

Amongst other local Scenic Boards are the Hawera Borough Council, which controls the Turuturumokai Pa Scenic Reserve; the Dunedin City Council (Evansdale and Kaikorai Valley Scenic Reserves); the Northcote Scenic Board (Kauri Gully, Northcote); Orari Gorge Scenic Board (Orari Gorge); the New Plymouth Scenic Board (Ratapihipihi Reserve, Meeting of the Waters Reserve, &c.); Taihape Scenic Board (Taihape Scenic Reserves); Silverstream Scenic Board (Silverstream, Hutt); Everett Road Scenic Board, Taranaki; Whangarei Borough Council (Coronation Scenic Reserve); Rangitikei County Council (Silverhope Reserve); Levin Borough Council (Waiopahu Reserve); Invercargill Borough Council (Waihopai River bank, &c.). From reports received it would appear that the reserves are being kept in good condition, and that the local Boards take a gratifying interest in the lands under their control.

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## APPENDIX C.

### KAPITI ISLAND.

This island, the greater part of which was set apart under the Kapiti Island Public Reserve Act, 1897, is held as a sanctuary for native fauna and flora, and the resident caretaker (Mr. J. L. Bennett) reports as follows for the twelve months ended 31st March last:—

There have been 265 goats destroyed, whilst the skins of 1,241 opossums were secured and sold by auction. No sign of wild cats was observed.

Wreck: The auxiliary schooner "Lily" went ashore during a north-west gale on the 2nd November on the boulder-bank at the north end of the island (Native land), and is now a total wreck.

Bird-feed: It promises to be a good season for the birds, as there is plenty of feed this year.

Bush: Young seedling tuwa, fuchsia, and kohekohe are springing up in many places.

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