

APPENDIX.

DEAR SIR,—

Dalefield Dairy Company (Limited), Carterton, 4th March, 1898.

During last season ('96/7) this company's manager had considerable trouble during the very hot weather with tainted milk, and in order to ascertain and remove the cause my directors established a system of inspection with the result that great improvements have been made, from a sanitary point of view, in the farm premises of suppliers. Some of the suppliers were only too pleased to adopt the suggestions of the inspector, and had their bails concreted and surroundings improved, while others were very careless and would hardly do anything—in fact, a small minority have almost refused to do anything, and while the milk from these farms is delivered free from taint, &c., my directors feel they have no power to enforce improvements, although they are exceedingly anxious that anything likely to taint the milk should be removed.

To attain this highly desirable position I have been instructed to solicit the assistance of your Department by asking you to instruct one of the Inspectors under "The Dairy Industry Act, 1894," to inspect and report on several of the farms.

At the present time owing to the extra dry season all the farms appear to be in very fair order, but should the season break with a heavy fall of rain several of them will be bad enough.

Trusting you will be able to give assistance in the direction asked,

Yours faithfully,

J. MONCRIEFF, Jun., Secretary.

The Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Wellington.

Dalefield Co-operative Dairy Company (Limited),

Carterton, N.Z., 5th February, 1902.

SIR,—

As the dairying season is pretty well advanced, and nothing having been done in this district by way of inspection of dairy premises of farmers by your Inspectors, I am directed by my directors to ask if you could allow, say, the local Stock Inspector to inspect a few of the worst places while going through the district on his ordinary business, on a list of such places being supplied to him.

Some three years ago my directors inaugurated a system of inspection, which resulted very beneficially until the farmers learned that the directors had no power to enforce their recommendations so long as the milk was delivered in good condition, as far as it could be ascertained at the time of delivery. The system of inspection in the South Wairarapa by your Department has been a great success, and no doubt would have a similar result in this district.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Yours faithfully,

J. MONCRIEFF, Jun., Secretary.

The Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Wellington.

Parkvale Co-operative Dairy Company (Limited),

Carterton, N.Z., 21st August, 1902.

DEAR SIR,—

I shall be glad to know if an officer from your Department could inspect the cow-bails, &c., of suppliers to this company before the season commences.

Yours faithfully,

J. MONCRIEFF, Jun., Secretary.

The Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Wellington.

Per A. P. S.

Department of Agriculture (Dairy Division),
Wellington, 29th September, 1908.

The Secretary.

With reference to our telephone conversation of this afternoon, the following are the highest, lowest, and average grading scores of "Glen Oroua" brand of creamery butter for the seasons mentioned:—

Season.	Highest Score. Lowest Score. Average Score.		
	Points.	Points.	Points.
1905-6	92	85½	90·03
1906-7	92	85	90·16
1907-8	92	86½	89·80

D. CUDDIE,

Dairy Commissioner.