

THE NEWS.

ONTARIO.

—Robert Bryans, lumberman, Lindsay, has assigned.

—The grounds for a new saw mill at Bell Ewart are staked out.

—Gilmour's mill at Trenton has been closed down for the season.

—W. & J. Feeney, lumber dealers, Madoc, Ont., have assigned.

—The lumbermen of the Chaudiere have closed down for the season.

—S. Fetterly & Son, Vars, are making extensive additions to their mill.

—Geo. A. Bunt, saw mill operator, Grand Valley, has assigned in trust.

—Messrs. Hodge & Grant are about to build a new saw mill at Vankleek Hill.

—Lumber amounting to \$4,740 was exported from the port of Goderich during September.

—The Western Lumber Co., of Rat Portage, will take out eleven million feet of logs this winter.

—J. J. Anderson, saw mill, Wingham, is advertising to sell out, and intends removing to the Northwest.

—At Burk's Falls the pulp wood business is in a flourishing condition and shipments have set in in earnest.

—McLachlin Bros., Arnprior, are storing logs in the bays opposite Sand Point, on the north side of the lake.

—All the mills at Uthhoff have been shut down for some time and the hands have gone into the woods.

—Mr. John Knight, of Medonte, will remodel his saw mill this winter. He advertises that he will buy logs in any quantity.

—Mr. Flatt, the well-known lumberman, of Casselman, has withdrawn from the firm of Flatt & Bradley, of that place.

—Messrs. Maguire & Kintrea, of Thessalon, are building a large planing mill which will be fitted up with all the latest improvements.

—The "Eagle" mill at Rossmore, owned by The Rathbun Company, has turned out 8,000,000 feet of lumber this season cutting during daytime only.

—Read & Kirkland have sold to Lane & Tofflemire, of Kingsville, for the estate of the late Sheriff Monroe, of Elgin county, the saw mill in Colchester.

—The Walter T. Ross pine timber limits on the Du Lievre offered for sale, Oct. 31st, at the Russel House, Ottawa, were withdrawn, the reserve price not being bid.

—The Conger Lumber Company's steam mill, at Pary Sound, has been shut down for the season after cutting between eleven and twelve thousand feet of lumber.

—Miscampbell's big mill at Midland will cut before the close of the season over 15,000,000 feet of lumber, which will be about 5,000,000 feet more than was cut last season.

—The Plantagenet Milling and Lumbering Company, with a capital of \$50,000, is applying for a charter for carrying on a general lumber business, at Plantagenet, Prescott county.

—The American Lumber Company has begun active operations on its limits back of Bruce Mines, near Port Arthur, and is sending a large gang of men into the woods to cut logs.

—Mr. Thomas O'Dacre, Pembroke, has invented and patented a boom-chain fastener. He has also invented a concern by means of which an unskilled hand can set a saw.

—It is estimated by different lumbermen that the square timber to be taken out in the Ottawa and Mattawa districts, will be 8,000,000 feet, which will be chiefly for the Quebec market.

—Messrs. Allen Carswell and A. H. Hough have formed a partnership for the purpose of carrying on a lumber business on the Petewawa. They intend taking out a raft of timber the coming season.

—It is reported that a gentleman named McLaren of Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin, who owns extensive stumpage in Minnesota tributary to the Rainey river, contemplates building a sawmill at Rat Portage.

—Fifteen to twenty barge loads of lumber are being shipped every other day from the E. B. Eddy, and Perley & Pattee's docks on the Ottawa, to Burlington, Vt., Whitehall, N. Y., and other American ports.

—Messrs. R. Klock & Co., of Klock's Mills, are going extensively into the manufacture of square timber this winter. They propose getting out on Bear River, 400,000 cubic feet; Kippewa, 400,000 c. f.; Quinze, 150,000 c. f.; Serpent River, 150,000 c. f., and on Rocky farm 100,000 c. f., making a total of 1,200,000 cubic feet.

—Wm. Train has made arrangements with Gall, Anderson & Co. of Toronto, to run their saw mill at Burk's Falls the coming season, and is already buying hard wood logs for cutting.

