Details of Two-year-old Trees, sown 1918-19.

Name of Tree.					Number in Nursery Lines.	Growth.		
'inus Laricio					600,000	Medium.		
,, ponderosa					150,000	,,	•	
,, radiata					40,000	,,		
,, muricata					30,000	,,		
upressus macrocarpa					2,000	,,		
Populus monolifera					30,000	,,		
,, fastigiata	• •				7,000	,,		
Total		• •			859,000			

Details of Three-year-old Trees, sown 1917-18.

Name of Tree.					Number in Nursery Lines.	Growth.		
Pinus Laricio , , ponderosa , , Banksiana , pinaster , Taeda Cupressus macrocarpa , Lawsoniana Populus monolifera , fastigiata					360,000 230,000 60,000 2,000 300 5,000 1,500 30,000 7,000	Strong. Fair. Medium.		

Trees transferred from Nursery to Plantations, &c., 1919-20.

Where sent.	Name of Tree.			Number.			
Hanmer Springs Plantation	••	{	,, ponderosa			71,900 28,250 27,000 32,400 10,000	169,550
Balmoral Plantation		$\left\{ \right.$,, ponderosa	•••	••	370,000 49,000 86,500 10,000	. *
Tapanui Nursery Farmers and public bodies	••		Cupressus macrocarpa Assorted forest-trees				515,500 $3,200$ $17,675$
Total			••		1		705,929

HANMER SPRINGS PLANTATION, CANTERBURY.

(Area, 3,668 acres; altitude, 1,225 ft.; commenced 1901.)

The work throughout the past year was almost exclusively confined to the general upkeep of the plantation; some thinning, however, was done in the shelter-belts where necessary, and a number of snow-thrown larch were cut out. With the exception of 24,000 Douglas fir used to plant up a disused cropping-area, the replacing of failures constituted the only planting carried out—145,550 trees, comprising Pinus Laricio (71,900), Douglas fir (8,400), Pinus ponderosa (28,250), Pinus radiata (27,000), and Eucalyptus viminalis (10,000), being utilized for the purpose. The strike, however, was not altogether satisfactory, the gums proving a total failure. The plantation as a whole is presenting a very fine appearance, and tree-growth throughout has been well maintained. There has been no appearance of disease, with the exception of the green-leaf blight on isolated Betula alba, and the usual American blight on Pinus austriaca.

The older larch plantations are now showing signs of the need of thinning, and the commencement of this work will probably be necessary in the near future. A ready market can be found locally for all timber cut out, and the proceeds of sales would easily cover the cost of the work. As the result of thinnings of *Pinus radiata*, *Pinus muricata*, and snow-thrown larch 123\frac{3}{4} cords of firewood and 244 posts and poles, of a total value of £177 2s. 7d., were disposed of during the year.