

grow no faster, says the curator. I saw an English oak and a puriri of the same age growing side by side, the puriri decidedly the larger tree. Two puriri-trees, seven years of age, average 18 ft. high. I saw a perfectly grown little kauri 18 ft. high at twelve



LARGE RIMU, NEAR LAKE IANTHE, WESTLAND.

This tree, on right of photograph, measures 5 ft. in diameter (above base bulge), and has a height of 195 ft.

[Photo by D. E. Hutchins.]

years of age. Elsewhere in New Plymouth is a healthy kauri-tree which at thirty years of age is 9 in. in diameter and 38 ft. high; and there, of course, kauri is too far south for its best growth. Nevertheless, according to the standard-yield tables, an average