

Section 148 of the Mining Act provides that all rents, royalties, and fees received in respect of timber-cutting rights shall be deemed to be goldfields revenue in the case of rights granted within the Warden's timber areas, and territorial revenue in the case of rights granted within the Land Board's timber areas; nevertheless, in the case of timber-cutting rights which are granted in certain areas known as "Midland Railway mining reserves" the rents, royalties, and fees are deemed to be goldfields revenue.

Under section 307 of the Land Act, 1908, may be granted licenses to hold areas not exceeding 80 acres, to be used as sites for sawmills or areas on which to fell or remove timber or bark from Crown lands, and, under section 312, licenses to cut timber.

Section 312 of the said Act authorizes the granting of timber licenses and the setting-apart of future reservations for the licensee.

Section 316 of the said Act provides for the prosecution of any person found in wrongful possession of timber cut from State forests or Crown lands.

Section 315 of the Land Act, 1908, provides for the leasing of open portions of State forests.

APPENDIX VII.—SUMMARY OF TIMBER LICENSES ISSUED.

Under the Land Act, 1908; the State Forests Act, 1908; the Mining Act, 1908 (the Regulations made thereunder in force on the 31st March, 1920).

| Schedule. | Category.              | Number. | Area.  | Reservations. |
|-----------|------------------------|---------|--------|---------------|
|           |                        |         | Acres. | Acres.        |
| 1         | Crown lands .. ..      | 73      | 63,708 | 8,929         |
|           | State forests .. ..    | 42      | 19,541 | 23,355        |
| 2         | Mining districts .. .. | 101     | 31,775 | 67,704        |

LICENSES ISSUED UNDER SUBSECTION (6) OF SECTION 34 OF THE WAR LEGISLATION AND STATUTE LAW AMENDMENT ACT, 1918.

|                      |     |     |     |     |
|----------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Over private land... | ... | ... | ... | 83  |
| Over Native land ... | ... | ... | ... | 20  |
| Total ..             | ... | ... | ... | 103 |

SCHEDULE 1.

Licenses issued by Minister of Lands.

| District.         | Sawmill Areas. |        | Reservations. | Splitters' Licenses, &c. |        |
|-------------------|----------------|--------|---------------|--------------------------|--------|
|                   | Number.        | Area.  | Area.         | Number.                  | Area.  |
|                   |                | Acres. | Acres.        |                          | Acres. |
| North Auckland .. | 6              | 8,900  | ..            | ..                       | ..     |
| Auckland .. ..    | 19             | 29,610 | ..            | ..                       | ..     |
| Wellington .. ..  | 17             | 16,741 | 329           | ..                       | ..     |
| Nelson .. ..      | 1              | 494    | ..            | ..                       | ..     |
| Marlborough .. .. | 4              | 800    | 2,700         | ..                       | ..     |
| Canterbury .. ..  | ..             | ..     | ..            | 4                        | 381    |
| Southland .. ..   | 15             | 3,813  | 4,700         | ..                       | ..     |
| Otago .. ..       | 11             | 3,350  | 1,200         | ..                       | ..     |
| Totals .. ..      | 73             | 63,708 | 8,929         | 4                        | 381    |

Licenses issued by Commissioner of State Forests.

| District.            | Sawmill Areas. |        | Reservations. |
|----------------------|----------------|--------|---------------|
|                      | Number.        | Area.  | Area.         |
|                      |                | Acres. | Acres.        |
| North Auckland .. .. | 3              | 8,900  | ..            |
| Auckland .. ..       | 2              | 1,541  | ..            |
| Nelson .. ..         | 1              | 200    | ..            |
| Marlborough .. ..    | 2              | 300    | ..            |
| Southland .. ..      | 36             | 8,600  | 23,355        |
| Totals .. ..         | 44             | 19,541 | 23,355        |