

Forest Machinery Field Day

The Society broke new ground when it organised, on May 2nd, a demonstration of forest machinery on a site kindly provided by the Earl of Meath on his estate at Kilruddery, Bray, Co. Wicklow. The day was a marked success, with fourteen firms exhibiting and demonstrating many varied pieces of machinery with uses in forestry. Each exhibitor was allocated two half-hour periods, one in the morning and one in the afternoon, for demonstration.

The field day was formally opened by Mr. Childers, then Minister for Lands, who spoke of the remarkable progress that had been made in recent years in the development of new and better types of machinery capable of dealing with a very wide range of forest operations, and of the enormous contribution which the use of suitable machinery could make to more economic and more efficient forestry. He congratulated the Society for arranging the demonstration and mentioned the encouragement and support given by the members of the Society in the campaign for more private forestry.