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(An alternative to visual grading of timber for strength)

NEW ZEALAND FOREST SERVICE INFORMATION SERIES No. 66, 1974

By I. D. Whiteside

36 p.

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By Elsdon Best

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By Elsdon Best

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By Elsdon Best

NATIONAL MUSEUM BULLETIN No. 7

451 p. 1976.

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MAORI RELIGION AND MYTHOLOGY PART 1

By Elsdon Best

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An account of the theory of the universe and its creation, study of the origin of man, religious beliefs, rites, magic, and folklore of the Maori people of New Zealand. First published in 1924, reprinted without textural alteration and retaining the original bulletin numbers. (Government Printer.)

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By Elsdon Best

116 p., illustrated. 1974 reprint.

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