(4) The following table shows the work done during the year under the rents legislation:—

|   | Auckland. | Wellington. | Christ-<br>ehurch. | Dunedin. | Other<br>Districts. | Totals. |
|---|-----------|-------------|--------------------|----------|---------------------|---------|
| Agreements on fair rent—  |           |             | 205                |          |                     |         |
| Approved  | 1,214     | 241         | 267                | 132      | 671                 | 2,525   |
| Not approved Cases where Court proceedings for fixation of fair rent involved—                                    | 16        | 43          | 48                 | 13       | 103                 | 223     |
| Owner's application   | 278       | 31          | 82                 | 29       | 152                 | 572     |
| Tenant's application  | 35        | 255         | 20                 | 3        | 50                  | 363     |
| Cases where demand for<br>increased rent settled with-<br>out reference to Court (other<br>than agreed increases) | 963       | 729         | 250                | 106      | 304                 | 2,352   |
| Tenant represented in eviction<br>proceedings or notices to<br>quit involving Court pro-<br>ceedings              | 187       | 210         | 80                 | 29       | 91                  | 597     |
| Notice to quit abandoned or<br>withdrawn upon Inspector's<br>intervention   | 42        | 303         | . 6                | 9        | 68                  | 428     |
| Total of applications   | 2,735     | 1,812       | 753                | 321      | 1,439               | 7,060*  |
| Agreements submitted to<br>Inspectors under Economic<br>Stabilization Regulations<br>1942—                        |           |             |                    |          |                     |         |
| Approved  | 519       | 282         | 220                | 189      | 636                 | 1,846   |
| Not approved  | 4         | 36          | 50                 | 12       | 90                  | 192     |

<sup>\*</sup> An increase of 18 per cent. over last year's total of 6,935.

## (b) Weights and Measures Act, 1928

(1) The following table shows the verification and reverification work carried out on weights and measures and weighing and measuring instruments:—

|              |          |   |  |            | 1940                  | 647.      | 1947–48.              |        |
|--------------|----------|---|--|------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------------------|--------|
| Article.     |          |   |  | Submitted. | Rejected or adjusted. | Submitted | Rejected or adjusted. |        |
| Weights      |          |   |  |            | 35,340                | 7,685     | 33,548                | 7,601  |
| Measures     |          |   |  |            | 4,799                 | 125       | 5,570                 | 180    |
| Weighing-ins | truments |   |  |            | 23,786                | 3,065     | 22,635                | 2,825  |
| Measuring-in | strument | 8 |  |            | 3,999                 | 880       | 4,553                 | 981    |
| Milk and oil | bottles  |   |  |            | 2.337.259             | 46,075    | 2,127,539             | 27,306 |

(2) Inspection work covering the requirements of the regulations as to net weight and standard weight of packages, the sale of firewood, coke, and coal, and the provisions relating to the weight of bread was carried out as follows:—

|                 | AND THE PERSON NAMED IN |      | 1946-47. | 1947-48. |  |
|-----------------|-------------------------|------|----------|----------|--|
|                 |                         | <br> |          |          |  |
| Number of pac   | kages checked           | <br> | 19,200   | 31,446   |  |
| Found incor     |                         | <br> | 2,417    | 2,622    |  |
| Bags of coal cl | ecked                   | <br> | 807      | 877      |  |
| Found incor     |                         | <br> | 178      | 196      |  |
| Loaves of brea  | d checked               | <br> | 8,607    | 10,076   |  |
| Found incor     | root                    | <br> | 1 308    | 1.597    |  |