

## THE NEWS.

—John White, sawmill, Saanich, B. C., is dead.  
 —Francis Wood, lumber, Welsford, N. B., is dead.  
 —James Jestur, lumber, Icelandic River, Man., has assigned.  
 —James Langford has disposed of his saw mill at Lucan, Ont.

—Alfred W. Colley, lumber, Coldwater, Ont., has assigned to Thomas Lafferty.

—Second Brothers are erecting a new saw mill at Edgar Mills, Ont.

—The Keewatin Lumber Company's saw mill, at Keewatin, Ont., has been closed down.

—Price Bros. saw mill at St. Thomas, Que., has been rebuilt and has resumed operations.

—Leigh & Son, planing mill, Victoria, B. C., have been succeeded by Grey & Alley.

—Lemay & Kyle, lumbermen, Vancouver, B. C. are reported to have made an assignment.

—Shaw, Cassils & Co., of Huntsville, Ont., desire to purchase 100,000 feet of hemlock logs.

—A. W. Hepburn, Picton, Ont., is rebuilding his planing mill which was recently burned.

—The estate of A. A. Mabee & Co., planing mill, St. John, N. B., has been sold to A. A. Mabee.

—Eugene Lavigne, a dealer in hemlock bark, railway ties, etc., at Ste. Gertrude, Que., has assigned.

Capital stock of the Brunette Saw Mill Co., Victoria, B. C., has been increased from \$200,000 to \$300,000.

—Mr. Currie, of Portlock, has purchased machinery for a saw mill and will have it running in the early spring.

—A new saw mill has been started at Venosta, Que., on the lot of the Gatineau Valley railway, by John Holmes.

—D. Sprague, of the Winnipeg saw mills, has commenced cutting logs on his timber limits on the Rosseau river.

—Thos. Conlon's saw mill at Little Current, Ont., is being rebuilt. It will have a capacity of 125,000 feet per day.

—The Emory Lumber Co. will get out upwards of seventy million feet of logs the coming winter in the vicinity of Orillia.

—Bateman & Chapin, lumber dealers, Hartney, Man., have dissolved partnership. The business will be continued by F. Chapin.

—The firm of Beland & Martineau, lumber merchants, Quebec, have assigned, with liabilities of \$115,000 and assets about \$70,000.

—The extensive saw mill of Moore & Macdonald, at Prince Albert, Sask., was closed down about the 1st of October for the season.

Chew Bros., of Midland, have disposed of their limit in the township of Wells to Mr. Maetty, of Saginaw, who will operate this winter.

—C. A. I. Prescott and Geo. D. Prescott have purchased the milling property in New Brunswick, of Kinney & Co., on Saw Mill Creek.

—Messrs. Davison have commenced the erection of a furnace for consuming sawdust at their lower mill, at Bridgewater, N. S. It will cost about \$6,000.

—Joseph Pariseau, of Plantagenet, Ont., who last fall built a saw mill at St. Jovite, Que., has been compelled to assign. He owes \$7,000, and claims a surplus of \$2,000.

—Andrew Somerville and Daniel Boyd, sash and door manufacturers, of Huntingdon, Que., are reported to have been committed to stand their trial for misrepresenting their financial position.

—Quebec takes the lead in the supply of timber, her output of sawlogs amounting to 5,000,000,000 feet board measure, and of square timber to three and a quarter million cubic feet.

—The Whitney Lumber Company, of Minneapolis, have begun the erection of a large saw mill at Barry's Bay, Ont. It is expected that the mill will be in readiness for next season's cutting.

—Graham, Horn & Co., of Fort William, Ont., will operate what is known as the Ontario Bank timber limits this winter. The logs will come out via Pine river. Supplies and outfit are being sent in.

—A log of mahogany weighing 15 tons was recently unloaded from the steamer Matadi at Liverpool, Eng. It was brought from the west coast of Africa, and is said to be the largest ever brought into that port.

—R. A. W. Conroy, of Dushene Mills, Que., have recently installed an electric plant, whereby the water power of their saw mill is transmitted to their farm buildings about one mile distant and utilized for cutting corn.

