

RABBITS KILLED BY HEAT.

Mr. Dawson, inspector of stock for the Goulburn district, has made a report that during the heat wave of last week scores of rabbits which could not find cover succumbed to the heat. He found many dead against the Gundry netted fences, and as there was no poison laid in the vicinity, and many of the carcasses, just dead, were not mutilated in any way, it was evident that the heat, wind, and want of shade had caused the deaths.

In reply to a request from the Forbes municipal council that the provisions of the Dog Act be suspended outside town boundaries, the chief secretary has stated that the police have already received instructions to the effect that the act is not to be vigorously enforced in country districts, where settlers have to keep dogs as a protection against vermin.