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# O~ Proxince of Quebec~ヤ 

AS early as ${ }^{2667}$ timber is said to have been shipped from Quebec to Europe, and in 1735 licutenant Hocquart is reported to have sent timber and boards to Rochefort, but it was not until the beginning of the present century that timber was exported to England to any extent. The trade grew rapidly, and for a few years as many as 1,350 square-rigged vessels entered the St. Lawrence river annually to load timber. In the year 1864 over $20,000,000$ cubic feet are credited as having been exported, since which time there has been a remarkable falling off. At one time the shipbuilding and other timber operations at the port of Quebec gave employment to over 8,000 laborers, 40 to $\mathbf{j 0}$ ships being built in a year. To-day the lumbering industry of the province is still flourishing, but may be said to be divided into three branches, the pine trade, the spruce trade, and the square and waney timher trade.
Mtuch of the Ottawa valley produet, almost exclusively pine, is loaded on the ocean steamers at Montreal for export, while a few years ago the great shipping point was Quebec. Last year there were exported from the port of Montreal lumber to the value of over $\$ 5,000,000$, the principal slippers being Messrs. Dobell, Beckett \& Co., W. \& J. Sharples, R. Cox \& Co., J. Burstall \& Co., McArthur Bros., Watson \& Todd, E. 11. Lemay, and the Export Lumber Company. It is expected that the total for this year will be somewhat less, owing to the depression in some of the foreign markets. The pine forests of the province are not extensive, being confined chiefly to the Ottawa and St. Maurice districts.

We now cone to a consideration of the spruce industry, which is rapidly growing. In her spruce forests the province of Quebec possesses a valuable asset, and one which, in process of development, will earich the comnunity at large. Spruce timber predominates in the St. Maurice, Saguenay, Lake St. Joinn, Rimouski, Bonaventure and Grandville agencies, in nearly all of which districts saw mills have been and are being established. It is believed by explorers, however, that extensive tracts of spruce timber are to be found in northern districts yet unexplored.
The spruce deals of Quebec are shipped largely
to the British market, from the ports of Three Rivers, Sorel, Batiscan, Quebec, etc. Thereare several well equipped mills manufacturing spruce, and importers desirous of contracting for stock should meet with no difficulty in securing the carrying out of the specifications. For the benefit of readers in foreign countries, we give
several firms have manufactured it in the Stated Arkansas, and rafted it to Quebec, a distance d about 1,000 miles. Some of the waney pita comes from Michigan. There are located in it city of Quebec several shippers who are no manufacturers. These include Messrs. W. \& J. Sharples ; J. Burstall \& Co.; Dobell, Beckells


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below the names and addresses of some spruce manufacturers in Quebec:

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| J. K. Ward | - | ${ }^{*}$ |
| John Breakes | - | Chaudiere Mlills |
| King Hros. | - | Quelsec. |
| Price Mros. \& Co. |  |  |
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| Jolietre Lumber Co. | - | Jolictie. |
| A. Gravel Lumber Co. |  | Etchemin. |
| Rimouski Lumber Ca. |  | Rimouski. |
| Alex. Baptist | - | Three Rivers. |
| Wm. Richards \& Co | - | $\bullet$ - 4 |
| St. Maurice Lumber Co. |  | ** |
| Warren Curtis | - | ${ }^{14}{ }^{4}$ |
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| N. Blamuire ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | - | St. Alexis. |
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Quebec has continued to hold its timber trade, although much of the timber loaded there is cut in Michigan and Ohio. In the case of square oak,

Co.; Harold Kennedy ; McArthur Bros. Cai Bennett \& Co. ; H. R. Goodday \& Co.; Duns \& Co. ; W. H. Wilson; D. R. Mcl.cod, and Benson \& Co.
Concerning the steamship "Pearlmoor," showa in the accompanying illustration, Messrs. W \& J. Sharples say: "It was loaded by us for Greenock, Scotland, and is the first turrat steamer to carry timber from Quebec. Hes cargo was as follows: Timber, $4,1 \mathrm{IS}_{3}$ l loads, deals, 94 p.s.h. ; ends, 62 p.s.h.; boards, 34 p.s.L Total cargo, 4,8 ro loads. She was command by Capt. C. C. Bruhn, and the stevedore ma Daniel Griffin. Her net register tonnage is 2,20 tons, and she sailed from Quebec $1^{17}$ th Augus and arrived at Greenock September 3rd, isgs.

## THE TOURVILLE LUMBER MILLS CO.

Among the leading manufacturers of lumkr in Quebec province is the Tourville Lumber Mills Co., with headquarters in the Imperid Building, Montreal, and large saw mills 2 t Louiseville, Pierreville and Nicolet, P. Q. This concern was originally establislied in the year


1880 under the style of Tourville \& Co., the copartners being Hon. L. Tourville and Mr. Joel Leduc. In 1891 the important interests were duly organized and incorporated under the present title, with a paid-up capital of $\$ 250,000$, thus rendering the corporation one of the most extensive of its kind in the Dominion. About two years ago Hon. L. Tourville, prestdent of the company, died, necessitating a slight reorganization, and the officers now are :
 President Tourville Lumber Mulls Company.
Rodo!phe Tourville, president; Nap. Gill, vicepresident ; Edouard Ouellette, manager ; and Arthur Tourville, secretary-treasurer. The company own large timber limits in the province, cutting much of the finest timber that is marketed. They have built three of the largest and most completely equipped saw mills, located respectively at Louiseville, Pierreville and Nicolet. These mills have numerous gangs of saws, and all the best arrangements for the economical handling of logs and lumber, and have an enor-


Mk. Akther Tocrvilie, stacentry Treasurer Tourvilte Lumikr Mills Company.
mous annual capacity. About 175 men are employed in the Louiseville mill, 20 in that at Pierreville, and 60 in the Nicolet mill. The cut consisti dif good grades of white pine, spruce and hemlock lumber, which is exported to the United States and European countijes. The company own extensive simber limits, handle $35,000,00 n$ feet of lumber annually, and ship direct by cargo from their mills. It is one of the most representative concerns in the lumber trade of the province, and is worthy of the great
success achieved. Portraits of Messrs. Rodolphe Tourville, president, and Arthur Tourville, secretary, and a view of the L.ouiseville mill, appear herewith.

## ST. MAURICE LUNBER COMPANY.

Located at Three Rivers, Que., at the mouth of the St. Maurice river, which drains an aren of 16,000 square miles of timber lands, are the large saw mills of Alex. Baptist, War'en Curtis, and the St. Maurice Lumber Company. The officers of the latter company are : Wm. Mc-

## H. R. McLELLAN.

The lumber property acquired by Mr. H. R. Mclellan is situated at St. Margaret's Bay, one hundred and sixty miles from Rimouski, on the St. Lawrence river. The mill is located at the mouth of the river, facing on a basin of water which will hold eight million feet of logs. The basin, about one mile square, has twenty feet of water, and fifteen on the bar at low water. The river extends two hundred and fifty miles due north, and the surrounding country is densely crowded with spruce timber of


Saw Mill of the St. Maurice lumber Company at Threa Rivers, Que.

Echron, president ; G. F. Underwood, vicepresident and manager ; and N. B. Sprague, secretary-treasurer, all of Glen Falls, N. Y., where they are interested in the Glen Falls Pulp and Paper Company.

The St. Maurice mill, which is under the local management of Mr. Robert F. Grant, contains two band saws, two edgers, two resaws, one lath mill, and six machines for barking spruce slabs, the machinery being supplied by the Waterous Company, of Brantford. The capacity
a magnificent size, which will run three logs to the thousand feet.

The mill, which has recently been completed, is fitted with a Carrier, Laine \& Co. double saw, rotary, re-sawing machine (for boards, with a capacity of about twelve thousand per day), two planers, double edger and clapboard machines.