—The Montmagny Manufacturing and Electric Co. has been incorporated, with a capital of \$10,000, to manufacture lumber. The chief place of business will be Montmagny, Que. Mazaire Bernatchey, M. P. P. is one of the incorporators.

—We understand that the C. Beck Manufacturing Co., of Penetanguishene, are about to establish a new planing mill, and have purchased one of the largest planing mill plants in Tonawanda, which they will move over at once, and have ready for operations by next spring.

—The R. H. Smith Saw Manufacturing Co. are said to be considering the erection of a branch factory at Ottawa. Mr. Bingham, of Toronto, and Mr. Peemey, of Philadelphia, are also starting a factory at the same place for the manufacture of saws, and have announced the fact that they expect to be in operation about the 1st of November.

—G. Vandyke, a lumber king of Boston, Mass. recently purchased 5,000 acres of timber land in the vicinity of Weedon, Que., on the line of the Quebec Central Railway. The property was owned by P. M. Partridge, of Mento Park, California, the sale being made through W. A. Richardson, of Ottawa.

—Tyler Robinson and James Arnold were recently fined, in the Police Court at Windsor, Ont., for stealing timber from the property of Cameron & Curry, in Colchester South. It was claimed that the practice had been carried on quite extensively, and that the men were hired by mill-owners to cut the timber.

—The Fredericton, N. B. Boom Company has rafted 96,005,245 feet of logs and 262 tons of timber. The logs are divided as follows: Spruce, \$7,282,435 feet; pine, 4,441,120 feet; cedar, 4,271,240 feet; hemlock, 10,450 feet. There are 10,000,000 more to come in. Last year the company rafted 10,000,000 feet.

—W. Peter's mill at Parry Sound, Ont., has resumed operations. During the coming winter it is the intention of Mr. Peter to thoroughly overhaul the mill, put in a band saw and new machinery throughout. He has also made arrangements for putting in an electric light plant and will have the lumber cars operated by electricity.

—It is said that as the result of litigation between two of the principals of the Ontario and Minnesota Lumber Company, the appointment of a receiver has been asked for. The company own a saw mill at Rat Portage and extensive timber limits in Northern Minnesota. It has been stated that the affairs of the company are considerably involved.

—A suit to recover the sum of \$100,000 was recently commenced at Windsor, Ont. The action was brought by Hugh A. Holmes, lumberman, of Detroit, against the Blind River Lumber Company for the specific performance of an agreement, by the ignoring of which the plaintiff claims to have suffered a loss of the amount stated. Mr. Holmes claimed that he procured an option for the mills and timber limits belonging to the Blind River company, and before being given a chance to pay the purchase money, the sale was made to a company of Essex county lumbermen, who are now in possession. The mills of the Blind River Lumber Company are situated near North Bay, in Algoma, and the timber limits are said to be the finest in Ontario.

## FIRES AND CASUALTIES.

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—J. J. Wood, sash and door factory, Maville, Ont., has been burned out; no insurance.

—Romain Landry's saw mill at Upper Caraqueet, N. B., was destroyed by fire a fortnight ago. Mr. Landry will rebuild.

—A quantity of lumber and shingles at Collingwood, owned by Wilson Bros. and valued at \$600, was consumed by fire a fortnight ago.

—The saw mill of D. G. Cooper, at Collingwood, Ont., was visited by fire the early part of last month. Several hundred thousand feet of lumber and more than a quarter of a million shingles were destroyed, together with the lumber sheds. The loss will reach \$5,000, which is mostly covered by insurance.

## CASUALTIES.

—J. F. Moorehead, of McNab, an employee of Gillies Bros., of Bracside, was killed in the woods by a log rolling over him.

—While working in a saw mill near Sudbury recently, Herbert Lankin was caught in a circular saw, which cut off his right arm.

—W. H. Barnes, foreman at the W. C. Edwards mill at New Edinburgh, died from the injuries received mentioned in our last issue.

