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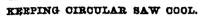
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In reply to "English Timber" our advice as to the best way to keep your saw cool is, keep it in good order, have a proper shaped tooth for the work to be performed, have the saw carefully packed, do not crowd the feed, and open out the cut immediately it passes the saw. We are aware that with some kinds of wood it is , somewhat difficult to keep the plate cool. With many saw benches we have seen the saw guide is continued too far past the front of the saw, and thus crowds and heats the plate through not allowing sufficient room for 'he wood to open out as it is cut. If the fence extends, say, 4 in. beyond the roots of the teeth it should be enough. Heat is often communicated to a saw through the saw spindle from the bearings being out of order or screwed up too tight. The saw should not fit too tightly on the spindle or bind the steady pin. A saw when properly hung should in the horizontal line incline very alightly towards the timber, so that the teeth at the back of the saw may rise without tearing or scoring the wood. If the driving pulleys are of too small diameter, or the belts too narrow or run at too short centres, they will cause the bearings to heat, and this is often conveyed through the saw spindle to the saw. There is an American patent in force for keeping circular saws cool when running; it consists in making the saw spindle hollow, and taking a stream of water through it, which is allowed to escape at the collar on both sides of the saw while in motion, the contrifugal force distributing it equally over the saw plate, thus lubricating the saw, and keeping it and the bearings cool. In many cases a little water may be used with advantage.-Timber Trades Journal.

A DESPATCH of Feb. 2nd, to the Montreal Times, from Quebec, says that there seems an anticipated shortness in the deal market and a feeling of uneasiness is said to exist owing to the rumours of an attempt at cornering by some of the lumber shipping firms. The cuts of most of the mills for the coming season have pretty well all been secured and it is even said that contracts have been made with several of the mills of large capacity for their cut of 1886.

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