SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT.

Under P.S. Regulation 17 officers are invited to forward, for the consideration of the Commissioner, any fresh ideas or proposals that are likely to improve the organization or efficiency of the Service.

Such suggestions made by officers are always appreciated and are given every consideration. In cases where the suggestions possess any intrinsic merit it is

the practice to make a small monetary reward.

Of the suggestions brought forward during last year in only one case was a monetary consideration granted—namely, W. Berridge, Public Trust Department, for a suggestion in regard to a method of recording certain branch expenditure.

DEPARTMENTAL OFFICERS ON LOAN TO OTHER ADMINISTRATIONS.

The following officers have been granted leave of absence from the New Zealand Public Service to enable them to take up duty with the Administrations named :-

Administration.	Name.	Department from which loaned.
High Commissioner's Office		Agriculture.
	Taylor, F. H.	
	Steere, H. C	α .
	Lawrence, F. W	Customs.
	Mitchell, T	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
	Sandford, F. T	Immigration.
	Jervis, D. M	Internal Affairs.
	Wilson, Miss P. C.	70 11' 70' ·
	Mitchinson, Miss E	Public Trust.
	Ferguson, W. S	Public Works.
	Wright, N. L.	Scientific and Industrial Research.
	Lishman, G. W.	
Samoa		1 0
	Gair, C. J. M	Audit.
	Lawrie, W. G.	Customs.
	Macdonald, A	,,
	McKay, C. G. R	External Affairs.
	Partridge, L. B	Health.
	Ward, J. D	,,
	Turnbull, A. C	Internal Affairs.
	Millar, T. H	,,
	Murphy, E. F	Labour.
	Jamieson, F. R	Lands and Survey.
	Lynch, R. J	Mental Hospitals.
	Peck, E	Native.
	Turnbull, J	Public Trust.
	Gratton, F. J. H	,,
	Hardy, J. H	Public Works.
	Lofley, W. G.	,,
Cook Islands	Binfield, R. E.	Agriculture.
	Nottage, I. L.	,,,
	Reid, E. A	,,
	McMahon-Box, J. P	Customs.
	Wright, J. B	External Affairs.
	Luckham, A. A	Prisons.
Secretariat to League of Nations	Cl T II	Customs.
fiji	Lindsay, Miss G	Internal Affairs.
Canada (New Zealand Trade Commissioner's Office)		

LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR EDUCATION AND TRAINING PURPOSES.

During the year the following officers were granted special leave of absence, in some cases to permit them to proceed abroad for the purpose of extending their knowledge and experience, and in others to enable them to pursue their studies:-

Brand, J. G., Cadet, Agriculture Department, Dunedin: To further studies in connection with agricultural science.

Freeman, R. G., Cadet, Agriculture Department, Christchurch: To take diploma course at Canterbury Agricultural College.

Chamberlain, O. E., Substation Superintendent, Public Works Department, Penrose: To

gain further experience abroad.

Mactier, Miss D., Head Masseuse, Tourist Department, Rotorua: To proceed to England to take course in diathermy and light treatment.