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upon which it can rely in its operations.

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to them There is not an individual in the trade or specially
interested in it, who should not be on our list thus obtaining
the bresent benefit and aiding and encouraging us to render it
even more complete.

TO VISITING LUMBERMEN.

LUMBERMEN visiting Toronto are invited to use the office of the LUMBERMAN as their own. We shall take pleasure in supplying them with every convenience for receiving and answering their correspondence, and hold ourselves at their service in any other way that they may desire.

"CHARLES SMITH, of the saw mill on Main street, has taken as a partner Frank Scratch, son of H. P. Scratch, of the Section."—Ea. The junior in the office, he who is likened to the hoofed, horned and tailed gentlemen, says: "Our contemporary need not make so much fuss over the new partner; a scratch is nothing uncommon round a saw mill."

READERS who are fond of statistics will find some interesting figures and excerpts in another column taken from the annual wood circular of James Smith & Co., Liverpool, Eng., dated Jan. 31, 1891. The remarks on wood and timber as cordensed are almost confined to the colonies, but the totals of foreign importation are given to allow comparison.

Pettitville mills were to have resumed work a week ago, but it was reported that some of the men found a newly dug grave in the woods not far from the mill. This so startled the inhabitants of that peaceful burg that work for the time being has been suspended.—Ex.

THE delightful haziness of this news note puts the reader in a quandary 3' to what was suspended—the intended occupant of the grave, the work in the mill, or the work of the inhabitants. We presume the writer intended to convey the fact that the mill ceased running. It has been our duty for some years to chronicle the

stopping of mills from lack of logs, want of water power, financial difficulties and other ordinary causes, but this is the first occasion we have ever heard of one stopping from finding a hole in the ground. It is a poor way of advertising a place to leave the impression that the duties of sawyer, engineer, slab carrier and yardsman were performed by one employe, who struck work to speculate on a pile of dirt along side of a post-hole in a bush. Far better adopt the advertising fads of our neighbors to the south of us, as detailed by Dickens in his description of ague smitten Eden, or work on the lines of the late booming given to Yokalahama.

OUR list of casualties for the past month is again unusually long, both in shanties and saw mills. It is not a subject to jest about the loss of a limb or other permanent injuries, but frequently serious accidents occur from rashness and carelessness. If the injunction laid down by the old Scotch mill man, who painted the heraldic emblem of his country on the door of his mill, and interpreted the inscription found there on nemo me impunt lacessit in his own vernacular, "Dinna menkey wi the buzz saw whan she's rinnin"—if the injunction was carried out strictly, there would be more fingers per capita to the population, and the wooden-limbed industry would languish.

Alex. Crooks, the genial and popular proprietor of the Albion hotel, is one of those good natured bonifaces who carries his full share of adipose tissue under his vest and one of the last men you would think would say nothing but saw wood. On Saturday, however, Alex. met the cordwood editor of the Star and said, "I can beech you sawing wood and a haven't cut any for fourteen years until this morning when I butchered enough to last till Tuesday. I tell you straight I'm dead in love with the job, in fact I just pine after it." The cordwood editor replied that he occasionally slaughtered a few sticks hunself, but it wasn't on account of any particular hankering for the job. And then the band played.

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We willow the Star considerable if it will pitch this chestnut amongst the ashes. The alder it gets the the larcher the hawthorne it will become. Was Crooks butchering ma-hog-any? Palm this off somewhere else. Cedar! Some of these are pretty fir fetched, but we will spruce up and do better next time.

OUR regret, expressed last mont, at our inability to be present at the annual in er of the Buffalo Lumber Exchange turned to remove on reading the various reports of the gathering. It anything remained after digesting the "feast of reason and the flow of soul" to turn our remorse to gall it was not being present to digest the viands. There is food for reflection in contrasting the menu of the nabobs in the Buffalo and Tonawanda lumber trade with the average menu of the shanty man. Shortly before they gathered around their regal feast, shanty men who were supplying the raw material to indirectly supply next season's dinner, had gathered around their frugal board. If the Mayor of Buffalo had been invited to a shanty banquet, there would be some force in his expressed wish, "to leave the party early" without definitely stating whether the early referred to the evening or the morning hours, and if the speakers had been asked to fill their programs with shanty dinner delicacies, their oratorical efforts would probably not have been so brilliant. Let us contrast the respective bills of fare.

