

## NOTES TO ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

### 1. *Statement of Accounting Policies; General Principles*

The general accounting principles appropriate for the measurement and reporting of income and expenditure under the historical cost method, as set out in the New Zealand Society of Accountants statements have been adopted by the Board in so far as they apply to the business of the Board.

### 2. *Valuation of Investments*

Investments in shares are stated at cost and have not been written down where market value is lower.

### 3. *Shares*

New Zealand Insurance:	4000 Preference	\$4,637
	1000 Ordinary	\$3,250
Transport (Nelson) Ltd:	5000 Preference	\$4,206

All other shares listed in the Statement of Financial Position are ordinary.

## REPORT OF THE AUDIT OFFICE

To the Chairman and Members of the Alexander Turnbull Library Endowment Trust Board.

The Audit Office, acting under statutory authority, has audited the accounts of the Alexander Turnbull Library Endowment Trust Board for the year ended 31 March 1977.

The audit included such reviews of the accounting procedures and tests of the accounting records and other supporting evidence as were considered necessary in terms of Section 20, Public Revenues Act 1953. All the information and explanations required have been obtained, with the exception of the following:

The Board failed to keep adequate records of Stock of Reproductions.

The financial transactions which have come under notice have been within statutory authority.

Subject to the foregoing reservation, the Audit Office is of opinion that the attached Balance Sheet and accompanying accounts give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Board as at 31 March 1977 and of the results of the financial operations for the year.

S. T. KEENE  
*for Controller and Auditor-General*

15 December 1977