—Wm. J. Berkinshaw, of Gravenhurst, was recently engaged by Mickle, Dymont & Co., to work in the lumber woods. After working about an hour he cut off an overhanging hemlock log, after which he tripped and fell in front of the log, which passed over him, instantly crushing him to death.

## PERSONAL.

Mr. John E. Williams, of the editorial staff of the North-Western Lumberman, Chicago, recently paid a visit to Toronto and other Canadian cities.

The marriage is announced on the 17th of October, of Mr. Benjamin Langford, saw mill proprietor, of Lucan, Ont., to Miss Maggie Fairburn, of the same place.

On the 10th of October, Mr. A. A. Wright, secretary of the Victoria Harbor Lumber Co., was united in matrimony to Miss Lillian E. Miller, a popular young lady of Toronto. The LUMBERMAN extends its congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Wright.

Mr. John A. Garvin, editorial writer on the Montreal Herald, and a former resident of Toronto, was united in marriage a fortnight ago to Miss Florence Cameron, daughter of Mr. John A. Cameron, the millionaire lumberman of Ottawa. The honeymoon was spent in New York and Washington.

We record with much regret a fatal accident which a fortnight ago befell the family of Mr. Scatcherd, the well-known lumberman, of Buffalo. The carriage in which Mr. Scatcherd's sister and two daughters were riding, was struck by a locomotive at an unguarded level crossing, and the occupants instantly killed. Mr. Scatcherd has the sympathy of his many friends in the great bereavement which has fallen upon him.

## TRADE NOTES.

Maitland, Rixon & Co., of Owen Sound, have recently been given an order for 400,000 feet of cedar construction timber for the Grand Trunk Railway.

Darling Bros., of Montreal, have recently shipped twelve complete Morse valves to S. R. Gartman, London, Eng., and have an order for twelve more, to be shipped at an early date.

The F. E. Dixon Belting Co., Toronto, who have earned on business as manufacturers of belting for many years at 70 King street east, have removed to larger and more suitable premises at 39 Front street east.

The well-known leather belting manufacturers, Robin & Sadler, Montreal, and the Haworth Belting Co., of Toronto, have merged into one concern, and will carry on business in future under the firm name of Robin, Sadler & Haworth.

## FACTS ABOUT TREES AND WOODS.

Sycamore is a favorite lumber for tobacco-boxes. The wood is not only strong and capable of holding nails firmly, but its character is such as to impart no woody taste or odor to the contents.

In the park of Tortworth Court, Gloucestershire, England, the seat of Lord Ducie, is the celebrated Spanish chesnut, which is said to have been the first tree that was ever planted in Great Britain by man. This chesnut is now over twelve feet in diameter and was an old tree in the reign of Stephen. The Darley yew of Derbyshire is about 1,350 years old, while the Ankerwyke yew, near which the Magna Charta was signed, is about 1,100 years old; the yews of Fountains Abbey existed at its founding, over 760 years ago; the yew tree of Fortigal churchyard is said to be the oldest tree of its kind in the world, and the Greendale oak of Welbeck, through which in 1724 a way was cut and a carriage and four horses were driven, is about 1,500 years old.

Here is an old English ryme, in which trees are made the prophets of either drouth or flood:

If the ash is out before the oak,  
 All Summer will be dust and smoke;  
 But if the oak before the ash,  
 In Summer their will be a splash.

The Japanese make false teeth, taking an impression of the mouth by means of a plate of wax, and then carving a plate of some hard wood. The plates are well made, frequently an exceedingly neat fit, but the substitutes for teeth are crude, being copper or brass-headed nails driven through the plate, the heads being left for masticating purposes. The apparatus is very rude, but it seems to answer the purpose well enough to suit the Japanese. A dentist ranks with a carpenter and is called "tooth carpenter."

In Ceylon the tree fere reaches the height of twenty feet, and on the highest ground the Rhododendron attains the size of timber trees. The Coral tree, Eurythrina Indica, is among the most magnificent of their flowery trees. There are estimated to be not less than 20,000,000 of the cocoa palms in Ceylon. Among their timber trees the satin wood holds the first rank.—Lumber World.