

REMARKABLE CANADIAN PINES.

AMONG the singular trees of Canada mention is made of a group of pines in the cemetery in St. Stephen, New Brunswick. The group contains several hundreds of white pines of unusual size and singular beauty, which show the curious spectacle of branching, some three feet from the ground, into numerous great limbs, some of them as much as seven feet in circumference. A hundred or so of these trees have attained large size, the most massive of them being 75 feet high and 11 feet and more in circumference. The aspect of the high horizontal or perpendicular branches laden with heavy foliage, and the rugged, knotty boles from which they spring, is striking in character, while they have a certain dignity and solemnity especially befitting a cemetery. As the ground on which they stand was burned over in 1801, when the adjacent country was laid waste by fire, the trees are all of second growth. Some of them that have been cut show from 89 to 91 concentric rings, so that their age is less than 100 years, and they are still full of health and vigor. Around them have sprung up hundreds of other stately trees, six or seven feet from the ground. Impressive as is the spectacle of the lofty unbranched trunks, which now and then indicate the site of a primeval forest in Maine or New Brunswick, there is something in the character of these distorted giants more imposing still. The checking of the upward growth in their youth has caused some of the trees to send

up as many as 14 branches, each one of the size and proportions of a leader, and some of them five or six feet in girth. One of the trees shows a sort of Siamese-twin connecting link between two mighty trunks, which rise almost perpendicularly to a considerable height. The keeper estimates that there are a thousand good-sized pines in the enclosure, several hundred of which are between 5 and 10 feet in circumference. Of the curious branching trees of great size there are over a hundred, the largest of which is 11 feet 8 inches in girth, with 14 limbs, 40 to 60 feet long, some of them seven feet in circumference. Its height is 70 feet. Another, which is 75 feet high, has a girth of 10 feet. Adjacent pines, less remarkable in growth, measure from 7½ to 9½ feet round.

TRADE NOTES.

Thirty-one Allis band mills were sold in Canada during the past twenty-four months.

The Welland Vale Manufacturing Co., of St. Catharines, are fitting up the old White mill as a saw manufactory.

E. Leonard & Sons have recently supplied a large engine to R. C. Tait, of Shediac, N. B., to replace the engine now running in his saw mill.

Messrs. P. W. Ellis & Co., Toronto, who are the only Canadian manufacturers of extra thin silver solder for repairing band saws, have just set up a new pair of rolling mills bought especially for the manufacture

of this material. They are now in a position to make this solder exactly as required.

The Ottawa Saw Works report that they have been obliged to run their establishment night and day in order to keep up with their work; they have also had to add to their band saw staff on account of increased trade.

The W. R. Gardner Tool Co., of Brockville, Ont., have let the contract for a large addition to their present factory. They have recently purchased the Beaver Saw Works, of Hamilton, which have been removed to Sherbrooke, Que. It is the intention of the company to manufacture a full line of circular, band and other saws.

The Waterous Engine Works Co., of Brantford, recently received a cable from London closing a contract for one of their largest portable saw mills for South Africa, including a 70 horse power engine with locomotive boiler. The firm also report the sale of seven complete saw mill outfits for Chili, South America. It is learned that about 20 per cent. of their entire output of saw mill machinery is shipped to South America.

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The usual annual number of the Winnipeg Commercial for 1896 has been issued, and contains a large amount of general information with illustrations regarding the western country. Among its articles are brief reviews of the lumber business in British Columbia, Manitoba and the Northwest Territories.



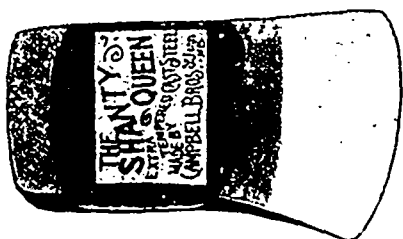
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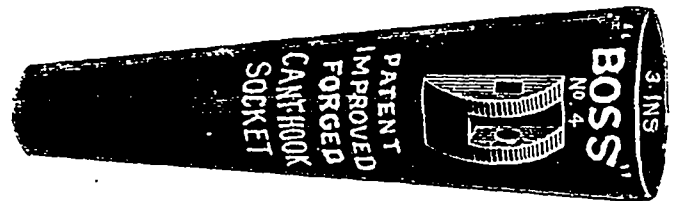
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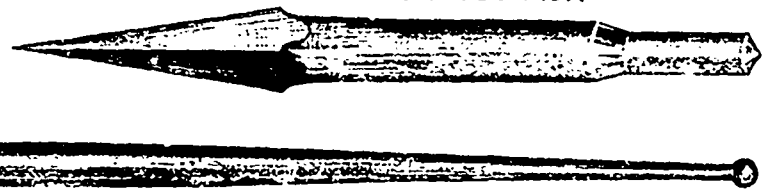
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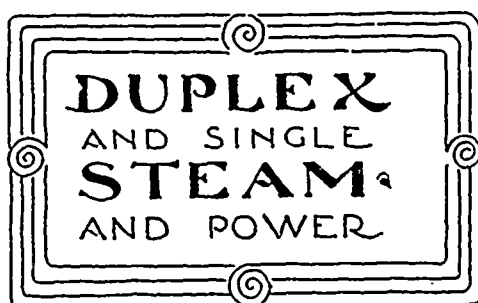


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