

"concern should wish to make this fact prominent, as it "would only invite competition for the Company you represent." My answer to this was, that we would prefer all the competition that would take place, and having the United States market open to us, rather than have less competition and our present markets. In conversation with another United States manufacturer within the last few days, he made the same statement, and from my own personal knowledge, I feel quite certain that it would not be long before a certain proportion of the United States manufacturers would be obliged to remove their mills to Canada if they wished to compete with Canadian manufacturers when the United States market was open to them.

It is true that the United States is not wholly dependent upon Canada for its supply of Pulp Wood, as is evident from Ex-Governor Powers' remarks at the Paper Trade Banquet in New York two or three weeks ago. Ex-Governor Powers made the statement that in Maine alone they had 12,000 square miles of territory, containing five hundred million feet of spruce, and which, in his judgment, if properly handled, would be an inexhaustible supply for American paper manufacturers. I do not agree with Ex-Governor Powers in this statement, as five hundred million feet of spruce is a mere bagatelle to United States manufacturers of pulp and paper.

In addition to this, the Canadian Government said it, a short while ago, to reduce the duty on newspaper entering into Canada. The Canadian market is so small that this only interferes with the smaller mills who are dependent on the Canadian trade for their existence, but it certainly seems unfair that the Canadian Government should do this, as it will enable the United States paper mills, when their production is greater than the demand, to dump their surplus in Canada. As long as the United States have a prohibitive duty on paper, Canada should do the same, but an abolishment of both would be the best.

I ask you also, why is it that American capitalists have today invested in Canadian timber limits and Canadian water