No. 8—continued.—RETURN of FIELD-work executed by Staff and Contract Surveyors from 1st July, 1886, to 30th June, 1887.

					PROVINCIAL DISTRICT	OF WESTLAND.				
	Major Triangulation.	Minor Triangulation.	Topographical and Trigonometrical Survey.	Rurel and Suburbau.	Town Section Survey.	Native Land Court Survey.	Gold-mining Survey.	Roads, Railways, and Other V Water-races.	Surveyor and Party	Remarks.
Surveyor and District.	Acres. 25 Total Cost.	Acres. 150 Total Cost.	Acres. 200 Total Cost.	Acres. V Survey Control Cost.	No. of Al- lotmouts. Cost per Allotment.	Acres. Vo of Seeds. Acres. Vo of Seeds. Acres. Acres. Acres.	Acres. Cost per Cost per Acre. Acre.	Cost per Milo. Total Cost. Cos	from 1st July, 1886, to 30th June, 1887.	Remarks.
W. G. Murray. Jackson's Bay circuit, Tekinga, Turiwhate, Otira, Totara,	d0 s. d. 127,791 0.75 399 5 0	d. £ s. d	l. 0 96,640 0.34 £ s. d. 137 5 11	210 5 2/1·75 £ s. d. 22 18 0	£ s. d. £ s. d.	s. £ s. d	. s. £ s. d. 270 9 8/9½ 118 11 6	£ s. d. £ s. d. £	s. d. £ s. d. 0 0 1,091 13 1	Bush country, within an expensive goldfields district. One cadet of two years' service assisting.
Hohonu J. N. Smyth. Waimea, Mahinapua, Kanieri, Totara G. J. Roberts. Jackson's Bay circuit, Mahinapua, Kanieri	1 '		91,560 0-36 *140 17 5	780 115 5/3·9 †207 15 6 1 1 70/ 3 10 0			86 5 11/91 0 14 0	12 4 7 4 52 8 0 175		All in an expensive goldfields district. Country heavily timbered.
Contract Surveyor. E. J. Lord. Arnold		207,666 0-8 745 9	0,100,000,040, 970, 2, 4	\$115 26 5/7·8 32 10 0 1,100 147 4/9·7 266 13 6	909 1401 1 9.8 152 14 6		356 14 9/6·1 169 5 6			
Means and totals	127,791 1 549 10 6	5,207,000.0.8 ; 740 9	0.100,20010 40 210 2 41	* Inclusive of Clarke a	and Landsborough reconnaissance sur nging from half an acre to twelve acr rd surveys of Town of Mapourika, ar sections within Grey Coal Reserve.	veys by Chief Surveyor.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	s, mining surveys, &c	200 12 9]
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J. S. Welch. Akaroa James Hay. Akaroa and Selwyn			31,297 3·1 404 1 4	823 20 3/11 162 10 6 *2,383 96 3/1 366 6 6 521 11 2/03 53 17 5		2,196 55 2/1 230 12	1	7		High hills, and intricate bush to traverse.
T. N. Brodrick. Ashley and Selwyn			81,552 1.04 326 14 0	*1,195 34 2/2 130 8 8 1,775 44 1/31 116 3 9 2 2 3/93 5 3 8		315 45 8/11 127 16	6	17 8 10 0 144 10 0 38	0 0 721 19 8	Halswell River. The Native Land Court surveys at Kaiapoi were very costly, owing to time lost in finding original marks. Seventeen miles road survey and river traverse. Sectional surveys included the survey of several blocks into 12.
L. O. Mathias. Ashburton				$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	372 139 1 9 0 201 15 (269 18 6/ 80 18	2	4 2 7 6 9 10 0 37 13 4 18 4 8 12 0 40		5 Sectional surveys included the survey of several blocks into 12- acre and 50-acre lots for village-homestead special settlements. 6 A great deal of this officer's work was subdivision of land for village-homestead special settlements in small areas. Through
Geraldine, Mackenzie, Waimate Christchurch Office. Akaroa, Selwyn,				*461' 4 /8 ³ / ₄ 16 16 2 554 25 /3 6 18 6					. j	loss of time by bad weather the Native survey at Taumutu proved very costly.