PULP MILL AT PARRSBORO.
The town council of Parrsboro, N. S., has decided to grant a bonus of $\$ 10,000$ to secure the erection in that


Interior View of St. Maviice Lumber Company's Mili, Three Rivers, Que.
of the mill is $160,000 \mathrm{ft}$. b.m. per 24 hours, and they have been running day and night all summer. The cut this season, when finished, will be about $26,000,000 \mathrm{ft}$. b.m., manuiactured chiefly into 3 -inch deals, pine and spruce. The logs are made on streams in the St. Maurice territory and driven down the St. Maurice river to Three Rivers. Exterior and interior views of the mill are shown.
town of a sulphite pulp mill of thirty tons capacity daily. Mr. Thos. Allison, the well-known pulp mill designer, has made a report to the town, in which he states that the site is an excellent one. P'arrsboro is an open port, which permits of shipments being made to all countrics the year round. Abundance of wood can be secured, and coal can be put into the boiler house as required at a cost of one dollar per fon, thus doing away with the necessity of keeping a lange supply in stock. In view of these favorable conditions, the offer of the town will no doubt be taken advantage of.

# Province of New Brunswick 

NEW Brunswick, which was made a distinct province in 1784, occupies that part of the Dominion of Canada situated nearest Great Britain. The port of Chatham, on the Miramichi river, is nearer to Liverpool than any port of importance on the mainland of America, the distance by the shortest route, via Belleisle, being about $2,43^{\circ}$ miles, whereas Halifax, in Nova Scotia, is distant 2,450 , Quebec 2,633 , and New York 3,105 miles. The province embraces about 28,000 square miles of territory, equal to $17,-$ 920,000 acres. Of this perhaps $12,000,000$ acres are timber lands, divided as follows: $1,647,772$ acres held by the New Brunswick Railway Co.; 4.500,000 acres under license from the Crown by lumber operators; 3.000,000 acres still held by the Crown, and less extensive tracts owned by Messrs. Alex. Gibson, Nova Scotia Land Company and others. The lands owned by the Crown and the New Brunswick Railway Company, as well as the private property, are shown by the accompanying map. Among the largest holders of Crown timber tracts are the following: Samuel Adams, 304 square miles ; Rubertson \& Allison, 204; George Burchill, 129 ; A. H. Campbell, 448 ; Alex. Gibson, 172; Hale \& Murchie, 154 ; G. G. King, 104; Geo. Moffatt, 271; J. P. Mowat, 79; Estate Hugh Mclean, 195; McLend \& Atkinson, 77; C. \& J. Prescott, 60 ; V. C. Purves, 50 ; A. F. Randolph, 101 ; Randolph \& Hale, 70; David Richards, 185 ; Wn. Richards, 254 ; Allan Ritchic, 247; James Robinson, 125: Kilgour Shives, 235 ; E. Sinclair, 170; Daniel Sullivan, 140; George J. Vaughan, 111; Edward Walker, $7^{2}$; J. B. Snowball, 466 ; G. K. McLeod, 54 ; I. R. Todd, $9=$; Alfred West, 47 ; Sumner Co., 84 ; Sumner Co. and Clark, Skillings \& Co., 82; W. E. Skillings, 170; Maritime Sulphite Fibre Co., 80 square miles.
sionally a dry spring and light fall of snow in the winter cause logs io be hung up. Spruce is the predominating timber, a very large quantity being taken out each year for export and for the manufacture of pulp. There have been established in New Brunswick within late years some
price of $\$ 8$ per mile, or such greater sum as mas be offered at the public sale. The stumpage dues on spruce, pine or hardwood logs are one dollar per thousand superficial feet; on pune timber up to 14 in ., one dollar per ton, with 25 cents for each additional inch ; spruce timber, socents
 Some of the above timber berths
are owned by persons who have not operated them, but, having every faith in the future valuc of timber, are holding them for speculative purposes.

The province of New Brunswick is well watered, affording excellent facilities for floating logs to mill points, although, of course, occa-
extensive pulp mills, two being at Chatham. Pine is not found in that province in abundance. Other native woods are cedar, maple, birch and hemlock, with small quantitics of other timber.
By the regalations of the Crown, timber lands are leased for the term of 25 years, at the upset
per ton; hardwood timber, 90 cents per ton; cedar logs, 8o cents per thousand. It is difficult to arrive at an estimate of the total annual cut of timber. The following, taken from the last government report, shows the quantity and character of the timber cut on Crown lands for the year ending October 3ist, 1897:

Spruce and pine logs, $102,841,781$ sup. ft. ; hemlock logs, 2,246,104 sup. ft.; cedar logs, 11,239,208 sup. f1.; hardwood logs, 3,711,76: sup. ft.; hardwood timber, 16458 tons; pine timber, 345 tons; spruce timber, 7 tons; cordwood, $4631 / 2$ cords; hembek bark, 1193 cords ; shingles (sawed), 7,300 M.; railway ties, 98,430 pieces ; cedar posts, 9,000 pieces; spruce poles, 400 pieces; telegraph poles, 494 pieces; boom poles, 9,825 pieces; brackets, 3.400 pieces; knees, 60 pieces ; wier poles, 1,000 pieces ; spruce spars, 35 pieces:
state of Maine. These include E. D. Jewett \& Co., S. T. King \& Sons, Miller \& Woodman, Stetson, Cutler \& Co., J. R. Warner \& Co., Charles Miller, Dunn Brothers, and James Hamilton \& Co.

Some of the mills ship direct to foreign markets; others prefer to sell $\omega$ local shippers, who contract for the deals and lumber at a fixed price either at the mill or delivered alongside the vessel. Among the shippers are Messrs. Alex. Gibson \& Sons, W. Malcolm Mackay, George


piling, 125 pieces ; piling, 4,340 lin. ft.; cedar rails, 1,500 pieces; fir logs, $1,022,392$ sup. feet.

The above represents but a small proportion of the timber cut, as last year the trans-Atlantic shipments alone were given by Hon. J. B. Snowball as $494,000,000$ feet. We give below the names of some manufacturers throughout the province who have given attention to the export trade :


At the great saw-milling centre of St. John, seseral United States firms have extensive mills, sawing almost exclusively for the Eastern States trade, and obtaining their log supply from the

Mckein and John E. Moore, of St. John, and J. B. Snowball and F. E. Neale, of Chatham.

Many of the mills throughout New Brunswick are supplied with the latest and most modern equipments, which no doubt accounts in a measure for the success which has attended the efforts of manufacturers to secure foreign trade. The principal markets are Great Britain, West Indies, South America, France and Spain, and during the past suminer a shipment of lumber was made to Austrailia, but with what success we have not learned.

Foreign capitalists seeking fields for investment are being attracted to New Brunswick by its abundance of spruce timber, ample railway and watercourse facilities, and excellent means of transportation to foreign markets. The erection

The mill of which we speak is equipped with modern machinery for the production of spruce deals, palings, planed and matched boards, box stuff and shingles. The annual production of the latter is quite large. The deals are cut with an improved gang saw, and for cedar there are seven shingle machines.

Mr. Shives is becoming well known as an exporter. His shingles, of course, are disposed of in the United States, but the chief market for deals and boards has been Great Britain. A couple of years ago, however, he shipped two cargoes to the River Platte and two to Marscilles, France, and this year he made an experimental shipment to Australia. It is by the efforts of such men as Mr. Shives that our goods become established in foreign countries. As the owner of nearly three hundred square miles of valuable timber lands, he is recognized as one of the wealthiest lumbermen of Northern New Brunswick.

## TRACADIE LUMBER COMPANY.

The Tracadie Lumber Company, of Tracadic, have recently erected a very complete mill at Sheila. It is very nicely situated on high ground. overlooking an inlet of the sea, which forms a most perfect pond for holding the logs, and is sufficient in size for any stock that could possibly be put in. The mill, a view of which is shown, consists of a single band, with room and power for a second band, with the ordinary other machinery, including bull wheel for getting the logs into the mill. In the log deck is placed a steam cutting-off saw, sufficiently large to cut the largest pine logs into suitable lengths for making clapboards, of which a large quantity is turned out. The steam kicker and log loader throw the logs from the bull wheel on to the carriage, and the steam niggers handle and turn the logs after they are on the carriage. A gun shot steam


Tracadie lumber Compaiys Saw Mill at Sueila, Nib.
of extensive pulp mills is about to be commenced. This will be of material benefit to the province, and utilize much raw material to the best advantage.

