

## Major GORDON, Probation Officer for Women, Auckland.

I am pleased to submit my annual report as Probation Officer for women.

The total number of cases dealt with was 63, and the total moneys collected for prosecution and restitution were £28 0s. 6d. Of the cases dealt with, 3 were transferred, 2 failed to comply with the conditions of their probation, 1 was brought before the Court, 1 left the district without permission and got into trouble, being arrested and sent to prison, and 5 were out on probation from prison and have done well, not coming before the Court again. I found no difficulty in placing either women or girls in employment.

I find the Probation Act a splendid thing for helping women and girls. On the whole they appreciate the counsel and help given. Three have married very happily and comfortably. It is the personal touch which counts most in this work.

I must express my thanks to Magistrates, Court officials, and the Police for their extreme kindness and help in this work.

## Adjutant V. D. WOOD, Probation Officer for Women, Christchurch.

Total number of probationers dealt with, 29; total costs of prosecution and restitution-money collected, £22 18s.

The money collected from probationers means a good deal of personal effort and privation in many cases, and therefore speaks well of their desire to do better.

The results of the year are very gratifying, very few probationers having failed to respond to the advice, discipline, or other measures adopted for their advance and welfare.

## Miss A. J. SIMPSON, Probation Officer for Women, Wellington.

I beg to submit my seventh annual report as Probation Officer for the City of Wellington and district for the year ended 31st March, 1935.

## Offenders Probation Act—

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| Probationers reporting on 31st March, 1934 .. .. . | 27   |
| Admitted to probation during the year .. .. .      | 34   |
| Received on transfer from other districts .. .. .  | 5    |
|                                                    | — 66 |

## Crimes Amendment Act and Prevention of Crimes Act—

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|----------------------------------------------|---|
| Received on parole from institutions .. .. . | 2 |
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Total number dealt with .. .. . 68

## Probation Register—

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|---------------------------------------|------|
| Completed probation .. .. .           | 22   |
| Transferred to other district .. .. . | 9    |
| Reconvicted .. .. .                   | 1    |
| To mental hospital .. .. .            | 1    |
| Deceased .. .. .                      | 1    |
| Left the Dominion .. .. .             | 1    |
| Gazetted .. .. .                      | 1    |
|                                       | — 36 |

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Owing to the small wages paid at the present time, it is very difficult to collect restitution. There is a married woman who has been on the register since 1931, and, as her husband is a relief worker, it seems hopeless to expect her to pay the restitution owing, which amounts to £17.

My thanks are due to the Magistrates' Court staff and the Police for their courtesy.

## Mr. H. N. RICHARDSON, Probation Officer, Gisborne.

I beg to submit my annual report as Probation Officer for the year ending 31st December, 1934.

Received during the year under the Offenders Probation Act, 25 males and 3 females, and under the Crimes Amendment Act, 3 males. Total costs of prosecution and restitution-moneys collected during the year amounted to £42 15s. 2d. Three probationers were dealt with under section 13, Offenders Probation Act.

Employment is still hard to find, but through the kindness of the Probation Committee and Y.M.C.A. I have been able to place several young men on stations.

## Mr. H. ROBINSON, Probation Officer, Greymouth.

I respectfully present hereon the annual report on the working of the probation system under the Offenders Probation Act and the Crimes Amendment Act for the year ended 31st December, 1934.

Offenders Probation Act: Total dealt with 7; total costs of prosecution and restitution-moneys collected, £8 3s.

I am pleased to state that all probationers have found employment in this district, the majority being on the gold subsidy. The conduct of probationers has been satisfactory.

Crimes Amendment Act: The number dealt with was 3. The conduct of these probationers was good, with the exception of 1.