Ashley, Geraldine Means and totals		 	112,849 1:55 730 15 4	17,554 500 1/8 1,480 5 9	372 139 1 9 0 201 15 (2,780 1183/19 439 6	9 ,	2247 2 11.3 162 12 0 273	19 4 3,359 9 5	3
Subdivision of education reserves										
John Strauchon. Glenomaru, Catlin's Scuth Molyneux, Otara, Waikawa Mokoreta		15,454 1.5 96 11	9	4,855 42 3/23 786 4 5						2 Mostly bush. District very wet, consequently very expensive to work. Surveys scattered over a wide area. In triangulation there were some very expensive bush-stations, and intervening ridges to clear. The South Molyneux Block was very expensive, being all bush, a revision of an old New Zealand Company's survey done forty years ago. Cadet over one year assisting.
D. Barron. Naseby, Maniototo, Gim- merburn, St. Bathans, Lauder, Kye- burn, Manorside, Mount Buster Strath-Taieri, Nenthorn, Silverpeak				17,617 57 /9½ 700 0 0			217 11 10/71 115 0 10	2.5 4 1 6 8 3 0 175	17 2 997 6 (Open country within a goldfield, spread over a large district. Cadet over one year assisting.
Tiger Hill J. Langmuir. Rankleburn, Fraser, Wai kaia, Tuapeka East, Cairnhill, Benger Teviot, Beaumont, Leaning Rock Town of Clyde	. l i	i		2,405 49 2/9½ 336 4 (*625 14 /10¾ 28 8 (4	846 26 5/03 214 11 4	2.7 9 0 5 24 7 3 111	!	O Large amount of work in dense bush; sections small. Mining surveys entailed considerable travelling. Within a goldfield. No cadet.
E. H. Wilmot. Cardrona, Shotover Skipper's Creek, Wakefield, Lower Wanaka, Lower Hawea, Cromwell Nokomai, Glenorchy, Woodland		7,370 5.4 167 0	c	3,550 25 2/93 482 11 5			436 2314/2 308 17 6	5 17 18 0 8 19 0 65	4 6 910 0 8	8 Queenstown District very rough, and chiefly spotting surveys. Country at Woodland and Glenomaru all bush and very wet. Cadet one year assisting.
Glenomaru D. M. Calder. Kurow, Domett, Waika wa, Mokoreta				4,539 51 2/78 598 3 8	5 56 41 1 0 8 43 10 ()			İ	Kurow and Domett Districts; open country. Waikawa and Mokoreta wholly bush and expensive owing to prevalent wet weather.
W. D. R. McCurdie. Dunedin, East Taieri, Glenomaru		99 994 9.77 963 11		$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	82 431 3 2 49 15		1,499 60 8/6 638 9 8	2·5 19 14 0 49 5 3 45 13·7 8 16 9 121 2 3 456	; 	5 Dense bush, broken country, and much rain.
Means and totals Contract. George Mackenzie. Hawksbury		22,824 2.77 263 11	9	55,551 251 1/0% 5,145 4 4	82 431 3 2 49 15 4		1,499 60 8/0 638 9 8	43 9 8 1 40 8 8 7	1	† 3 Partly bush.
Fees. George Mackenzie. Pomahaka, Catlin's				153 3 5/10½ 45 0 €						Bush country.
Glenomaru John Cumine. Akatore N. Prentice. Otago Peninsula				5 1 27/7 6 18 (3 1 27/3 4 3 (. 6 18 (4 3 (Open country.
Means and totals		22,824 2.77 263 11	9	35,752 256 1/9½ 3,205 5 10	82 43 1 3 1.7 49 15		1,499 60 8/63 638 9 8	18 8 19 6 161 10 11 463	15 5 4,654 17	6

* Resubdivision.