

## YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH, 1949

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE—*continued*

VOTE—AGRICULTURE— <i>continued</i>	1948-49.	1947-48.	
		Voted.	Expended.
	£	£	£
<i>Subdivision No. VIII—Miscellaneous Services : Advances, Grants, Guarantees, Subsidies, &amp;c.—continued</i>			
<b>CHARGES FOR AND INCIDENTAL TO—<i>continued</i></b>			
Subsidies— <i>continued</i>			
Nassella Tussock : expenditure under 1946 Act .. .. .	(a) 6,000	14,000	(a) 5,914
Veterinary Services Council .. .. .	30,750	31,052	31,072
Flax-production subsidy .. .. .	..	2,600	2,387
Serpentine development—			
North Island .. .. .	..	500	..
South Island .. .. .	..	500	505
<i>Total—Subdivision No. VIII</i> ..	123,315	139,702	117,001
<i>Subdivision No. IX.—Payments under Statutes</i>			
<b>CHARGES FOR AND INCIDENTAL TO—</b>			
Expenditure, including compensation for stock condemned under Stock Act, 1908, and amendments (part recoverable) ..	45,000	45,000	(b) 19,743
Expenditure, including compensation under Meat Act, 1939 .. .. .	22,000	22,000	19,089
Rabbit Nuisance Act, 1928, subsidies to Rabbit Boards under section 70, and advances under section 146 of Public Revenues Act, 1926 .. .. .	(c)135,000	73,000	91,713
<i>Total—Subdivision No. IX</i> ..	202,000	140,000	130,545

- (a) Boards concerned were not fully equipped to carry out the programme of work envisaged.  
 (b) Compulsory T.B. testing was deferred pending decision regarding compensation rates payable on stock condemned.  
 (c) Increasing expenditure due to formation of additional Boards, and also to the levying of higher rates.