READING—Suggestions for Teaching Children with Reading Difficulties in Primary and Secondary Schools

Department of Education

144 p. 1978. $3.95

A handbook designed for teachers in primary and secondary schools, for clinic teachers, and for parents who wish to help their own children to overcome reading difficulties. The practices that are described have been developed and used to improve the reading ability of children of all ages from seven to seventeen.

REALITIES OF CURRICULA

Department of Education

90 p. 1978. $2.50

This research was commissioned by the Department of Education and undertaken by Dr Campbell in 1976.

It considers the extent to which intentions, as expressed in Towards Partnership and elsewhere, are reflected in the views of teachers and students, and in the work of the schools. Dr Campbell’s study is an analysis of the response from 635 teachers and 1883 students.

REPORT ON CONSUMER’S PRICE INDEX—REVISION 1974

1976.

In June 1971 the Government appointed a Consumers Price Index Revision Advisory Committee to report on the requirements of a new Index. The Committee’s report, approved by the Government, was published in September 1971.

This present revision incorporates the Committee’s recommendations and enlarges on some aspects of the report. (Department of Statistics.)

ROLE OF WOMEN IN THE DISTRIBUTION INDUSTRY

36 p. 1976. $2

Report of the Working Party which was set up to inquire into the provisions and conditions necessary for, and resulting from, the employment of women in the distribution industry. (Distribution Council.)

ROYAL COMMISSION ON THE COURTS

442 p. 1978. $5.80

Under the Chairmanship of the Hon. Justice Beattie, the Commission was set up in October 1976 to inquire into the structure and operation of the judicial system in New Zealand. The Report is divided into 3 parts—

Part I—Deals with The Past—A history of the Courts—the evolution of the Judicial system.

Part II—The Present—The Courts today. Covers the present court structure, Judicial appointments, and court administration.

Part III—The future—Proposed court structure—sets out in detail the criteria for reform; the functions of the High and District Courts. The judiciary, Court Administration. Relationship between the courts and people and the legal profession are other areas that are discussed at length in this the most comprehensive section of the report.

The conclusion sets out the recommendations of the Commission supported by tables, graphs and a list of appendices.

RUGBY FOOTBALL—A GUIDE BOOK FOR TEACHERS, COACHES AND PLAYERS

Sports Series No. 4

Department of Education

80 p. 1977. $1

This revised booklet, one of the series Sports Instruction, has been designed to assist teachers and coaches develop the basic skills of rugby football.

Contains 28 different sections, well illustrated with photographs and diagrams. Teaching points are printed in bold type. Primary school teachers and lower grade coaches will gain most from the individual skills sections, secondary school teachers and senior coaches from the unit and team skills sections.

Covers all the basic principles of the game which enable players to become more efficient.

RURAL LAND ADMINISTRATION IN NEW ZEALAND

Edited by J. Bruce Brown

128 p. $2

The subject-matter of this book is an important contribution to the record of land administration in New Zealand. It is recommended to all who have an interest in the problems associated with the management of rural land for in it will be found a practical and informed appraisal of the complexities of rural land administration. Series No. 12. (New Zealand Institute of Public Administration.)

SAMUEL BUTLER AT MESOPOTAMIA

By Peter Bromley Maling

66 p. twenty-two Illustrations, 2 maps. $1

A record of all that is known of Butler’s home in the Forest Creek Valley and at Mesopotamia where he formed the nucleus of his sheep station.

SCENIC RESERVES OF CANTERBURY

By L. W. McCaskill

34 p. Illustrated, 1974. $1.50

The Department of Lands and Survey, under the 1892 Land Act, was charged with the specific task of scenery preservation. In the following 10 years, 265 reserves of various kinds, covering an area of 31,047 hectares, were made under the 1892 Land Act. Today there are 963 scenic reserves, with a total area of 277,480 hectares, plus 35 reserves for the preservation of flora and fauna, with an area of 187,997 hectares throughout the country. The Canterbury reserves cover an area of 15,268 hectares; this book consists of information on the different scenic areas, with photographs of the various reserves within this area.

SCENIC RESERVES OF HAWKE’S BAY

Department of Lands and Survey

24 p. 1978. $2.95

Scenic Reserves of the Hawke’s Bay Land District is another booklet in the series prepared by the Department of Lands and Survey. The areas suitable for scenic reservation are neither as large nor as numerous as those in most other land districts but they include world famous reserves. Among these are the Cape Kidnappers Bird Sanctuary, which is the world’s only known mainland gannetry; Morere Springs, with its attractive groves of nikau palms; and Ball’s Clearing, which is renowned for its magnificent podocarps. Well illustrated with location maps and black and white photos.

SCENIC RESERVES OF OTAGO

26 p. 1975. $1.75

Written by L. W. McCaskill for the Department of Lands and Survey this little booklet provides us with a short description of the scenic reserves of the Otago Land District. Illustrated with full page photographs and a map of the beauty spots of the area. (Department of Lands and Survey.)

SHADOW OF THE LAND

By Ian Ward

422 p. 1968. $9

The title for this book was provided by Nopera Panakarero, a Kaitaia chief of much influence, who, in May 1840, believed that only the “shadow of the land” had gone to Queen Victoria whilst the substance remained with the Maoris. Less than a year later he revised this opinion convinced that only the “shadow” would be the Maori portion.

The author examines the British acquisition of New Zealand, the Maoris trust in the Treaty of Waitangi and their confidence that its terms would be honoured and explains it was only by accident that the Maoris were guaranteed the possession of their lands and ancient privileges.

It is under these circumstances that the book considers the use of military force in New Zealand, analyses the arguments surrounding the provision of troops and concludes that, beyond any reasonable doubt there was never an attempt to assist by “moral suasion”.

New Zealand followed the normal nineteenth century British pattern of territorial acquisition.

The book is an essential introduction to the Maori wars of a later date.

SHARING SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

N.Z. Council of Social Service

88 p. 1978 $2.75

Report of the New Zealand Council of Social Service on desirable roles and directions in social service development.