

A FOUR LOAD PINE

Although not the biggest Pinus radiata yet, a tree recently felled during thinning operations at the Harvey Weir Plantation does give a measure of the growth to be expected from the better class areas of this plantation.

Vital Statistics are as follows:-

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| Location:                       | Harvey Weir Plantation, Compt 3                          |
| Age:                            | 36   |
| S.Q.                            | III  |
| Total Height:                   | 127'   |
| G.B.H.O.B.                      | 6' 10"   |
| Merchantable<br>Volume (actual) | 76 cu. ft. peelers<br>133 cu. ft. mill logs and casewood |
| Total :                         | <u>209 cu. ft.</u>                                       |

The tree was removed from an area that will be submerged when the level of the Harvey Weir is raised, probably within the next 4 years. Present policy is to reduce stocking on the areas to be submerged to 100 trees per acre, so as to obtain maximum growth in this short period. It is, therefore, expected that there will be trees larger than this one when final felling is done.