

THE NEWS.

CANADA.

Jas. Richardson has erected a saw mill at Kerwood, Ont.

Gibson's shingle mill at Andover, N. B., has resumed operations.

—R. Pallister is running D. F. Brown's saw mill at Moe's River, Que.

M. M. Boyd & Co.'s saw mill at Bobcaygeon, Ont., closed down for the season a fortnight ago.

—John and R. E. Butler have leased Peacock's saw mill and yard at Woodstock, Ont., for five years.

Sumner & Co., of Moncton, N. B., have purchased a heavy saw mill engine of 250 h. p. for their new mill at Bathurst.

—Canada shipped some 18,000,000 feet more spruce to South America points during 1895 than during the previous year.

—The new planing mill of McIntyre, Reinke & Boland, at Eganville, Ont., has started operations. The motive power is electricity.

—The village of Goderich, Ont., recently voted the sum of \$100,000 for new industries, a saw mill, bicycle factory, knitting mill and furniture factory.

—David Ransom, formerly a resident of North Burgess, Ont., is reported to have made a rich deal in pine lands in Michigan, clearing thereby upwards of \$50,000.

—During the year 1895 the losses by fire in Canada were as follows: Saw mills, \$390,000; woodworking factories, \$113,000; paper and pulp mills, \$10,000.

—The improvements to Mr. Peter's mill at Parry Sound, Ont., have been completed. Mr. Peters has now one of the best equipped mills in the Georgian Bay district.

—H. Maxwell, a chopper with T. E. Titus, in King's County, N.B., recently felled sixty trees and topped them off in nine hours, making a total of 9,000 superficial feet.

—Messrs. William Grier, Wm. Embury, and M. S. Madole, have formed a joint stock company for the purpose of starting a new sash and blind factory at Napanee, Ont.

—Albert Phillips has started his shingle mill at Cobocook, Ont., and intends running day and night. J. R. Phillips will look after the buying of the shingles, bolts, logs, etc.

—Of three pine logs recently cut on the D'Angarven river, N. B., the shortest was one hundred and thirty feet, and the longest 145 feet, making in all twenty-six pieces and scaling over 3,000 superficial feet.

—It is reported that Beckler & Co., of Sarnia, Ont., are preparing to build a large saw-mill on the bay shore. They are now running in temporary sheds and cutting lumber to suit the demands of the market.

Twelve grinders, fourteen screens, fourteen wet machines and four barkers are at work in the new pulp mill at Sault Ste. Marie, Ont. Farmers are drawing large quantities of pulp wood to the mill.

—Mr. Tessier, of Penetanguishene, Ont., has made alterations and improvements to his sash and door factory. He reports sufficient orders on hand to keep the mill running for the next three months.

—It is reported that a pulp mill will be erected in the spring on the Sissiboo river, Digby County, N. S. There is said to be ample water power to run the mills, and large quantities of pulp wood near at hand.

—Bonuses are being asked from the Ontario and Dominion Governments for the Lindsay, Haliburton, and Mattawa Railway. The road, if constructed, will open up a territory rich in pine and hardwood timber.

—Isaac Abbott, of Mosa, Ont., drew a soft elm tree to Oldrieve's mill, Glencoe, which scaled 4,644 feet of lumber. The tree made three 14-ft. logs and three 12-ft. logs, the smallest log being 31 inches in diameter.

—George St. Pierre & Co., of Frazerville, Que., have recently started their shingle mill at St. Honore, where they own a large tract of timber land. The mill runs night and day, is lighted by electricity, and contains a rotary saw, two shingle mills, planer and matcher, lath machine and gang saw.

—One of the peculiar industries of Kingston, Ont., is the making of shavings, for use in the vinegar factories in vats. Lumber of a peculiar class is bought in quantity

and reduced to shavings by simple machinery. Recently an order for 2,500 bushels was received by the Carnovsky Company from Montreal.

—Alex. Crawford, lumber operator on the Tobique River, N. B., vouches for the truth of the following: On the 13th ultimo, Benjamin Finamore started at daybreak to beat the chopping record; by dark he had felled and topped off fifty-seven spruce trees, which scaled 7,000 sup. feet. This, he claims, beats the record, and wants to hear from others.

—Kennedy, Davis & Co., of Lindsay and Bobcaygeon, contemplate making extensive repairs to their mill on Pigeon Lake. This firm do a large retail trade in Lindsay, besides shipping largely. Mr. Kennedy has charge of the Lindsay branch, while Mr. Davis looks after the cutting of the logs in the winter and their manufacture during the summer months.

UNITED STATES.

—Wheeler, Osgood & Co., of Tacoma, Wash., report the sale of a car load of doors to an English firm. The same company have received inquiries respecting their doors from northern China.

—An official statement places the total receipts of lumber at Chicago for last year at 1,637,389,000 feet, and shipments out of the city at 771,994,000 feet. This is to be compared with 1,566,150,000 feet and 639,199,000 respectively in 1894.

—A carload of redwood for use in making lead pencils was shipped the other day from California to Nuremberg, Germany. The forests in Europe, from which the supply of wood for leadpencils has hitherto been obtained, have become exhausted.

—The largest walnut tree ever hewn in Pike County, Pa., was cut down recently near Milford, by Willith Angle, of Washington, N. J., for gun stocks for the United States government. The first sixteen feet will make about 2,000 feet of lumber and will furnish enough gun stocks to supply a regiment.

