

Particular accounting policies used which significantly affect the measurement of the Bank's profit and its financial position, are set out below:

- (a) **Depreciation**—Fixed assets are being depreciated on a straight line basis at rates which will write off the cost over their estimated useful lives to estimated residual values. The principal write off periods are:
 - Buildings 40-100 years.
 - Computer and office calculating equipment 10 years.
 - Furniture and fittings 10-15 years.
 - Other fixed assets 3-15 years.
 - (b) **Personal loan interest**—Interest on personal loans is apportioned over the term of the loan, using the "Rule of 78" method.
 - (c) **Taxation**—Taxation charged against net profit includes both current and deferred tax. Deferred taxation arises from timing differences related to:
 - (i) Interest accrued on investments.
 - (ii) Depreciation charges.
 - (d) **Valuation of investments**—Investments are recorded at cost. Both New Zealand Government and local authority securities are normally held to maturity and their value on redemption approximates cost.
- Valuation of land and buildings*—The latest Government valuation of land and buildings at 31 March 1979, totalled \$14,682,369.

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64 p. 1978. \$2
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 The original draft of the Treaty by Governor Hobson.
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77 p. 1976. \$4

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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FISHING METHODS AND DEVICES OF THE MAORI

By Elsdon Best

National Museum Bulletin No. 12
 264 p. \$15.95

Another in the series of the Best publications, it has been reprinted without revision so that the basic studies may be accessible in the original style.
 This particular bulletin still remains the only comprehensive account of most aspects of Maori fishing. The descriptions of methods employed in fishing given here are still quite basic for any future studies in this field since no first-hand observations can now be made. The detailed fishing methods outlined are accompanied by descriptions of the artifacts used, together with associated chants, magic formulae, special observances, and fishing lore.

FOREST LORE OF THE MAORI

By Elsdon Best

DOMINION MUSEUM BULLETIN No. 14
 421 p. 1977. \$17.95

Printed without textual alteration, the work provides an important basis for any study of old-time Maori economics and perhaps more importantly of his attitude to what was a major part of his environment. It will be of more general interest today than when first written, since it stresses so fully the uses made by the Maori people of their natural resources, and supplies basic material for further studies in ethnobotany and ethnozoology. The reverence which the old time Maori showed towards natural resources mirrors the modern concern for ecological principles.

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