

THE NEWS

R. P. Young purposes building a saw mill at Rosseau, Ont.

Irons & Winnacott, of Huntsville, Ont., are building a new dry kiln.

Charles Boynton, of Georgeville, Que., is considering the erection of a new mill.

Charles Stuckey is moving his planing mill from Bay Mills to Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.

The planing mill of Gillespie & Grier at Parry Sound, Ont., is being offered for sale.

R. Holmes, of Ottawa, has made an offer to establish a planing mill at Fort Frances, Ont.

McArthur Bros., of Toronto, are carrying on extensive lumbering operations in Texas.

It is the intention of S. L. Kyle to build a wood-working factory on Bridge street, Ottawa.

James Thompson is rebuilding his saw mill at Terra-Nova, Ont., which was burned recently.

John Charlton, M.P., is projecting a railway to run from Port Rowan to Collingwood, Ont.

The Swan River Lumber Company have bought the saw mill and timber rights of John Sinnott at Swan River, Man.

It is understood that the Parry Sound Lumber Company intends starting a box shoo factory at their mills in Parry Sound, Ont.

A company is seeking incorporation at Gananoque, Ont., to establish a factory for the manufacture of tables and other woodenware.

The Scotstown Lumber Company, of Scotstown, Que., closed down their mill about the middle of October, having exhausted their supply of logs.

The Michigan Land & Lumber Company will this winter overhaul their saw mill at Blind River, Ont., and substitute steam for water power.

Napoleon Payette has commenced the erection of a planing mill and sash and door factory at Penetanguishene, Ont. Mr. Payette is a large contractor.

A by-law was carried last month by the ratepayers of Sandridge, Ont., granting assistance to the Veneer & Box Company. No votes were cast against the by-law.

Fred. Moore, of Woodstock, N.B., is about to build a new mill, to contain rotary, two shingle mills, patent edger, claphoard and lath machines and other necessary appliances.

A dispatch from Vancouver, B.C., states that a Puget Sound lumberman has selected a site for a shingle mill to be built at Vancouver, and has purchased 613 acres of cedar limits.

The new mill of the Conger Lumber Company of Parry Sound, Ont., was put in operation about one month ago. The mill was built under the superintendence of Barney Wickett, and is first-class in every respect.

A special committee of the council of New Westminster, B.C., has recommended the lease of certain property to the Pacific Coast Lumber Company, which proposes erecting a large saw mill.

The third action against J. R. Booth, of Ottawa, for dumping sawdust into the Ottawa river, has been withdrawn, Mr. Booth promising to erect a burner at the close of the present season.

The Victoria Lumber & Manufacturing Company, of Chemainus, B.C., are making improvements to their plant. The mill has been extended about 80 feet and the yard is being rearranged and enlarged.

W. C. Edwards & Company, of Ottawa, are taking steps to prevent the spread of smallpox in the camps during the coming winter. A doctor has been engaged to make a regular inspection of the camps.

The largest saw mill in Maine has just been completed at Ashland, on the Aroostook river. It is 207x60 feet and equipped with double-cutting band mills. Platforms from which the lumber is loaded on cars are four in number, each 400 feet long.

A new lumber concern is that of Bahnsen & Bucholtz, of Pembroke, Ont., composed of B. B. Bahnsen and A.

Bucholtz. Mr. Bahnsen is an expert bookkeeper, having been with the Pembroke Lumber Company for fourteen years, while Mr. Bucholtz is an experienced man in the lumber business.

The Department of the Interior at Ottawa has asked Mr. Schenck, superintendent of the Vanderbilt Park at Biltmore, N.C., to report upon the forestry system of Canada. Next spring he will go to the Northwest and investigate the conditions under which tree planting has been carried on in the past, and will recommend a policy for the future.

A new mill has been built at Lower Stewiacke, N.S., by Alfred Dickie to replace the one destroyed by fire in July last. The patent edger and rotary were built by the Oxford Foundry and Machine Company, of Oxford, N.S., and the lath machine by the St. John Iron Works. The mill is fitted with electric lights. It was built under the direction of D. Gillis, the millwright being C. D. Smith.

In a tree felling contest at Tacoma, Wash., a log measuring 37 inches in diameter was placed on end just as it came from the forest. Three teams entered the contest, the winners cutting through the tree in the remarkable time of 4 minutes and 9 seconds. This beats the world's record. A new record was also established in the one man contest, a 33 inch log being cut through in 6 minutes and 22 seconds.

Among the few industrial establishments in Canada visited by the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall was the Hastings saw mill of the British Columbia Mills, Timber & Trading Company at Vancouver B.C. This mill is one of the largest of its kind in the Dominion, and is equipped with the latest appliances. The mill was in operation, and the process of manufacturing lumber was watched with intense interest by the Royal party. On leaving the mill each of the Royal guests was presented with a souvenir of the visit in the shape of a morocco case, containing veneer samples of various kinds of wood.

The employees of the Pembroke Lumber Company, of Pembroke, Ont., held their annual supper a fortnight ago. The decorations were more elaborate than usual in honor of the guest of the evening, Mr. B. B. Bahnsen, who has recently severed his connection with the company as secretary after 17 years of service. Mr. Bahnsen was presented with an address, which was read by Mr. W. H. Bromley. He was also made the recipient of a splendid typewriter. Mr. Bahnsen responded briefly, thanking his fellow employees for their kindly remembrances and expressing regret that he was about to sever his business relations with them.