## KILGOUR SHIVES.

Situated at Campbellton, on the Restigouche river, is the large mill of Mr. Kilgour Shives, of which an illustration is given. Mr. Shives is known as a progressive lumber merchant, always on the watch for improvements and new ideas. He is an inventor of an excellent machine for the cutting of slabs and edgings into fire-wood.
feed handles the carriage, and live rolls with transfers take care of all the product from the band mill. Sawdust and refuse carriers are so arranged as to take care of all the refuse that is left. Most of this, however, is worked up in box shooks and other stock of this description, so that but little of the material is wasted. All the usual appliances for turning out lumber promptly and perfectly are employed, and the ciass of stock manufactured is of excellent quality, while the mill is a credit to both the owners and the builders. The complete equipment was supplied by the Waterous Engine

Works Company, of Brantford. Mr. Foster, the manager of the company, lives at the mill. He has, in one season, got his boarding house and mill yard, and all the surroundings of the mill, in exceedingly fine shape. It is, in fact, one of the most complete mills of New Brunswick, and is thoroughly modern in its equipment and methods. Mr. Foster has shown great energy and ability in getting it into shape.
A great deal of the stock is pine, and this is
ton, sometimes five or six million feet in a year. Mr. Hale has been connected wilh the lumber trade for a quarter of a century or more, and has a thorough knowledge of the timber resources of the upper St. John district. His partner, Mr. George A. Murchie, who lives in Calais, Me., is also of the firm of James Murchie \& Sons, who have mills at several points in New Brunswick. The Victoria mill is connected both by rail and water routes with the markets, and has excellent

New Brunswick, forty-five years having elapsed since he first engaged in the business. Until 1878 Mr. Murray resided and operated mills at Spring. hill, some miles above Fredericton, on the St. John river. In 1868 he acquired an interest in the mill property at Marble Cove, just above the "falls" about a mile above the head of St. John Harbor, including the mill and 13 acres of land fronting on deep water. In 1876 the mill was destroyed by fire. In the same year the present buildings


Saw Mill of Hale \& Murchie at Fredericton, N.b.
largely cut into clapboards for the eastern markets, automatic machines being used for this purpose. The clapboards, after drying a few weeks, are planed before shipping, there being a first-class planing mill outfit in connection with the mill, including, besides the clapboard planers, two other large and heavy machines for flooring and timber, besides considerable other equipment. The planing mill has all modern appliances for handling the material to be planed. The output of the mill is from 50,000 to 60,000 feet of lumber per day, and from 30,000 to $40,000!$ clapboards, besides the other material.

## HALE \& MURCHIE

The lumbering firm of Hale \& Murchie, of Fredericton, is composed of Mr. Fired H. Hale, M.P., who resides at Woodstock, and Mr. George A. Murchie, who lives in Calais, Maine. The mill at the above place consists of a structure 175 ft . by 40 ft ., with engine house and other necessary buildings. A gang, rotary, two lath machines and planer comprise the main equip. ment.

The product is an excellent quality of deals, boards, scantlings (all dimensions), laths, and finished clapboards. The firm cut about $: 12,000,000$ feet of logs, but only manufacture themselves about nine million teet. The logs are cut on the Tobique, and except for a little pine are all spruce timber. Some three or four million feet of deals are cut each year for shipmert to England. A good deal of the output is sent b; rail to $S$. Stephen for export, chiefly to the United States. Mr. Fred H. Hale, M.P., who lives at Woodstock, and represents Carleton county in the Dominion parliament, is the managing partner, and formerly owned mills at Woodstock, floating the logs in rafts down to Frederic-

tacilities for the manufacture and shipment of lumber.

## ADAMS, BURNS \& COMPANY.

The above firm are successors to the St. Lawrence Lumber Company, whose property in New Brunswick was disposed of a few years ago by the liquidators. The business is carried on under the management of Mr. T. D. Adams. The property includer nills at Bathurst and Burnsville, some eight o ten thousand acres of fine timber land on the line si the Caraquet railway, the lease of 150 square mites of Crown timber lands at Burnsville, and 250 square miles on the streams emptying into the Bathurst basin; also the Gulf Shore Railway, which, with the Caraquet line, gives a total length of eighty miles, connected by the latter line with their mills at Burnsville were erected, and in $1882 \mathrm{Mr}_{\text {r }}$ Murray became sole proprietor. He has since made many im. provements in the plant, until the mill is one of the best equipped on the river. Last year his confidential clerk, Mr, J. Fraser Gregory, was admit. ted as a partner, and the firm name was changed to Murray \& Gregory. The mill has gang and rotary for long lumber, and machines for making laths, boxes, cooperage stock and such small products. The greater portion of the output is in deals for the English market, but some of the product goes to the United States and some to South America, being sold in nearly all cases direct from the wharf. There are ample wharves and yards, with dry houses. The firm cut each winter about $40,000,000$ feet of spruce, pine and cedar logs, manufacturing 17,000,000 and selling the balance to other mills. Their limits comprise 900 square miles, and are situated on the Big Black, St. Francis and Main rivers and Temiscouata Lake. Mr. Murray is also president of the St. John Log Driving Company and a director of the Fredericton Boom Company.

The Dodge Manufacturing Company of T 0 . ronto have received a letter from the Globe File


Saw Mill of adams, Berns \& Company at Bathurst, N.B.
and Bathurst. The company export annually about ten million feet of lumber. A view ot the Bathurst mill is herewith printed. The mill at Burnsville is water power, and cuts about three million feet yearly.

## MURKAY \& GREGORY.

The senior member of this firm, Mr. W. H. Murray, is known as one of the oldest lumbermen of

Manufacturing Company, of Port Hope, in which they express great satisfaction with the rope drive furnished by the Dodge Company. They say in part: "We put it up as per your plans, started it to run, and it went off so well we have only adjusted one pullicy since. You may refer persons to us when talking rope drives. We would not return to gears again for four times what the four drives cost us."

# Province of Nova Scotia 

LUMBII:RING in Nova Scotia, as in the other provinces, is an important industry, and one from which ..iderable revenue is derived. But when we speak of revenue, it is aecessary to explain that the timber lands are not a perpetual source of income to the government, inasmuch as they are sold outright to private individuals, and no timber licenses are granted. In the province of Nova Scotia, excluding Cape Breton, which has little timber, the area of good timber land is estimated at $2,700,000$ acres. Of this perhaps 2,000,000 acres are in the hands of lumbermen, the balance being held by the Crown, although it is said that no large tracts of valuable timber property are to be obtained. The perpetuity of the industry, therefore, rests upon the lumbermen themselves, who, we believe, are now giving some attention to the question of reforestation. In vien of the fact that spruce will reproduce itself in a comparatively short time, it should not be a difficult matter to obtain a permanent supply. Among the manufacturers engaged in the export trade are the following :


The anbual cut of spruce is about $200,000,000$ fect, whic a much smaller quantity of hardwoods is taken out. Last year the value of the lumier exportcif from Nova Scotia was about $\$ 3,000,000$, but this was an unusually active year. The principai shopping points are Halifax, Parrsboro, Amherst, Bridgewater and Pictou, but there are
also a number of smalle, ports at which vessels are loaded. The location of Nova Scotia, on the Allantic seaboard, permits of an extensive export trade in lumber, Great Britain, South America and the West Indies oeing her largest markets. Previous to the imposition of the United States lumber duty of $i$ wo dollars, a quantity of lumber was sold in the Eastern States, but that trade is now of little account.

