

SWEDISH SAW MILLS.

IN this wooden country we certainly have attained to a high art in saw mill building. The Timber Trades Journal, of London, Eng., makes some statements, however, in regard to the magnitude of saw mills in Sweden, that are likely to be surprising to some on this side of the water. One institution, the Skutskat Company, manufactures and exports annually nearly 120,000,000 feet board measure; and there are several mills that ship 40,000 to 50,000 St. Petersburg standards per annum. A St. Petersburg standard or standard hundred, as it is more properly called, contains 1,980 feet; so that the export of 40,000 standard means 79,200,000 feet board measure.

Attention is called to the fact that these outputs are produced from small timber, not often exceeding 8 to 9 inches in diameter, and frequently as low as 6 or even 5 inches, making the result still more remarkable in comparison with the industries of the United States and Canada. The large saw mills in Sweden have sometimes upwards of 20 frames. Two are mentioned that are fitted with 24 frames. In Norway the largest concern is Sangbrugsforeningen, that controls 21 frames and a large plant of planing machinery that enables them in certain years to produce nearly 30,000 standards, the great part of which is "prepared," or worked in the planing mill. The biggest individual shipper in the old world is said to be A. Nilstrom, of Borneborg, who, it is said, owns about 15 frames, capable of sawing upwards of 30,000 standards. The largest individual ship is P. Vikstrom, Jr., of Stockholm, who ships more than Mr. Ahlstrom, but does not exclusively own the different mills that turn out his product.

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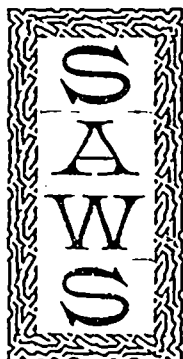
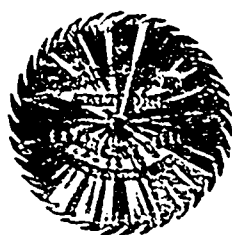
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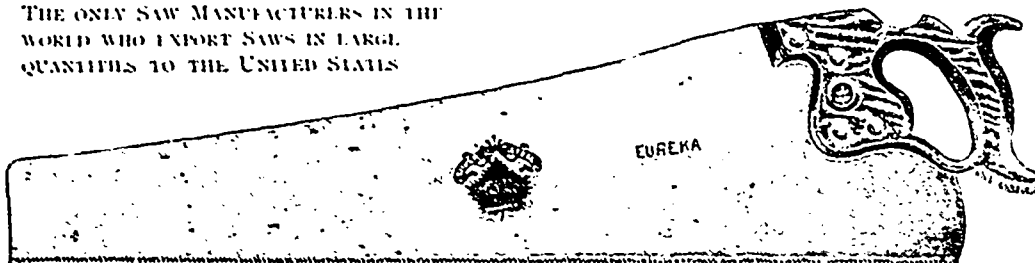
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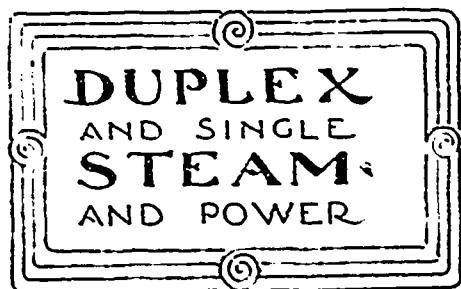
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