

YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH, 1943.

STATE FORESTS ACCOUNT—continued.

Number of Persons.		VOTE—STATE FOREST SERVICE—continued.	1942-43	1941-42.	
1942-43	1941-42			Voted.	Expended.
		<i>Subdivision No. III.—Utilization and Industrial, &c.—continued.</i>			
		<i>CHARGES FOR AND INCIDENTAL TO—continued.</i>			
		Utilization works within—			
		Wellington Conservancy—			
		Charcoal-burning	(a) 750	}	
		Firewood operations	(b) 1,500		
		Nelson Conservancy—			
		Charcoal-burning	(a) 500	}	3,000
		Westland Conservancy—			
		Charcoal-burning	(a) 500	}	1,376
		Canterbury Conservancy—			
		Logging and creosoting	(c) 1,750	}	3,750
		Firewood operations	(b) 1,000		
		Southland Conservancy—			
		Logging and creosoting	(c) 2,300	}	1,313
		Sawmilling	(d) 2,000		
		Charcoal-burning	(a) 500		
		Estimated credits-in-aid under Section 51 of the Public Revenues Act, 1926	£ 2,000		
		<i>Total—Subdivision No. III</i>	143,800	131,750	136,091
		GROSS TOTAL	484,060	534,140	484,229
		CREDITS-IN-AID (e)	9,060	5,000	9,683
		NET TOTAL	475,000	529,140	474,546

(a) Operations in connection with supplies of substitute motor-fuel. Provision made in case existing plant may have to work full time. Earlier expenditure charged to "Forestry projects" (Subsection II, above).

(b) Owing to extreme shortage of supplies of firewood in all main centres, it is proposed to open up suitable blocks in State forests. Provision for camps and equipment. Similar activities on a smaller scale have in the past been charged to Subsection II, above.

(c) Extraction of poles, posts, and round timbers for creosoting and for sale untreated—latter used extensively in air-raid shelters and Defence construction jobs.

(d) On account of acute shortage of insignis timber it is proposed to re-establish a small "portable" sawmill to cut supplies from State forests.

(e) Credits-in-aid—					Estimated. 1942-43. £	Estimated. 1941-42. £	Recovered. 1941-42. £
Subdivision	I	..	..	..	2,000	1,625	1,811
"	II	..	..	..	5,060	3,375	5,771
"	III	..	..	..	2,000	..	2,101
Totals	..	..	..	..	9,060	5,000	9,683