

ALTERATIONS IN FORM OF 1950-51 ESTIMATES

As compared with the 1949-50 estimates, the following alterations have been made :—

1. Certain separate votes have been dispensed with and amalgamated with other votes :—

- (a) Vote "Lighthouses and Harbour Works" has been incorporated in the corresponding subdivisions of vote "Marine."
- (b) Vote "Electoral" is now included as part of vote "Justice and Prisons."
- (c) Vote "Government Superannuation Fund Office," which recouped to the Consolidated Fund expenditure also voted out of the latter Fund, has been dispensed with as being unnecessary.
- (d) Vote "Stamp Duties" has been eliminated following the amalgamation of that Department with two other Departments. The Stamp Duties portion is now incorporated in vote "Land and Income Tax," and the Land and Deeds Registry in vote "Justice and Prisons."

2. The following rearrangement of portions of votes has been made :—

(a) In vote "Legislative" a recommendation made last year by the Public Accounts Committee has been given effect to by omitting details of salaries previously shown in the estimates. These are now being published in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

(b) The vote formerly known as vote "Tourist and Health Resorts" has been reconstructed to include—

(i) Three subdivisions which were previously in vote

"Prime Minister's Department," viz.—

Subdivision No. II: Information Section.

Subdivision No. III: National Film Unit.

Subdivision No. IV: National Publicity Studios.

(ii) Sections of Votes: Expenditure formerly included on Treasury and Internal Affairs votes representing salary and office expenses incurred in checking Government advertising and newspaper-clipping service.

The cost of these various services is now shown in sections under Subdivision No. II of vote "Tourist and Publicity."