



MR. G. C. PICHE, Chief Forester of Quebec.

From this nursery there are sent out, first the trees for the planting of the sand lands in settled districts, which is becoming an important feature of Quebec work; and also the trees furnished to farmers for the planting of their woodlots. These latter are sent out at a nominal cost, and the nursery will be enlarged as rapidly as the demand from these two sources increases.

TREES.

I think that I shall never see
A poem lovely as a tree.

A tree whose hungry mouth is prest
Against the earth's sweet flowing breast;

A tree that looks at God all day,
And lifts her leafy arms to pray;

A tree that may in summer wear
A nest of robins in her hair;

Upon whose bosom snow has lain;
Who intimately lives with rain.

Poems are made by fools like me,
But only God can make a tree.

JOYCE KILMER.

FOREST SCHOOL NOTES.

The opening of another college year finds professors and students returning to work, fresh and enthusiastic.

While definite information is not yet to hand it is expected that the number of students at the Faculty of Forestry, University of Toronto, will be about the same as last year.

The Quebec school reports a somewhat decreased number of students this year, owing to higher standard for entrance. The wisdom of so raising the standard, however, will certainly be shown in future years. Mr. G. C. Piché, the Director, writes:—

The Forest School of Quebec has reopened with a new class of nine students, of whom three are Bachelors of Arts. The direction having raised the standard of the examinations for entrance, very few candidates were able to satisfy the new requirements, hence the diminution in the number of new students; yet the number in attendance, comprising the other classes, will be about thirty-five.

Prof. R. B. Miller, of the Forestry Department, of the University of New Brunswick writes: We have about thirty-five students enrolled in forestry, viz., four Seniors, five Juniors, fifteen Sophomores, and eleven Freshmen. Out of a Freshman class of thirty-six in the University, eleven enrolled for the forestry course. The men returning from the West are full of enthusiasm and new plans to be carried out, and this promises to be a very successful year. Among the new lines which will be attempted will be a small lumbering operation on the college lands, the building of three miles of telephone line to the camp, the making of trails and roads, a continuance of the work in estimating on the college lands, with a rough working plan for the same, a topographic survey of the college grounds by the Seniors and, possibly, a new course in forest entomology given by the Provincial Entomologist. The woods are in fine condition this fall, as there has not been much rain, and until cold weather a large amount of field-work will be carried through. The cutting of cordwood and logs will allow a further chance for work in the winter months. The Seniors have been assigned the new Victoria Mills of Donald Fraser and Sons, Limited, upon which they are to make a report. This mill is equipped with a double-cutting band-saw and all the modern appliances for manufacturing lumber, lath and shingles.