

crafts. Cardigan seems to be the only place on the island where the once leading industry, shipbuilding, is still carried on.

—There is an immense jam of logs in the Hudson river near Saratoga. It extends for a mile, and is piled eight or ten feet high.

—Most of the timber structures on the C. P. R. have been replaced by iron bridges, and Sir William Van Horne says the few remaining ones will be changed within the next three years. Many of the new structures are arranged for double tracks.

—Mr. William Hartle, of Minden, has been appointed crown land agent instead of Mr. Fielding, who has been appointed police magistrate for Haliburton, and Mr. A. E. Anris, crown land agent for the townships of Wainwright and Van Horne in the Rainy River district.

—The official return shows that during the month of November manufactures of wood were imported into Canada for consumption to the value of \$60,969, on which duty was paid to the amount of \$13,863.45. Wood, cabinetmakers, etc., which comes in free was imported to the value of \$62,753.

—Cowan & Co., of Galt, are filling a large number of orders for wood-working machinery at present. They are sending a 45 h.p. engine and boiler and eight wood-working machines to Nova Scotia, and another order as large to Quebec; also two large sand-papering machines, one to Newmarket and one to Rat Portage.

—Hon. Mr. Packard, ex-state land agent of Maine, predicts the ruin of the forests in that state, by the pulp industry, unless the cutting of timber is regulated. Hon. Mr. Spragge, ex-governor Davis, and Senator Hale think the same, and some of them, who have limits, will not sell trees less than eight inches in diameter twenty feet from the butt.

—"The Young Boss," a story of the lumbering district of the Upper Ottawa, has been running in the Montreal Star for some time. It is written by Mr. E. W. Thom-

son, at one time on the editorial staff of the Toronto Globe, now with the Youth's Companion, Boston. Mr. Thomson is winning fame as a writer of Canadian stories.

—The largest oak board ever sawed in America was recently cut from a tree 27 feet in circumference, which grew near Scottsburg, Indiana. It was 35 feet long, 10 inches thick and 5 ft. 2½ in. wide at the butt and 5 ft. at the top. It took 2 yoke of oxen and 8 horses a day to move it from the saw mill to the station, on a broad tread waggon. The tree was sold to a New York lumber dealer for \$75.

WOODSTOCK NOTES.

The Anderson Furniture Co. cut all their own lumber from logs, getting them from the farmers. They say that prices have been high but the stock very good. They will build in the spring a large band mill with a daily capacity of 60,000 feet.

Clarkson Bros., who do a wholesale and retail lumber business and are contractors as well, report one of the best seasons that they have ever had. Their planing mill has been very busy filling their sash and door orders. Lumber prices have been good, but competition in contracting left very little margin. Among their large contracts was the supplying of T. L. Wilson, of acetylene gas fame, with sashes, doors, etc., for his residence. They had a \$10,000 contract for building a school at Norwich.

WORTH DOUBLE ITS PRICE.

Mr. Eldoras Todd, of Brantford, in renewing his subscription to THE LUMBERMAN writes: "I have taken THE LUMBERMAN for six years, and it is worth double its price to any one in the lumber trade."

A statistician has figured that 500,000,000 cubic feet of lumber are used annually for railroad ties.

A factory in Grand Rapids, Mich., turns out 300 pairs of wooden shoes a week. They are made of basswood. It is said the sale of them is increasing.

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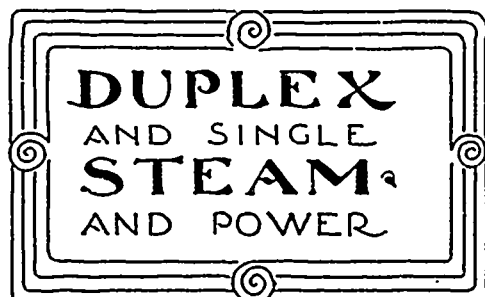
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