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## DEPARTMENT OF IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT SUPPLIES.

REVIEW OF OPERATIONS COVERING THE PERIOD FROM 1st APRIL, 1921, TO THE 30TH JUNE, 1922.

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SIR,— Wellington, 1st July, 1922.

I have the honour to submit a review of the operations of the Department

of Imperial Government Supplies from the 1st April, 1921, to the 30th June, 1922.

The period covered by my last report witnessed the termination of the remaining contracts of purchase of frozen meat, butter, cheese, wool, and sheepskins on behalf of the Imperial Government, and the year under review has been occupied in shipping the stocks in question, and in the administration of the Butter Equalisation Fund and the New Zealand Wool Committee.

## FROZEN MEAT.

The shipment of the 600,956 60 lb. freight carcases remaining on hand at the 31st March, 1921, was effected in the following months:

· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		Beef (Quarters).	Mutton (Carcases).	Lamb (Carcases).	Other Meat (in 60 lb. Carcases).	Total (in Equivalent of 60 lb. Carcases).
April, 1921 May, ,, June, ,, July, ,, October, ,,	62 63	77,944 62,587 63,070 	36,564 5,841 10,220 20,408	507	2,387	243,939 156,501 158,063 17,778 24,675
		214,881	73,033	4,408	2,387	600,956

## BUTTER.

The butter held in store awaiting shipment on account of the Imperial Government on the 31st March, 1921, amounted to 251,029 boxes. Shipment was effected as follows:—

April, 1921	, .	 	88,068	boxes.
May, ,,	• •	 	54,532	,,
$_{ m June,}$ ,,		 	43,000	,,
July, "		 	65,429	,,

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