This year the lumbermen of Nova Scotia have experienced a severe depression, owing to an overstocking of the British market last year and a consequent drop in prices. British dealr alave this year sold at from \$1 to $\$ 2$ per thousand feet less than last season, and the outlook at the present time is not altogether encouraging. As a result, a number of manufacturers are giving greater attention to other markets, such as the West Indies and South America, and we believe with success.

## LUMBERING METHODS IN NOVA SCOTIA.

THE conditions under which lumbering was carried on in Nova Scotia up to about twenty years ago were quite different from those at present prevailing. While shipbuilding was the paramount industry, but little attention was given to the manufacture of lumber for export, but when it became unprofitable to build wooden ships, attention was turned to the saw mills. Formeriy but very few mills depended wholly on exporting all their cut, most of them sawing shipplank, decking, and other timber required in vessel building, and only sawing the rough and otherwise unsuitable timber for shipbuilding purposes into deals, battens and deal ends, which were sent to St. John in small trading vessels. The mills up to the time mentioned were usually operated by water power, located at or near the mouth of some st ream where small schooners could be loaded, and would be run two or three months in the spring, then again in the fall for a short time, when the summer drought was put an end to by the fall freshets. At that time a gang mill sawing thirty-five thousand superticial feet of deals between daylight and dark would be counted an exceedingly good miil.

A great many of the shipyards were equipped with rotary mills between 18 :0 and 1880 , and when shipbuilding waned such experience had been gained in the handling of these inills by the operators that they naturally turned them to the manufacture of deals, some operators being very successful, which fact impelled other, but inexperienced, men into buying "rotary mills." These mills were made light, in order that they could be moved from place to place where a fe $N$ hundted thousand feet of logs could be got together. Some mills would be moved four times during the year. They generally ran in the winter right in the woods, as near as
possible to the stump, the sawn lumber being much easier to haul to the shipping point than the round log to a convenient place to saw, and in this way at least one handling of the lumber would be saved. Usually the owner of the standing timber would cut and haul the logs to the mill, then hatel the sawn lumber to the shipping poin., paying the owner of the mill so much per thousand for sawing, although in some cases the mill owners would contract to deliver the deals at the shipping point, taking the whole contract for cutting, hauling and sawing. Again, some nill owners would buy a piece of timber land and operate it as he chose, while some would pay a certain amount per thousand feet stumpage, the result being in all cases the same, viz., employment for the mill.

The natural result has followed the introduction of this class of mills, viz., that spruce timber lands are very scarce and in great denand throughout the province. The ojectionable feature of the portable saw mill is the large amount of refuse timber it leaves in the woods in the shape of heavy slabs, which in some cases would make a couple of boards or a piece of scantling. It is claimed that the labor of sawing it into shape, and the hauling, would cost more than it would be worth. In the last few years some of the careful operators have added lath and picket machines to their plants, and thus save what formerly was worse than wasted.

In the counties of Cumberland, Colchester and Hants the portable mill has had its greatest success these counties formerly being the great shipbuilding points and having at great quantity of timber without water facilities for dratwing to tide water.

To a less extent the portable mill has been used in Pictou, Kings, Annapolis and Digby counties, while on the south shore there were but two or three purtable mills. Along the Atlantic coast of the province there are some very good rivers which, in addition to providing $\log$ driving tacilities, also furnish water power to saw the logs notably Moser river, Sheet Harbor, East and West rivers, Musquodoboit river, Lahave river, Liverpool river, Medway, Jordan and Shelbourne rivers. All these have large mills, while a number of lesser size also have milis in proportion.

There are a number of large steam mills, the logs for which are driven, the cost of steam power being less and more advantageous than water power, viz., at Sherbrooke, St. Mary's river, St. Margaret's Bay, Gold River and Tusket River, near Yarmouth. There are no mills of any size on the north, or, as it is called, the Gulf shore, the lumber there being sawn with small water power and portable mills. The Baty of Fundy waters have but three water mills of any size, two on River Hebert, andione on the St .

Croix. While there are steam mills of larger size at Shulie, Sand River, Apple River, Eatonville, Newville, near Parrsboro, Stewiacke, and on the Aven river above the town of Windsor, there are a number of medium size mills, steam and water, at Weymouth, Meteghan and Hectanooga, at the western end of the province.
The principal markets for the mills from Annapolis around the shore via Yarmouth to,

say, Gold river, is the West Indies and South Ameria, while the liay of Fundy and the Atlantic coast mills east of Halifax prefer the English market when prices are right, but they are prepared to salt to specifications for the best paying markets.

## ALFRED DICKIE

The county of Colehester, N. S., stands forc most in the counties of the province in natural resources, and no part of the county in this respect excels the Stewiacke valley: In this valley, on the bank of the Stewiacke river, and in close proxinity to the lialifax terminus of the Intercolonial miluay, stands the widely known milling property owred and operated by lion. Mifred Dickie, of Lowler Stewiacke. This mill, of



which a view is shown, is a modern and uphodate exablishment in every reapect, was buite by the present ouncr in the year tSoi, and up to the present date has cut up and manufactured some forty million superficial fert of lumber, averaging yeariy aboal a iow monshs' operation.
The mill proper is a structure Sox $1=0$ feet, containing, on the upper floor, gang and rotary,
patent double edgers, lath, planer and box machines. The ground floor is occupied chiefly by saw-dust carriers, which conves saw-dust to the furnaces. Here also are found turning lathes and general repair apparatus. Adjoining on the north side is a brick engine and boiler house, containing large tubular boilers, and a one hundred and sixty horse power engine.

One of the strong features of this mill is its almost unique contrivance, consisting of an endless chain six hundred feet in length, which carries all refuse material to a distance where it can be burned with safety. The cutting capacity of the mill is eighty thousand superficial feet of deais per day, and a correspondingly large quantity of laths, palings and shooks. The present season's operations, when complsted, will amount to as much as ten million superficial feet of manufactured lumber, of course necessitating an unusually long se sion's work. Mr. John A. Gillis, whose protrait :ce present, is manager of the mill.
Here a few words as to the nature and extent of similar industries carried on by Mr. Dickic at Three Fathom Harbor (near Halifax) and Glengarry, in Pictou county, might be given.
Three Fathom Harbor is nicely situated, eighteen niles east of Halifax, with which, of course, it has easy and direct communication by wate:. The business carried on here consists of an So h. p. mill, containing a rotary, edgers, trimmers and lath machines During the past season this anill has tumed out some three million superficial feet of deals and other lumber. It is situated in a cove at the head of the hatbor, from which the lumber is loaded on large scows, carrying 150 M. superficial feet each, whicls in turn are towed so Halifax harbor, where they are discharged i:no vessels; but arrangements are now being made by which Mr. Dickie hopes to load large vessels at Three Fathom Harbor.
tons capacity can sail ten miles inland, where that can be loaded direct from the mill. It is the intes tion of Mr. Dickic to erect at Ship Harbor to coming winter a mill equipped with every moths milling appliance and with a capactity of si million superficial feet of manufactural lumbe each season. At Tusket, N.S., Mr. Dickie, i conjunction with Mr. Thos. N. Mctirath, iso owns a valuable mill property, which has tem


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previously described in this journal. This pe: they have been cutting largely for the markeisat South America, France and the Wiest Indies

A iew :rords as to the career of Mr. Dixkin We wis born at l-ower Stewiacie, where he doe resides, some $\mathbf{j}^{S}$ years ago, obtained the degres of B.A. at the age of cighteen, and sabsequesti. an M.A. degree Afterwards he studied abiont and launched out into the business world, with what success can the siteancl from the abore reference $\mathbf{t o}$ his lumbering operations lie tes also been active in peilice life, lazring represeana


Sitr Mill of Alfren Dicxie at LOWer Stewiacte, N.S.

