

REMARKS.

- (a) Dr. I. E. Coop, a New-Zealander, who has taken a post-graduate course in England, has been appointed Physical Chemist at the Plant Chemistry Laboratory, Palmerston North.
- (b) An officer proceeded to America last year to purchase special equipment, and, owing to unavoidable delay in securing what was required, had to remain there a month longer than had been anticipated. £450 provided in 1938-39.
- (c) The Botany Division has no laboratory facilities, and certain alterations to the existing premises are to be made to provide these.
- (d) Purchase of refrigerator and special photographic equipment for the Grasslands Division, Palmerston North. £4,046 provided in Main Estimates.
- (e) Material required for a small glasshouse for investigation on control of diseases of tomatoes and grapes grown under glass, and on improvement in methods of culture of these plants. £2,422 provided in Main Estimates.
- (f) The Soil Survey Division has to vacate the space occupied by its chemical section in the Agriculture Department's Laboratory, and new premises have been secured, which will enable this section to be centralized, thereby effecting greater efficiency and economy.
- (g) Cost of erecting further buildings necessary for the effective operation of the Tobacco Research Station, Riwaka, in pursuance of the building programme commenced early last year. £653 provided in Main Estimates.
- (h) Purchase of irrigation plant for Tobacco Research Station, £200, and laboratory apparatus, £125. £170 provided in Main Estimates.