

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES, 1945-46

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE—*continued*

For Services chargeable on the Consolidated Fund— <i>continued</i>	£	£	£
ORDINARY REVENUE ACCOUNT— <i>continued</i>			
VOTE—AGRICULTURE— <i>continued</i>			
<i>Subdivision No. IX.—Payments under Statutes</i>			
<i>Charges for and incidental to—</i>			
Rabbit Nuisance Act, 1928, section 70—			
Subsidies to Rabbit Boards (additional)	(a) 5,000		
Arrears of subsidies to Rabbit Boards	(b) 732		
<i>Total—Subdivision No. IX</i>		5,732	
<i>Subdivision No. X.—Milk Marketing Division</i>			
<i>Charges for and incidental to—</i>			
Bicycles and motors, purchase of	(c) 300		
Reimbursement to milk vendors of amounts paid to local authorities by way of levy on milk	(d) 15,000		
Travelling allowances and expenses (including members of Milk Councils)	1,750		
		17,050	
Less amount provided on main estimates not required : Travelling allowances and expenses	1,750		
<i>Total—Subdivision No. X</i>		15,300	
GROSS TOTAL		49,586	
CREDITS-IN-AID		2,600	
NET TOTAL			46,986

(a) £50,000 on main estimates. A greater amount is being collected in rates.

(b) Provision for settlement of delayed claims.

(c) For use by officers of the Milk Marketing Division in travelling to various centres to consult with local bodies in respect to the provisions of the Milk Act, 1944, and for visiting areas providing milk for town consumption for purpose of consulting local producers and treating interests in respect of national price structure.

(d) Local-authority levies: This amount is required to reimburse milk vendors for amount paid to local authorities by way of levy on milk. Under the Milk Act, 1944, local milk authorities are empowered to levy all milk sold within the milk district with ½d. per gallon to cover costs of administration. As the price of milk is stabilized and vendors' margins are fixed by the Minister of Marketing, it is necessary for the amount to be met by way of subsidy.