

to bring units up to establishment, the constant drain through enlistments in the New Zealand Expeditionary Force being the cause.

The annual Territorial camps were not held during the past year.

SUPPLIES FOR TRAINING-CAMPS.

The supplies for the various training-camps throughout the Dominion were purchased through the Munitions and Supplies Department, or by contracts arranged by the Director of Supplies and Transport or Assistant Director of Supplies and Transport in each district.

The issuing and accounting for all supplies is undertaken by the Army Service Corps, and the result generally shows an improvement on past years. Very careful attention has been paid to the accounting for the containers in which supplies have been received. During the period of three years ending 30th April, 1919, the amount realized by containers, &c., accounted for and sold is as follows :—

		£	s.	d.
Sacks	141,273	3,889	17	3
Benzine and kerosene cases	6,033	124	11	5
Coffee-tins	1,128	28	17	0
Butter-boxes	18,670	390	17	1
Casks and jars	32	7	19	0
Tea lead	5½ tons	154	4	4
Baling-wire	3¼ tons	62	14	8
Bottles	1,236 dozen.	53	14	5
		<u>£4,712</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>2</u>

All contracts have been well executed, and the quality of supplies was good.

CANTEENS.

The canteens, barbers' shops, and restaurant at Featherston, Tauherenikau, and Papawai Camps, which were taken over and run by the Department from the 15th November, 1917, have been controlled by a Camp Canteen Committee, and have been a great success. The canteen at Trentham Camp was similarly taken over as from the 1st November, 1918. The goods for these canteens were obtained in conjunction with the Munitions and Supplies Department. The results generally by the Department taking over the canteens have been most satisfactory.

RATIONS AND FORAGE.

The scales of rations now in force in New Zealand are as follows :—

Item.	Reinforcements, Mobilized Troops, First-class Prisoners of War.	Maori's and Islander R reinforcements.	Territorial Camps.
Bread <i>or</i>	1½ lb.	1½ lb.	1½ lb.
Biscuits <i>or</i>	1 lb.	1 lb.	1 lb.
Flour	1 lb.	1 lb.	1 lb.
Fresh meat <i>or</i>	1½ lb.	1½ lb.	1½ lb.
Preserved meat <i>or</i>	1 lb.	1 lb.	1 lb.
Fish .. .. .	.. .. .	2 lb. .. .. .	.. .. .
Sausages	8 oz.*	8 oz.* .. .. .	.. .. .
Bacon	5 oz.†	5 oz.† .. .. .	.. .. .
Cheese	2 oz.	2 oz.	2 oz.
Coffee	¼ oz.	¼ oz.	¼ oz.
Jam	4 oz.	4 oz.	4 oz.
Fresh milk <i>or</i>	½ pint	½ pint	½ pint.
Condensed milk	⅛ tin	⅛ tin	⅛ tin.
Flour	1½ oz.	1½ oz.	1 oz.
Baking-powder	3 lb. each 100 lb. flour	3 lb. each 100 lb. flour	3 lb. each 100 lb. flour.
Oatmeal	1 oz.	1 oz.	2 oz.
Onions	4 oz.	4 oz.	2 oz.
Fresh vegetables	8 oz.	8 oz. .. .. .	.. .. .
Potatoes	¾ lb. (new)	1½ lb.	¾ lb. (new).
„	1 lb. (old) .. .. .	.. .. .	1 lb. (old).
Salt	½ oz.	½ oz.	½ oz.
Sugar	4 oz.	5 oz.	4 oz.
Tea	¾ oz.	¾ oz.	¾ oz.
Butter	4 oz.	3 oz.	4 oz.
Pepper	⅓ oz.	⅓ oz.	⅓ oz.
Dried fruits‡	½ oz.	½ oz. .. .. .	.. .. .
Rice	¼ oz.	¼ oz. .. .. .	.. .. .
Currants	⅓ oz.	⅓ oz. .. .. .	.. .. .
Tapioca	¼ oz.	¼ oz. .. .. .	.. .. .
Sago	¼ oz.	¼ oz. .. .. .	.. .. .
Curry-powder	⅓ oz.	⅓ oz. .. .. .	.. .. .
Treacle	1 oz. weekly in lieu of jam	1 oz. weekly in lieu of jam	.. .. .

* Twice weekly in lieu of equivalent amount of fresh meat. † Twice weekly; 5 oz. bacon equivalent to 10 oz. fresh meat. ‡ Dried fruits to consist of prunes, peaches, or evaporated apples.