

weighing 2,000 pounds. There are fifty logs in the load, the smallest measuring 406 feet and the largest 1,205—all eighteen feet long. They are arranged on the load in ten tiers, each of which, except the top one is stayed separately by the chains. This huge load weighed nearly 140 tons, and a team of chestnut geldings, weighing about 3,500 pounds, hauled it to a considerable distance. About 500 people witnessed the feat.

A quantity of sawlogs belonging to the Saginaw Lumber and Salt Company broke a week ago, but the most of them have been recovered.

A large boom is to be built near the mouth of the river, at Bay City, for the storage of logs rafted across the lake from Canada. The contract has been let for driving 4,000 piles for the boom.

SAGINAW, Mich., March 25th, 1893.

#### TRADE NOTES.

Mr. F. E. Gaudrie, of Pt. Hope, Ont., has recently had patented a labelling machine, which is said to be perfection itself. It labels all kinds of, "reserving cans such as those used for tomatoes, corn, peas, salmon, lobsters, etc., at the rate of 100 a minute. It is made to go either by hand or power and a child ten years of age can easily run it. It is patented in the United States and Canada, and patents are being secured for England, France and Germany. Mr. Alonzo W. Spooner, of Pt. Hope, who usually knows a good thing when he sees it, has secured control of this machine for Canada and all orders will be supplied by him from Pt. Hope.

#### PERSONAL.

Mr. Isaac Cockburn, the well-known Ontario lumberman, has been elected secretary of the Manitoba Lumberman's Association.

Messrs. Sadler & McDonald, of Lindsay, Ont., are on a visit to North Galveston, Texas, where they are interested in lumbering operations.

The LUMBERMAN was pleased to receive a call from Geo. Cormack, Jr., lumberman, of Whitby, Ont. Mr. Cormack is constantly on the road and reports the outlook for trade this year, as bright.

Michael Carr, of New Edinburgh, Ont., a driver in the McLaren mill, died suddenly of apoplexy a week ago. Deceased was highly respected by all who knew him and a prominent member of the Methodist church.

The wife of Mr. Edward Hutchison, foreman for the Buell, Hurdman Lumber Co., Sunnyside, Kippewa, Ont., was recently presented with a handsome gold watch, locket and chain by the shantymen as a token of the high esteem in which she is held by them.

Mr. W. B. McLean, of the Conger Lumber Co., has been elected secretary of the Clan McLean, an association recently organized in this city. One purpose of the organization is to tender a reception to the hereditary chief of the clan, Sir Fitzroy Donald McLean and Lady McLean, should they visit Toronto during the coming summer.

In the death of Mr. A. F. Mackay, of Liverpool, Eng., the lumber trade of Great Britain and Canada loses a most esteemed member. The deceased was one of the octogenarians of the trade, being in his eighty-third year at the time of death. The firm have a branch at St. John, N.B., under the control of Mr. W. Malcolm Mackay.

On March 17th, Mr. Hugh R. McLachlin, of Arnprior, Ont., one of the oldest and best known of Canadian lumbermen, was called to his eternal rest. About seven years ago deceased retired from active work, having secured a competence, and settled down to private life in Arnprior. He leaves a widow and family of seven, all grown up, to mourn his loss.

On 13th ult., Mr. Allan Grant, of Fitzroy, Ont., a prominent lumberman of that city succumbed to a severe illness of three weeks duration. Mr. Grant was well-known on the Ottawa river, having at one time carried on an extensive square timber business. He was the second son of the late Capt. John Grant, who took part in the war 1812; and grandson of Lieut. Allan Grant, who engaged in the war of Independence. The families on both sides were U. E. Loyalists. His mother still survives at the advanced age of 91 years. Deceased leaves a widow and three children to mourn his loss.

Frederick Burrows, one of the pioneers of York, Ont., died at his residence in township of King on 23rd ult. after a lingering illness. The deceased was a native of Sligo, Ireland, who came to America when a young man. After living in New York for some two years he settled in Toronto in the thirties. Later, in partnership with his brother George, who now resides near Stayner, he entered into the lumbering business in King township, where the firm erected the first steam saw mill operated in that district. Mr. Burrows lived to see that forest district become thickly populated and increased in wealth.

