

4. EDUCATIONAL PUBLICATIONS AND OTHER LITERATURE PRINTED DURING THE YEAR.

- 2,000 copies Bulletin No. 5 : " Properties and Uses of Insignis Pine."
- 1,000 copies Circular No. 8 : " Forest Fire Districts."
- 2,000 copies Circular No. 20 : " Eucalypts in New Zealand."
- 1,500 copies Circular No. 21 : " The Drying of Timber."
- 3,000 copies Circular No. 23 : " Butter-box Tests."
- 2,000 copies Circular No. 24 : " Cheese-crate tests."
- 1,000 copies Leaflet No. 1 : " Properties and Uses of Pukatea."
- 1,000 copies Leaflet No. 2 : " Properties and Uses of Kohekohe."
- 500 copies Leaflet No. 3 : " Acacia Gall-fungus."
- 1,000 copies Leaflet No. 4 : " Properties and Uses of Kawaka."
- 1,000 copies Leaflet No. 5 : " Preservative Treatment of Fence-posts."
- 1,000 copies Leaflet No. 6 : " Butter-box Tests."
- 26,000 copies " North Island Price List of Trees and Seed, 1927."

5. REFERENCE LIBRARY.

The central library is now equipped with modern steel shelving, which enables books and other publications to be shown to more advantage than has hitherto been possible. New works issued from time to time have been procured, and by the system of exchange with Forest Services throughout the world numerous pamphlets and reports are obtained, so that it may now be confidently asserted that as a source of reference on forestry and tree-planting technique, utilization of timber, and all the various matters pertaining thereto, the library is unsurpassed in the Southern Hemisphere.

Additional standard works have also been secured for the libraries in the various conservation regions throughout the Dominion, and these reference books are much appreciated and referred to by officers whose location in the field prevents their making full use of the central library.

Since last report 432 new books and pamphlets and reports have been added, making a grand total of 3,767.

APPENDICES.

APPENDIX I.

STATE AND PROVISIONAL STATE FOREST AND FOREST RESERVES.

Areas in Acres at End of Fiscal Year, 1927.

Land District.	Area in Acres at End of Fiscal Year 1926.			Changes in Area during the Fiscal Year 1926-27: Net Increase in Acres.			Area in Acres at End of Fiscal Year 1926-27.			Percentage of Area of Land District in Permanent and Provisional State Forest and Forest Reserves.
	State Forest.	Provisional State Forest.	Forest Reserves.	State Forest.	Provisional State Forest.	Forest Reserves.	State Forest.	Provisional State Forest.	Forest Reserves.	
N. Auckland	105,701	59,242	..	10,768	465*	..	116,469	58,777	..	3.9
Auckland ..	235,904	470,504	2,316	69,622	18,204	..	305,526	488,708	2,316	9.7
Gisborne ..	87,696	208,609	11,160	..	915	..	87,696	209,524	11,160	8.79
Hawke's Bay	113,128	1,500	5,254	509	..	..	113,637	1,500	5,254	4.14
Taranaki ..	69,496	46,388	40,594	261	210*	139*	69,757	46,178	40,455	6.51
Wellington ..	456,668	143,106	14,007	424	1,796	..	457,092	114,902	14,007	8.75
Nelson ..	19,196	1,984,684	8,470	5	9,767*	..	19,201	1,974,917	8,470	42.5
Marlborough	89,497	120,625	12,062	..	..	..	89,497	120,625	12,062	8.04
Westland ..	2,190	1,711,543	119	..	2,111	..	2,190	1,713,654	119	44.5
Canterbury ..	320,021	..	319	9,038	..	..	329,059	..	319	3.48
Otago ..	133,657	335,123	2,108	5	77	..	133,662	335,200	2,108	5.24
Southland ..	137,427	605,376	..	..	..	..	137,427	605,376	..	9.44
Totals ..	1,770,581	5,686,700	96,409	90,632	12,661	139*	1,861,213	5,699,361	96,270	..
(7,656,844)										

* Net decrease.