

# Genesee Valley Forestry Association.

A very significant movement in different parts of the United States is the formation of active local forestry associations which work in harmony with the state and federal organizations, both governmental and private. One of the latest and most promising of these is the Genesee Valley Forestry Association with headquarters at Rochester, N.Y. This was formed on Feb. 15. The officers are: President, Wm. F. Dunbar; Vice-President, Joseph W. Hauser; Secretary, John Dennis, Jr.; Treasurer, Norman C. Schlegel. As this subject is of great interest to the members of the Canadian Forestry Association the Secretary, Mr. Dennis, has been asked and has kindly consented to write an article for the *Canadian Forestry Journal* describing the work of this Association and its relation to the New York State Forestry Association. The following is from the Rochester Democrat and Chronicle with the editorial staff of which Mr. Dennis is connected:

Rochester's interest in scientific and practical forestry was again demonstrated on Saturday by the formation of the Genesee Valley Forestry Association, an organization which plans to extend its influence throughout the entire valley of the Genesee from Lake Ontario on the north to the summit of the Alleghenies on the south, where the Genesee river originates in mountain rivulets. It is understood that for scientific and educational purposes chapters of the association will be formed throughout the valley, wherever interest can be aroused, and that the association proper will act after the manner of a clearing house of desirable knowledge regarding theoretical and practical forest and park practice. It is very appropriate that Rochester should be the home of an association of this kind. Each one of the great parks of the city embraces notable examples of the best practice in modern constructive forestry. In planting the original park forest the advice and counsel of the most famous arboriculturists in this and other countries has been drawn upon, and this knowledge is available by way of object lessons and historical record.

It is also understood that the Genesee Valley Forestry Association, as a part of its first practical work, will secure sample woods from the portion of the Genesee Valley Park forest, which is about to be sacrificed to make way for the Barge canal. Something over 400 choice forest and shade trees, planted twenty-three years ago, will of necessity be destroyed. Sample trees of each species cut from the canal zone will be utilized for educational cabinets, to be at the service of the different chapters throughout the valley.

## SWEET AND SLOW.

*J. E. Middleton in Toronto News.*

Sweet and slow,  
Sweet and slow  
Sap from the maple tree-ee.  
Now flow,  
Prithée, show.  
Kindly to Bards like me-ee,  
Into the bucket consistently flow,  
While the spring sun is a-melting the snow  
Into a little sea-ee.  
As through my shoes the watery ooze  
Seeps.

Stoneboat slow,  
Stoneboat slow,  
Call at the maple tree-ee.  
Gently, Flo,  
Haw! Whoa!  
Gather the sap for me-ee.  
Into the butt pour the watery bliss,  
Leaves and small twigs are expected, I wis.  
Now let the old mare Gee-ee  
Through the swale, where about half a pail  
out-  
Leaps.

Sweet and low,  
Night winds blow,  
Blow through the maple tree-ee.  
Coals glow,  
Pots hang low  
Boiling the stuff for me-ee.  
Give us a taste of the nectar divine,  
Better than sherry or Burgundy wine,  
Beautiful stuff to see-ee.  
Yellow and sweet, we just think we could  
eat  
Heaps.

The first pulp was made in the new pulp mills at Dryden, Ont., on March 19. A number of those interested in the works were present on the occasion.