

reprint preserving the original text and bulletin numbers. I recommend this book and the series as a whole; to collectors, archaeologists, and to those studying the prehistoric economy of the Maori people. (Government Printer.)

THE MAORI AS HE WAS

By Elsdon Best

295 p. 1974 reprint. \$6.50

Fifty years of public demand since this book was first published resulted in the need for reprints in 1934 and 1952. The text has been reproduced unchanged but the originals of some of the figures could not be traced and these have been replaced with similar illustrations. There have been many advances in our knowledge of Maori life since this book first appeared. The work of numerous ethnologists, and more recently archaeologists, has critically examined many of the earlier concepts, confirming some, disproving others, and altering others to varying degrees. No one has yet produced a synthesis of the results of all this scholarship and there is still nothing as comprehensive as this book of Best's to give a general account of the Maori. This book was first published when Best was 68 and thus represents the accumulated knowledge of a lifetime. It has now become a classic introduction to Maori life. Its continued availability should help the reader to obtain a basic background to old time Maori life which can be extended by further reading.

THE MAORI CANOE

By Elsdon Best

NATIONAL MUSEUM BULLETIN No. 7  
451 p. 1976. \$17.50

A reprinted edition without textual alterations and retaining the old Dominion Museum number. Another example of Elsdon Best's dedicated effort to preserve Maori culture. The material presented on canoes, their materials, types, methods of construction, and associated artifacts make interesting reading for the layman as well as for scholars of the Maori. (Government Printer.)

MAORI RELIGION AND MYTHOLOGY PART 1

By Elsdon Best

NATIONAL MUSEUM BULLETIN No. 10  
424 p. 1976. \$18

An account of the theory of the universe and its creation, study of the origin of man, religious beliefs, rites, magic, and folklore of the Maori people of New Zealand. First published in 1924, reprinted without textual alteration and retaining the original bulletin numbers. (Government Printer.)

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By Elsdon Best

116 p., illustrated. 1974 reprint. \$6.50

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MATERIALS FOR THE NEW ZEALAND POTTER

by J. C. Schofield (N.Z. Geological Survey)

D.S.I.R. INFORMATION SERIES No. 118  
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Describes the sources of clays in the local countryside and how to understand their suitability for ceramic purposes. Summarises the minimum geological knowledge necessary and the use of geological maps. Examines the main types of clay minerals and their properties, the types of clays available in New Zealand and the available natural glazes, frits, and oxides. Contains an index and references.

Well illustrated with photographs, maps, diagrams, and tables.

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55 p. October 1976. 45c

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- The Role of the Public Sector.
- Revenue.
- Expenditure.
- Stabilisation.
- Future Prospects.

MECHANICS OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE

Written and prepared by the N.Z. Technical Correspondence Institute

563 p. Reprinted 1974. \$6

This book, which is in its sixth edition and now in S. I. Units, contains the operating principles of the motor vehicle. It is favoured as the ideal book for the motor mechanic apprentice to obtain technical knowledge and preparation for the trade certificate examination. To those others interested in motor vehicle maintenance the book is recommended as an invaluable reference.

METRICS FOR JOHN AND JANE CITIZEN

By James McGill Webb

INDUSTRIAL TRAINING SERVICE—DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR  
48 p. 50c

As the name implies this book is written for use by the layman rather than the technician, the engineer, or the scientist. This book does not include conversion tables but rather relates to metric units and their use, comparisons of size and includes a wide range of metric information. How big is a litre? What is a kilopascal? When will I use a centimetre? What will I buy in kilograms? Why is New Zealand going metric? If these and similar questions are causing you concern this book will provide the answers.

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