

SUMMARY.

As a result of the study given to subject of forestry colonization, the following suggestion may be of value:

1. A forest reserve to consist of the lands proper only for forest culture.
2. A system of scientific forestry and systematic re-afforesting of the burnt districts, vacant lands and waste places.
3. The establishment of a Forestry Professorship and the establishment of a system for the preservation and perpetuation of the forest supply and a trained staff of foresters.
4. The perfection of our system of fire rangers and its application to the whole Province.
5. A penalty on lumbermen keeping large districts flooded by the back water of closed dams, which should be opened after the drive has gone out.
6. Efficient fire protection.
7. The prevention of complete denudation of hills and protection of the water supply.
8. A close season for setting fires near the forests from the 1st May to the 1st October in each year. When a dry spring occurs, accompanied by a dry April, the close season should commence on the 1st day of April. A dry April is sure to bring a crop of bush fires.
9. A fire strip of 50 feet between the abbatis and the forest.
10. The withdrawal from settlement of lands not fit for farming purposes.
11. The abolition of the practice of selling isolated lots in the midst of timber limits.
12. The abolition of the practice of selling lots to speculative jobbers who take up land simply to defraud the Government of its just dues and who never intend to cultivate the land so taken up.