

place, and had a capacity of fifteen to twenty million feet per year. It was a water power mill, equipped with two gangs, a circular and a pair of twin circulars, with the usual trimmers, edgers, etc., necessary to make a complete mill. In connection therewith were also a lath mill and a shook mill, the latter being for the purpose of manufacturing slabs into material from which box shooks were made. The extensive piling grounds on each side of the river afforded accommodation for about ten million feet of lumber. Shipments were made by water, and

the year 1884, the property was handed over to his son, Mr. J. B. Miller, who is now president of the company. The other officers are Mr. John McClelland, vice-president, and Mr. W. B. Tindall, secretary treasurer.

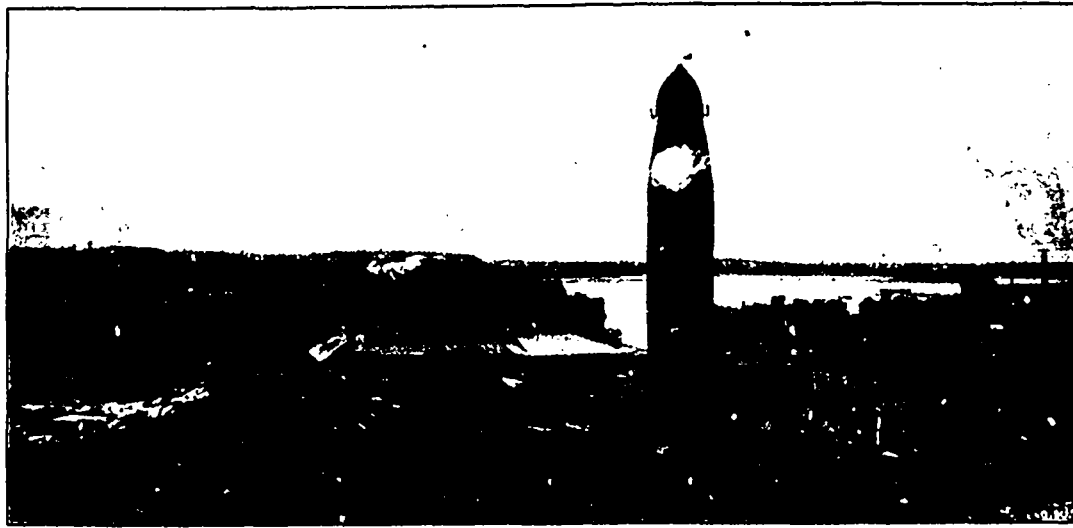
The mill property is situated in the town of Parry Sound, on the Georgian Bay, their limits, comprising 300 square miles, being situated contiguous to the mill and being watered by the Seguin river. The farthest limit is said to be only twenty miles from the town, which necessarily permits of bringing the logs to the mill at

The company have also a controlling interest in the steel steamer "Seguin," which has a carrying capacity of one million feet, and was built at Parry Sound by the Polson Iron Works Company.

Mr. Miller, the president, was born at Farmersville, now Athens, Ont., on the 26th of July, 1862. He began his commercial career with his father, and upon his death 12 years ago assumed the management of the company's business.

MICKLE, DYMENT AND SON.

The organization of the present firm of Mickle, Dymont & Son was effected in the year 1886, being composed of Messrs. Charles Mickle, N. Dymont and S. Dymont. They purchased extensive timber limits, and at the time of the failure of Christie, Kerr & Co. were compelled to take over the limits held by that company and situated on the South Muskoka and Black rivers. To-day they are possessors of upwards of three hundred square miles of limits, located in the townships of Oakley, Ridout, Livingston, Peck, Sherbourne and Hudson. They acquired the mill properties, Nos. 1 and 2, formerly owned by Charles Mickle and situated at Gravenhurst, on Muskoka Bay, and also purchased No. 3 mill at the same place from Thomas Tait. Afterwards the mill property at Barrie owned by Mickle & Dymont, and the Bradford mill of Christie, Kerr & Co. passed into their possession. A mill was then erected by the company at Severn Bridge, on the Severn river, while they also purchased a mill at that place from P. Christie. In 1887 No. 1 mill at Gravenhurst was destroyed by fire and was never rebuilt, while a little later the Barrie mill was also burned. The mill at Bradford has since been torn down and the machinery removed to the new mill at Severn Bridge, and No. 3 mill has been changed to a shingle mill. The company are, therefore, in possession of two saw and two shingle mills, one of each being located at Severn Bridge and one at Gravenhurst. The view of the Gravenhurst mill shown was taken in 1887. The saw mill at Gravenhurst has a capacity, per day of ten hours, of 80,000 feet of lumber, 20,000 shingles and 25,000 lath. It is steam power, being driven by a 125 h. p. engine and three tubular boilers.