## THE NEWS.

#### ONTARIO.

—Jas. Howard, lumber dealer, Whitby, has assigned to J. F. Paston.

—The mill of John McLaren, of Renfrew, is now lighted by electricity.

—Pickard Bros. sawmill at Glanville, Ont., is opened for the season.

—Robert Hadden's mill, Vasey, has been running for a month, with stock for a long season's operations.

—Mr. Lowx and Mr. Stearns, of Duncansville, have each some 10,000 logs to be sawn in their mills this season.

—Wm. Boyes, a mill hand at Staples, was held up by a gang of masked men and robbed of \$90 cash and a gold watch.

—H. Landop, planing mill, St. Thomas, is in financial difficulties. Loan society has an encumbrance of \$21,000 or so, and the bank claims almost \$11,000.

—The Georgian Bay Lumber Co., of Wauhaushene, are building a flat-bottom side-wheel boat, to be used among the logs where there is not sufficient depth for the tugs.

—Gillies Bros., of Braeside, whose limits are on the Coulange, expect to start their drives about the middle of the month. The snow has been excessively heavy in the district.

—The shingle mill of McConachie & Co. near Huntsville, is being put in shape for the season's work, which will be commenced early this month. A good trade was done last season.

—The Rathbun Company, of Deseronto, can lay claim to shipping a quantity of pine lumber to New Glasgow, N.S., to be used in the building of the first steamer constructed in Canada.

—Mason & Co., at Mechanicsville, have taken out five thousand pieces of spruce during the past winter. The snow averaged nearly five feet and road-cutters had to wear snowshoes to pursue their operations.

—The Export Lumber Co., of Ottawa, is stowing away in the neighborhood of 100,000 feet daily in its dry sheds in Rochesterville, a fact that is indicative of a likely demand at good prices in the near future.

—A local paper says that Alex. Cameron, of Windsor, who owns extensive timber limits in Colchester, charges a number of the residents in the township with appropriating his timber. It is thought that \$2,000 worth has been taken.

—This is the season when the local papers tell of the big loads of sawlogs that are drawn by the lumbermen of their locality. A story comes just now of a load of fifty sawlogs drawn a distance of three miles on the Madawaska river.

—Mr. N. S. Lusty, of Rowley, has in stock at his mills, 1,250,000 feet of lumber, composed chiefly of white ash, black ash, white oak, black oak, hickory, hard and soft maple, soft elm and basswood. Capacity of mill, 15,000 feet per day.

—The Gall Lumber Manufacturing Co., of Toronto, is applying for a charter to carry on a lumbering business, with a capital of \$50,000. The company will be composed of Thos. Meaney, John S. Hutton, George Ritchie, George Gall and George W. Nickels, all of Toronto.

—R. D. Thexton, of Lindsay, is cutting large quantities of hemlock and cordwood upon his 1,000 acre limit on Bull Lake. In the course of a couple of weeks a substantial cottage will be erected on a charming site for a summer residence, and Mr. Thexton's family will occupy it during the summer months.

—Thompson & Son, of Peterboro, got drawn out of Harvey township across Deer Bay a large stick of white ash, which measured 36 feet long, 31 x 31 inches at the butt and 27 inches at the top and was drawn to Lakefield by three large teams of horses. Mr. Thompson says it is the finest stick of square timber he has seen in a good while.

—Daniel McCormick, foreman for McLeod, Irwin & McCormick, on the Wahnapike river, had a load of logs drawn last week with one team, which contained 35 logs with an average of 12 inches in diameter. The logs were loaded by Dunkin McCormick, J. Canning and Thomas King, the teamster being David McKenzie.

—A frightful murder near Webbwood, Algoma, was reported a fortnight ago. It seems a man brought in two bottles of whisky to Stone & Berrill's camp near Webbwood, intending one for himself and one for a friend. The friend seized the two bottles, and treated the boys, which annoyed the first man so much that he drew his knife and stabbed him, breaking off about two inches of the blade in his head. The poor fellow was taken to the doctor at Webbwood, but died when about five miles on his way back.

—A big drive will start down from Windfall lake by the Coulogne river in charge of Foreman Bertrand, with about fifty men, for W. C. Edwards & Co., Ottawa.

