

The Finch Wood Preservative and Preservative Paint.

THOSE who have given the matter any consideration are aware of the great loss continually going on by the decay and rotting of wood. All classes are affected by this loss. The Governments of our country, city and town councils, railway companies, private individuals, few are exempt. In view of this great loss, the question naturally arises, Can it be stopped? The answer is—Yes. We do not say we think it can, but we know it can. We know that scantling that has lain on the ground eighteen years under a sidewalk when taken up was as sound as when put down. We know that planks, posts, joists, shingles, or any wood treated with the FINCH WOOD PRESERVATIVE or PRESERVATIVE PAINT, has never shown the slightest sign of rot or decay, not even sapwood.

We manufacture two kinds, one known as the FINCH WOOD PRESERVATIVE. It is used for foundation timbers, joists, sidewalks, cellar floors, posts, or any timber or lumber that is in or on the ground. The other, the FINCH WOOD PRESERVATIVE PAINT, is composed of ingredients used in the preservative with the addition of linseed oil and other compounds that form a hard and durable paint. Two colors are made: one red, extensively used for shingle roofs, the other suitable for the sides of buildings or any other purpose.

This preserved timber when on exhibition at the World's Fair, Chicago, 1893, was awarded a Diploma, and the special examiner from Washington, after a careful examination, stated it deserved the best expression in its favor that the English language could give, it being of national importance to so cheaply preserve timber from decay. The peculiar compound that preserves the timber enters the wood, filling and closing the pores, thus preventing interior fermentation or decay, and no fungus growth can affect it from the outside: we therefore offer it with the fullest confidence—a confidence born of twenty-five years' experience—that timber treated with it will not rot or decay.

All timber and all shingle roofs, new or old, should be covered with this preservative. An old roof that has been on ten or twelve years can be repaired [if necessary] with a few shingles and covered with this preparation; it is then good for at least twenty years more service, will last much longer than a new one without the preservative, for less than one-fourth the cost.

We submit a few testimonials of which we are justly proud. We value them because of the standing of the parties, because of their well-known integrity and truthfulness, because such testimony loudly proclaim its value and carry conviction to every reader:

Department of Works, City of Toronto.

SUBJECT: WOOD PRESERVATIVE.

THE FINCH WOOD PRESERVATIVE CO.:

GENTLEMEN,—In reply to your question asking me for my opinion and experience of your wood preservative, I beg to reply as follows:

I have had an opportunity of judging of the preserving value of your preservative in the case of a sidewalk laid down on the south side of Queen street westerly from Yonge street in front of Knox Church, in this city. From the minutes of the Committee on Works, I find that the lumber of this sidewalk was treated with your preservative, and that it was