Upon a recent visit of the Attorney-General to the Rainy River district, the question of timber dues was brought up at Beaver Mills. It was contended that Government officials had in some cases demanded dues. The Attorney-General replied that of course the bona-fide settlers were not liable to stumpage dues. These are charged only to lumbermen, pulp companies, etc., who buy merely the right to cut timber, but persons who hold the land itself on patents from the Government can use such timber upon it as is not reserved without paying any dues. He explained, however, that certain persons who held land patents when not real settlers came there with the purpose of remaining as annual producers, but they were merely plunderers of the timber, their land patent being merely a blind under which they stripped off all the good spruce, etc., and then left. These people, wherever possible, would be required to pay a stumpage tax.

An event of considerable interest at the recent exhibition in Victoria, B.C., was a wood cutting competition. To assist the management, E. C. Atkins & Company, saw manufacturers, sent two expert wood choppers to take part, their names being H. S. Dorman and Joseph Bode. Two Canadian lumbermen also entered, namely, James and Robert Mearns, of Koksaa. A commencement was made with the cutting of a seventeen inch vertical log, Dorman using the axe first. He completed his work in 5 minutes and 30 seconds. The other results on logs of the same size were: R. J. Mearns, 5 mins., 25 secs.; Bode, 5 mins., 25 1/4 secs., and J. Mearns, 7 mins., 12 secs. On a same size log with axe horizontally—Dorman, 10 mins., 12 secs.; R.

Mearns, 3 mins., 56 1/2 secs.; Bode, 4 mins., 4 secs. Double sawing, horizontal 24 inch log—R. and J. Mearns, 55 secs.; Bode and Dorman, 40 secs. Sawing perpendicular log, same size—Bode and Dorman, 43 secs.; the Mearns brothers, 1 min. and 16 secs. One man back contest, 24 inch log—Dorman, 2 mins., 12 1/2 secs.; J. Mearns, 2 mins., 41 secs.; R. Mearns, 2 mins., 36 1/4 secs., and J. H. Bode, 2 mins., 10 secs. Bode and Dorman used one saw in all the contests, namely, the Atkins Pacifico. The Mearns Bros. used the Simons and Canadian razor saws.

THE NEW BRUNSWICK FOUNDRY AND MACHINE WORKS.

Attention is directed to the advertisement in this issue of Messrs. McFarlane, Thompson and Anderson, of Fredericton, N.B. This well-known firm have been established now over half a century, the business passing into the hands of the present firm in 1870, and under their able and energetic management has expanded, new lines have been added until to-day the products of the company find purchasers all over Canada. One of the most important specialties manufactured is their patent Dunbar shingle machine, for which they control the Canadian patent, secured in September, 1885. This machine is beyond question and universally admitted to be one of the best on the market. It is favorably known from the Atlantic to the Pacific. A large number of these machines are now in use. They have stood the test for years, and users claim that they give perfect satisfaction, and value them highly for their durability and excellent work.

This firm also manufacture rotary saw mills, planers, band saws, wood working machinery, lathes, vertical drills and all kinds of mill machinery. Another specialty is their well-known Buckeye automatic engine manufactured from plans and specifications procured from the patentees in the United States. This engine is guaranteed to give as good results in machine power from the smallest quantity of fuel as any automatic engine in the world. The present members of the firm are Walter McFarlane, Hon. P. F. Thompson and Peter McFarlane. Mr. Anderson, one of the original members, died some years ago while on a visit to Scotland.

PERSONAL.

Mr. W. A. Charlton, M.P.P., has been nominated by the Liberals of South Norfolk to contest that riding in the Provincial election to be held next spring.

Mr. H. Cargill, M.P., president of the Cargill Lumber Company, of Cargill, Ont., has returned from a three months' trip to Great Britain and the Continent.

Mr. A. G. McKenzie, of Stonewall, Man., died at his home in that place early in October. Deceased had recently been appointed to the position of forest fire ranger for the Dominion Government.

Mr. J. G. Scott, Mayor of New Westminster, B.C., and manager of the Pacific Coast Lumber Company, of that city, has announced that he will not be a candidate for the Mayoralty for a third term.

Mr. L. H. Shepard, of Shepard, Farmer & Company, wholesale lumber dealers, Boston, left early in October for British Columbia and the Puget Sound country. He will make an inspection of the mill of the Spicer Shingle Mill Company at Vancouver, B.C.

The death took place last month at St. John, N.B., of William Barnhill, who conducted a lumber business at Marble Cove, N.B., previous to 1881, when he retired from active business life. He was a director of the St. John Railway Company.

The bereavement which has fallen upon Mr. Thomas Conlon, of the lumber firm of J. & T. Conlon, Thorold, Ont., has elicited the deepest sympathy from his numerous friends and the citizens of that place. Mr. Conlon's youngest son Louie, 17 years of age, died at his home on the 14th ultimo as a result of a bicycle accident received some time previously. At the time of his death Mr. Conlon was absent at his mills at Little Current, and almost simultaneously with the death of his youngest son, the family received a telegram from him announcing the death of his third son, James, who was at Little Current, the cause being typhoid fever.