

Experiments which could be conducted cheaply would probably demonstrate that preservative treatment would render available for pole use in the prairies the fire killed Engleman spruce and lodgepole pine of the eastern slope of the Rocky Mountains. This timber is sound, strong and well seasoned. It exists in fairly large quantities, has been satisfactorily treated in the United States and there is every indication that when so treated it would make as good and better poles than cedar. It stands in good pole sizes and is more convenient for the extensive prairie market than the poles now brought from the east. At present it is going to waste, save when used for mining timbers.