As to the operations at Glengarry, during the prast iwo seasoas Mr. Dickic cut and shipped from that place some cight million superficial feet ol spruce and other woods from bis portable mills, which wood is carried by rail to Pictou landing, some iS miles, thence by water to the varivus ports where markets have been found.

Mr. Dickie reecntly purchased large interests al Ship liarkor, some to miles from Hialifax. This property, containing abous thirty-five thousand acres of heavily timbered band (principally spruce), was purchased wibhin the last year from Messrs. Bill $\mathbb{E}$ French, whocarried an lumbering operativas in a section of country adjacent. Ship Harbor is considered one of the best ports of shipping in Nota Scotia. This will not seem inconsistent when we say that ships of two thousand
the county of Cumberland in the Dominion pain ment and being chosen a member of the Cab=ut

## AC.\&C. W. ELDERKIN.

The lumber mills and groperty at Fatomine were originally owned by the firm of D. K. 太C. F. Eaton, who carricd on shipbuildins: azd 2 general saut-miling and mercantile businesstop ${ }^{2}$ the year iss. Mr. D. R. Eaton died in ist; ann some time afterwards the firm was rovisiz ized and tine name changed to C.F. NF. R Eaton, F. R. Eaton being a son ot D. K. Eatce About this time the building of wooden stins ceased, and the firm turned their attention to tre manefacture of spruce lumber for axpors. Ther had a rotary mill about two and onc-hali mens up the stream, where the timber and planizs
for their veruels was sawn, and a horse railroad connecting the mills with the shipyards. When the change was made, they moved the mill frame to tide water and put a gang into the mill. The power wats also increased, the engine now being $33^{\circ} \mathrm{h} . \mathrm{p}$. The mill was designed specially for sawing deals, being supplied with all the improved machinery necessary for the purpose. The Messrs. l:iton carried on the business up to last year, besides building two vessels for the Greenland irude for McKay \& Dix, of New York. About the first of December last, Messrs. A. C. \& C. W. I:iderkin, of Advocate Harbor, N.S., purchased the property from Messrs. Eaton just as it stood, and have since operated it. The Nessrs. Eiton had begun operations for the winter's logging, and had about two million feet of logs yarded. The purchasers took these, along with the teams, logging appliances and camping outfits--in fact, they just stepped in and continued the operations is outlined by the previous owners, although they did not get out quite as many logs as Messrs. l:aton intended to cut. The firm cut at this mill this season three million feet of deals and iwo inillion lath. The deals have been shipped to
and one-half million feet for a long time. The limits are situated on the Chignecto peninsula, the land being strong and the growth of timber rapid. Danger from fire is very slight, as the ground is covered with a mossy growth which is always damp. The timber itself is slow burning, being exposed for a great part of each season to the salt fogs that prevail on the lay of Fundy ; the wood absorbs the salt and becomes partially fireproof.

On account of the situation of the limits, about two miles is the lor gest haul, and the logs cut at the head of the stream are landed three miles above the mill. There are several driving dams on it, which hold enough water to run the logs to the mill in a few hours. Further down the peninsula the logs are browed along the shore, and when wanted are boomed and towed to the mill. There is a large pond just above the mill, into which logs can be run at high water on each tide, and where they are perfectly safe from any storm. The logs from the head of the stream before referred to also run down into this pond. The capacity of the mill is 60,000 teet of deals per day, but Messrs. Eiderkin prefer quality to


Saw Mill of A. C. \& C. W. Eldenxix at Eatoxville, N.S.

English markets, but they have all their boards yet on their wharf, preferring to hold them rather than sell at the prices prevailing in the Umited States markets. The firm intend getting out about lour million feet the coming winter, and are prepared to saw for the best paying market. They are looking over the South Aaverican and West India markets, and will prohably test both. Boston and New York have been the best markets for their short lumber and boards, and when business in the United States gets back to its normal condition, it will absorb such poods as heretofore. Vessels of six to cight husired tons can load directly at the mill wharf, fut when they sell to parties shipping to the Engli.h markets, the deals are lightered either to Weit llay, near Parrsboro, or to Grindstone Island, ab, ut ien miles distant, where the largest steamer can take cargo, there being a good depith of water, plenty of sea room, and good ancherras*: For South American trade vessels of five to risht hundred tons are the most profitabic. "I's.e can load at mill.
The risther property of this estate is mearly all spriti : ind comprises about iwenty thousand acres. :i, preserving the timber as far as expedient. lic supply will stand a cut of about two
quantity. They believe that they can take $a$ smaller quantity of logs and by careful manufacture make quite as much money out of them, allowing nothing to go to waste, and thus conserve their forest area. The firm own a steam mill and general store at Advocate Harbor, and also have a store at Eatonville. They have some good schooners which they built themselves and run in the coasting trade. They are natives of the county of Cumberland, and are very enterprising young men.

## T. G. MEMULLEN B COMPANY.

As account of the lumbering operations of the province without special mention of the firm of T. G. McMullen \& Co., whose head office is at Truro, would be incomplete. Mr. McMullen has been prominent in lumbering and milling operations since the early seventies, having built a large rotary mill in Truro in $\mathbf{1 8 7 3}$. logs became scarce there, and he operated a number of portable mills in different parts of Colchester, Hants and Pictou counties. The firm at present probably own the largest quantity of timber lands in the province. Besides several portable mills, they own and operate a modern band saw mill at Hartville, on the line
of the Intercolonial railway, and on which the cut of this and several of the portable mills is sent to Halifax for shipment.

The mill is water power, furnished by the St. Croix river, the outlet into the Bay of Fundy of a large system of lakes, around which the company have an immense quantity of very fine spruce and pine timber, and on which the logss are taken to the mill. A system of dams gives them an ample supply of water to operate


Mr. A. C. Elimemkin.
the mills during the summer drought. At this mill there is sawn about eight million feet per year, while their total cut runs from twenty to thirty-five million, according to the market demands. The bulk of their lumber is shipped from the port of Halifax, but they also ship a quantity from Pictou. The greater portion of their cut is deals for the English market. This firm also believe in the crosscut $s a y$ for felling trees and cutting into logs, and so satisfied are they of the advantages obtained by so doing that


Mr. C. W. Eimerkis.
they stipulate in all contracts with jobbers that the logs must be sawn as far as possible.

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## THIS ISSUE

Tulls number of the Casaba I．emueanas is larsely representative of the sprace wood trade of Canadia，at bsanch of the lumbering industry uthich has rapidly srown in importance at tate years，ation which is comanon to the provinces of Quehec，New lirunswick and Nota Szotin．We are too peane so regard our whate pine forests as by for the most valuable assel of Canada，and in look uphan spruce as an inferior class of simber． liut we helieve that by careful husbanding of nor －pruce locests we will find that we shall have a pocievion quite as valuahle as that of pune． For interins finish and alte finer grade of joinery and cahinet makins，spruce will never beenme popular，its yreat value heing its adaphahility for makiny pulp．In forcign makkets，however， sprese humher is seeadily gaining ground，and is replacing lialtic wooks．

This special issue of ahe Cixidod Lembermas is designed to ditause information regarding the spruce focests and saw milling estiblishments of this counsty，and more particularly the castern section thereor

It is impossible，in the limited space at our
disposal，to publish particulars of the many mills scattered over the three provinces specially repre－ sented by this issue．The total number，from the small portable mill used so largely in Nova Scotia to the huge band mill of one hundred thousand feet daily capacity，reaches up into the thowaind To each of there a cops of this issue of Tate lumuermas will be forwarded，in order that every lumber manufacturer may，by a perusal of its pages，learn of the advantages to be derived from a first－class trade paper．The sub－ seription orice of one dollar covers both the weekly and monthly cuitions．

The publishers are always gratified to receive contributions from the trade on any subject of current interest．This fact does not appear to be understood to the desired extent．General information，such as proposed improvements，in－ crease of plant，market conditions，cte．，is like－ wise appreciated．The Casaba Lumbensan is published in the interests of the Canadiandumber trade as a whole，and to this constiteency it con－ fidently appeals for recognition and support pro－ poationate to the service which it is endeavoring to perform．

