

## APPENDIX

Extracts from a Report by Mr. Kynoch

### Should Forest Products Laboratories be Maintained in Canada?

The question whether Laboratories of this kind should be maintained in Canada admits of no answer but the most decided affirmative. Ample justification of this statement is furnished by considerations of which the following are a few which readily suggest themselves:-

(a) The per capita consumption of timber is, and has for many years been, steadily increasing in all the civilized countries of the world for which figures are available: wood is continually becoming more valuable commercially.

(b) The existing Canadian industries dependent upon timber are, in the aggregate, second in economic importance only to the agricultural industries: timber is Canada's most important purely natural product.

(c) Canada is easily the leading timber-producing country in the British Empire. Therefore timber research in this country possesses an imperial as well as a national significance.

(d) Research applied to forest products unquestionably presents great economic possibilities as proved by what has already been accomplished in this field, particularly in the United States.

(e) The foundation of a first class Forest Products Laboratory has already been solidly constructed at our Laboratories.

#### Forest Products.

The term forest products, in the sense in which it is here used, is a somewhat elastic one. It refers not only to the natural and immediate products of the forest but includes also all articles or commodities manufactured therefrom.