

the adjoining owners were to be executed by the Minister of Public Works, who was authorized in case of failure of the occupant to properly comply with the requirements of the law, to make such arrangements as will complete the work, charging the expense on the adjoining premises. The occupant was required to break the ground the first year, cultivate to crop during the second year, and plant in trees, seeds or cuttings during the third year. The trees were to be planted in straight lines and not more than twenty feet apart. The following kinds of trees, as being best adapted to the climate might be planted, namely: oak, ash, elm, ash-leaved maple, poplar, balm of gilead, spruce, tamarac, balsam, pine, wild cherry and hawthorn.

Probably the most important result of the Congress was its deliverance on forest fires, as it undoubtedly gave the impulse and suggested the line of action which has been so beneficially adopted throughout Canada in the fire ranging system.

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The reports received at the Forestry Branch of the Department of the Interior of the results of the tree planting, which has been done in the West, make a most favorable showing. The number of trees set out under the direction of the Forestry Branch which are now alive and vigorous, will average ninety per cent., while trees in some of the groves planted out in 1902, are now by actual measurement from thirteen to fourteen feet in height.

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The Woods and Forests Department is just now engaged upon the considerable task of providing for the reafforestation of Windsor Great Park. His Majesty's first interest in sylviculture was aroused when, as a young boy, he assisted his father, the late Prince Consort, to plant out the clumps of elms and oaks at Windsor and Osborne, which have since developed into sturdy plantations. The King has noted with interest the progress made by these early experiments of his, and has accordingly desired to associate his régime with a scientific plan for perpetuating the forest scenery of the Royal precincts. Thus the gaps left in the various avenues of the Great Park by the frosts and winds of recent years are being systematically filled up, a new avenue is created as an approach from the park to Frogmore, and clumps of young forest trees are being planted out upon bare spaces here and there, the intention being in some instances to preserve the symmetry of the plantings first made by the King's illustrious and far-seeing father.—*Timber Trades Journal*.