

erous courtesy of the mill and bush superintendents and staffs of the various operations visited, and of the State Forest Service officers and others made each individual inspection, of necessity very brief, of great value in securing for the students a full and comprehensive grasp of the matter in short time. The Ford came through the trip in good style, and though minor mishaps occurred, no serious trouble developed, and the party returned to Christchurch on schedule time, railing through the tunnel as before, and then continuing the journey from Springfield the same day, arriving just in time for the opening of the College term. It was rather a breathless week, beginning with the 3 a.m. departure from Darfield to catch the early morning goods train from Springfield to Otira, and ending late in the evening on the day of our return, with a good deal of night travelling, and many crowded days, but the trip was abundantly worth while in the gaining by the students of at least a glimpse of the scope and practical importance of the many problems of forest utilisation awaiting solution by New Zealand foresters.

SUMMER VACATION WORK, 1926.

Barker is investigating the microscopic structure of New Zealand timbers for the Engineer in Forest Products, and is working at the College under Mr. Foweraker's supervision.

Clark at the moment of writing is arranging for a position with the State Forest Service in the Wellington Conservation Region.

Skipworth is working for the State Forest Service in the Nelson Region, being last heard from at Dumgree plantation.

Tannock is working on the Dunedin Plantation Reserves.

Russell is engaged as assistant by Mr. Hutchinson on the Canterbury Economic Forest Survey.

Roche continues his work with the State Forest Service as Ranger of the Canterbury Region.

McLaren is working in the Christchurch Botanic Gardens under the supervision of the Curator, Mr. Jas. Young.

EX-STUDENT APPOINTMENT.

The Forestry Club extends its congratulations and warmest wishes for all future success to S. C. Hamilton, who has just been appointed Forest Guard at Naseby, in Central Otago. Hamilton is the first of our number to leave the College to take up forestry work, having satisfactorily completed a two-year Ranger course, and while we hate to have him leave us, we are glad to see that the training given at Canterbury College, especially in connection with the Ranger course, is being noted, and considered of value by forestry authorities in New Zealand.

Hamilton will be greatly missed from the Club next year, but we know he will not forget us, and we hope to have him present as often as official duty permits in the future.