

of \$1 50 per cord. Thus the discrimination, so far as the wording of the act was concerned, did not spare Ontario more than it did the United States. A point to be noted is that the cord, as fixed by the Act, meant 1,000 feet board measure.

Now the Quebec Government proposes to reduce the gross rate from \$1 90 to 15 cents, and make the rebate 25 cents instead of \$1.50, thus leaving the net tax 40 cents a cord, what it was before. But the out tax will really be nearly doubled, if a further part of the announcement is correct, namely, that the cord is to be fixed at only 600 feet board measure. Further the rebate is to be allowed not only on timber manufactured in the province, but anywhere in the Dominion.

PULP NOTES.

The wood pulp market in England, both for chemical and mechanical, is quiet and prices rule comparatively low.

The Pulp Manufacturers' Association held a meeting in Boston last week and fixed the price of pulp at \$37.50 a ton.

It is announced that a company has been organized at Seattle, Wash., to develop the pulp industry of British Columbia.

Hatch & Backus, of Chicago, have been negotiating with the Ontario Government for a

water power at Fort Francis, in the Rainy River district, the intention being, it is said, to establish a pulp mill.

It has been decided to wind up the affairs of the Consolidated Pulp & Paper Company, of Toronto, which recently became financially embarrassed. The liabilities amount to \$168,000, with assets below that amount.

New York capitalists are said to be negotiating for the purchase of 30,000 acres of woodland, owned by the Nova Scotia Electric Light Company at Gaspereau, N.S., with the intention of starting pulp and paper mills at White Rock.

The Outachouan Pulp Company, of Oniatouan, Que., have let the contract for the necessary water wheels for driving their proposed mill to the Stilwell-Bierce & Smith Vaile Company, of Dayton, Ohio. The mill will have a capacity of 30 tons of pulp per day.

T. G. McMullen, M.P., of Truro, and Alfred Dickie, of Lower Stewiacke, N.S., are the principal promoters of the Grand River Pulp & Paper Company, which is to conduct extensive operations in the manufacture of pulp and paper in Newfoundland and Labrador.

The Blanche River Pulp & Paper Company, which purposes building mills at Mattawa, Ont.,

have, in consideration of an extension of the for completion of their work, agreed to expend \$750,000 instead of \$200,000 as originally planned. The company agree to expend \$50,000 by the end of the present year, and to complete their work by October 14, 1905.

We have received a copy of the prospectus of the Boston & Nova Scotia Wood Pulp Company. This company is incorporated under a special charter, and now controls by purchase and option, a total of 10,000 acres of spruce lands running from 25 to 600 acres to the sea. It is proposed to operate at Wentworth, Cumberland county, N.S. Hon. Edward M. Tuck, Lowell, Mass., is president of the company, and Charles M. Meserve resident manager at Wentworth.

The Saguenay Water & Power Company is making progress towards the establishment of a large pulp mill at the Grand Discharge of Lake St. John, in the province of Quebec. The capitalists interested are mostly New Yorkers, the name of B. A. Scott, lumberman, of Rouses Point, N.Y., has been mentioned in connection with the scheme. The pulp mill, we are told, will have a daily capacity of 600 tons. The location of the limits available is on both sides of the Saguenay river, which is the outlet for Lake St. John, about 230 miles north of Quebec.

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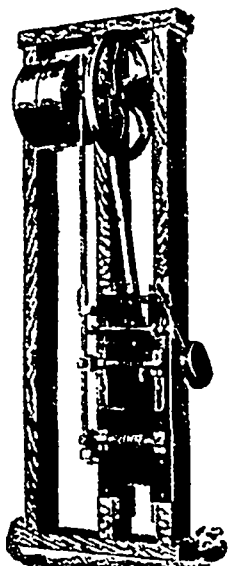
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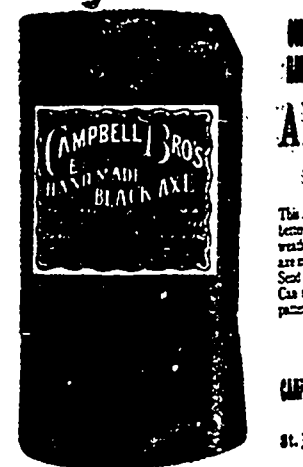
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