Examination for Foremen and Overseers of Road-construction.

The twelfth examination for Foremen and Overseers of Road-construction was held on the 2nd November, 1937. In all, fifty-one candidates presented themselves for examination, forty-four papers on general road construction and maintenance and twenty-two papers on tar, bituminous, and concrete road construction being returned. In paper No. 1 sixteen candidates were successful, while eight candidates passed paper No. 2. Two candidates passed the full examination, and a further six, who had previously secured a partial pass, completed the examination. Fourteen candidates who succeeded in one paper only were credited with a partial pass.

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All candidates save one who passed or completed the examination have been awarded a certificate of competency, the recipients being W. G. Anderson, S. H. Bird, W. F. Harper, R. O. Kirk, J. A. Marris, J. Stevens-Jordan, and R. M. Walsh. The issuing of a certificate to one candidate has been held over until such time as he has gained further practical experience of tar, bituminous, and concrete road

construction.

Declarations, Revocations, and Adjustments of Main Highways.

In accordance with the provisions of section 11 of the Main Highways Act, 1922, the usual annual

review of main highways was made during the year.

Recommendations were received from District Highways Councils for the declaration of 590 miles of roads as additional main highways and for the revocation of 24 miles of existing main highways. Owing, however, to the heavy commitments against highway funds arising from the immediate requirements of the present main highways system the Board was not in a position to recommend any general extension.

In certain cases, however, in order to meet special circumstances and to give effect to desirable

adjustments, a number of alterations were adopted.

The following list shows the lengths of main highways declared during the year ended 31st March, 1938, including formal adjustments:—

		Main	Highways	declared.						
No. 1	Highway District—		0 0				Mi	les.	Chains	в.
I	Lake Omapere – Maungaturoto	via V	Vhangarei					0	51	
I	Dargaville-Tikinui		• • •					1	28	
	Hokianga Road			••				1	12	
	Highway District—									
	Auckland-Maungaturoto	• •						0	35	
	Bryant Home			• • •				3	70	
. 1	Huntly-Rotowaro			• •				6	77	
	Horotiu – Whatawhata – Te R	ore						0	42	
1	Mangere Bridge – Papatoetoe		• • •					0	18	
	Pipiroa-Coromandel			• •				0	12	
	Coromandel – Mercury Bay			• •				0	4	
	Highway District—									
	Wainui					• •		1	16	
	Highway District—									
	Opotiki – Te Araroa		•					13	12	
ľ	Manutuke-Wairoa via Mangap	oike V	allev					1	60	
No. 5	Highway District—		y .							
(Gisborne-Wairoa via Hangaro	а						0	26	
	Highway District—									
	Bruce							2	40	
	Highway District—									
	Paraparaumu Beach							0	16	
	Foxton Beach							2	58	
	OT (TT 11							$\overline{4}$	52	
	Wellington–Auckland via Tara							0	$\frac{23}{23}$	
	0 Highway District—			• • •		• •	• •	Ŭ		
	Lake Ferry							0	20	
	1 Highway District—	• •	•			•	• • •	v		
	Picton-Blenheim							0	5	
	Collingwood-Bainham					• •	• • •	ŏ	27	
	Richmond-Collingwood			• • •	• •	• •	• • •	ŏ	53	
	2 Highway District—	• •	• •	••	• • .	• •	•••	Ü	00	
	Ross Railway-station							0	62	
	Inangahua Junction – Weheka		• •	••	••	• •	• •	ŏ	43	
	4 Highway District—	•	• •	• •	••	• •	• •	U	10	
110. 1	Cashmere – Ferry Bridge via I	Teathc	ote					1	36	
No 1	5 Highway District—	10000110		••	••	••	• •	1	00	
	Temuka – Pleasant Point				`			0	73	
No 1	16 Highway District—	• •	• •	••	• •	• •	• •	V	10	
10. 1	Alexandra-Clyde							6	0	
	Wedderburn–Omakau via Ida	Valley	,	• •	• •	• •	• •	23	33	
	Ida Valley Railway-station	•	• • •	••••	• •	• •	• •	0	67	
	Dunedin – Port Chalmers	. · ·	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	0	60	
J	Duneum - I of Chaimers	• •	• •	• •	••	• •	••	U	00	