—A dispatch from Jackson, Miss., states that E. Smith, of Richmond, Ky., representing New York parties, is placing a contract for 40,000,000 feet of oak timber from the head of Kentucky creek a tributary of the Kentucky river. The company will build saw mills on the Kentucky, and prepare the timber there. About ten years will be taken to work up all the timber.

—A large deputation of representatives of the shipping interests on the great lakes recently appeared before the House Committee on rivers and harbors at Washington, in the interests of legislation, to restrict the size of raft tows in the rivers tributary to and connecting the lakes. Complaint was made that the large rafts often completely filled the channel of the rivers and made navigation dangerous.

CASUALTIES.

—Colin McEachren, of Parry Sound, Ont., had his leg broken by a tree falling on him.

Raymond Melanson had his leg broken while loading logs in the woods at Port Elgin, N. B.

By the falling of a tree in the woods, Alex. McPherson, of Clyde, Ont., had his leg broken above the knee.

—While sawing in the woods near Ailsa Craig, Ont., James Smith was struck on the head by a tree, making a cut about six inches long. Hopes are entertained of his recovery.

—Samuel Cooper, of Toronto, who was working for J. W. Howry & Sons, lumbermen, is in the hospital at Fenelon Falls, suffering from the effects of falling from a skidway in the woods.

Jerome Dalaire was killed recently while lumbering at the shanties of Mr. Euchariste Mont, Riviere aux Rats, Que., by the fall of a branch of a tree, which broke his neck. He was 47 years old, and a native of Tadoussac.

While loading logs in Long's camp of J. W. Howry & Sons, of Fenelon Falls, Ont., Oscar Winters, of Saginaw, Mich., received a compound fracture of the left leg, both bones being broken. The accident happened about 30 miles from Haliburton.

—A man named Martin McNulty, of Douglas, Ont., working for Munroe & Gordon, at Pogamasing, was killed on the 19th ultimo. While carrying a skid down hill he slipped and fell, the skid striking him on the head and breaking his skull.

—Moore & Wallace's sash and door factory at Chesley, Ont., was recently wrecked by a boiler explosion. The

building was torn into atoms, parts of the boiler being found 100 yards distant. Fortunately the employees had left the building a few minutes previous.

Joseph Dechatlets, aged 26, in the employ of the W. C. Edwards Lumber Co., was murdered by a fellow-workman in the woods in Ripon township, north of Nation Mills. The two men had been on unfriendly terms, which resulted in the stabbing which caused death.

A sad accident is reported from Aroostook county, Maine. Neil Campbell, a native of Bass River, N.B., was going to his work with his axe on his shoulder, when his foot slipped on the ice and he fell backwards. His axe in some manner turned edge up and the young man fell on it, cutting his head open and killing him almost instantly.

PERSONAL.

Mr. F. W. Gilchrist, lumberman, of Alpena, Mich., recently paid a visit to Toronto.

Sir H. G. Joly de Lotbiniere has been elected vice-president of the American Forestry Association.

Mr. Thos. Kelly, lumber merchant, has been elected mayor of Somerset, Que., for the eighth term.

A recent cable despatch announced the arrival at Liverpool, Eng., of Hon. J. B. Snowball, of Chatham, N.B.

Mr. Wm. Gillies, of the well-known lumbering firm of Gillies Bros., Bracksale, Ont., has gone on a visit to the Southern States.

Mr. W. H. Pratt, President of the Conger Lumber Co., Parry Sound, Ont., is a Liberal candidate for the House of Commons.

Mr. Wm. Margach has received his official appointment by the Ontario Government as Crown Lands Timber Agent at Rat Portage.

Mr. Beck, lumber merchant, of Penetanguishene, Ont., is spoken of as a probable candidate to carry the Reform banner at the Dominion elections.

The employees of Buell, Hurdman & Co., of Hull, Que., presented their foreman, Mr. James Rochester, with a gold chain and locket in honor of his recent marriage.

Joel Leduc, one of the wealthiest lumbermen in the province, died at Montreal on the 31st of January, at the age of 72 years. He left an estate valued at \$500,000.

Mr. David McLaren, the Ottawa lumberman, has gone to England with a view of getting the British government to secure the release of Mr. Lingham, at present serving a long term of imprisonment in South Africa.

Rufus Deering, one of the largest lumber dealers of the state of Maine, U. S., died at Portland on the 4th of February, at the age of 78 years. He had been in business for over 50 years, and was several times a candidate for governor of the state.

Hon. J. W. Longley, Attorney-General and Commissioner of Crown Lands for Nova Scotia, has accepted the Liberal nomination for Annapolis county for the Dominion Parliament. Mr. Longley has ably represented the county in the Provincial Legislature for a number of years.

One of Toronto's veterans has passed away in the person of Mr. Thos. McCracken, whose death occurred early in February. Mr. McCracken was born 61 years ago in Eastern Canada, and came to Toronto in 1870. He engaged in the lumber business with Mr. John Oliver, and afterwards as senior partner in the firm of McCracken, Gall & Co. Subsequently he became manager of the Royal Canadian Bank, and was a well-known figure in financial circles.

A very novel method of getting rid of scale in a boiler is credited by a Boston paper to an engineer in that city. The scale came from the use of well water. The feed pipe enters the front of the boiler just above the water line, and has slots cut in it about an eighth of an inch wide, instead of the ordinary spraying method of distributing the water, and surrounding the feed pipes in the larger pipe, about six inches in diameter and cut away at the top; the feed water enters the boiler and discharges through the slot in the feed, discharging all the foreign matter in the water into this catch-pipe instead of into the boiler—the success of the plan depending upon having a high temperature of feed at about the boiling point, when the solids held in suspension or solution in water will be deposited.