

FATE OF FIVE LUMBERMEN.

Two years ago, says a Corning despatch, five young men came from the woods of Maine, where they followed the occupation of choppers, and found employment in the lumber regions of Pennsylvania, in the vicinity of Malley's mills. They were George and William Jennings, brothers; Arthur Fraley, Andrew Shalcross, and Hiram Stephens. The first week they were in the region George Jennings was "snaking" logs to a roll way. As he was engaged in fastening a chain around a large log, standing on the lower side of it as it lay on the top of a small hill it was started in some manner, and before he could get out of the way it knocked him down and rolling over him,

CRUSHED HIM TO DEATH.

His father had been killed in a similar manner in Maine. A few months afterwards, Arthur Fraley and William Jennings were hunting in the woods near Malley's mills. They had shot a deer, and after loading their guns, had walked up to where the deer lay. Fraley stooped down beside the deer and Jennings stood behind him. While they were in these positions Jennings saw a fawn come leaping along the edge of the ridge close by them. He quickly cocked his gun. The click of the hammer caused Fraley to look up. Seeing the fawn he rose quickly to his feet. Jennings' gun was discharged at the same instant, and the ball passed clear through Fraley's head killing him instantly. A few weeks later Jennings was engaged with others in driving logs, and while he was breaking a jam the jam gave way unexpectedly, and he was carried down with it and crushed to death. After William Jennings' death Andrew Shalcross declared that he could not remain in such an apparently fatal spot and he obtained work in Potter County. Last week the news was received that he had been killed by a falling tree. Hiram Stephens was now

THE ONLY ONE ALIVE

of the five young lumbermen who had come together to Pennsylvania. He had remained at Malley's mills. Last week when he heard of Shalcross' death he resolved to return to Maine. He had agreed to work at the mills until the 1st of February, and as his employer would not release him before that time he made his arrangements to go when the time expired. Two weeks ago a young man named George Gough went to Malley's mills to work as a teamster. On Monday last there was but little for the teams to do, and as one of the choppers was sick Gough was sent to the woods to chop. He and Hiram Stephens went together. They were to work on a job about three miles from the mills. Gough was a green hand at chopping, and until about three o'clock in the afternoon he simply trimmed the branches from the trees that Stephens felled. Stephens had just felled a tree, and suggested to Gough that he try his hand at one. Gough selected a medium sized tree nearby and began chopping. Stephens proceeded to trim the one that he had felled, and paid no attention to Gough's work. After a while he heard Gough shout to him to run, as the tree would fall in such a way as to strike him with a branch. Stephens started carrying his axe in front of him. He had taken but a

few steps when he stumbled and fell. Gough was giving the last strokes on the tree with his axe, and seeing that Stephens did not rise after falling he ran to his aid, forgetting the danger from the tree. Before he reached Stephens

THE TREE FELL WITH A CRASH,

and Gough was caught beneath the very branch against which he had warned his companion. He was pinned on his back to the ground, the limb lying across his legs. No part of the tree touched Stephens, although Gough did not lie six feet from him. When the tree fell Stephens raised his head and saw Gough lying beneath the branch. He rose to his feet and then Gough saw the blood was pouring in a great stream from a fearful wound in Stephens' stomach. He had fallen on the upturned blade of his keen axe. Stephens staggered towards his companion, and, although it was evident that he was dying, began chopping at the limb with the intention of releasing Gough if possible. He gave a few feeble and random blows, and then, turning to Gough, he laid the axe within his reach, and said:

"I'm done for George! You'll have to cut yourself out."

He then staggered off a few feet and fell to the ground dead. After long and difficult labor Gough succeeded in cutting the limb in two with Stephens' axe and in pushing off his leg that portion of it that held him fast. Then for the first time he knew that one of his legs was broken. There is a cabin, occupied at night by a number of choppers, about a mile from where Gough lay, and as night was coming on and little hope of any one passing that way, and none that he could survive a night spent prostrate on the snow, he determined to drag himself through the woods to the cabin. When the choppers came into the cabin about six o'clock they found Gough lying unconscious on the floor. His fingers were torn and bleeding and his clothes torn. Such restoratives as were at hand served to revive Gough, and he was soon enabled to tell of his terrible experiences of the afternoon, and the awful fate of young Stephens. Gough's fingers were torn to the bone by clutching in the snow and on bushes to drag himself along to the cabin. He was taken at once to Malley's mills, and he will doubtless recover. Stephens' dead body was found by a party of choppers who went in search of it, and will be buried at Malley's mills.

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	Stock, Dec. 31st, 1882.	Stock, Dec. 31st, 1883.	Consumption for the month of Dec., 1882.	Consumption for the month of Dec., 1883.
Quebec Square Pine.....	292,000 ft.	450,000 ft.	190,000 ft.	250,000 ft.
Waney Board.....	275,000 "	340,000 "	24,000 "	24,000 "
St. John Pine.....	61,000 "	50,000 "	0,000 "	4,000 "
Other Ports Pine.....	60,000 "	60,000 "	0,000 "	4,000 "
Red Pine.....	65,000 "	60,000 "	3,000 "	4,000 "
Pitch Pine, new.....	629,000 "	305,000 "	39,000 "	64,000 "
" Sawn.....	606,000 "	630,000 "	35,000 "	123,000 "
Planks.....	60,000 "	600,000 "	00,000 "	00,000 "
Dantale, &c. Fir.....	50,000 "	135,000 "	11,000 "	10,000 "
Swedish and Norway Fir.....	21,000 "	81,000 "	00,000 "	20,000 "
Oak Canadian and American.....	335,000 "	330,000 "	40,000 "	44,000 "
" Planks.....	104,000 "	182,000 "	34,000 "	34,000 "
" Railir.....	40,000 "	13,000 "	3,000 "	3,000 "
Elm.....	61,000 "	22,000 "	13,000 "	4,000 "
Ash.....	13,000 "	24,000 "	6,000 "	4,000 "
Birch.....	102,000 "	91,000 "	53,000 "	63,000 "
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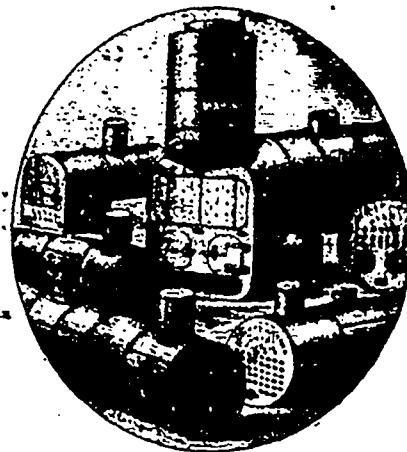
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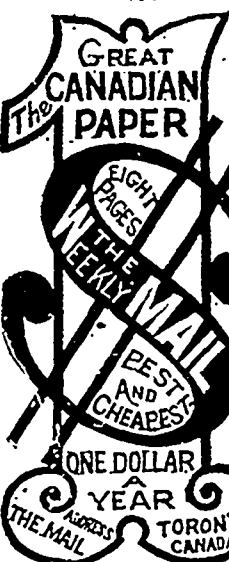
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