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Note.—The list of publications of the Geological Survey is taken almost in toto from Colonial Museum Bulletin No. 1, by A. Hamilton, Esq., Director.

A list of papers on New Zealand geology, arranged under authors' names, is given in Vol. xxxv, rage 489, of the Transactions of the New Zealand Institute, and this, of course, gives the whole of the papers written by officers of the Geological Survey of New Zealand prior to 1902.

REORGANIZATION OF THE SURVEY.

Towards the end of 1904 I was appointed as Director of the Geological Survey in succession to Sir James Hector. On my arrival in New Zealand in February, 1905, the Survey was reorganized, provision being made for the appointment of a permanent field and office staff. these permanent officers, allowance was made for the appointment of temporary assistants on the various field staffs, and for the obtaining of skilled assistance, if required, for extra work during the summer months.

The reorganized Geological Survey Department has outlined a scheme for the preparation of a detailed topographical and geological map of New Zealand. For this purpose the country has been cut up into divisions, each one of which is supposed to present a problem of especial interest, or several such problems, which can be conveniently grouped together. For example, the Hauraki division is of note chiefly on account of its containing the richest quartz-mining fields of the colony; the Karamea division contains the immense iron-ore deposits occurring near Parapara; the North Westland division is of marked interest because of its richly auriferous gravels, and of the veins and rock-masses from which they were derived; the Rotorua division contains the chief manifestations of the remarkable thermal phenomena for which New Zealand is justly famed; and so on.

Each division contains a number of survey districts corresponding in boundary with those of the Lands and Survey Department. Several survey districts which can be conveniently grouped together to give a continuous section of country comprise a subdivision. It is intended to prepare full reports, accompanied by geological and topographical maps, on each subdivision as soon as the necessary field-work in each case is completed, and to issue these to the public without delay at an almost nominal price.

In carrying out the geological field-work a good topographical map is the first requisite; and on it, as a basis, the geological work is placed. The whole area which is being investigated is most carefully examined, the various creeks are ascended, and the spurs and ridges followed in mountainous country. Every phase of geological science is given attention—the palæontologic, petrographic, structural, physiographic, and economic. However, especial stress is laid upon the economic side of geology, which relates to the occurrence of minerals of commercial value, and has a direct bearing upon the mining industry, the development of which is so important in any new country.