Mr. Norman Smith's book, "The Maori People and Us," was published during the year and met with a very gratifying reception by reviewers. Sales to date have been most satisfactory.

With the financial assistance of the Board, the Polynesian Society has made good progress with the publication of the third volume of traditional Maori songs collected and

annotated by Sir Apirana Ngata.

General.—Grants were received from the various Maori Land Boards during the year for certain specified purposes, including contributions to the Auckland Maori Community Centre, the Maori guest house at Rotorua, and the improvement of tribal maraes.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1949

Receints		£		Expend	iture		£
Cash balance as at 1st April, 1948 Interest	••	$61,887 \\ 1,850 \\ 2,650 \\ 465$	Administration ex Grants— Educational Miscellaneous	cpenses, &	же.  	$\begin{array}{c} & & & \\ & & \\ & 950 \\ \hline & 2,781 \\ \hline & & \\ & & \\ \end{array}$	3,731 . 425
		£66,852	Miscellaneous Balance at 31st M				$ \begin{array}{r} 17 \\ 62,442 \\ \underline{£66,852} \end{array} $

## BUDGET FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1950

Expenditu	re			Income		
Administration—		Ľ	£			£
Audit fee		9		Interest from Maori Trustee		1,800
Maori Trust Commission		60		Grants from Consolidated Fu	nd	750*
Freight		2				1,800
Insurance		7		Refund of rent		35
Printing and Stationery		ŏ				
Rent		60				
Salary		35				
Travelling-expenses		45				
Sundries		7				
			230			
Education grants			1,000			
Photographs of carved houses	-		60			
Polynesian Society			400	*		
Publication			2,000			
Payments to authors			350			
Sextennial Essay Competition			50			
Balance available for miscella	uicous gra	nts	295			
			£4,385			£4,385
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<sup>\*</sup> Includes grant of £375 for year 1948-49 paid after 31st March, 1949.

Approximate Cost of Paper.—Preparation, not given; printing (654 copies), £3

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