

fire. There is also the squatter and the speculator in wood, the raftsmen and the camps of sportsmen.

R. Sisson, manager for Price Bros., Batiscan, 3rd Nov. 1902. Fire and wind storms cause great destruction in our forests. It is difficult to indicate a remedy. The dishonest settler is also another great cause of destruction.

W. C. Edwards said that fire is the great destroyer of the forests.

Question number 58. Is it possible to be assured of a continued and perpetual supply of pine and spruce?

Question number 59. How can we arrive at that result?

Answers.

W. C. Edwards thinks this is possible by protecting woods against fire and by judicious regulations regarding cutting.

Geo. H. Perley & Co., and Hull Lumber Co., per G. H. Perley.—We think that the supply of spruce can be prolonged indefinitely, if fire is kept out of the limits.

I may also quote, for it has a bearing on the subject, the following resolution which has been transferred to me by the Secretary of the Canadian Forestry Association.

Moved by E. G. Joly de Lotbinière, seconded by Professor Macoun:

That in view of the continued and deplorable loss of timber by fire, this Association, whilst recognizing the work already done, notably by the Province of Ontario, would urge upon the Governments of the country, both Federal and Provincial, the urgent necessity of giving more earnest attention to the subject of "Fire protection" and would suggest: