

THURSDAY EVENING

11TH JANUARY.

A Banquet was held at the Russell House, which was presided over by the Premier of the Dominion. After the toast to His Majesty the King, followed that to His Excellency the Governor General, which was pleasantly responded to.

"The Forest Interests of Canada" were replied to by Hon. W. C. Edwards and Hon. F. J. Sweeney, Surveyor General of New Brunswick.

"The Allied Interests" brought responses from Mr. B. E. Walker, General Manager of the Bank of Commerce and Mr. J. D. Allan, President of the Toronto Board of Trade.

The toast of "Our Guests" was proposed by Sir Wilfrid Laurier in a felicitous speech and was responded to by Mr Gifford Pinchot, Dr. B. E. Fernow and Dr. C. A. Schenck.

"The Press" was responded to by Mr. J. F. Mackay, Business Manager of the Toronto Globe.

Over two hundred were in attendance and the banquet was a great success.

FRIDAY MORNING

12TH JANUARY.

Mr. Joseph Hobson, Chief Engineer of the Grand Trunk Railway and Mr. L. O. Armstrong, Colonization Agent of the Canadian Pacific Railway gave interesting papers showing the railway requirements for timber. The Grand Trunk requires 95,000,000 feet annually, and the Canadian Pacific 244,000,000 feet. These papers contained a great deal of interesting material which space forbids us to reproduce at present.

"The Pulp Industry of Canada" found an exponent in Mr. E. B. Biggar, Editor of the Pulp and Paper Magazine. The first part of the paper briefly reviewed the history of pulp and paper manufacturing, which had its inception at St. Andrew's in Quebec, in 1803. The first paper mill in Upper Canada was erected at Ancaster in 1820. In 1888 there were 34 pulp mills with a total capacity of 154 tons every twenty-four hours. Last year the number had grown to fifty-six mills, with a capacity of 2,470 tons. There were in 1888, 40 paper mills with a capacity of 173 tons per twenty-four hours. Last year the number of mills was 38, and the daily capacity 854 tons. It would, therefore, be seen that the capacity of the Canadian pulp mills had more than doubled, and the capacity of the paper mills increased still more the last six years. There are now in course of construc-