—P. P. Young, of Young's Point, has bought large quantities of cedar and pine in Harvey, Burleigh, Douro and Smith townships, to be cut in the local mills the coming summer.

—Mr. M. Flood, foreman of the Hawkesbury Lumber Co., states the firm took out over 40,000 logs of pine on the Fide Grande during the past winter. Mr. Flood has been engaged as foreman for the firm of Gilmour & Hughson at Hull Point, Que.

—The excellent sleighing of the present winter has enabled the mills along the St. Clair branch, M.C.R., to get out more logs than in any previous winter for the past ten years, and the quantity equals that of four or five average years. Holmes, Moore & Courtright have at their mills in Inwood, 3,500,000 feet, and at Homesdale, 2,500,000 feet. Paul Weidman & Co. have at Weidman, 5,000,000 feet and at Glen Rae, 3,025,000. This stock will furnish two years' solid sawing and means constant employment to a good staff of mill hands during that time.

—Chas. Wilson Rowe, who attempted to carry on a fake lumber business in Canada some time ago, has been convicted in Philadelphia of using the United States mails for the purpose of defrauding and of conspiracy. Rowe's scheme was very comprehensive and he succeeded in swindling lumbermen throughout the northwest of thousands of dollars before he was arrested. He represented himself as an extensive lumber dealer, and by referring the lumbermen to a fictitious banking firm of Philadelphia as to his financial standing, he obtained large shipments of lumber which he sold and never paid for.

—The Dickson Company, Peterboro, have purchased the mills, water power, and other Lakefield property belonging to the Lakefield Lumber Company for \$55,000. To the Dickson Company these mills are a very valuable adjunct. They will now have room to hold all the logs they require in the waters above Lakefield, and hence they will be able to commence the season's cutting very much earlier at Lakefield than at either Peterboro or Harwood. The Lakefield mills will be run to their full capacity. The Peterboro mills and the Harwood mills will be operated as usual, and the output of lumber this season will be a very large one. The limits were also offered for sale but were withdrawn at the following figures: Harvey limits, \$1,500; Anstruther, \$5,000; Burleigh, \$2,500.

#### QUEBEC.

—The Merchants Bank has disposed of 175,000 feet of spruce to the Oswego Manufacturing Company. The lumber formerly belonged to the Thompson Lumber Company, of Calumet, Que.

—Wm. Grimes, of Aylmer, is getting out some fine maple from his land on the Eardley mountains. He sold to J. R. Booth, Ottawa, one stick nineteen feet long, and at the small end it was 24 inches in diameter. Mr. Grimes is selling all this fine timber to J. R. Booth, Ottawa, and R. & W. Conroy, Aylmer.

#### MANITOBA AND THE NORTHWEST.

—The partnership existing between W. J. Mathers and J. B. Mathers, of Neepawa, Man., has been dissolved by mutual consent. Mr. Wm. J. Mathers continues the business and with his well-known push, will no doubt make it as successful in the future as in the past. Mr. J. B. Mathers, has purchased the stock-in-trade of Mr. A. R. Stevens, retail lumber, in Glenborough. Mr. Stevens retires on account of ill-health.

#### NEW BRUNSWICK AND NOVA SCOTIA.

"Probably not for years," says a local correspondent, "has there been such activity in lumbering in the Tatanagouche district, N.S."

—The Harris Car Works, of St. John, N.B., have been amalgamated with the business of Rhodes, Curry & Co., contractors and builders, Amherst, N.S., and the plant will be removed to Amherst.

—A. Dickie has about 9,000,000 feet of logs landed in the Stewiacke river, N.S., which will be brought to his mill throughout the spring and summer. A. Higelow, whose mill is situated about four miles from Lower Stewiacke, are planning a large summer's work.

—Norman McLellan, of Shulee, N.S., is under arrest, on the charges of inflicting bodily injuries on John Robertson, also of Shulee. McLellan and Robertson were working in the lumber woods for Prescott and Gillespie, when they got into a dispute over their work. Whereupon, it is stated, McLellan struck Robertson over the back with a handsuke, breaking his shoulder blade and inflicting a deep wound on the back of his head.