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We are very sad to have to announce the passing of Mrs Hetty McKenzie, a much loved and valued member of the Society. An appreciation will appear in the next issue.

NEWLY PUBLISHED

Gardening with New Zealand Plants, Shrubs and Trees by Muriel E. Fisher, E. Satchell and Janet M. Watkins has been established for a number of years as an indispensable reference book for New Zealand gardeners, especially those concerned with the native flora and its relationship to abundant bird life. Many members of the OSNZ know and value the first edition of this book which, although now issued as the third printing, is virtually a new book since in the main sections Muriel Fisher has given full information on 37 new plants, as well as additional information on 16 plants already in the book. Janet Watkins has added step-by-step advice on how to start planning a garden, a piece on Home Units, and four new garden plans. Two completely new sections have been included — on Orchids by Stephen King, and on Water Gardening by Janet Watkins. Both Glossary and Index have been revised and enlarged; there are 23 new colour plates; and a new feature has 11 wash drawings by L. Ward, with three black and white photographs.

The publishers are Collins and the price is \$12.50. It can be thoroughly recommended as the first printings have proved.