919.
Levin—11th September, 1919, and 8th June, 1920.	Whangarei—13th April, 1920.
	Woolston—19th March, 1920.

Also, special visits were paid as follows:—

Waipukurau—13th October, 1919: Report upon fire protection at the Pukeora Sanatorium.

Poxton—11th November, 1919: Report to Borough Council upon fire protection of the town.

Trentham Camp—15th January, 1920: Inspection of the camp and its equipment.

Somes Island—10th February, 1920: Inspection and report upon quarantine-station, &c.

Featherston Camp—4th March, 1920: Inspection of the camp and its equipment.

Christchurch (Cashmere Hills Sanatorium)—20th March, 1920: Inspection and report.