

nature's work of the growing of trees and plants, and the child will take a greater interest in this than anything in way of other teachings. The other line is what is called Arbor Day, the setting aside of a time for the planting of trees. It has not been successful in past, but this has been owing to inactivity of trustees, who have allowed trees to be neglected, and when Arbor Day comes around the work of the previous year has been destroyed, Dr. Inch spoke of the consolidated school and how Arbor Day had been preserved and it was hoped that the lesson put forth from this school would result in benefit to other schools. All teachers throughout the province would and must sympathize with the object of this convention; all must regret the great destruction done to our forests in the past, and all hoped for a bright future. Our school yards should be made attractive; everything should be done to make the children happy in their surroundings.

Mr. T. B. Kidner, of the Normal School, was the next speaker, his subject being, "What the manual training schools can do in arousing interest in trees and their protection." Mr. Kidner gave a description of the work accomplished by the manual training school. There were twenty of these schools in the provinces. Children between the ages of 11 and 12 to 14 and 15, were instructed a half day each week. No one was trained with any special objective view any more than to give the pupil a practical insight into a line not reached by any text-book. The training was most valuable, at the age the lessons were taught, and could not but make a lasting impression upon the mind. The pupil learned the different kinds of wood of our forests and learned to appreciate their value. Mr. Kidner concluded by giving a most interesting account of the way the subject was taught, illustrating his remarks by charts and various kinds of woods.

Lt.-Col. Loggie, of the Crown Land Department, had as his subject "Forest Reservation." His paper he announced, he had read some years ago in Quebec. He dealt exhaustively with the subject and gave some most practical suggestions for protecting our forest wealth. The three great owners of land in this province, regarding lumber, are the New Brunswick Land Co., the Alex. Gibson Co., and the American Syndicate, the latter being the purchasers of the Wm. Richards Co., on the Miramichi. Mr. Loggie described the land occupied by each of these great concerns and the amount of lumber cut.

EVENING SESSION.

At the evening session the programme opened with the reading of a paper by Dr. Bailey of the University, written by Prof. Penhallow of McGill on the subject, "The pulp industry