

Riccarton Bush and the Papanui Bush. Riccarton Bush was preserved by its owners, Messrs. Deans Bros. from the first, but Papanui Bush, which was much smaller, was largely used for the settlers' needs in firewood and cut timber.

I can remember seeing a Saw Pit there with the men working in it. The exact site of the Papanui Bush is about the apex formed by the Harewood Road and the North Road.

STREETS:

No streets were formed - such traffic as there was, was carried on over the tussocks. Among my earliest recollections was the formation of Cashel Street.

A Gully (one of several included in the town site) ran from near St. Michael's Church to near the Bank of N.Z. and crossed Cashel Street at its intersection with Colombo Street. This Gully was a serious obstacle and the residents, without calling for Government or other assistance, turned out and filled in the Gully themselves.

I was very young at the time, but I turned out too, and worked until some man took my spade away and said I was only digging holes and not furthering the work. I cannot remember any metal on any of the streets at that time, but High Street was the main thoroughfare, being a continuation of the Ferry Road, and it