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FUTURE OPERATIONS

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There is a full programme of work ahead in the way of scenery preservation. Many areas have still to be acquired and Crown-owned areas reserved before there can be room for any complacency on the matter of the adequacy of the number of scenic reservations throughout the Dominion. So much natural beauty has been destroyed in the course of the settlement and development of the country that it is imperative that as much as possible of what remains should be preserved. Existing reserves must, where necessary, be protected by fencing and other means, and amenities must be provided so that the public may use and enjoy the reserves that have been set apart for their benefit and for the generations that are vet to come. Here many difficulties will arise, for it is exceedingly difficult in practice to provide amenities of various kinds without some sacrifice of natural beauty, and it is a fact that sometimes the great need of the people to enjoy the beauties and quietudes of nature tend to destroy or at least impair the very things they cherish. However, the Department will go forward in the work of preserving and extending the scenic reserves of the Dominion in the knowledge that these reserves have a great and increasingly important part to play in helping to provide for the rest, enjoyment, and education of the people.

APPENDICES

The Appendices to this report are listed hereunder:

- A. Schedule of reserves made during the year together with a statement of expenditure.
- B. A short account of conditions on Kapiti Island.

APPENDICES

APPENDIX A

Reserves Made in 1948-49 Under the Scenery Preservation Act, 1908

Local Name.			Description.	Area.		Date of Proclamation.
			North Augkland Land District			
				A.	R. P.	1
Tuakau			Section 81, Suburbs of Tuakau, Blocks IV	5	3 12	19/6/48
			and VIII, Onewhero Survey District			
Waipu -	• •		Allotment 534, Waipu Parish, Blocks I and H. Mangawai Survey District	113	2 29	8,11/48
,,			Allotment 532, Waipu Parish, Block XII,	53	0.00	18, 2, 49
			Ruakaka Survey District			1
			Wellington Land District			
Hautapu	• •		Part Section 4a, Block X, Hautapu Survey District	21	2 16	*
Winter's Island			Sections 25 and 26, Block I, Hunua Survey District	26	0 19	2/9/48

^{*} Section 8, Reserves and Other Lands Disposal Act, 1948