SUMMARIZED EXPENDITURE

The following schedule sets out the salary expenditure for the year ending 31st March, 1946, apportioned to the various classes of work. The relative expenditures for the previous year are shown in parentheses:—

General (Crown surveys, re	cords, in	vestiga	ations, tracii	ngs, dia	agrams,	£	s.	$_{\mathrm{d}}$.	£	s.	d.
and general office wo	rk)	••		٠	·	58,879	6	7	(34,300)	15	4)
Triangulation						728	5	3	(882	1	11)
Topographical mapping						14,659	15	3	(4,218)	5	6)
Standard traverses						185	9	4	(591	8	10)
Survey maintenance (stan-	dard blo	cks and	l trig. signa	ls)		281	17	5	(144	-6	6)
Precise levelling						43	1	2	(1,807)	19	3)
Inspection and investigati	ion					772	19	9	(708	11	2)
Town scheme plans (secti	on 16,	\mathbf{Land} A	Act, 1924)			821	7	5	(464	15	4)
Land settlement (topogra	phical a	nd sch	emes)			4,212	11	10	(2,274)	7	7)
Tidal analysis						134	14	6	(295	15	2)
Work for—											
Native Department						1,658	9	4	(1,450)	9	1)
Lands and Deeds De	partmer	ıt				14,048	8	4	(9,863)	15	6)
Public Works Depart						5,041	18	3	(4,439)	6	4)
Housing Department						2,660	()	4	(1,442)	3	5)
Other Departments						7,543	3	7	(31,349)	0	1)
Total	••		••		£	111,671	8	4	(£94,233	1	0)

The sharp decline in the work done for other Departments is due to the transfer to departmental expenditure of the cost of topographical mapping, which prior to 31st March, 1945, was carried out for the Army Department.

The total expenditure apportioned among the various Chief Surveyors' offices is as follows:—

Di	Expenditu	Percentage.				
				£ s	. d.	
Head Office				9,571.10	0 1	8.6
Auckland and North	Aucklai	ıd		35,555 10	0 0	$31 \cdot 8$
Gisborne				3,435	0 7	$3 \cdot 1$
Hawke's Bay				8,378 1	4 9	$7 \cdot 5$
Taranaki				4,758	1 0	$4 \cdot 3$
Wellington				$13,910 \ 1$	5 5	$12 \cdot 4$
Marlborough				3,401	4 2	$3 \cdot 0$
Nelson				5,095 1	8 0	$4 \cdot 6$
Westland	• •			1,307 10	0 6	$1\cdot 2$
Canterbury				12,000 1	7 7	$10 \cdot 7$
Otago				6,339	17	$5 \cdot 7$
Southland	• •	• •		7,917	4 8	$7 \cdot 1$
Total				111,671	8 4	100

SPECIALIZED ACTIVITIES

As already indicated, most of the activities under this heading have been held in abeyance. A brief statement of the present state of progress is given hereunder:—

Triangulation

Geodetic Triangulation.—Arrangements have been made for the reloan of base-line-measuring equipment from the Tanganyika Government for the measurement of the three base-lines in the South Island and the remeasurement of one of the North Island bases. The tapes are to be standardized at the National Physical Laboratory, Great Britain, to be available for use at the beginning of 1947.