

THE NEWS.

CANADA.

—R. H. Young, of Turtle Lake, Ont., is rebuilding his mill.

—E. Humphrey, Warton, Ont., has sold his saw mill to Thos. Moore.

It is said that Porter Bros. will erect a large saw mill near Kaslo, B. C.

—A company is being formed at Westville, N. S., to manufacture shingle mills.

—The Brennan Mfg. Co. have placed new machinery in their mill at Huntsville, Ont.

—Bateson Bros. have leased the lath mill of the Ontario Lumber Co. at French River, Ont.

—Chew Bros.' mills at Midland, Ont., have resumed operations. Additional improvements have been made.

—The Ontario and Western Lumber Co., of Rat Portage, Ont., is applying to the Ontario Government for incorporation.

—The Sault Ste. Marie Pulp & Paper Co. have let the contract for the erection of another pulp mill at Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.

—E. I. White, a Nova Scotia lumberman and ship builder, has bought the Samuel Longfellow homestead at Machias, Me.

—P. C. Heuser, of Collingwood, Ont., has purchased a planing mill at Thornbury, and purposes adding considerable machinery.

—The Annapolis Manufacturing Co., of Lequille, N. S., is seeking incorporation. It is proposed to do a general lumbering business.

—The citizens of Westmeath, Ont., will raise the sum of \$1,000 to assist Tucker & Hodges in rebuilding their mill recently burned.

—A button, upon which a monogram of the association is engraved, is now worn by members of the Western Retail Lumbermen's Association.

—Mr. Kilgour Shives, the well-known millman of Restigouche, N. B., has purchased an electric dynamo to be used in lighting his shingle mill at Campbellton.

—An American syndicate is said to be desirous of purchasing from the Vale Barrel Machine Co., of Hamilton, Ont., the right to manufacture the machine in the United States.

—The Ottawa Specialty Manufacturing Company, Ottawa, is seeking incorporation, with a capital of \$45,000, to manufacture wooden and metalware furniture, interior fittings, etc.

—The Manitou Wood Manufacturing Co., of Toronto, which is seeking incorporation, will manufacture lumber, staves, heading, veneers, pulp, etc. The factory will probably be located at Midland.

—Rhodes, Curry & Co., of Amherst, N. S., have received two cars of Douglas fir from British Columbia, to be used in the manufacture of railway cars. Some of the pieces of timber are 75 feet long.

—The North American Paper and Lumber Co., with headquarters at Halifax, N. S., are seeking incorporation, with a capital stock of \$2,500,000. It is proposed to manufacture lumber, pulp, paper, wooden goods, etc.

—Hiram Walker is said to be negotiating with some eastern parties for the erection of a large saw mill on the site of the old sugar refinery above Walkerville, Ont. The mill will be stocked by logs rafted down from the north.

—Some eight or ten portable mills will be operated between St. John and St. Martins, N. B., this summer. A couple of them will be located at or near Loch Lomond, three at Tynemouth Creek, and the remainder along the shore.

—Incorporation is announced of the Masterman Pulp Company, Ltd., of Montreal, with a capital of \$300,000, the objects being to manufacture and deal in pulp, timber, woodenware, etc. The promoters are John A. Banden, Wm. Arthur, S. Frederick and W. H. Masterman.

George Waite, who in December last, while employed in John T. Kerr's saw mill at Iona Station, Ont., met with an accident which resulted in the loss of a leg, has entered an action against Mr. Kerr, claiming \$5,000 damages.

—An order-in-council has been passed making the regulations for the sale of timber of Indian lands in Ontario and Quebec, approved by order-in-council of 15th September, 1888, and amendments thereto, applicable to all Indian lands throughout the Dominion with the exception of British Columbia.

—A Port Arthur exchange says: The steam barge Wesley will shortly arrive to take on a cargo of three hundred cords of Hazlewood & Whalen's pulp wood at Big Pic river. It is estimated that it will employ an aggregate of one hundred men all summer to load their pulpwood on the lake steamers.

—The Milton Pulp Mill Company, Milton, N. S., are operating their mill day and night. The mill has run for fifteen months without losing a day. The company employ 38 men, and the pay roll is about \$1,200 monthly. These figures include only the men employed in manufacturing the pulp. Large quantities of wood have been brought to the mill during the past winter, and still a greater quantity is now on its way down the river.

—Knight & Morrow, of Bedeque, P. E. I., are running their mill night and day, and are meeting with a brisk demand for their product. The mill is 150 feet long and 60 feet wide. It is run by steam and has a rotary saw, cross-cut, shingle saw and a cylinder saw for sawing staves. It gives employment to about 25 men, under the supervision of John McPhee, engineer. The lumber used for sawing is obtained in New Zealand, and brought to the mill by cars.

—Mr. S. B. Benson, of Midland, who spent the past winter inspecting the timber limits of the Haliburton Land and Emigration Co., formerly known as the nine townships of the English Land Co., reports that a large number of wolves infest a portion of the country he explored. It is his opinion that the game laws are but slight protection to the deer while these wolves are at large. He noticed many carcasses of the deer slain by the wolves, and that only parts of the carcasses were eaten, thus showing that the spirit of slaughter rather than hunger caused the wolves to hunt the deer. He believes that the game wardens should employ men to exterminate these wolves with poison.

FOREIGN.

—During last year America shipped to Africa \$4,500,000 worth of merchandise, of which more than one-third was lumber from the Pacific Coast, the actual amount being \$1,807,610.

