

# FORESTRY DEPARTMENT

## CANADIAN FORESTRY ASSOCIATION.

At a recent meeting of the Board of Directors of the Canadian Forestry Association, final arrangements were made for the publication of a forestry journal in the interests of the Association and for the advancement of the forestry movement generally. Dr. Wm. Saunders, Professor John Macoun and Mr. E. Stewart were appointed an Editorial Committee and Mr. R. H. Campbell as Editor and Business Manager. The new journal will include scientific and descriptive articles relating to the Canadian forests and their management, forest administration in other countries, the planting and care of trees and such other related subjects as are of public interest. The aim will be to present the subjects in a popular style, so that it may appeal to the general public as well as to the scientific student. The number and standing of the contributors already secured give promise that the character of the magazine will do full credit to the Association and worthily represent forestry interests. The Association has steadily developed since its organization in 1900 and has now a membership of about six hundred, representing all parts of the Dominion and including also a number of foreign countries. One of the most recent additions to the life membership is Prince Colloredo-Mannsfeld, of Austria, who has been visiting Canada recently and takes a great interest in forest management, as he has large forest estates in Bohemia.

A resolution was passed expressing the opinion of the Board that in view of the annual destruction of timber in British Columbia and the difficulty of guarding the forests from fire, it is desirable that the Bush Fires Act of that province should be amended so as to prohibit the starting of fires for the clearing of land between the first day of May and the first day of November in each year unless a special permit for that purpose be granted by the forest ranger or other officer appointed for the district in which such permission is asked.

Preliminary arrangements for the annual meeting of the Association to be held at Que-

bec in March next were made. The prospects for a good meeting are very encouraging. The Government of the Province have promised their interest in making the meeting a success.

Resolutions of sympathy with His Honor Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere and with the family of the late Dr. W. H. Muldrew were passed.

Messrs. E. Stewart and R. H. Campbell were appointed to represent the Canadian Forestry Association at the Forest Congress to be held in Washington in January.

## THE AMERICAN FOREST CONGRESS.

The official call for the American Forest Congress, to be held under the auspices of the American Forestry Association, has been issued. The dates fixed are January 2nd to 6th, 1905. The Congress will include:

Members of the United States Senate and House of Representatives; Ambassadors, Ministers, and other representatives of foreign countries; Governors of States and Territories; Members of the Society of American Foresters; Faculties of Forest Schools; State Forest Officials; Professional Foresters in private work; 100 Delegates from the American Forestry Association; Editors of Lumber and other Trade Journals of industries dependent upon the forest; 25 Delegates from the Bureau of Forestry of the U. S. Department of Agriculture; 25 Delegates from the United States Geological Survey; 50 Delegates from the United States General Land Office and Forest Reserve Service; 75 Delegates from the National Irrigation Association; 75 Delegates from the National Irrigation Congress; 5 Delegates from each Forestry Association, State or Local; 10 Delegates from the Canadian Forestry Association; 5 Delegates from the Canadian Forest Service; 5 Delegates appointed by the Governor of each State and Territory; 5 Delegates from each Lumberman's Association; 5 Delegates from each Wood-Working Association; 5 Delegates from each Mining Association; 5 Delegates from each Stockmen's Association; 5 Delegates from each Turpentine Association; 2 Delegates from each Railroad, Telegraph or Telephone Company; 15 Delegates from the American

Society of Civil Engineers; 15 Delegates from the American Institute of Mining Engineers; Chiefs of Bureaus and Divisions of the United States Department of Agriculture; 2 Delegates from each Chamber of Commerce and Board of Trade; Delegates-at-large appointed by the President of the Congress from forest land-owners and those who have rendered distinguished service to the cause of American Forestry.

The subjects, each of which will receive attention at a separate session, are: 1. Relation of the Public Forest Lands to Irrigation; 2. Relation of the Public Forest Lands to Grazing; 3. The Lumber Industry and the Forest; 4. Importance of the Public Forest Lands to Mining; 5. Forestry in Relation to Railroad Supplies; 6. National Forest Policy; 7. State Forest Policy.

The sessions will be held in the National Rifles Armory, 920 G. street, Northwest. The railways have granted a rate of a fare and a third for the round trip, in order to secure which delegates must procure certificates at starting points. Hon. James Wilson, Secretary of Agriculture, has been chosen President of the Congress.

## CANADIAN PINE IN GERMANY.

A letter has been received at the Geological Survey, Ottawa, from Baron Max Fuerstenburg, of the German Government Department of Forestry, saying that great success has been obtained in growing seeds of Canadian pine and other conifers. More seeds are to be secured to restock the forests of Germany.

C. C. Andrews, fire warden for Minnesota, says that the pine timber of that State will last only fifteen years longer.

Bulletin No. 1 has been issued by the Forestry Branch of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa. It is entitled "Tree Planting on the Prairies of Manitoba and the North-West Territories," the author being Norman N. Ross, Assistant Superintendent of Forestry. This bulletin has been compiled with the idea of affording practical information to the settler on the western prairies as to the best methods of propagating, planting, and managing hardy trees for shelter belts, wind breaks, and plantations. It contains much information on the subject, also 42 illustrations, some of which show very strikingly what can be accomplished by tree planting. Chapter 4, devoted to obtaining plant material, contains much information which is not common knowledge.

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