

INTRODUCTION AND LIBERATION OF THE OPOSSUM INTO NEW ZEALAND

By L. T. Pracy

28 p., with fold-out map 1974. \$1.20

Introduction of the opossum to New Zealand from Australia was about 1840. This publication is a summary of collected data and records on the liberation points and other information, in the hope of obtaining a better understanding of the opossum, such as pattern spread, distribution, and the effect on the habitat. (New Zealand Forest Service.)

AN INTRODUCTION TO TRAINING METHODS

26 p., revised and reset 1975. \$1

There are many people who may be called on to train staff and this booklet has been prepared as a guide and deals with methods, technique, and aids which can be used in training programmes. (State Services Commission.)

JOINT COMMITTEE REPORTS ON YOUNG OFFENDERS

1975.

Resulting from a major longitudinal study into the social adjustment of New Zealand boys, the following reports seek to answer the question: "To what extent is it possible to predict from specific information collected at the age of ten those boys who will later become delinquent or show other signs of maladjustments."

RESEARCH REPORT No. 1

The Structure of the Bristol Social Adjustment Guide. \$2.75

RESEARCH REPORT No. 2

The Effects of Race and Socio-Economic Status on Juvenile Offending Statistics. \$1

RESEARCH REPORT No. 3

The Prediction of Juvenile Offending: A New Zealand Study. \$3

JOURNAL OF ENSIGN BEST

Edited by Nancy M. Taylor

465 p., illustrated. 1966. \$4.50

Although intended as a personal record for his family, Ensign Best's journal is a delightful account of his sojourn in Australia, Norfolk Island, and New Zealand. A random selection from the journal yields descriptions of hunting trips and picnics in New South Wales, viceregal balls in Sydney, a bachelor's party on Norfolk Island, pig hunting in the Wairarapa, the first race meeting in New Zealand, sailing on Auckland Harbour, the death and burial of Governor Hobson, and an expedition from Auckland to Taupo.

JUSTICE STATISTICS 1974

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

101 p. 1977. \$2

Combines all justice statistics for 1974, relating to:

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| (i) The Court of Appeal. | (v) Children's Courts. |
| (ii) The Supreme Court. | (vi) Prisons and Prisoners. |
| (iii) Magistrate's Court. | (vii) Divorce. |
| (iv) Traffic offences. | (viii) Domestic Proceedings. |

Justice statistics provide a quantitative information base for the administration of the work of the courts and prisons, the review of penal policy, sociological research on crime, and other purposes.

LAND USE POLICIES

STUDIES IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION: No. 21

185 p. 1976. \$5

Land Use Policies is an up-to-the-minute publication resulting from the NZIPA Convention of 1975. Contributors include the Hon. D. MacIntyre, now Minister of Maori Affairs and Agriculture; the Parliamentary Under-Secretary to the Ministers of Agriculture, Forests, Lands, and Science for the previous Government; the Commissioner for the Environment; the Assistant Director-General of Lands; the Head of the Urban Research Unit of Canberra; and many others. Topics range from land tenure systems to the history of the development of land use policies to the public acquisition of land for urban development. To assist readers each contribution is accompanied by a short summary. In addition most are also followed by a commentary and an edited record of the convention discussion of the paper.

LIFE ANNUITY TABLES 1970-72

15 p. 1975. 60c

These tables are useful in estimating the value of future payments dependent on the continuation of human life, for example, superannuation benefits. (Department of Statistics.)

LIFE ON THE ROCKY SHORE

By Gavin Dann

SECONDARY SCHOOL BULLETIN

79 p. 1976. \$1.05

A handy and well illustrated booklet. Introduces the young explorer to the fascinating plant and animal communities of our rocky shores. A most useful addition to the school, public, or home library. (Education Department.)

LIVING LETTERS

1976. \$1.50

A practical guide to help improve your letter writing. (State Services Commission.)

LOCAL AUTHORITY STATISTICS 1973-74

Department of Statistics, November 1976

238 p. \$5

The information in this report shows in some detail the transactions of 659 individual authorities and is of importance to ratepayers, Departments of State, the Local Government Commission and the authorities themselves. These details provide a basis of comparison between the authorities and at a later date with other sectors of the community.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION

PROVISIONAL SCHEMES AND EXPLANATORY STATEMENT 1977

1977.

Aorangi Region, 75c.
 Bay of Plenty Region, 75c.
 Canterbury Region, 75c.
 East Cape Region, 75c.
 Hawke's Bay Region, 75c.
 Manawatu Region, 75c.
 Marlborough Region, 75c.
 Nelson Region, 75c.
 Otago Region, 75c.
 Southland Region, 75c.
 Taranaki Region, 75c.
 Tongariro Region, 75c.
 Waikato Region, 75c.
 Wairarapa Region, 75c.
 Wanganui Region, 75c.
 Wellington Region, 75c.
 West Coast Region, 75c.

These booklets describe the provisional schemes for the establishment of regional government in each of the above areas.

MAORI

By Witi Ihimaera

45 p. 1975. \$1.20

A colourful booklet describing the coming of the Maori to New Zealand, his history, heritage, folklore, beliefs, and cultural unity.

Each chapter has a quotation from a Maori proverb, phrase, saying, or canoe chant and these concepts are presented in words and pictures.

Continues with the arrival of the pakeha and the pattern of events which followed, the Treaty of Waitangi and the Land Wars. Moves on to the Maori today, finishing with the theme, one country, two heritages in unity.

Well illustrated with 64 coloured photos, of interest to all New Zealanders and tourists. (Tourist and Publicity Department.)

MAORI AGRICULTURE

By Elsdon Best

NATIONAL MUSEUM BULLETIN No. 9

315 p. 1976. \$13.50

The only comprehensive study of Maori agriculture available, this bulletin adds a further volume to the series of Elsdon Best's works which the Government Printer undertook to