

## THE NEWS.

—The Portneuf Pulp Mill Co., Portneuf, Que., has been dissolved.

—P. Hamm has started in the lumber business at Rosefeld, Man.

—Mr. Edwards, of Colborne, has started a cooper shop at Port Hope.

—Joseph G. Halfpenny's saw mill, Beaver Creek, B.C., was recently burned.

James McKinlay is erecting a spool factory at Black River, Kent County, N. B.

—A. J. Smith, lumber merchant, Woodville, Ont., has opened a business at Thornbury.

—James McKinlay, of Quebec, will operate a spool factory at Kouchibouguac, N. B.

—J. McMartin has purchased an interest in the Klemes & Curry saw mill at Sandon, B. C.

—Edward Parsons, of Sand Point, will cut 10,000 ft. of logs for the Pembroke Lumber Co.

—J. T. Simpson, of Moose Jaw, N. W. T., is putting a saw mill in operation at that place.

D. A. Jonah, of Petitcodiac, N. B., has made extensive improvements to his furniture factory.

—H. A. Manwaring, of Birtle, Man., has disposed of his lumber mill to Mr. Peden, of Rosssburn.

—At Nakusp, B. C., there is a large saw mill owned by Genellie & Co. Mr. J. E. Poupre is manager.

—An electric light plant has been placed in the saw mill of Mickle, Dymont & Son, at Severn, Ont.

—F. W. Upham, of Chicago, recently shipped fifteen car loads of cottonwood for Holland and Germany.

—E. A. Simpson & Co., lumber and planing mill, Moose Jaw, N. W. T., have sold out their lumber stock to H. McDougall.

—The Kootenay Lumber Co. is erecting a saw mill at Lardeau, B. C. The mill will have a capacity of 20,000 feet per day.

—Toner & Gregory's mill at Collingwood, Ont., was recently closed down for a couple of weeks owing to a scarcity of logs. A raft went to pieces just as it was nearing the port.

—The water power and property of the Buckingham Pulp Co., at Buckingham, Que., has been purchased by Walter Williams for \$15,000. The pulp mills were destroyed by fire a few years ago.

—The Menominee Iron Works, of Menominee, Mich., are said to have received a request through the Japanese consul at Tacoma to bid on the machinery for establishing a complete modern saw mill in Japan.

—A new match manufacturing concern has been established at Buckingham, Que., to be known as the McLaren Match Co. The company will be composed of the five sons of the late James McLaren, lumberman.

—It is stated that the site of the saw mills of Ross Bros., at Buckingham, Que., will be occupied in the near future by large pulp and paper mills, while a steam saw mill will be erected at some point further north.

An agreement has been entered into between the town of Midland, Ont., and the Manitou Wood and Pulp Co., by which the company will erect a pulp mill in consideration of tax exemption and other privileges granted by the town.

—An American syndicate will, it is said, purchase a site at Three Rivers, Que., on which to erect large pulp and paper mills, the products of which will be exported to Europe. The concern will have a capitalization of \$2,000,000.

—J. O. Gilbert & Son, Bishop's Crossing, Que., are placing a new 100 h.p. engine and boiler in their water mill, six miles from that place, preparatory to cutting about two million feet of lumber for Cross & Ewing the coming winter.

—Alex. Ross, of Wingham, has in his possession a chip of oak taken from a log that was cut down over 65 years ago. The oak was felled when logging a roadway in the vicinity of Brucefield in 1831, and lay on the roadside until three years ago.

—Moses Knight, of Burk's Falls, is seeking to recover from several insurance companies and Mr. J. C. Thomson, of Hamilton, the sum of \$6,000, the amount of insurance on some lumber destroyed by fire in the yard of the Katrine Lumber Co. at Katrine, Ont.

—Mr. Burrill, of the Drummond Lumber Co., Forest Dale, Que., has invented an ingenious device for lighting a country road. Having to travel through dark forest roads, he constructed a storage battery in his wagon, and ran fine flexible wires along the reins to the head of each horse, where an incandescent light of small candle power was fixed to the head piece of the bridle.

—Incorporation has been announced of the Rat Portage Lumber Co., composed of D. C. Cameron, Walter Ross, William R. Dick, Hugh W. Kennedy and Matthew Brown, of Rat Portage, and J. A. McRae, of Niagara Falls. This is a reorganization of the Ontario & Western Lumber Co., of Rat Portage, which formerly worked under a Dominion charter, but has now been organized under Provincial rights.

—Alex. McEwen, of Calumet, Que., has patented an invention for the floating of hardwood timber down the rough streams from the lumber districts. Heretofore it has been the practise to fasten with withes a hard and softwood log together and so start them down the stream. Mr. McEwen's invention consists of bolting the light and heavy logs together, a light iron bolt with a coil spring at one end being used. The main advantage is in the spring, which, when the logs strike a rock or other obstacle, lessens the jar. The system is said to work satisfactorily and to be less expensive than the old-fashioned method.

## CASUALTIES.

—Robt. Wilson, an employe in Cushing's mill at Union Point, N. B., had three fingers taken off one of his hands by a lifting saw.

—Duncan Hayes, employed in the McLaren mills at Buckingham, was seriously injured recently. While shutting off the water to stop the mill, the crank struck him in the face, horribly lacerating it.

—An employee in J. R. Booth's mill at Ottawa, named Emile Bedard, while oiling the machinery in the lower portion of the mill, is supposed to have fallen into one of tail races and been swept into the falls.

—A man named Beaupaulant was seriously injured in Booth's mill at Ottawa. He was caught in the shafting by the arms and carried between the machinery and a beam, a width of not more than eight inches. His clothing was completely torn off.

