

SUMMARY OF RESERVES.

District.					Number.	Area.		
						A.	R.	P.
North Auckland	..	..	..	..	4	37	2	0
Auckland	..	..	..	..	3	774	2	2
Taranaki	..	..	..	..	1	40	2	27
Wellington	..	..	..	..	1	1,234	3	38
Nelson	..	..	..	..	1	108	0	0
Marlborough	..	..	..	..	2	4,271	2	0
Otago	..	..	..	..	1	53	2	0
Totals	..	..	..	..	13	6,520	2	27
Reserved up to 31st March, 1924	..	..	..	..	749	444,924	3	25
					762	451,445	2	12
Less reservations revoked	..	..	..	..	4	176	0	21
Grand totals	..	..	..	..	758	451,269	1	31

SCENERY-PRESERVATION.

Statement showing Expenditure for the Year ended 31st March, 1925.

	£	s.	d.
Salaries	18	15	0
Compensation, &c., in connection with lands taken under the Scenery Preservation Act	130	0	0
Compensation for Native lands taken for scenery-preservation purposes	30	3	10
Compensation for land acquired on south bend of Mokau River for scenic purposes	509	18	7
Lake Rototiti, lands ceded to the Crown in the vicinity of—Compensation for lessees' interests, witness's expenses, &c.	487	11	7
Maintenance of the Trounson Kauri Forest	873	8	7
Pukerangiora Pa—Eradication of noxious weeds	200	0	0
Surveys, valuations, and incidental expenses	240	11	3
Administration of reserves and historic spots (including fencing and other works)—			
Salaries and allowances of caretakers	7	10	0
Eradication of noxious weeds	181	11	8
Erection and upkeep of fences	289	11	4
Law-costs	9	3	11
Printing notices, &c.	1	17	6
Felling of dangerous trees on road-line	1	0	0
	490	14	5
Total expenditure	£2,981	3	3

COMPARISON OF EXPENDITURE.

It is interesting to note how money raised under the Act has been expended. It will be seen that the cost of administration has been reduced to a very small proportion of the total expenditure.

Year.	Compensation for Land.	Fencing and Maintenance.	Surveys, Valuations, &c.	Board's Expenses.	Salaries.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1904-5	216	Nil	52	1,822	*	2,090
1905-6	3,336	„	527	1,221	*	5,084
1906-7	7,856	304	801	185	*	9,146
1907-8	4,286	382	555	86	175	5,484
1908-9	3,813	1,063	540	24	325	5,765
1909-10	1,688	1,159	2,603	Nil	325	5,775
1910-11	1,066	685	1,643	11	325	3,730
1911-12	2,619	715	2,237	22	345	5,938
1912-13	12,997	798	2,697	6	345	16,843
1913-14	10,467	627	1,547	3	365	13,009
1914-15	6,253	758	476	12	388	7,887
1915-16	1,530	698	104	6	390	2,728
1916-17	252	836	76	1	390	1,555
1917-18	428	602	114	3	390	1,537
1918-19	1,295	1,964†	49	1	280	3,589
1919-20	510	188	12	..	40	750
1920-21	3,031	471	299	..	25	2,825
1921-22	57,768	227	224	..	25	58,244
1922-23	6,306	377	290	..	25	6,998
1923-24	1,488	118	1,589	..	25	3,210
1924-25	1,158	1,565	240	..	18	2,981
Grand total	..	..	..	..	..	165,168

* Included in Board's expenses.

† Includes £1,750 paid to Summit Road Scenic Reserve Board.

It must be noted that the above expenditure does not include expenses of raising loans and recoupment of interest, &c.