15. In my district timber is most required in the Waipahu, Waikaka, Otaria, and the Beaumont.

16. Area of my district, 2,400,000 acres.

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I have, &c., THOMAS HUGHAN, Ranger.

J. T. Thomson, Esq., Chief Commissioner, Dunedin.

Mr. VALPY to Mr. THOMSON.

SIR,-Dunedin, 23rd January, 1874. In accordance with your instructions, I have the honor to report on the questions to which the General Government has invited answers, as correctly as I have been able to gain information. I have, &c., W. H. Valpy, Ranger.

The Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Dunedin.

LIST of BUSHES in the NORTHERN DISTRICTS of the PROVINCE of OTAGO. (Acreages of Public and Private Bushes given approximately.)

	Districts.				Public.	Private.	Total.
Otepopo.	Otepopo Bush				10	490	500
Otepopo.	Block VIII	•••	•••	•••	100	900	1,000
	TV	•••	•••		175	625	800
	" "	•••	•••		45	255	300
	" VIII VIV		•••	•••			1,500
	Kuri Bush	•••	•••	•••	390	510	900
Moeraki.	Port Moeraki			{	Township 150	Native R. 120	430
	Dlooka I VI VII V	7.7.7		C	Reserve 160		500
	Blocks I., XI., XII., Z Block XIII		•••	•••			500 1 500
	Gorge of Waihemo	•••	•••	•••	600		1,500 600
	TO 1 "i	•••	***	•••	100	90	190
	Puketapu	•••	•••	•••	100	50	190
Hawksbury.	Mount Royal		•••	•••	286	264	550
	Kennard's	• • •			205	245	450
	Goodwood					150	150
	Matainaca and Tumai					250	250
	Hawksbury		•••	•••	548	652	1,200
	Mount Watkins	•••		•••	300		300
Waikouaiti.	Along the Coast		.•••		1,050	Native R. 500 Freehold1,600	3,150
	Outside the Hundreds	, S. W	aikouaiti ${f R}$		1,600		1,600
North Harbour and Blueskin		•••		1,000	22,000	23,000	
	(Saddle Hill	•••			150		300
Dunedin and		•••	•••			300	300
East Taieri					400		400
	(Above Lee Stream		•••	•••	350		350
West Taieri.	Maungatua Bush, W	oodside	·		300	300	600
	Traquair	,,	•••		180	320	500
	Maungatua Gullies	•••			100	200	300
	Waipori Bush		•••		2,900	200	3,100
	Ranges South of Wai	ipori	•••	•••	50	200	250
East Taieri.	Maitapapa, Maori Vi	llage	•••			150	150
	Moeraki Bush		•••	•••		60	60
	Kuri Bushes, B. V., in	cluding	; Maori Res	erve	180	1,020	1,200
	Block I		•••		56	194	250
	Block II				340	200	600