

the Railway Members introducing their respective budgets.

The communal situation was far from satisfactory and tension was increasing in acuteness. Riots which partook of a communal colour occurred at various places in connection with important festivals of both Hindus and Moslems. The communal disputes in British India had their repercussions in similar incidents in Indian States also. The terrorist movement in Bengal, which had been dormant for some-time, suddenly shot into activity in the form of a dastardly attempt on the life of the Governor of Bengal. This outrage served to awaken public opinion in Bengal to this terrible menace and the press was loud in denouncing the terrorist cult.

The other important developments dealt

with in this report are those relating to Agriculture, Industry, Commerce and Communication where all-round improvement was maintained. Of special significance is the treatment of matters relating to Public Health and Education in this All-India review though they are primarily provincial subjects. A brief resumé of the work of the numerous scientific surveys is appended. The year was not without a bumper crop of both provincial and All-India conferences of economic and public interest.

Great credit is reflected on the authorities responsible for the production of this excellent report, which while preserving the high standards set up by its predecessors has achieved a notable advance inasmuch as it infuses a new spirit of approach even to the most common topics.

Forthcoming Events.

Central Board of Irrigation.

THE 6th Meeting of the Research Officers and the Executive Committee (Research Committee), Central Board of Irrigation, will be held on 7th-13th July 1936, to consider:

(1) To confirm the minutes of proceedings of the Fifth Meeting of the Research Committee, held at Simla on the 18th and 19th July 1935.

(2) To discuss the reports of the Research Officers on the research work done in their Provinces during the preceding year.

(3) To report progress in respect of the following subjects brought forward from last year:—(a) Means of conserving irrigation water. Stauching of canals. (b) Design of canal falls. Preparation of type designs. (c) Waterlogging and land reclamation. Questionnaire. (d) Testing and grading of silt. Standardisation of methods. (e) The Lacey silt and flow theories. (f) Tortuosity

of rivers and their training by means of embankments. (g) Design of work on permeable foundations.

(4) To discuss the following new subject: Means to secure the equitable distribution of irrigation water in the future.

(5) To discuss the programme of research work to be carried out during the ensuing year, and

(6) To consider the question of Research Officers meeting during the cold weather.

Imperial Council of Agricultural Research.

July 8th and 9th, 1936.—Meeting of the Sugar Committee.

July 10th and 11th, 1936.—Meeting of the Wheat Committee.

July 13th to 18th, 1936.—Meeting of the Advisory Board.