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FOREWORD.

In this publication the Division of Economics and Markets offers the public a report on chicory farming in the district of Alexandria. The report is based on a brief farm-management survey conducted by two officers of the Division during the month of February.

Owing to lack of time the scope of the investigation had necessarily to be limited somewhat, but it was thorough, nevertheless. The report throws an interesting light on chicory farming—a branch of agriculture comparatively unknown to the general public, yet one which seems to be making distinct progress.

This investigation has revealed a few very important points and the chicory farmer will undoubtedly find the report of great interest. Certain matters pertaining to State policy could, unfortunately, not be touched upon in this pamphlet. They are mainly concerned with problems of railway transport and are treated fully in a confidential report to the Minister of Agriculture. Their omission detracts considerably from the value of this report, but, even so, the farming community of Alexandria will find in it sufficient food for thought.

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