## FOREST PRODUCTS AND THE QUEBEC CONFERENCE

No question is receiving more attention by the commissioners in session at Quebec than that relating to trade in forest products．This is as expected．The situation is such as to make it impossible that representatives of the Canadian and Linited States grovernments could meet to adjust trade difficulties wahout being forced to consider the situation as to timber． Anticipating this，the Lumbernen＇s Association of Ontario adopted a resolution at a meeting last August，senting ferth their views，and ex－ piessing their willingness to submit to the free exportation ot logs in seturn for free entry of lumber into the IVited States，although some of thase present ：xere bitterly opposed to the export of ings under any circumstancei．This was the beginning of what will pass into history as one of the most interesting periods in the lumber industry of both countrics．

So far as can be gieaned，a sentement as to logs and lumber is no nearer then when the con－ ference opened，and yet we believe that the importance oi the question 30 both countries will demand that some measure of reciprocity be decided upon for presentation to the governments of both countrics．

Canada will aecept nothing short of free lumber for free logst If she cannot obtain free lumber，then the manufacturing clause as passed by the Ontario government will continac to exist．In the tinited States the situation is differens．We fird one section of the country arrayed asainst another ；one district in favor of free lumber，another opposed to it．The dir－ ferean interests have been very acive during the Quechee conference，deputations having addressed the cummissioners and vigorous lobbies having been extablised．The Michisan lumbermen owning Canadian limiss are directing their efforts to defeating the act passed by the On－ tario government compelling thome manufacture－ Representations to that end have been forwarded to the government at Washingion，thence to the British government，Dominion government，and， finally，to the piemier of Ontario．The latter，
however，has announced his deciswn to adter to the manufacturing clause，onay recetry therefrom on one condition，viz．，that the Unitis States shall permit tree entry of ：ill groded Canadian lumber．

Regarding the legalaspect of the c．ave，this or no doubt well thought out and considered bre Ontario cabinet before action wats taken，ands foundet on the British North Americian Act． $0=1$ a brief review is necessary to show who are repo sible for the present difficulties．In the jear is： there existed a United States import duty of to dollars per thousand on lumber，and a Canase export duty of two dollars per thous．and on kz3 In the fall of that year Canada agreed to remera the export duty in return for a reduction of is lumber duty to one dollar．（By a piece of ste： practice，the Mckinley bill read＂on white only；＂leaving spruce and red pine still at ts； dollars．）Then in 1894 lumber was deckes free by the Wilson bill，but the Dingley bila $1 \mathrm{~S}_{97}$ restored the duty on all kinds of lumber is two dol！ars．The only ceurse lefit opee ： Canada was to return to the export dutr，te this was prevented by the placing of a retalizen． clause in the Dingley bill，increasing the istan duty on lumber by the amount of the expe duty that might be imposed．The Doaize government were in a measure handicapped， $2-$ the justice which was due Canadian lumber＝ was obtained through the original owners of is timber，the Ontario goternment．
The Michigan lumbermen are not alore a their desire for more amicable relations in regr： to timber．The consumers of the Eastern S：zin are working wigorously for free lumber，and 2：： an important section of the country．Wizo：asi dealers，even those who were piectiousty in fana of the duty，now find that their trade has bexe seriously interfered with，owing to being ce： pelled to buy at high prices at western pien and are exerting themselvesto securefreeluatre
Reverting to the conference，the accefizat by Canadian lumbermen of a one dollar detry relurn for free logs seems to have been eiminores from tite possibilitics．The stand which ter have taken is directly opposed to any fore a compromise．They reason in this manner：Te＝ is an impertant market in the Eastera Sian and along the Linited States shore of Lake E for lumber，much of which will be supplited $\{=$ timber limits tributary to the Georatan Ey liy cuting of the surply of logs for the Nictis： milhs，some lumber can be sold cren under 285 doilar duty：But with Michigan mills gathos Canadian loss frec of dusy，and Canadian lumin being subjected to a duty of one doanar， 5 Michisan manufacturers would have 2 cion： ativantage over the manufacturer in Cazaz The latter prefer to cut of the log sarpitit Michasan mills and take their chancus made 2 two dollar duly：Then again，there are E－： persons in Canada who belicve that in resurafi the free exportation of save logs and putp wion we should be permitted to hate un：atrates aceess to the American market for twt ex： lumocr，but all forest products，ineludang and paper．Certainly the same arguntana $:=$ applies to lumber and saw logs is equal：－azat cable to pulp and pulp rood．Every yex hundreds of thousands of cords of pula nat are taken to the Conited States，to build capare and pulp manufactories there，while a conixie－－


SUGGESTIVE OF TRADE POSSIBILITIES.
The Domanion of Canada is to-day regarded as a vastly more important lumber producing country than she was a felv years ago. Her timber products have, through the efforts of eaterprising exporters, found their way into importing countries of both hemispheres, where they have successfully encountered competition and become a standard article of import. Great britain, under a free trade policy, has turnished 2 market for perhaps nine-tenths of the export to the Europtan continent, and yet her possibilities are by no means exhausted. It is equally true, however, that in other countries there exists markets quite as promising as those of Great Britain, and worthy of the attention of Canadian iumber experters.
The information published in this number concerning forcign markets is in some respects parikdarly sustgestive, and will repay careful consperation by manufacturers desirous of engaging n the export trade. We will refer brielly to some of the signal features of the reports.
The mazsatitude of the annual import of wood souds inio Gireat liritain, reaching in value iss,000,000, of which Canada supplies only $\$_{15} 5$ © 0,000 , of ahout one-sixth of the total, furnishes grend for enquiry as to the possibility of inercassous Itade with that country. This, we belicre, sat be dunc. The timber supply of the United Siates will swon become exhausted, so that Noraxs and Sucden are the only countries which an be lioked upon as strong compe!itors of Canda. Our timber has sradually replaced the halice wood for cestain purposes, and will no dabi cuntinue to do so. The most pramising catlook for the expansion of our trade appears iote in the export of partially manufactured stock. In carlier years a larger quantioy of timtre mas imported in the log; this has stendily sirea may to deals and boards, and co-day the iencency of the trade is to import the manufacterad siak seady for use. The reason is obvious. In imporin:s the timber in the log freight must be paid on muciz uaste material; so with deals and onards which are intended to be re-sation mito smaller sizes. The necessity of cheapening the ast of production will not permit of this expe:d:itre. Note the remarks of a correspondtat: " Thitre is really no end to the ficid which exisis fer the cextension of tade in partially and whont mantutactured specialties in hard and soft woat. Ihe wise manufacturer will net permit liese sugisextions to pass unnoticed. It is along thene linse that we would adtise our manufacte:crs fa dircte sheir efiorts.

Some taill men without repiesentatives in the Binch neotncl may fecl disposed io ship lumber to ae wis on consignment. Frequently this methad risplts unsatisfactorily. It is not only antair to imporicrs who contract for shipments 212 iair price, but ofien causes a general depression of tit market. There are reliable agents to besccutse, who will look after the interest of experter, and keep them informed as to the sta̧ni:cmintis.

Taking the other countries to which we export 1 1. ic find conditions quite different from us in Areat ! Sritain Cimadian lumber is im-
of our timber products into the U'nited States: we should at least exclude the importation of United States lumber.

