

ROTORUA TOWN BALANCE-SHEET FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1916—*continued.*

*Statement of Assets and Liabilities.*

<i>Assets.</i>			<i>Liabilities.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Cemetery Account—Bank ..			Outstanding accounts ..	197	5 5
Cash in hand ..		11 16 11	Overdraft at bank, 31st March, 1916 ..	90	7 6
Outstanding accounts—		8 18 2	Outstanding cheques ..	7	3 11
Korbing and channeling ..	45	15 6	Balance of assets over liabilities..	2,654	5 6
Felling and blasting trees ..	0	15 6			
Hoardings ..	4	14 0			
Oats and firewood ..	12	16 2			
Isolation Hospital fees ..	5	15 0			
Rents—Real property (houses and sections) ..	48	12 10			
Rents—Explosive-magazines ..	5	6 3			
Sanitary fees ..	279	8 5			
		403 3 8			
Outstanding rates—					
Hospital and charitable aid and fire-prevention ..	160	14 11			
Additional 10-per-cent. penalty ..	2	8 8			
		163 3 7			
Estimated—					
Library building and furniture	700	0 0			
Sanitary depot—building and plant ..	130	0 0			
Pound cottage ..	130	0 0			
General working plant ..	480	0 0			
Rowing-club shed ..	400	0 0			
Fencing, &c., Marine Parade	100	0 0			
Fencing, &c., gravel-pit reserve ..	42	0 0			
Office furniture and plant ..	170	0 0			
Cemetery chapel ..	120	0 0			
Benzine-magazine ..	90	0 0			
		2,362 0 0			
		£2,949 2 4			£2,949 2 4

12th April, 1916.

WM. HILL,  
Resident Officer, Rotorua.

REPORT OF THE BALNEOLOGIST, ROTORUA.

THE past year has been one of strenuous work both for the staff and for myself, and we are able to look back with pardonable satisfaction on the results achieved. The outstanding features of the year have been the remarkable way in which the tourist traffic, and more especially what I may call the invalid-tourist traffic, has been maintained, and the successful scheme of placing the resources of our principal spas at the disposal of the military authorities for the treatment of wounded and invalided soldiers.

For this latter purpose the control of the Sanatorium hospital was temporarily handed over to the Health Department as a military hospital, and special arrangements were made at the baths for the treatment of wounded soldiers by baths, massage, electricity, &c. This has entailed a considerable increase of work on the staff, more especially on the male massage staff, whose work has deserved the highest praise. In regard to civilian patients requiring treatment as inmates of the Sanatorium, there has necessarily been considerable limitation as to numbers, but every endeavour has been made to minimize any hardships thus caused. Accommodation outside has been found for a limited number of female patients who have been treated at the old rates, and, whenever possible, the more urgent male civilian cases have been admitted as usual to the Sanatorium.

In regard to the baths, the receipts have risen considerably, and, taking all adverse circumstances into consideration, I think we have every reason to be pleased with our showing for the year.

ARTHUR S. HERBERT, Government Balneologist.

The General Manager, Wellington.

REPORT OF THE NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT AGENT, MELBOURNE.

New Zealand Government Offices, Melbourne, Australia, 8th April, 1916.

I HAVE the honour to submit the annual report on the working of these offices for the year ended the 31st March, 1916.

Taking into consideration all the circumstances of the past year, I am glad to be able to say that the result of the work of the Agency in so far as its activities in relation to tourist traffic are concerned has been quite satisfactory. The figures for the passenger bookings as compared with the previous year are as follows: For year ended 31st March, 1916, £2,408 1s. 7d.; for year ended 31st March, 1915, £2,281 2s.