

wishes to make his improvements and earn his patent, then the wood that will be on the lot when it is sold to him will be there after he has gained his patent, if he, the settler, has not himself taken it away.

But it seems to me that I hear a cry coming from different parts of the province, and I hear certain parties saying : you give us reserves where the Limit Holder has passed, and where the wood is all taken off. This cry will, in my opinion, not be well founded. To-day under the present law the Limit Holder has until the first of May to cut the wood off the lot that is taken out of limit. Now, whether the Limit Holder takes the wood off before the settler takes the lot, or whether he takes it off after the settler has taken the land, what difference does it make ? The right to take the wood belongs to the Limit Holder, and whether he exercises his right before or after the reserves are created the lot of the settler is made no worse.

The whole strain of my remarks was to the effect that we should strive by all possible means to bring about a better understanding