

Birkenhead:—G. and E. Ohms, £547; R. Shepherd, £590; M. R. Souster, £621; G. H. Edwards, £668; F. Robertson, £697; J. Giles, £705. The church is to be erected in wood, the size of the main building being 45ft. x 25ft., with a classroom, a kitchen, and an entrance porch in addition.

Mr. W. A. Cumming, Architect has received the following tenders for a three storey building to be erected for Messrs. Sanford Ltd. at the corner of Customs Street and Little Albert Street:—J. Webster, £4,664; J. J. Holland, £4,854; J. T. Julian & Son, £5,257; F. Nelson, £5,367; S. I. Clarke & Son, £5,437; G. Baildon, £5,546; J. E. Guthrie, £5,550; E. Morris, £5,883; J. Burfoot, £5,900; G. Garner, £6,058; G. H. Edwards, £6,814. The lowest tender that of Mr. Webster, was accepted.

The structure will be built of brick and ferro-concrete. Provision has been made for a large basement. The ground floor will contain a fish mart, store, and three commodious shops, which will face Customs Street. The two upper floors will be divided into offices. The floors are to be of ferro-concrete, while the partition walls will be of brick. The site has a frontage of 60ft. to Customs Street and 40ft. to Little Albert Street. The two fronts of the building are designed in red brick, with cement dressings. Electric light and gas are to be installed throughout the building.

The Hobson Street Baths are nearing completion, and the Mayor hopes to open them this month. The cost of them is £10,000.

The Works Committee of the City Council have selected a site for a new temporary fish market.

CHRISTCHURCH

Building permits granted for July, are as follows:—

Central Ward (Inner) four permits value £11,250, (Outer) six permits value £3,645; Linwood ten permits value £3,180; St. Albans twenty-two permits value £10,188; Sydenham seven permits value £3,275, making a total of forty-nine permits value of £31,538.

Messrs. Clarkson & Ballantyne, Mr. B. J. Ager, and Mr. J. S. Guthrie architects of Christchurch sent in drawings for a proposed new Masonic Hall to be erected in Gloucester Street. At a meeting recently held it was decided to proceed with the work, and not allow the war to interfere with the arrangements. The directors it appears awarded prizes themselves, placing the firms in the order above named.

Presumably Messrs. Clarkson & Ballantyne are commissioned to proceed with the work.

DUNEDIN

The foundation stone was laid last month of a new Drill Hall on a portion of the Southern Recreation Ground in Bridgman Street, Kensington, by Col. E. R. Smith, V.D. to designs supplied by Architects Mason & Wales. The plans having been approved tenders were, in July, 1913, authorised to be called for, but those for the building (as

designed) being deemed excessive, modifications were made and fresh tenders called for—that of Messrs. Armstrong and Moore being accepted on June 8, 1914. The site comprised one acre two poles, and was all occupied by the building with the exception of a strip of two or three feet at either end and at the back, required for the spread of the foundations. The main drill hall, which would have a clay floor, was 259ft. 3in. x 115ft. from wall to wall, and it was, therefore, nearly five times the size of the present one. In addition to the drill hall provision was made for a miniature rifle range, lecture room, band practice room, officers and non-commissioned officers clubs quarters, storage of transport and machine guns, caretaker's quarters, etc. The new building will also provide accommodation for the group office, headquarters of the Mounted Rifles, Infantry and Field Artillery Brigades and the Coast Defence troops, whilst storage and office accommodation for headquarters of units, companies, and cadet companies was arranged for, and the Engineers and Medical and Army Service Corps have their wants provided. The architects were Messrs. Mason and Wales, who have had no light task in fitting in all the requirements of the military authorities. The contractors had undertaken to complete their contract in 14 months from June 12. The present contract, however, would not complete the building, certain non-essential parts of the interior would be left unfinished to be completed later. The contract price for the work now in hand was £13,884 7s. 6d.

GORE

The tender of Mr. Owen Kelly, Gore, £2,150, has been accepted for the erection of a post office at Mataura. The other tenders were:—Messrs. Lister & Philpot, Invercargill, £2,300; Mr. John Walker, Invercargill, £2,300; Mr. Thomas

To Manufacturers and Others

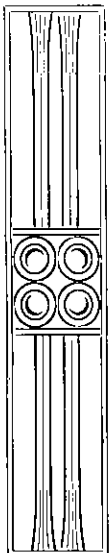
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