BUTTER—*continued.*

	Boxes.	
7. BUTTER IN STORE awaiting shipment on account of Imperial Government on 30th September, 1918—		
North Island	104,639	
South Island	3,128	
Total in boxes		107,767

SCHEELITE.

(Operations commenced 20th September, 1915.)

	Tons.
1. Shipped and lost in transit	18
2. Arrived at destination	524
3. *En route* to Great Britain	86
4. Total payments made to date, £122,917.	
5. Total	628

WOOL.

(Operations commenced 1st December, 1916.)

1. Total number of bales valued (as per valuation certificates received)		1,040,365
2. Number of bales lost in transit	9,668	
3. Number of bales arrived at destination in 89 steamers	480,454	
4. Number of bales *en route* to Great Britain in 9 steamers	18,872	
5. Number of bales shipped on account of other Governments	63,384	
6. Number of bales of greasy wool available for shipment or scouring	467,987	
		1,040,365
7. Number of bales of greasy wool delivered to scourers for treatment		181,066
8. Number of bales of scoured and fellmongers' slipe wool shipped		70,755
9. Number of bales of scoured and fellmongers' slipe wool available for shipment		98,932
10. Total payments, £24,852,261.		
11. Total number of bales paid for		1,040,033

SLIPE WOOL (Freezing Companies).

(Operations commenced 31st March, 1917.)

PURCHASED FOR VALUATION IN UNITED KINGDOM.

1. Total number of bales advanced against	69,591
2. Number of bales shipped	53,813
3. Number of bales shipped on account of other Governments	1,795
4. Total payments to date, £1,933,513.	

PURCHASED UNDER NEW ZEALAND VALUATIONS.

5. Total number of bales	49,048
6. Number of bales shipped on account of other Governments	5,306
7. Total payments to date, £1,336,819.	

SHEEP-SKINS.

(Operations commenced 5th February, 1917.)

1. Number of skins purchased and distributed to fellmongers	2,953,696
2. Total payments to date, £1,124,627.	

HIDES.

(Operations commenced 19th March, 1917.)

1. Number of hides purchased	370,958
2. Number of hides shipped	149,143
3. Number of hides sold	139,823
4. Total payments to date, £704,577.	

PAYMENTS.

(Total to date.)

	£
Frozen meat	27,916,676
Cheese, 1915–16 season	917,748
Cheese, 1916–17 season	3,295,557
Cheese, 1917–18 season	4,811,228
Butter, 1917–18 season	2,816,457
Scheelite	122,917
Wool	24,849,966
Freezing companies' slipe wool	3,270,332
Sheep-skins	1,121,066
Hides	704,577
Other business	1,230,747
Grand total	£71,057,271