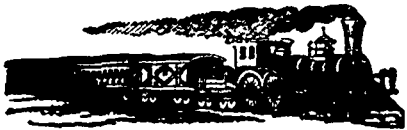


The statement is made that some northern lumber kings have recently purchased 1,440,300 acres of government lands in Louisiana and Mississippi at the low price of \$1.25 per acre, making a total of about \$1,800,000. When it is considered that Michigan pine lands bring from \$25 to \$75 per acre, we can see the reason for going south. The southern yellow pine is suitable for framing, while the cypress works soft and is excellent for finishing. This large movement may seriously affect the Canadian lumber interests.

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We have, through the kindness of Mr. Kerr, of the freight department of the C. P. R., been furnished with an accurate return of the number and destination of the cars of stock and immigrants' effects arriving in the country and have repeatedly visited the stock yards to take note of the quality of this immigration, and have a little talk with the men we find there. They are the very men we want to see, many of them have been here before, they have secured homesteads in the years just past, and went down last fall to bring up their families and effects, and the contents of one of these cars are both curious and valuable, horses, cattle, pigs, poultry, a collie, which his owner proudly assures you is a good "heeler," and other household pets besides. Then there is a barrel of apples from the old home orchard, bags of choice grain to be tried on the new farm, boxes of grocery goods, and as a rule the tools and implements from the old farm, which their experience here has shown to be available for use on the new. There is no rush for this or that favorite section, you find people bound everywhere, from Morris to the Rocky Mountains. For Southern Manitoba there came along the North Shore Route within the month from March 15th to April 16th, 22 cars of live stock and 30 cars of immigrants' effects. Between Winnipeg and Brandon there were in the same time 36 cars of stock and 40 of immigrants' effects, between Alexander and Regina 23 cars of stock and 40 of effects, and between Grand Coulee and Canmore 39 cars of stock and 18 of effects. By way of St. Paul, M. & M. there came within the month 19 cars in all, of which 13 cars were stock for points between Winnipeg and Brandon. —*Nor' West Farmer.*



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