

- (b) The following Timber Control Notices were revoked by a Notice dated the 13th May, 1946 :—

Export of Kauri and Insignis Pine Notice, published in *Gazette*, 1940, page 1724.

Timber Control Notice No. 33 (Binding Wire), published in *Gazette*, 1941, page 3959.

Timber Control Notice No. 44 (Wire Ropes), published in *Gazette*, 1942, page 1121.

Timber Control Notice No. 51 (Cutting, Sale, or Use of Insignis Pine Timber except for the Manufacture of Wooden Containers), published in *Gazette*, 1942, page 2825.

Timber Control Notice No. 52 (Timber Materials), published in *Gazette*, 1942, page 2844.

- (c) Timber Control Notice No. 50 (Use of Oregon or Douglas Fir), published in *Gazette*, 1942, page 2561, was revoked by a Notice dated the 3rd April, 1947, published in *Gazette*, 1947, page 447.

- (d) Delegation of Powers by Timber Controller : By Notice dated the 10th June, 1946, issued pursuant to Regulation 4 of the Supply Control Emergency Regulations 1939, the Timber Controller delegated to Wynfred Vincent Kelsall, of Auckland, power to act for the Timber Controller, as directed, in controlling the sale, supply, and disposal of rimu, miro, matai, and totara timber. This Notice came into force on the 1st July, 1946.

107. *Removal and Erection of Sawmills.*—The Removal and Erection of Sawmills Notice 1941 (Serial number 1941/236) was revoked by a Notice dated 26th July, 1946. Between 1st April, 1946, and the date of the coming into force of the revocation, consent for the removal and for the erection of sawmills under the Notice was granted in 34 cases, 26 of which were for erections and 8 for removals.

There is now no particular restriction on the erection of sawmills, but attention is directed to the Sawmill Registration Regulations 1942 (Serial number 1942/330), which provide that every person who commences to operate a sawmill is required within one week to make application for registration of the sawmill, and operating sawmills are required to re-register annually.

108. *Sale and Purchase of Forests.*—(a) *Privately Owned Forests :* During the year, 198 (424) consents to the sale and purchase of privately owned forests were granted under the provisions of Regulation 3 of the Timber Emergency Regulations 1939 (Serial number 1939/148). These comprise 87 consents for the sale and purchase of indigenous forest and 111 in respect of exotic forest. The reduced number of consents granted during the year is accounted for by the smaller number of transactions in respect of small lots of standing timber.

(b) *Maori-owned Forests :* During the year no notices were issued pursuant to Regulation 3 of the Timber Emergency Regulations 1939 as amended by Regulation 2 of Amendment No. 1 (Serial number 1943/106), which authorizes the Timber Controller to require Maori owners of forests to sell their interests to such proprietors as he may nominate. Two licences for sale of forests were granted following notices issued during the preceding year, and in one case it was necessary to issue an authorization prior to the granting of the licence. All sales of Maori-owned forest require the consent of the Commissioner of State Forests in terms of section 35 (2) of the Forests Act, 1921–22, and in all cases a cruise and valuation of the timber in the area are made by the Forest Service before consent is given. The same procedure is followed in sales under the Timber Emergency Regulations, and such sales are also subject to confirmation of the Native Land Court, consequently the owners are assured of receiving full value for the timber sold and their interests are fully protected.