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DEPARTMENT OF TOURIST AND HEALTH RESORTS

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BY THE MINISTER OF TOURIST AND HEALTH RESORTS, HON. W. NOSWORTHY.

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

THE MINISTER IN CHARGE OF TOURIST AND HEALTH RESORTS DEPARTMENT TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

Wellington, 30th April, 1925.

I HAVE the honour to submit to Your Excellency the report of the Department of Tourist and Health Resorts for the year ended 31st March, 1925.

W. NOSWORTHY,

Minister of Tourist and Health Resorts.

His Excellency the Governor-General of New Zealand.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER OF TOURIST AND HEALTH RESORTS.

SIR,—

Wellington, 21st April, 1925.

I have the honour to submit my report for the year ended 31st March, 1925.

I have, &c.,

B. M. WILSON, General Manager.

The Hon. W. Nosworthy, Minister of Tourist and Health Resorts.

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I have pleasure in reporting that the improvement in the position of the Department mentioned in my last report still continues. In every respect the Department has been exceedingly busy, all the usual resorts and our booking bureaux have been fully taxed, and I trust to be able to record as good a season next year.

The direct revenue from all sources has amounted to £47,263, being an increase of £1,559 over the figures for last season, which were approximately £5,500 better than the former one. The policy of keeping the expenditure as low as possible, consistent with efficient management, has kept this side of our operations well in hand. The actual figures are £66,294, as against £60,445, an increase of £5,849.

A great increase has resulted from the operations of the Department's booking bureaux. The actual amount of money taken over the counter for tours has amounted to £86,117, an increase of £15,767. This is the surest sign of the growing popularity of the convenience of the system of booking tours with the Department, and with the coming into operation of a concession recently