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 .for eutatic sharduouds, ithe objectionAmerican lumber. The lesson to be learned from this is that the Dominion government should, at the carliest possible moment, establish direct lines of steamships between these countries and Cinnada. So long as we are content to allow our exports to stand to the credit of the United States, we cannot expect to increase our trade to any sreat extent. It is pointed out that from many of these countries return cargoes of goods could be obtained.
A peculiar circumstance is recorded by Mr. Lewis l:. Thompson, commercial agent at Santiago, Chile. For some years, he says, box shooks have been imported into Santiagro from England, these being made from Canadian spruce. It seems almost incredible that this should be the case, and it certain!; calls for investigation and action by Canadian box shook manulacturers.
The claim has been made against Canadian lumber that it is not alsays carefuily manufactured and shipped in such a manner as to meet the requirements of foreign markets. There has, perhaps, been some ground for this complaint in the past, but a decided improvement has taken place in recent years, and it is now possible to obtain in Canada lumber of the best manufacture and highest grade. loreign importers evince a strong disposition to handle Canadian timber products, a statement that is borne out by advices from well-informed correspondents. Bj energetic effort on the part of our manufacturers a considerable extension of our trade in wood goods is possible, and will doublless be witnessed in the next few years.

## EDITORIAL NOTES.

The experiments now being made at Oilama to secure the conversion of sawdust into carbon for the manufacture of calcium carbide are being watched with keen interest by lumbermen. Mr. Emerson, the inventor of the patent, bas been engaged on the work for secierni months, and hopes within a short time to demonsirate the success or ctherwise of the seheme. If successful, the thanks of the entire lumbering fraternity will be due Mr. IVm. Edarards, under whose dircetion the invesrigations are heing carricd on.

As extimate of twenty-five million feet has been made as the amount of lumber that will be imported into Manitoba and the Northwest from the United States this year. This is as against some sixteen milition feet last year. The limber consumption of the lorthwest is yearly increasing: farniers are more prosperous, and are spending more money in the crection of buildings. As the country becomes still further populated, cren a much greater quantity of lumber will be consumed. So much regarding the impertance of the market. Then why stould we permiz the benefit of these improted conditions to be shared by the United States, which has crected a tarifi wall between the two cuuntries so far as lumber is concerned? Cintil we are allowed free entry
 band satw. On the other thandit
ceived at this office would lead to the conctugita that band sawn hardwood lumber is coming more into favor. This is a point which might well be considered by persons contemplating the remodelling of their mills or the erection of new ones, and upon which we would be pleased to have an expression of opinion from our readers.

No arrangements seem to hase been made as yet which would indicate that Canada intends to make a forestry display at the Paris Exposition of 1900 . Surely this opporiunity of advertising the timber products of this country is not to be allowed to pass, while every day brings evidence of the necessity of Canadian goods being betier known in foreign markets. It is prob:tble that the smatl space allotted to Canada has discouragred the movement to some extent, more especially in view of the proposal which was disc ansed a few months aro, and is still adrocated by some, to hold a World's Fair in Toronto in 1go1. Should this project he carried out, we might expect to witness a forestry dinplay which would eclipse anything hiliserto attempled.

We are frecjueatly in receipt of letters from foreign importers enquiring as to where stocks of certain kinds of lumber, pulp wond or other timber product can be wbrained, and in same instances have been enabled to direct our correspondents in the manner desired. This is gractical evidence of the increased attention which is now hein:. given to Canada as a lumber exporting country, and in a short sime she may be expected to assume a commanding position in this particular. One of the best methods of ascertaining the whereabouts of desired stock is through sle medium of the "A Wranted and For Saic Departinerst" of the weekly edition of the Casinia I-tunekina: This has been found very effective luy those who have given it atrial, and will no dosht be gatronized to a freater extent is it becomes betier known. Aduertisers may have their letters addressed to a box at this office, when they will be forwarded by the puhlishers.

The American Monthy Revicw of Rericul for October
 made loy Mr. F. A. Kinctant, the phutorapher of she Trans.Missinsiorix Exposition at Omalha. is connction with an accoent of the Indian congrens sne in waion therc.
The Great West, an illustrated monthy magazine, pubFinted at Wïnipate, of uhich the initial number lav come to ziand. should prove a ucicome adhiturn w Canathan Itseatare. It presents an smbitig appocarathe, and na fine example of "othe art presersative-" The conten: a:c taried, incleding many articles of merit.
So matice in what part of the Dominion you are riteated, an expicssion of your vicexs on any sabject relatire to the lember trade is solicited by the pubtistee of this jocrmal. No reader stould rait for a permomia minatuon. Assintance thes rendered, as well as sugfentinas for making the journal more salwaitic to subturibern, will be mech appreciated.

## Lumbering operations of emile STEHELIN.

A frew years ago a progressive capitalist from France, recognizing the advantages of Camda as a field for investment, purchased considerablo pro property in the vicinity, of Weymoulth JWigky
better communication between the point of manufacture and the shipping port, he decided to facilitate matters by building a pole raikay,

 be dondy distance, as

France; Doyle Lake, where there is one sawmill; Riverdale, where there are two sawmills; Woodville, where there are three sawmills; Corberrie, a thriving little village; and Weymouth, on the coast. The construction of this railway is so unique that we give some particulars and illustrations herewith.

On level ground the construction of a pole railuay is a very easy matter, but in this part of Nova Scotia the country is hilly and there are a great many swampy stretches, which made construction more expensive than would often be the case. The cost of the whole line,
Mhab of Embe Stehelis ar New Fsance, N. S.
no limit to the height to which such piers and abutments can be carried.

1) The locornotive "Firefly," shown below is thenorefin : stationät's boilen and: 'a reperity forse-poner
 driven by an intermediate crink whel. Con.


Fig. G-l'ole Rallwai-The locomotive " Fikefly:-
siderable dificulty was experienced in adiusting the parts of this engine, but it was finally got to run very satisfactorily, and is used for hauling logs to the saw mills.
II The "Maria Theresa" is an entirely new locomotive, built expressly for the line by a lora Scotia firm. It has four cylinders of twentr horse-power each, driving two trucks of four wheels each.
(l In operating a line of this kind, one of the greatest difficulties to be contended with is tie amount of friction developed by the wheeis, which do not run on the wooden rails with atall the same case as on steel or iron. The locomotive should, therefore, be made as light as is consistent with the power to be developed, the friction of the whecls being sufficient to cowpensate for the lack of weight in the locomotire. It is to obviate as much of this friction as possibl: that the upper surface of the rail is cut in three faces. At present only six miles per hour is obtained cegularly, but Mr. Stchelin hopes with some madification of the locomotive whecis to
including equipment in this case, was about $\$ 3,000$ per mile. This included grades of three to six per cent., a number of bridges and several embank-


Fic. =-Constetction of liole iinhlinv.
ments of from ten to fifteen feet high. On level ground the construction consists in laying down slecpers ten fect longs and three to four fect apart, on which is laid a spruce rail, satwn as shown in lig. 3. The rails are twenty to thirty-five fect long, and


ien thousind acres of timber land, chiefly spruce. It is not alone in the dircction of buildings satw mills that Ar. Stehelin has shmen progress. Having his first stock of lumber reacly for market in the year isigh, he discovercd that, owing to poor roads, it would be very expensive and laborious to set it to Wicymouth, the nearest shipping point. licalizing the necessity of was given to the export trade. Now Mr. Stehelin manufacturers annually one million feet for the South imerican market and 500,000 feet of deals tor the English market. He owns about
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 he required height of the pier of embankment is obtaincd. With earcful work and exact cuting of the timber, there is practically
 obtain higher speeds. The engines arc wood burniag, but it is proposed to substitute coal, whish can be bad very cheaply at Weyn:outh. The freight cars used on the pole railusy are twenty feet long, on two trucks with four thetls each ; the passenger car is twenty fect lon:. and is covered and closed; there is also one small passenger car to carry four persons.

## THE NEWS.

-C. Dehag ،a (upened a lumbiri gard at Altuna, Man
Finch bitu lave startul a saw will at kumbetler, 13.C:
-II. Bretl 1 is established a lumber yard at L.umsalen, two
-Dow di Culy are opening a lumber yard at litot Momil, 3 lin
-Mr. II. J. (itejell, linderhy, II.C., has secured a patent ax 2 cant hooh.
-Robett s:c watt, of Guelph, Ont., is building an addition to his rlaning mill.
-The disunhtun is announced of Ieonard \& Morin, lumber senks, (ianthy, Gue.
-1). Milltr contenplates building a saw mill and stave fatory at Wa-1. ino, Ont.

