

Thousands of square miles exist of such land, in the Trent watershed, in the Eastern Reserve Country, and in many parts of the old pine bearing districts. These stations located near settlements where labour would be most available would develop forest nurseries to supply planting material. A planting program could soon be organized to meet our needs. Five of these stations, each with a planting program of 2,000 acres, would insure the reforestation of 10,000 acres annually. These stations with buildings and nursery equipment could be established by a capital expenditure of \$100,000. Annual maintenance should not exceed \$50,000. The annual planting budget of 10,000 acres would not exceed \$150,000. At an expenditure not exceeding \$200,000 per year we could annually reforest 10,000 acres, which in 60 years should produce at least 400 million board feet of lumber, or 50 million board feet more than our present average annual cut.

In Ontario's financial statement last year over \$900,000 of the forest revenue was classed as capital revenue, as it was felt that we were at present cutting into our forest capital. With the forest planting program as briefly outlined above this amount could be safely transferred to the credit of ordinary revenue.

We are not venturing in the realm of speculation, as this problem has been

solved in many older countries. The Government has this policy under consideration, and it is expected that a planting program will be established as a part of our forest policy which will utilize the

waste lands; insure protection to our watersheds; permanency to our wood-working industries, as well as provide for the foundation of a permanent, provincial revenue.



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