

PUBLIC WORKS STATEMENT.

GRANTS FOR SOUTHLAND.

WELLINGTON, October 22.

Waiau Extension. — Construction which was suspended in 1915 owing to war conditions, was resumed in October 1919. Owing to the scarcity of labour it was concentrated mostly on the completion of culverts to enable formation to be made on vigorously when additional men becomes available. Fifteen men are now employed on the work.

It is in course of preparation, and will be brought before the House, for provision for the Government taking over the control and maintenance of the main roads. With the aid of this legislation it is hoped to improve and maintain the main roads of the Dominion in accordance with the standard demanded by modern transport requirements. Should proposals be carried out, I hope to be able to employ the most up-to-date method in connection with roadmaking and maintenance. The work will be carried out on a large scale in accordance with a definite programme and under the control of a well-organised staff.

The construction of the Invercargill range necessitates the reclamation of out 270 acres. The material for filling is being obtained and conveyed to the site by tram, and latterly a dredge has also been employed to assist in this work. An additional 140 acres have been purchased as a danger-zone. It is anticipated that the whole undertaking will be completed during the present financial year, and a grant is being provided on the Estimates for its purpose. Prison labour is being used on the work.

THE ESTIMATES.

	Vote.	Spent.
	1920-21.	1919-20
	£	£
Vinton-Heddon Bush railway	8000	—
Irepuki-Waiau extension railway	5000	1445
Lawrence-Roxburgh	8000	—
Invercargill Estuary Farm	1500	—
Invercargill Prison—		
Land and buildings	450	4176
Warders' cottages	7000	—
Workshops, swimming baths	1000	—
Invercargill Police-Sergt's residence	1000	—
Invercargill-Gladstone Police Station	850	—
Invercargill North Police Station	700	—
Irepuki Police Station	700	—
Tokonui Police Station	775	—
Tuatapere Police Station	1000	—
Waikiwi (offices and lock-up)	250	—
Winton Police Station	1000	—
Invercargill Post Office (parcels)	3000	—
Invercargill P.O. (raising tower)	720	—
Lumsden Post and Telegraph	2200	—
Nightcaps Post and Telegraph	2250	—
Orepuki Post and Telegraph	1000	—
Lumsden Agricultural Inspector's residence sit	50	—
St. Helen's, Invercargill	100	—
Stewart Island, Halfmoon Bay, boat slip	100	—
Mossburn-Te Anau, road and bridges	250	—
Riverton, subsidy "The Rocks" road	100	—
Te Anau, jetties, etc.	150	—
Te Anau-Milford Track	400	—
Waikiwi River Board (subsidy for widening Waikiwi)	1000	—
Grants for bridges, roads, and maintenance for Invercargill road district, total	79526	22655
Roads and goldfields, Southland district	924	50
Roads to open up land, Invercargill district	15592	2327
Votes for Roads.		
	Vote.	Spent.
	1920-21	1919-20
	£	£
Anderson's road, Kaunara	75	—
Barkly road (£ for £)	100	—
Benio School road (£ for £)	100	—
Black road, Otatara (£ for £)	50	—
Blondill road	100	—
Broadbent's road	300	20

Brown's to settlers' reserve	165	136
Caulfield road (£ for £)	250	—
Cemetery road, Forrest Hill	200	—
Collinson road (Grove Bush)	200	—
Cross road Titipua	300	100
Dairy Factory road, Hedgehope	50	—
Davidson's road, Titipua	100	100
Devereaux road	100	—
Dry Ridge road	97	—
Duck Creek road	200	—
Dunn road, Otatara	100	—
Forest Hill Hundred	100	—
Glenare to Josephville	350	—
Gorge Road—Waituna	300	—
Gore Protective works	15000	4917
Invercargill block 24 (access to section 23)	100	—
Kelly road	200	—
Lamont Settlement road	200	—
Lochiel to Wilson's Crossing	100	—
Lumsden to Balfour	150	—
Lumsden to Kingston	150	—
Maitland School road	100	—
Mataura River bridge (Pyramid)	500	—
McIntosh road, Glencoe	100	—
McKenzie road, Lochiel	100	—
McKenzie road, Waikaua	100	—
Mill Road, (south)	100	—
Mokoreta School to Church road	100	—
Nally road, Waimahaka	200	—
Old Oteramika road	150	—
Pope road, Croydon Bush	200	—
Pullar road (Grove Bush)	200	—
Pomona road (£ for £)	100	—
Ryal Bush to Grove Bush	300	—
Sandstone to Kingston Crossing	150	—
Thomson's Crossing, east road	200	—
Tramway road, Mabel	100	—
Turnbull road	100	—
Wadsworth's to Lora road	150	—
Waikawa foreshore road	300	—
Watt road, Longbush	75	—
Watt road, Otatara	50	—
Wilson and Tanner road	100	—
Young's road	50	—
Golden Bay to Thule	100	—
Birchwood road	100	—
Broomhall's road	1900	600

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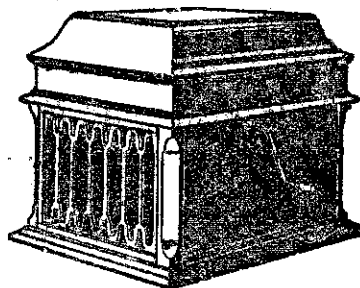
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