

TABLE 5.

EXPORTS OF SAWN TIMBER<sup>(1)</sup> AND OTHER FOREST PRODUCE.

(From information supplied by the Comptroller of Customs. All figures refer to the years ended 31st December, 1929-30.)

| Item.                           | 1929.      |         |                  | 1930.                     |         |                  |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------|------------------|---------------------------|---------|------------------|
|                                 | Quantity.  | Value.  |                  | Quantity.                 | Value.  |                  |
|                                 |            | Total.  | Per 100 ft. b.m. |                           | Total.  | Per 100 ft. b.m. |
|                                 | Ft. b.m.   | £       | s. d.            | Ft. b.m.                  | £       | s. d.            |
| White-pine <sup>(2)</sup> .. .. | 30,493,000 | 317,990 | 20 10            | 19,187,000                | 206,030 | 21 6             |
| Rimu <sup>(3)</sup> .. ..       | 3,122,000  | 27,140  | 17 4             | 3,501,000                 | 30,690  | 17 7             |
| Beech <sup>(4)</sup> .. ..      | 3,016,000  | 39,700  | 26 4             | 1,974,000                 | 26,070  | 26 5             |
| Kauri <sup>(5)</sup> .. ..      | 2,123,000  | 51,040  | 48 0             | 1,088,000                 | 27,950  | 51 4             |
| Other <sup>(6)</sup> —          |            |         |                  |                           |         |                  |
| New Zealand .. ..               | 349,000    | 3,470   | 19 11            | 926,000                   | 9,850   | 21 3             |
| Foreign .. ..                   | 51,000     | 610     | 23 0             | 21,000                    | 210     | 20 0             |
| Totals .. ..                    | 39,154,000 | 439,950 | 22 6             | 26,697,000 <sup>(7)</sup> | 300,800 | 22 6             |
|                                 | Tons.      | £       | Per Ton.         | Tons.                     | £       | Per Ton.         |
|                                 |            |         | £ s. d.          |                           |         | £ s. d.          |
| Kauri-gum .. ..                 | 4,937      | 267,610 | 54 5 0           | 3,818                     | 189,640 | 49 12 0          |
| Tanning-bark .. ..              | 53         | 900     | 16 19 7          | 99                        | 1,250   | 12 12 5          |
| Fungus .. ..                    | 76         | 9,200   | 12 0 0           | 90                        | 11,400  | 126 13 7         |

(1) 97 per cent. exported to Australia; remainder to Pacific islands and United Kingdom.

(2) Exported for butter-boxes, shelving, whitewood furniture, &amp;c.

(3) For flooring and linings.

(4) For motor-bodies, agricultural implements, and wood-turnery.

(5) For flooring, linings, tanks, vats, &amp;c.

(6) Includes matai for flooring and linings for Australia, and insignis pine for fruit-cases for Pacific islands.

(7) Decrease due largely to heavy imports of white-pine by Australia during the previous year. As stocks are being rapidly liquidated, an improvement in demand for white-pine is anticipated.

TABLE 6.

## IMPORTS OF SAWN TIMBER AND OTHER FOREST PRODUCE.

(From information supplied by the Comptroller of Customs. All figures refer to the years ended 31st December, 1929-30. Value represents value in country of export, plus 10 per cent.).

| Item.                                | 1929.      |         |                  | 1930.                     |         |                  |
|--------------------------------------|------------|---------|------------------|---------------------------|---------|------------------|
|                                      | Quantity.  | Value.  |                  | Quantity.                 | Value.  |                  |
|                                      |            | Total.  | Per 100 ft. b.m. |                           | Total.  | Per 100 ft. b.m. |
|                                      | Ft. b.m.   | £       | s. d.            | Ft. b.m.                  | £       | s. d.            |
| Hardwoods—                           |            |         |                  |                           |         |                  |
| Australian hardwoods ..              | 22,116,000 | 334,450 | 30 2             | 33,943,000 <sup>(1)</sup> | 501,910 | 29 7             |
| Oak .. ..                            | 2,514,000  | 66,670  | 53 2             | 2,329,000                 | 62,990  | 54 0             |
| Ash, hickory, &c. ..                 | 161,000    | 6,700   | 83 2             | 169,000                   | 7,150   | 84 7             |
| Total hardwoods ..                   | 24,791,000 | 407,820 | 32 11            | 36,441,000                | 572,050 | 31 5             |
| Softwoods—                           |            |         |                  |                           |         |                  |
| Douglas fir .. ..                    | 16,188,000 | 113,840 | 14 1             | 12,807,000 <sup>(2)</sup> | 87,760  | 13 9             |
| Redwood .. ..                        | 11,678,000 | 130,310 | 22 4             | 9,345,000 <sup>(2)</sup>  | 100,910 | 21 7             |
| Hemlock and spruce <sup>(3)</sup> .. | 4,108,000  | 39,580  | 19 3             | 6,142,000 <sup>(3)</sup>  | 51,010  | 16 7             |
| Butter-boxes .. ..                   | 3,147,000  | 42,530  | 27 0             | 4,691,000 <sup>(4)</sup>  | 63,620  | 27 2             |
| Cheese-crates <sup>(5)</sup> .. ..   | 1,373,000  | 15,210  | 22 2             | 1,774,000 <sup>(5)</sup>  | 18,240  | 20 7             |
| Cedar .. ..                          | 1,335,000  | 13,530  | 20 3             | 637,000 <sup>(2)</sup>    | 7,210   | 22 8             |
| Total softwoods ..                   | 37,829,000 | 355,000 | 18 9             | 35,396,000                | 328,750 | 18 7             |
| Other .. ..                          | 210,000    | 7,140   | 68 0             | 257,000                   | 6,170   | 48 0             |
| Grand totals .. ..                   | 62,830,000 | 769,960 | 24 6             | 72,094,000                | 906,970 | 25 2             |
| Laths, palings, shingles, &c.        | Number.    | £       | Per 1,000.       | Number.                   | £       | Per 1,000.       |
|                                      | 14,215,000 | 20,230  | 28 6             | 7,777,000                 | 10,540  | 27 1             |
|                                      | Tons.      | £       | Per ton.         | Tons.                     | £       | Per ton.         |
|                                      |            |         | £ s. d.          |                           |         | £ s. d.          |
| Tanning-bark .. ..                   | 1,918      | 23,210  | 12 2 0           | 2,531                     | 30,080  | 11 17 9          |
| Wood-pulp .. ..                      | 4,327      | 50,650  | 11 14 0          | 3,762                     | 40,520  | 10 15 2          |

(1) Large increase owing to imports of poles and sleepers. Although the use of local timbers for these purposes has been increasing slightly during recent years, generally speaking the supply is limited.

(2) Decline is in sympathy with decreased building activities.

(3) Mostly hemlock fruit-cases for the fruit export trade.

(4) Mostly Scandinavian spruce. Although condemned by both the Department of Agriculture and the Dairy Control Board, its use has increased, although believed to be only temporary.

(5) Mostly Pacific Coast hemlock.