

Falls, Que. It is the best sample of ground pulp that we have ever seen, being entirely free from blemishes, and ought to satisfactorily meet the requirements of paper makers.

Messrs. H. Abbott, H. Shannon and Dr. Carroll, of Vancouver, are said to be interested in the proposed pulp mill to be established on Prince Royal Island, B.C. The company will be known as the Oriental Power and Pulp Company.

There has been only a small demand for mechanical pulp in Great Britain of late, and consequently prices show a downward tendency. Norwegian producers report stocks as small, and it is probable that the weakness of the market will be only temporary.

It is said that United States capitalists have submitted an offer for the pulp mills of the Maritime Sulphite Pulp Company at Chatham, N. B., provided they can acquire the timber limits under lease by the late company. The figure is understood to be \$550,000.

Mr. T. Obalski has been intrusted by the Minister of Public Instruction of France, and by the Natural

History Museum, with a scientific mission to Canada, the object of which is to make collections for the national museum and to report on the industries of the country. Mr. Obalski will give particular attention to pulp and paper making.

On May 20th fire was discovered in a large wooden structure at Sturgeon Falls, Ont., built and operated for two years as a pulp mill by the Sturgeon Falls Pulp Company. Owing to litigation over the property the mill was shut down and has not been operated for some time. The mill, together with tramways and a quantity of timber, was destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$40,000 and is covered by insurance.

The North Shore Timber Company, of Port Arthur, Ont., is the only company holding a Government license which permits the export of pulp wood from the province. This privilege was granted to the company by the predecessor of the present Commissioner of Crown Lands, as a result of which the company expended large sums of money which they claimed would be lost if their privilege to export pulp wood was cancelled. In consideration, an exemption for two years was granted.

Becker & Co., of 64 Cannon street, London, E. C., have just completed a seven years' contract with the owners of the steamship Norfolk. Beginning in the spring of next year the vessel will carry a cargo of 2,500 tons of wet pulp from Chicoutimi, Quebec, to Queenboro'. For the seven years she will carry four cargoes per season. The charter is undoubtedly the largest which has ever been made in the wood pulp trade. The owners of the Norfolk are Furness, Withy & Co., Ltd. From inquiries made we find that Becker & Co. have entered into other large contracts, including a charter of a steamer for seven years to run from Canada to Manchester, for over 100,000 tons, and another to Scandinavian ports.—British Paper Maker.

A Cincinnati paper says that the spruce forests are being cut down at an amazing rate because the wood pulp trust has been given a license "to charge and to chop." But it is not necessary to chop down spruce trees in this country to get pulp wood when it can be brought across the border from the spruce forests of Canada in unlimited quantities and with no import duty and a very small export charge.—American Lumberman.

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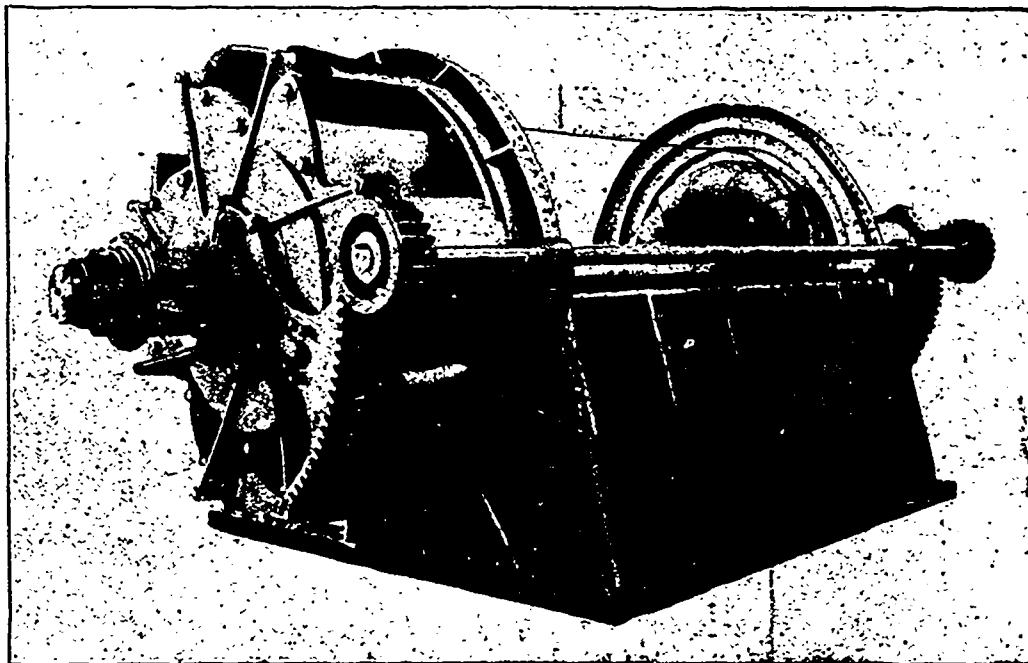
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