

**TIMBER LIMIT TRANSACTIONS.**

A transaction representing upwards of \$1,000,000 has been finally consummated within the past few days. Mr. John Waldie, of the Victoria Harbor Lumber Company, Toronto, having purchased from Messrs. C. K. Eddy & Sons, of Saginaw, the timber berths known as Townships 68, 75, and 83 on Lake Penage, on the north shore of Lake Huron. The berths comprise an area of 83 square miles of virgin timber, said to be the finest block on the north shore, being easily lumbered and possessing special features of value. The sale was negotiated by Mr. Peter Ryan, of Toronto. The deal is one of the most important that has taken place for some time, and is further evidence of Mr. Waldie's appreciations of the value of standing pine.

Mr. J. J. Hartt has bought the new saw mill recently erected by Mr. Jesse Cook, of the Zephyr, together with the stock, limits and equipment. Included in the purchase was 400 acres of timber land.

The Sherbrooke Lumber Company, with a capital of \$2,000, has been organized. Among the promoters are H. M. Price, Quebec; O. C. Morrisette, Megantic; B. Quinn, Windsor Mills; E. W. Tobin, M.P., Bromptonville; P. S. G. McKenzie, M. L. A., of Richmond, and Dr. Pelletier, M. L. A., of Sherbrooke. They own about 500 square miles of timber limits in the

province, situated in Gaspesia, Port Neuf, St. Maurice, Rimouski, River Metapedia and the Upper Ottawa. Operations will be begun just as soon as the company have obtained their charter. Saw mills and pulp mills will be erected at the most convenient places for the shipment of lumber to the United States and the European market.

Tenders are asked until August 15th for a berth of 50 square miles of timber on the Swan river, Saskatchewan territory.

Dr. Gaboury, of Portage du Fort, has sold his valuable timber limits to Mackay Bros., Renfrew.

A new lumber company is to operate in the north of Labrador, near Grand river. William Rand, of Canning, N.S., and S. P. Benjamin, of Wolfville, N.S., are connected with this company. They have secured a tract of 126 square miles of timber land.

There is a talk of forming a company to build a narrow gauge railroad into the saw mills and timber limits east of Novar, Ont. There is a large amount of timber and tanbark in that section, more or less of which is being destroyed by fire yearly which could be made available and bring revenue to the country if there was any road or way to get it out, and by running a trail or railway around the lakes and across the lowlands stretching some eight miles into that section of country, the

whole could be brought into market and the road could be extended from year to year as required and would give the settlers a market for their wood, logs and tan bark at their own doors.

W. J. Scott, of Springhill, N.S., intends going south to secure some hard pine timber limits in Georgia and North Carolina, in the interest of Canadian parties.

The act of incorporation for the Columbia River Improvement Company, Limited, was granted at Ottawa. The promoters are James White, George McCormick, D. Inglis Grant, all of Orillia; A. Alexander and C. W. MacMillan and Thomas Meredith, of Winnipeg. The capital stock is \$50,000, head office at Winnipeg. The company is given power to place booms in Upper Arrow Lake and on the shores of the Columbia River where it enters the lake, and to construct incidental works so long as navigation is not interfered with. The use of the works is to be allowed to the public at all reasonable times on reasonable terms. The act prescribes the rate of toll which shall be charged on different kinds of timber.

Mr. John Murray, Forest Ranger for Vancouver Island, B. C., has been commissioned to make a survey of the timbered country, lying between Quatsino Sound, and the east coast of Vancouver Island. It is said that the purpose of the survey is to determine the exact nature of the

forest growth in this section of the Province, in order to settle some points which have arisen as to the delimitation of pulp limits, and the adaptability of the wood for that industry.

The China Creek Lumber Company, Limited, has been incorporated with a capital of \$30,000. The time limit of the company is fifty years.

The Port Renfrew Lumber Company, Limited, has been organized in British Columbia, with a capital of \$10,000.

The B. C. Lands and Works Department gives notice that the Order-in-Council, dated March 26th, 1913, making a regulation for the survey of timber lands before the issue of special licences to cut and remove timber from Crown lands, has been rescinded.

Mr. Jenkins, of Minneapolis has purchased the saw mills at Sidney, B. C., together with \$100,000 worth of timber limits. It is said he intends to make some move toward opening up the Ross-McLaren mill.

Timber which was being unloaded from C. N. R. cars at Port Arthur was placed under an order of replevin by Bailiff Connors, who is acting for the Brachus Brooks Co., Minnesota. The company complains that a portion of the timber amounting to some 25,000 feet, was cut off their lands, and they are putting a restraint on the timber until the case is settled. They ask \$1,000 damages. The defendants in the case are Messrs. Steel, Bates and Cameron, of Duluth.

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