1938. NEW ZEALAND.

KAURI-GUM INDUSTRY

(REPORT ON THE) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1938.

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly pursuant to Section 5 of the Kauri-gum Industry Amendment Act, 1914.

Sir,-

Department of Lands and Survey, Wellington, 1st June, 1938.

I have the honour to submit herewith the annual report under the Kauri-gum Industry Amendment Act, 1914, for the year ended 31st March, 1938.

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W. Robertson, Under-Secretary.

The Hon. Frank Langstone, Minister of Lands.

Production during the last twelve months has been ample to meet current demands and maintain stocks on hand.

As far as the better-quality gum suitable for manufacture in the varnish trade is concerned, the market is still stagnant; consequently production has been mostly of the poorer grades of gum used in the manufacture of linoleum. There appear to be ample supplies of these types of gum for many years to come, and, providing ruling prices are maintained, production should be ample to meet demands.

Prices over the last twelve months have remained firm.

EXPORT OF KAURI-GUM.

For the year ended 31st March, 1938, the export amounted to 2,491 tons, of the value of £126,612, an average price of about £51 per ton. The tonnage, value, and average price per ton of the export for the past sixteen years are—

Year ended 31st March,	Tonnage exported.	Value. £	$\begin{array}{c} \text{Average} \\ \text{per Ton.} \\ \mathfrak{t} \end{array}$		
1923	6,080	520,409	85		
1924	6,923	640,712	92		
1925	5,432	446,019	82		
1926	5,495	414,420	75		
1927	4,529	301,335	66		
1928	4,531	267,559	59		
1929	4,566	241,223	53		
1930	4,941	264,452	53		
1931	3,145	155,602	49		
1932	3,164	124,757	39		
1933	2,060	57,970	28		
1934	3,378	83,945	25		
1935	3,412	91,070	27		
1936	2,669	75,802	28		
1937	3,613	119,649	33		
1938	2,491	126,612	51		

Details of the yearly export, and the country to which exported, from 1926 to 1938 are given below:—

Particulars of Kauri-gum exported from New Zealand from 1st April, 1926, to 31st March, 1938, inclusive.

Country to which exported.		1, 1926, to 1 reh, 1927.		l, 1927, to rch, 1928.		l, 1928, to rch, 1929.		il, 1929, to urch, 1930.		il, 1930, to irch, 1931.	1st Apri 31st Ma	l, 1931, to rch, 1932.
	Tons.	£	Tons.	£	Tons.	£	Tons.	£	Tons.	£	Tons.	£
United States of America	1,863	136,397	2,087	120,349	2,337	139,672	1,967	127,723	823	46,510	681	33,082
United Kingdom	2,036	133,032	2,043	127,401	1,504	77,479	2,425	117,677	1,957	96,679	1,968	71,572
Germany	127	5,432	[[119]	6,613	234	7,949	100	2,646		1,508	52	6,725
Canada	144	7,181	165	6.329	208	7,448	202	7,169		4,726	173	4,156
Australia	15	911	33	1,448	8	408	106	3.908	37	1,423	65	1.862
Belgium	114	4,563			60	1.094	30	635	43	975	69	1.154
France	89	6,980	60	3.915	150	5,206	89	3,764	71	2,701	94	4,173
Switzerland		0,000	"	0,020		.,				-,	0.1	
Netherlands	34	1,950		483	29	1.068	2	285	4	218		
Sweden	46	1,929	l ĭl	132	,, - "				10	282	32	837
Italy	51	$\frac{1,323}{2,469}$	'		10	127		• •			. 52	
Japan	10	476	20	843		$\frac{12.}{772}$	20	645	11	580	30	1,196
Hong Kong		1,117		0.0								
China		15		25				::				
South African				21		• •						
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Totals	4.529	301,335	4,531	267,559	4,566	241,223	4,941	264,452	3 145	155,602	3,164	124,757
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which exported. United States of		£	31st Ma				31st Mr Tons.		31st Ma		31st Ma	rch, 1938.
which exported. United States of America	Tons. 268	£ 11,208	Tons. 875	30,174	31st Ma Tons. 394	£ 20,602	31st Mr Tons. 553	vch. 1936. £ 24,488	31st Ma Tons. 478	£ 28,844	31st Ma Tons. 548	£ 38,010
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PRODUCTION DURING THE YEAR.

The kauri-gum received at Auckland from the gumfields for the past eight years is shown, month by month, in the following table:—

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	1930 - 31.	1931-32.	1932 - 33.	1933 - 34.	1934-35.	1935 –36.		7. 1937–38,
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons,	Tons,	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{pril}$	 441	309	405	240	202	221	346	305
May	 $\dots 374$	394	245	161	224	211	229	249
June	 247	263	144	238°	148	164	107	350
July	 309	244	153	162	150	258	139	368
m August	 194	251	43	150	193	172	181	162
September	 214	208	128	219	201	134	142	164
October	 328	192	176	320	307	220	154	252
November	 317	276	182	326	243	260	501	74
December	 277	172	188	209	268	190	291	127
January	 158	194	167	165	312	182	160	136
February	 281	277	213	325	274	220	265	86
March	 386	224	185	289	336	160	233	200
Totals	 $\frac{-}{3,526}$	3,004	${2,229}$	2,804	2,858	$\frac{1}{2,392}$	$\frac{-}{2,748}$	$\frac{-}{2,473}$

KAURI-GUM INDUSTRY ACCOUNT.

The assets of the Kauri-gum Industry Account have been realized, and the account has been abolished by statute.

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