

## NOTICES :

**Poplar Planting; Forestry Commission Leaflet No. 27.** His Majesty's Stationery Office. Price 2d.

This 14-page "leaflet" is well up to the high standard of recent Forestry Commission publications and provides in handy form much useful information on the cultivation of a neglected but valuable genus.

The keen demand for poplar timber for match-splints during the war should focus attention on these fast growing trees, especially as to their use on farms and estates. Unfortunately the State forests contain only a small proportion of land suitable for poplars, the ideal type being alluvial valley bottoms.

Information is given under such headings as Choice of Site, Choice of Variety, Raising Plants, Planting, Diseases. Yield and Utilization. Attention is especially directed to spacing and thinning — points in which poplars differ radically from the usual species. As extreme light-demanders, intolerant of competition, an initial spacing even of 12 feet each way demands very early thinning and a spacing of 18 to 20 feet is recommended.

No planter should be without this leaflet.