—James Mackey, a lumberman of Arnprior, 56 years of age, while in a state of somnambulism, walked out of a third story window at the Buller House, Ottawa, and received injuries which resulted in his death. Deceased had just returned from taking a raft of square timber to Quebec.

—A. W. Gillingham's saw mill at the North Forks of the Old Man's River, 60 miles from MacLeod, N. W. T., was recently the scene of a fatal accident. A boiler exploded, killing three men, named Smith, May and Edsall, and injuring Messrs. Gillingham and Nelson. The mill was completely wrecked.

## PERSONAL.

Mr. J. B. Klock, M. P., is spending a few weeks at Le Quinze.

Mr. John Yuill has resigned his position with the Pembroke Lumber Co., and will remove to Calabogie.

Mr. Joseph Shirley, a lumber culler in the employ of J. R. Booth, Ottawa, died from the effects of the excessive heat.

Ald. Scott, of the Georgian Bay Lumber Company, returned a fortnight ago from his European trip, much benefited by the holiday.

Mr. Beland, of the firm of Beland & Martineau, lumber dealers, Quebec, has been appointed to the position of clerk of the Federal public works for the city.

Mr. Charles H. Day, private secretary of Mr. E. W. Rathbun, of the Rathbun Company, Deseronto, died in the general hospital at Kingston on the 17th August from an attack of typhoid fever.

Sympathy is expressed with Mr. Donald Fraser, of the lumber firm of Donald Fraser & Sons, Fredericton, N. B., in the death of his wife, which took place on the 4th of August. Deceased was 54 years of age.

Mr. J. H. Brumwell, of Bridgenorth, Ont., gave THE LUMBERMAN a pleasant call last week on his return from a visit to Buffalo. Mr. Brumwell operates a saw mill in Peterboro' county, and reports a fair trade. He states that timber in his locality is becoming scarce.

## TRADE NOTES.

A. A. Benson, the maritime province representative of the Watrous Engine Works Co., has returned recently from a business trip through Nova Scotia.

The Watrous Company, of Brantford, shipped last month a large portable saw mill to Australia which weighed 80,000 lbs., with 72" lower and 40" upper, "Hoe" chisel tooth saw.

H. Murphy, of Ottawa, recently shipped a complete friction feed to A. Lunsden, for his saw mill on the Upper Ottawa, and a complete outfit, including engine, boiler, and other machinery, for Gehan Bros.' mill at Bearbrook, Ont.

The William Hamilton Manufacturing Co., of Peterboro', are manufacturing eighteen sets of gearings for the Sault Ste. Marie Pulp & Paper Co. The same company are also building a complete saw mill for British Columbia, and one for Mania, N. B.

The following is a copy of a letter received by the Emerson Company, which speaks for itself:

CHARLESTON, W. VA., May 27th, 1896.

THE EMERSON CO., Baltimore, Md.

GENTLEMEN,—We herewith hand you settlement in full for the 100 ft. "Automatic Compression" dry kiln which we purchased from you under a guarantee that it would dry 50,000 ft. per week of oak lumber in a manner satisfactory to us. The lumber, as you know, is used by us in the manufacture of the furniture, and the requirements are very exacting. After a test of the kiln we find that it comes fully up to what you promised in the quality of the drying, and in quantity of output it far exceeds your guaranteed capacity. The basis of the contract we made with you was for one inch lumber (oak), and it comes from the kiln in an elegant condition and bone dry. We are sure we can dry fully twenty thousand feet per week more than you guaranteed. We have also taken up some oak, six quarters thick, which was in the kiln the same length of time as the one inch, and it was bone dry and uninjured; also some half-inch quarter sawn oak, green from the saw, with the same results. We have dried poplar squares, 5x5, and also 2 inch poplar plank, both coming out absolutely perfect, being neither warped, checked or case hardened. The kiln is economical in the use of steam and the equipment is very complete and of the highest order, just as you promised it would be. We have been using metal side condensing kilns and have had a great deal of trouble in getting dry lumber, although we had three of these kilns. It took them from 18 to 25 days to dry the same lumber that your kiln dries in a week, and the lumber from your kiln works splendidly in our machines, not being case hardened in the least. We cheerfully accept the kiln, and are satisfied that your system is the only one suitable for drying hardwoods, and are fully convinced that the "Automatic Compression" system is "the thing."

Yours very truly,

ROY FURNITURE CO., by J. C. Roy, Pres.

## PUBLICATIONS.

Cassier's Magazine for September contains, among other valuable engineering articles, the following: "Milling Machine Practice," by H. B. Binsse; "When it is Economical to Use a Condenser," by Wm. H. Wightman; "The Steam Turbine," by Prof. John H. Barr; "Filtering Water for Steam Boilers," by Wm. H. Odell.

One of the neatest catalogues which has reached our desk is that of the Emerson Company, of Baltimore, Md., descriptive of their well-known automatic "Compression" dry-kilns. It is bound in a handsome morocco cover, and contains about one hundred pages of nicely printed letterpress, with numerous illustrations, together with testimonials from customers using the kilns.

We have received a pamphlet containing a copy of the act passed on the 12th of January, 1895, establishing the Laurentides National Park in Quebec, also full information concerning the management of the same. The park was set apart by the local legislature for the preservation of the forest, fish and game, is 2,531 square miles in size, and is situated in the counties of Montmorency, Quebec and Charlevoix.

Owing to the increasing attention being directed to British Columbia and the rapidly growing interest in its mineral, forest, and other resources, Mr. R. E. Gosnell, Librarian of the Legislative Assembly and Secretary of the Bureau of Statistics, has decided to issue a Year-Book, which will contain statistical information of much value to those desirous of being informed concerning the province. It will contain concise information covering the whole period since confederation. The size will be of ordinary octavo, containing between 300 and 400 pages of closely-printed matter. The price will probably be \$1.50. The work is now in course of preparation.