Expenditure and Rates.—Maintenance expenditure charged against the Rate Account for the year amounted to £510.

Rates struck: Special, £1,002; general, £312.

Rates collected, including arrears: Special, £630; general, £190.

Applications for charging-orders for outstanding Maori rates came before the Maori Land Court at Napier towards the close of last year, and charging-orders were granted in most cases.

The amounts shown in this report as expenditure on maintenance may be subject to slight variation on completion of accounts.

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