EDUCATION SERVICES

The arrangements for circulating Museum cases to schools in Wellington, Ngaio, Khandallah, Eastbourne, and the Hutt Valley were continued as for the previous year. All schools within the areas mentioned have regularly—i.e., at two-weekly intervals—received Thirty schools participated in the Museum service. from three to six exhibits. included State and private schools, both primary and secondary. Miss Fougere has been occupied in arranging the circulation of the school exhibits and preparing new ones.

Sixteen educational 16 mm. sound films were purchased during the year.

W. R. B. OLIVER, Director.

NATIONAL ART GALLERY AND DOMINION MUSEUM BOARD OF TRUSTEES: THE COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT OF THE ANNUAL REPORT OF MEMORIAL CARILLON

The Management Committee records with much satisfaction that the playing-apparatus of the Carillon having been completely overhauled and placed in thorough going order, the giving of recitals by automatic player was resumed in November last, and has been continued regularly since. This work involved the removal of all rust from the framework and playing-apparatus by sand-blasting, the complete repainting of same, and the renewal of rusted wires and other parts of the playing mechanism, and was carried out most efficiently by N. W. Thomas and Co. A contract has now been let to this firm for the regular repair and upkeep of the Carillon so that it will not get out of playing order again.

Mr. John Randal was appointed as operator of the Carillon, and the Committee has

pleasure in reporting that he has carried out his duties regularly and satisfactorily.

It has been found that owing to various causes most of the paper-band playing records have warped, with the result that they have become unplayable. These are now being renewed, and should be available for use soon, thereby greatly extending the present

repertoire.

During the year the Management Committee and the Executive of the Carillon Society have devoted considerable attention to the questions of effecting permanent improvements to the sanctuary chamber with the object of resuming the holding of special services there, and also to the finishing of the second and third chambers (immediately above the sanctuary chamber) with a view to the suitable housing of the treasures of the First and Second New Zealand Expeditionary Forces and their sister Services. The Committees feel that if these improvements are effected on suitable lines much will be achieved in preserving the traditions of these gallant Forces—a potent factor in helping to build up the spirit of service and sacrifice in future generations. The Committees also consider that structural provision should be made for preventing water, largely charged with salt, from getting into the tower and causing rust to the playing-apparatus. These and other matters will be the subjects of special reports during the coming year.

The Management Committee wishes to emphasize the necessity for the appointment of a fully qualified carillonist as soon as possible after the war. Playing the bells by automatic means as at present can never be regarded as satisfactory, as all the bells in automatic playing are struck with the same force and the lights and shades of the music are lost. Justice to the Carillon, which is one of the world's finest set of bells, can only be done by a fully qualified earillonist giving recitals per medium of the hand clavier. This is the goal which requires to be attained before the Carillon as a sacred memorial can fulfil its mission.

The Management Committee also records with satisfaction that the War Memorial Carillon Society has now been revived with a strong membership and is sparing no effort

in promoting the interests of the memorial.

ERNEST E. MUIR, Chairman. JOHN G. OSBOURNE, Hon. Secretary.

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1944

THE CHAIRMAN,-

I beg to submit the following financial statements relating to the year ended 31st March, 1944:-

- (1) Receipts and Payments Account.
- (2) Income and Expenditure Account.
- (3) Balance-sheet.

J. R. DEAL, Treasurer.