—The booms on the Ottawa below Pembroke are at full blast, but there will be logs left in the boom for next spring. The number of logs left along the shores of the Ottawa will be very small in proportion to other years.

—Messrs. A. McVean & Sons, Dresden, who recently lost their hub and spoke factory by fire, have erected a commodious factory, introduced a full outfit of new and improved machinery, and are about ready to start up again.

—The Whaley Lumber Company, of Huntsville, is applying for an act of incorporation for the purpose of acquiring timber limits and carrying on a general lumber business in the Muskoka district. The capital stock is \$20,000.

—The mills at Carleton Place are still running, and will continue as long as the weather permits. The Canada Lumber Company's mill has run steady night and day since spring. Its cut will amount to 40,000,000 feet.

—The Commissioner of Crown Lands has accepted the tender of J. B. Smith & Sons, Toronto, for the timber limits on Sandy Island, Lake Nipissing. The price paid was a bonus of \$8,200, in addition to the Government dues \$1 a thousand.

—The Eganville *Enterprise* says that a gentleman named Graham, for 25 years a machinist in Ottawa, and who owns a fine timber limit at Sebastopol, is erecting a steam saw mill in a Lake Clear. This, it says, will be a boon to the settlers in the upper country.

—The sawdust shoal in the Ottawa river, just below Bronson island, is now fully a foot over water. It is one hundred yards long and fifty wide. Several small pieces of shrubbery have been placed here and there on it to warn approaching tugs of the danger.

—A new lumber firm composed of George Gates, of Alpena, Mich., and James Murphy, of Hepworth, Ont., have bought a site for a mill on the east shore of the bay, at Owen Sound. A mill having a capacity of 50,000 feet per day and employing fifty to seventy-five men will be erected this winter.

—Messrs. Perley & Pattee, of Ottawa, are about to purchase a traction engine for the hauling of logs, similar to those used so extensively in the States. The machine will be the only one of the kind in use in Canada, and is intended to do the work of horses. The engine will be used in one of the limits probably.

—The Thessalon *Advocate* says: Mr. D. Gordon with his staff of men are now preparing their camps for the coming season's cutting. The amount of timber to be taken out will be in the neighborhood of 3,000,000 feet, about the same as last year, the cutting will be done in Parkinson township and the logs will be brought down the Mississauga and Blind Rivers.

—The Lumber Cutting Company, of Belleville, is about to remove its establishment from Belleville to Trenton. The town of Trenton gives the company a bonus of \$2,500 and a block of land upon which the factory is to be erected, and an exemption from municipal taxes for five years. The new factory will be 50x500 feet, and will give employment to over 100 men.

—Messrs. J & P Ament, of Brussels, have for the past fourteen years been engaged in the manufacture of lumber, shingles, barrels, staves and headings. The factory is provided with the best machinery and two steam engines, one of 35 and another of 25-horse power. Twenty hands are employed and the annual output is over 100,000 set headings, 1,000,000 staves, and large quantities of lumber.

—The big mills at Serpent River, belonging to Messrs. Cook Bros., of Toronto, are among the finest on the continent. It is stated that Saxe & Co., of Albany, recently offered \$1,000,000 for the mills and limits, but were refused, the valuation being \$1,200,000. The recent great fire, which destroyed 14,000,000 feet of lumber, did not in any way injure the mills.

—Mickle, Dymont & Sons' saw mill, at Bradford, has closed down for the season. The season's cut was as follows: Over 8,000,000 feet of lumber; 4,500 cords of slabs; 3,000,000 feet of laths, and 12,000 pickets. They would have continued cutting until the river was frozen, but every available spot was covered, and they could not obtain cars to move the lumber already cut. Seventy men were employed in this mill.

—The "Casselman Lumber Company," with headquarters at Casselman, Russell county, have applied for letters patent from the Ontario Government, for the purpose of carrying on a general lumbering and milling business. The capital stock of the company will be \$250,000, divided into 2,500

shares of \$100 each. John Bradley, John D. Cameron, Chas. C. Davies, Edward E. Hargreaves and John J. Flatt to be the provisional directors. The application is made by Messrs. Belcourt and McCracken, solicitors for the company.