PARRY SOUND LUMBER CO.'S MILL AT PARRY SOUND.

also by scow to Waubaushene, whence the lumber was carried by rail.

The Waubaushene mill is located on the south-east corner of the Georgian Bay, about ten miles from Midland. This mill was erected in the year 1881, and is one of the most complete establishments for the manufacture of lumber west of the Ottawa river. The machinery is of the latest, most improved and substantial character, and was furnished almost entirely by the William Hamilton Manufacturing Co., of Peterboro. The equipment consists of one circular, one slabbing gang, two stock gangs and a pair of twin circulars, together with two edgers, two trimmers, lath mill, shook mill and necessary accompanying machinery. Unique labor-saving appliances are provided for handling and disposing of the lumber and refuse. The capacity of the mill in eleven hours is 300,000 feet, the lath mill producing 30,000 lath in the same time. The annual output averages from twenty-eight to thirty million feet, the mill operating in the day time only, and not running even until the end of the season.

One of the finest piling grounds in Canada is connected with this mill, seven sidings running into the yard from the Grand Trunk Railway, which permits of the lumber and lath being handed from the pile to the car. The tramways are equipped with T rails of a substantial kind, and cover several miles in extent. The yard is located a sufficient distance from the mill to minimize the danger of fire spreading from one to the other. From their extensive docks large vessels can load and unload. An electric plant furnishes light for the mill, thereby doing away with night owls, which are so dangerous from an insurance point of view. From this plant the principal buildings in the village are also lighted.

The company also own two stores in the village, from which the inhabitants are supplied with all necessities.

PARRY SOUND LUMBER COMPANY.

In the year 1872 the Parry Sound Lumber Company, Ltd., was incorporated, the principal shareholders being Mr. A. G. P. Dodge, of New York, and the late J. C. Miller. The latter afterwards became the sole owner, and upon his death, which occurred in Southern California in

a very small cost. The company possess probably the largest block of standing timber on the shore, some of which is virgin forest.

The saw mill is water power, driven by four water wheels, the power being obtained from the Seguin river. It is equipped with two flat gangs, two slabbing gangs and one large circular, with all necessary appurtenances. This mill was the first in the district to use thin gang saws, the gauge being between 14 and 15. The docks



VIEW OF PARRY SOUND LUMBER CO.'S MILL, SHOWING TRAMWAYS.

have a piling capacity for ten million feet, at which the largest boats on the lakes can load.

The shingle mill contains two "Boss" machines, having a capacity of 75,000 per day. Large shingle sheds are provided, with a capacity of four to five million shingles, which enables the output of the mill to be kept under cover, thereby keeping it in good condition.

The annual production of the company is from ten to twelve million feet of pine lumber, ten million shingles and six million laths, and in the neighborhood of one hundred hands are employed.

The equipment of the mill consists of one circular and one band saw, with edgers and trimmers complete, lath mill and Drake shingle machine. In addition to the mill there is a filing room, 25x50 feet, and machine shop, also planing mill with output of 15,000 feet per day. The lumber is taken from the mill on high cars, being ten feet from rail to platform.

The shingle mill has a capacity of 160,000 per day, and contains four shingle machines, driven by a 65 h. p. engine and two boilers. The logs for these mills are brought down the Muskoka river from their limits, and towed from the mouth