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The forty-nine gentlemen who punished the Genesse lay-out must have enjoyed themselves, but it is questionable if they pushed their heads through their upper storey underwear on Sunday morning with as much gusto as the shanty man hung his up to dry after finishing his week's washing.

A RELIABLE subscriber from New Westminster, B C., brings us to task over several news notes published in our February issue. Like all journals we have to depend on a percentage of clippings for information. If these are inaccurate we are indirectly responsible for them; if they mislead, we mislead by publishing them. On page to of our last number we state that "a mill is in course of erection for Elmer Ward." We cut this clipping from a New Brunswick paper. It seems, despite the C. P. R., that news takes a long time to travel from the Occident to the Orient. The mill was built early last summer. On page 11 we give the capacity of the Royal City mills as 45 M per day. It is double that. Our "devil," who has nothing in his head, got a good chance to work some nothings in on the cost of the Mechanics mill, making it \$35,000,000 in place of \$35,000. R. Morse, jr., operates the Fader mill, and not Morse & Boggs. These inaccuracies are excusable from the fact that we have not time between issues to verify reports. If editors of local papers will not supply trustworthy information which we reproduce we will be more than pleased if our subscribers bring the errors before our notice.

THE Official Gasette, of British Columbia, announces that no public land will be sold until the legislation now under consideration becomes statutory. Members of the Legislature and other prominent men have advocated their ideas so strongly that the Government is at present framing laws to completely control all forests, public lands, mines, and waters, to hold them for the benefit of the public and to prevent them from becoming the property of private syndicates or speculators. If British Columbia passes a crown lands act such as is under contemplation, and includes in the act conditions for the proper sale, rental or preservation of her natural products, she will lead the van in Provincial legislation, and prevent the repetition of such egregious blunders as those that retard the commercial progress and have strangled the natural development of Ontario and Quebec. Instance after instance might be cited of the gigantic evil of allowing real estate speculators, not to mention partizan political heelers, to gobble townships at one nibble, which they held, expecting to bleed some private individual or firm who might be induced to purchase. This system of land tenure is most pernicious, and if British Columbia successfully carries any Provincial act which grapples with the evil, the results of the act will be watched carefully by the older provinces.

A CORRESPONDENT of one of our British Columbia exchanges winds up his local lumbering news paragraphs from Stave River with: "Delightful weather. The ring of the merry woodman's axe, and the resonant reverberations of my neighbor's recluse rooster, the rollicking rumpus of the bear, the twitter of the chickadee, and the chatter of the chipmunck, all proclaim that nature is alive and whooping." On the coast they may have an Italian summer, but they have no real Canadian winter. The seasons are the wet and the dry. Away in the east we have seen men wrestling between the wet and the dry seasons, when in the early hours of the morning the sufferer from the "jim-jams" sticks his burning head into a pail of water and gets his stomach outside of half its contents. Our indirect correspondent has evidently a pretty severe attack of the "jams," but spring is approaching in eastern Canada and the Pacific slope will no longer enjoy a monopoly of pastoral ditties and perprations. We have only recently unloaded our waste basket, bursting with all poetical effusions of the "bootiful snow" order, and we carnot brook without comment this inroad on our season of respite, between the month dedicated to odes on "bootiful snow," and that part of our year given up to doggeral on "hail gentle spring."

THE Vermont Shade Roller Company appealed against the rate of duty assessed by the Burlington, Vt.; collector of customs on an importation of pine lumber from Canada, entered October 13th, 1890. The collector levied the assessment at the rates prescribed in the act of 1883." The appellants claimed that duty