

INTRODUCTION.

This survey was carried out from October 1951 to May 1952. The climate during this period was considered normal for Trinidad; the wet season gradually came to an end in January and a marked dry period continued up to the time when the survey was concluded. All statements given and all deductions drawn refer almost wholly to this period. Records for previous years are very scanty. This is a serious drawback to the work.

The one aim of the work is to assist whosoever is engaged in vegetable production in Trinidad. With this end in view only field descriptions of the various diseases are given. General facts relating to cultivation have also been included.

In the first part of the work the crops have been discussed individually under the following headings:-

Crop.

General.

Diseases discussed separately under:-

Incidence

Symptoms

Discussion

Control

Experiments

Pests.

The second part deals with general aspects of disease control as outlined in the index. This is followed by a summary and conclusions.