

length would be about fifty-five miles. It crosses little or no land inviting for small settlers, but there is much that would probably sell in 500 to 1,000-acre blocks. The Waihau Block, 13,800 acres, about half-way between the extremities, should be opened first. It contains good timber and a site or sites for mills. A vote has already been taken for the work, but, Cook County and Wairoa County having failed to contribute, it was not expended.

TABANAKI.

34. *Roads behind Waimate Plains, and Cross Roads, Parihaka.*—The forest lands behind the Waimate Plains are very good, and fetch high prices. The construction of roads through them would promote the sale and settlement of 90,000 acres.

35. *Roads East of Stratford, and Mountain Road.*—A vote for this group of roads was given in 1879–80, but £2,000 lapsed. A very large area of good bush land would be rendered accessible by the proposed expenditure.

HAWKE'S BAY.

36. *Road.*—To open the Puketitiri Block of 11,000 acres, thirty miles distant from Napier; 3,000 bush, 8,000 pastoral.

37. To open Rotokakainga Block, on the Mohaka River; area, 16,500 acres.

38. *Extension of Roads in Seventy-Mile Bush.*—To open Puketoi Block, and other forest lands in Tahoraite, Ngamoko, and Ahuaturanga.

39. *Tutane Bush.*—To open 59,000 acres, known as Quarantine Reserve.

WELLINGTON.

40. *Roads.*—To open Pahiatua and Mangaone Blocks in Seventy-Mile Bush, near Manawatu Ferry, and Crown lands adjacent to Mauriceville. £7,600 has already been spent on these roads, through the County Council of Wairarapa West, and has opened one-fourth of the Crown lands. The blocks are surveyed, but, for want of access, not half has been offered for sale; area, 60,000 acres.

41. *Repairs to Fitzherbert Bridge, Palmerston.*

42. *Roads through Fitzherbert Block.*—7,000 acres surveyed.

43. *Roads.*—To open Block XIII., Akatarawa, and the adjacent Crown lands between the Hutt and Porirua. Money has already been spent on these roads, through the Hutt County Council. The lands will probably sell well, although broken. The area to be improved includes about 5,000 acres of Crown lands, which the road will connect with the railway.

44. *Roads.*—Through the Kukutauaki Block, opening 5,000 acres near Otaki, along the new line of inland road selected by the County Council.

45. *Continuation of Kimbolton Road.*—Through Otamakapua Block, Manawatu County. The works will consist of felling 1 chain wide, and clearing 16 feet wide.

46. *Roads.*—To open Crown lands on the Pohangina River, between it and the Ruahine Mountains. The lands adjoin the reserve for the endowment of the Wanganui Harbour Board, now being improved by opening road-lines at the expense of that body.

47. *Roads.*—To open the Momahaki Block, of 7,000 acres of excellent land, mostly bush, already surveyed in sections, but cut off from the main road and railway-line by the deep valley of the Momahaki Stream. The sales were interrupted two years ago by threats of Natives, but the land would now find purchasers.

48. *Roads.*—To open the Tokomaru Block, inland of Wanganui and Kai Iwi, which contains 18,000 acres, and touches the River Wanganui about twelve miles above the town. The land is of good quality, though broken, and we are assured, on good local authority, 4,000 or 5,000 acres would be at once taken up were it rendered accessible. Surveys are begun.

49. *Wanganui to Murimotu.*—To give access to interior.

50. *Marton, inland.*—To give access to interior.

51. *Mungaroa to Waikanae.*—To open connection between Upper Hutt and coast.