



A flying boat of the Dominion Air Board making a landing at Shuswap Lake, near Sicamous, British Columbia. Courtesy Western Lumberman.

Possibly even more important still, especially in times of unemployment like the present, the additional annual employment of the ten thousand men necessary to turn this million and a quarter cords of wood into paper would mean a city of fifty thousand people, or twenty-five new towns of two thousand population each; although, with the enormous expansion we have had and are now having in the pulp and paper industry, we have but a very short supply for many of our present mills and Canada is already over-developed in so far as pulp and paper are concerned. At

least some measure of protection must be afforded to mills already built.

No country, no matter how friendly its relations may be, will consent to the closing of one of its own most important industries for the sake of supplying raw material to the mills of another country.

This time has now arrived. With the tremendous loss in our available wood supply it is now no longer a question for international negotiations, but it is simply a question of life or death for our pulp and paper industry.