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The face is that a certain, and by no means small proportion, of wood in paper does not impair the value of the product, but gives it body and adapts it to receive the ink impression. Of course much depends on the way pulp is manufactured, and here a very marked advance has been made in recent years. Instead of chopping the wood into fine bits and destroying its fibre, the most approved processes now much the wood in such a way as to preserve a swong fibre of sufficient length to felt well in the sheet. One of the most prominent dailies in the country, if not the most prominent, is printed on a paper composed of 75 per cent of poplar wood. We have seen paper containing 90 per cent of wood, which was by no means an inferior article, and we have seen the fly-leaves of costly books made from wood-paper, which the expert eye could not distinguish from reg-made material.

Among competent judges wood-pulp is not coming into ill-repute, but is growing in popularity; and it is well that this is so, for the ever increasing demand for paper has made a raw material cheaper than rags imperative. Every innovation on long established methods is viewed with apprehension by the conservative ones, and wood pulp will naturally come in for its full share of abuse from those who know little of its true character and who are only too ready to attribute to it any defect in the product. Substitution is, nevertheless, the order of the day in manufactures.-Lumberman's Gaz-

The Endurance of Woods.

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Germany	1881	2,863,400
France	1881	1,866,433
Belgium	1881	622,238
Austro-Hungary	1880	448-685
Sweden	1830	399,628
Luxemburg	1881	289,212
Russia	1891	231,341
Italy	1876	78,000
Spaln	1873	73,000
Turkey	—	40,000
Japan	1577	10,000
All other countries	···· –	48,000
Total		19.487.010

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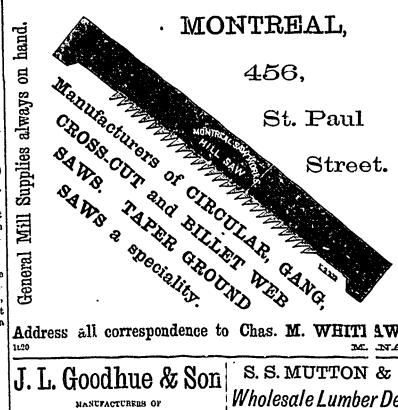
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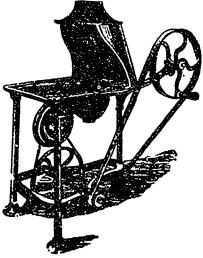
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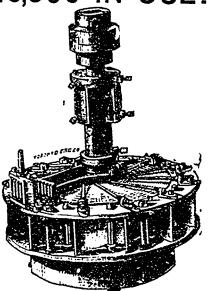
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