—The Seattle Lumber Exchange has been organized at Seattle, Wash., which promises to be of great benefit to the lumber industry of the western coast. The opening of the exchange was the occasion of much merriment.

—The Standard Oil Company will make an attempt, this spring, to tow a barge across the Atlantic Ocean, from either New York or Philadelphia to some English port, probably Liverpool. This has never yet been tried. The Standard Oil Company has been considering the plan for four years, and was about ready to make the trial last summer, but the idea was given up.

CASUALTIES.

—D. J. St. Elol had his leg broken on J. R. Booth's drive at Nipissing, Ont.

—Raoul Methot, 16 years of age, was killed in his father's mill at St. Antoine, Que., by a log rolling over him.

—While putting a belt on a pulley in a saw mill at Chelmsford, Ont., Charles Adams was instantly killed by being dashed against the pulley.

Erastus Durling was killed at Done Settlement, N. B. He was rolling logs off a brow, and was caught between two of them, being crushed to death.

W. H. Ellis, in the employ of W. & R. Butler, Woodstock, Ont., received serious internal injuries by being struck by a piece of lumber from a planer.

—Alex. Stewart, a lad of eighteen years, while working in Steinhoff & Gordon's mill at Wallaceburg, Ont., accidentally fell upon the saw, receiving serious injuries.

The clothes of an employee of J. R. Warner & Co., St. John, N. B., named Peter Carey, became entangled in the machinery, and he was carried around one of the shafts. Both legs were broken and other injuries received.

A young man named James R. McDonald, employed at Macpherson & Schell's saw mill at Alexandria, Ont.,

was seriously injured by a floor-scraper, which, being caught by a saw, struck him on the back of the head.

—Word has been received at Ottawa of the drowning of Joseph Monette on Bissett's creek, which flows into Lake Nipissing, by the breaking of a jam. He had been in the employ of Bronson & Weston for a number of years.

W. C. B. Rathbun, the Toronto representative of the Rathbun Co., of Deseronto, Ont., while cleaning a revolver, was accidentally shot in the left side below the chest. At first it was thought the wound would prove fatal, but strong hopes are now entertained of his recovery.

PERSONAL.

Mr. W. C. Caldwell, the well-known lumberman of Lanark, will oppose Hon. John Haggart in South Lanark for parliamentary honors.

Mr. H. H. Cook, president of the Ontario Lumber Co., has accepted the Liberal nomination for East Simcoe for the Dominion parliament.

Mr. Maurice Walsh, lumber merchant, of Bridgewater Cove, near the city of Quebec, died suddenly on the 4th ultimo, from heart failure.

Mr. Edward Mackay, of the firm of Carswell & Mackay, lumber merchants, Renfrew, Ont., died on the 12th of May, at the age of 40 years.

Hon. E. J. Flynn, Commissioner of Crown Lands for Quebec, has accepted the invitation of the Lieutenant-Governor to form a cabinet, as successor to Hon. Mr. Taillon.

It is rumored that Mr. Henri Vassal, lumber manufacturer, of Drummondville, Que., will be the Conservative candidate for the counties of Drummond and Arthabaska at the approaching general elections.

Mr. E. C. Grant, of the Ottawa Lumber Company, has been elected a member of the American Lumber Corporation. He is said to be the first Canadian to obtain this distinction.

Mr. J. W. Todd, of Watson & Todd, lumber merchants, Liverpool, Eng., with branch offices at Ottawa and Montreal, is at present in Canada, superintending the season's shipments of pine deals, boards, etc.

Mr. Jas. B. Klock, head of the lumber firm of R. H. Klock & Co., of Klocks Mills, Ont., recently returned home from a business trip to Europe, and was given a reception by the townspeople. In all probability he will contest the Nipissing district in the Conservative interest at the Dominion elections.

The death is announced at Nappan, N. B., of Mr. Thomas Bulmer, in his 74th year. He was an extensive lumberman and contractor, being one of the pioneers in stripping the northern part of the county of Cumberland of its pine, in the forties, and a few years later went into the making of hackmatack knees and timber. He is said to have amassed considerable wealth.

Mr. John Macdonald Grant, Clerk of Patents in the Crown Lands Department of Ontario, died in Toronto on the 17th ultimo. Mr. Grant entered the service of the government in 1860, since which time he has filled the position with much efficiency. He has been succeeded by Col. C. J. Jones, formerly registrar of the department, Mr. Frank Yeigh, Secretary to the Commissioner, becoming registrar.

Probably the oldest tree in France, if not in all Europe, is the famous "Chieftains' Oak," standing near Martigny-Baines, in the department of the Vosges. The age of this monarch of the forest is certainly over a thousand years. It was already noted for its size at the time of the revolt of the Jadquerie in 1358, to which its name can be traced, and it no doubt served the leaders of the enemy as a rallying point during Louis XIII's war of conquest in Lorraine in 1634-46. The giant is now decaying at the top and evidently has almost completed its term of existence. It measures one hundred feet in height, forty feet in circumference near the ground, and seventy feet around the branches.

In Finland the best forests are now in the hands of the government. The feeling in Finland is that although they scarcely show a profitable investment at present, the time will come—probably within the present generation—when the State forests will be a source of great wealth to the country, and that, therefore, the State should continue to acquire as much additional forest territory as possible. This important movement is beginning to make itself felt. There are firms who have to restrict their purchases to crown logs for securing large-sized timber, and the cost of these is very high. The revenue of the crown forests in Finland for the first six months of this year was about \$440,000, as against \$380,000 for the corresponding period of last year.