—When Messrs. Schillehauf Bros., at Wallacetown, were burned out last February they had a stock in the yard of 800,000 feet, consisting principally of white ash, hickory, hard maple, sycamore, basswood, soft elm and white oak. The fire put them back four months with their sawing, but they expect to be through by Christmas if nothing serious happens. The season's cut, including custom sawing, will be close to 1,000,000 feet, the largest cut ever turned out in the place in one season.

—The lumber cut by the mills in the neighborhood of Gravenhurst this season is as follows: Isaac Cockburn, 4,750,000 feet of lumber; 160,000 lath; 2,250,000 shingles. Mickle, Dymont & Son, (3 mills) 12,300,000 feet of lumber; 3,614,000 lath and 3,000,000 shingles. In addition to these, about 3,000,000 feet of lumber was cut at Clarke's mill, Windermere. Thomson & Baker, at J. Chew's mill, West Gravenhurst, 3,000,000 feet of lumber; 2,000,000 feet at Bank mill, 1,250,000 shingles, and 2,000,000 lath. At Heath, Tait & Turnbull's mill, Huntsville, 3,000,000 feet of lumber and 8,000,000 shingles. At Thomas Baker's mill, Gravenhurst, 5,000,000 shingles. Total at the above mills, 28,050,000 feet of lumber; 19,500,000 shingles; lath 5,177,000.

—The Bronsons & Weston company has opened a new lumber yard about two miles down the Ottawa river, from its mills, necessitated by the increased accommodation required for the output of its mills. The new piling grounds cover an area of 30 acres, and will afford facilities for piling 25,000,000 feet of lumber. The lumber is taken from the mills to the piling grounds on small cars, of which 27 are run on to tracks on a large scow and then towed to the new lumber yard. There it is stacked and dried and then sent forward by boat to its destination. It is claimed that owing to the exposed position of the new piling grounds only 30 days will be required to dry it for the American market, to which point the cut of this firm is nearly all shipped. When the yard is completed there will be 25,000 feet of steel rails running through, over which the small cars, loaded at the mills, will be run.

QUEBEC.

—It is stated that Messrs. Gilmour & Co. are not going to do anything on their limit at Otter Lake the coming winter.

—There are some 300,000 logs in Snow boom, at Portage du Fort. The river has been more favorable for booming out than it has been for some time.

—The recent high water has been hard on lumbermen, and a large quantity of logs and ties from Augus and Weedon are tied up in the Brompton booms.

—Mr. J. H. Merrill is about to erect a new steam saw mill at Sandy Beach, South Gaspie Bay. This growing town is greatly in need of a mill that will supply all kinds of lumber.

—Two drying machines are now being placed in Mr. E. B. Eddy's new pulp factory in Hull. Each weighs fifty tons. It is expected that the factory will commence operations sometime this month.

—The Fort William boom has not closed, but will shut down in a short time. All the booms below Fort William are running. The boom at Des Joachims has closed for the season. The Chenaux boom has a large quantity of logs in it for the season. It is not expected that they will be able to empty the boom this year.

—The annual circular of the Export Lumber Company, limited, shows the total shipments of lumber for this season from the St. Lawrence, to have been 35,313,573 feet compared with 18,089,716 feet in 1888 and 34,036,076 feet in 1887. This season's shipments were made up of 23,026,135 feet of pine, 11,738,065 feet of spruce, 33,000 feet of hard wood and 516,376 of small stowage.

MANITOBA AND THE NORTHWEST.

—A company seeks a land grant for a railway through Lac Seul, to run from Shelby river to English river in Manitoba. The railway will be of great importance to lumbermen and settlers.

—The Calgary Water Power Company is applying for incorporation for the purpose of improving the Bow river and its tributaries, near Calgary, for moving and rafting logs and timber, with power to do a general lumber business. The capital stock of the company to be \$100,000.

—The lumber cut on Lake Winnipeg this season is placed at 5,750,000 feet; about 2,000,000 feet less than last year. There are seven mills on the lake, but none of them are of large capacity. It is expected that the number of logs taken out this winter will be in excess of last season's cut.