- ligars.i $i=$, lumber manufacturers, lort Arthur, Ont., tare esallished an agency in Winniper.
-C. T. Whate is alout to rebuild his mill at Apple River, a.i., which wan destroyed by fire last spring.
-The f. is N. Kalway Company are nom lucatiog a line of
 pries.
-The lemexer yards of King lroos, Palos, Que., which were encenty consumed by fire. were insured to the extent of 5j;.0ea
- Mfachacry as lecing ärchased by R. J. Wison, of fort Fracers, Ont., for a saw mill and four mill at big liorks, REME: Riret.
-in extulation of log rolling was one of the atrractions at Bre Uisua cilainton, some of Mayor linghan's men lxing :is pelformer
 posto criend their works, andil have acked fus a lonus of $\xi_{i} 0,000$ from the zoun.
-The lita of J. Hietie $\&$ Company las decided to remove tom Chestey io Tara, where they will manufacture elicese teses, aftel lartels, buther firkins, cic.
- Mif. T. S. Stmas has purchased the llayden mill prope:ty at Hastraxialic, N.13.. and wall at once install machinery for te manataturc of hrush and hroom handles.
-The Lotumba liver Iamber Cu, Heaicr, B.C. have decifd to (wi in 2 steam plant in place of the prosent water past, the hatuet taving resulted in a short milling season.
-It W. Kichards, a former tesudent of Hrock ville, Ont., is dead at las oreles, Cal, aged forty years. He was a succontel leancy mesclant until failing health compelled him to reise.
-l'cter lecnelle $\$$ Ca's new mili seas liobson, B.C., has surted ap lis capacity is 100,000 feet every 24 hours, and
 2rexis at work.
-A lage erecular saw burst in the Hastings mall at lanecerer, $1: 1.1$, recently. It ficw into numernus pieces; 50 men wete ciase b.j, lxi: no one was hurt, not even the sawier standis sext in itic saw.
-The I-pena Kiver Iuprovement, Stide \& Bown Company be lest enjaxizen, to cary out improvements on the Ijigeon
 datger, тa.th \& Ca
 paize to. . - a new oftice and make additons to their saw and pian:-: os mall. They iniend puaning in a larger engine axd marti:- z for dressing pulpuoon.
-Men- wailuaith, of Tara, are aloot to commence the eceion :-4 new sax mill near l'arry Sound, Ont., io have a copecis - $\because, 000$ fec: jer lay. Ginindles liros have comb-maxceili:- ctection of a saw mill on Oitce lake, near that somiz
 Ca, $x_{i}:$ : 2 capsal of 560,000 . The promoters are: l'aui Wetiser. - N. W(ngi, O. I. Webler and A. K. Kicfer, of Iketris: : : K. A. Ilazlewoud and James Whalen, of toot At:
-T. :. Phazage lanmer Compuny lave introduced what streise , Ie the first electric car used in sux malling operatwes: tr. . . ita. This car will conrey the lumber from the six mi: :te sash and door fectory, and is expectal to do thenesi ivhorses
-Th: - rectusty of the Kujal Ciby Dills Company: New Wo:ar:- r. It C. was displayed in connection with the iecent it thete, iby announcing that all who uished might
have lumber, taking their own time to pay for in ; besides this they opened a free eating house for the famishing citizens.
--Incorguration has been granted to the Catadian luken Lamatice Cumpans, of Monisal, comprosel of R. W. Santh, W. M. Kamsay, T. L. Kixdlech, l.. F. Hand and Henry Bulmer. The comprany will carty on a lumileaing and pulp; business, and has a cipital of $\$ 100,000$.
-J. t:. Murphy, of Ilepworth Station, Ont., writimg to the liarrel \& Bov, states that le has cut 900,000 staves this scason, which have leven sold at satisfactury prices. He is mesw turning out $\mathrm{t}, 000$ sets per day of kith dicid leading. Ile is of the opinion that there is an opeuing on the Georgian liay for a grenl bex shook factory:
-It is understoul to le the intention of the Hastings siow Mill Co, of Vancouver, B. C., to erect a large saw mill at Vallage Baj, in that province, whete they tave a tumber supply for ten years. This company recently completed a large flume wer 600 yards in length, in the construction of whach 2,000,00 feet of lumber was used.
-The Maple Foonng Manufacturens Asewcatoon of Chicago have issued a neat and atractive brochure, the olject of which is to set ferth the vinucs and comparatively law eost of maphe
 me, and is conapled h, the sectetars. Ali. Jutin l. Wiliame, 3if Deathon strect, (lueagu.
--The Standard Chemical Co. of Canala, which has taken over the chemeal work plant of the liathan Co. at Deaceonto, Ont., are preparint: to extend the works. The large brick kilns used for carkonizing the wood will le supplemented lij qo iron retorts. The company expect to manufacture word alenhol, aectic acil, chloruform, paris green, and ohter products.

Judge Witson has given judgment against Alex. Crawford and (icorge lhinnimore for the sum of $\$ 50.5$. The claim was the result of strem driving nperations on the Tohiapue river, the interested lumbermen leing James McNair, Hilliard Jrox, 1.. A. Histey, Serator ldish, Adam levetidge and Itale S. Murchic. The defendants were sulb-contractors for the Tohigue Driving Co.
-Mr. F. F. St-phenson, croma timber agent of Winnijcg, Man., seturned recently foni a visit to the simber himits situated in the line Creck district. He found that fires had done great damage to the rescrve, and will sccommend the department to take prompt action in precerve the gromth in order to make the reserve a pernaznent one. The simber is chiefly spruce, tamarae and popiar.

- The foresis in Sweden are theatened liy new insects called nuns, which entisely destroy the trees According to an official repost these ineets have suined $6 \times 0$ acres of eicellent forest in the neighborhood of Noorkoping, uhile all forests which have been ineraded hy the nuns must be cut dourn. The ineects at. lack every uecin the forest, bua whitewonl sems to suffer more than the veliow pinc.
-The Nora Scotia I.umber Co., of Sherlirooke, Ni.S., lave compleided one of the lest gang and sotary sall mills in the Dominion. It is fited with modern improvements, including savr-lust, task andi refuse convegnr. The convejur carries the waste uoxd ;oo feet from the mill, uthere it is ennsumed hy firc. The gans saw has a capraciuy of 100,000 feet per day, and the rotary off fromz $=5,000$ in 30,000 feet per day. lic. tween So and $p$ men are employed.
-Arrangements have lieen made for th, touliting of a South African cxpeditica at Grahamsown, $S$ ulh Alrica, ennmencing
 merce has made arrangemenis for the foe tranoportation from Canaisa to Cape Toun of goods iniendrit to le cxhilnetl, and no daig will be charged on sume. The Canaluan government will make an exhilit, which is leceng leoked afier by Mr. Thomas Mofat, 16 Church sireet, Cape Town.
 destroyed by fire last month. The mall was in charge of M s. William looncts, oac of the pariners, who las met with many business severnals of bate. For three successure yeats foends have carried awzy his logs, notwishstanding: shat great precautron was taken to guand against such a contingency. In June last he lost $100,0 \infty$ feri of lings hig fire. We ate pleased io Ieatn that these is a prolalitily of the mill inetng retuati.


## CASUALTIES.

Narcive Iarocquc. of llull, was wriouly injured in Me. Guirc's limits at Whitne:, Ont, by a uee falling upon him.
-Sameel Deli, a young man worhing in Welch's shingle mill at foreston, N. Ah, had his heal completely severed foom his lexly: by falling en a circular saw.
-Fied. Dorter met with a painfal accident in Kisk's mill at Spencer's Island, N. K, the other day. Ilis hand got caught
in a ledt and was carried into the cog whects, by which the hand and arm were ground to a pulp.
-Three men, named Joseph leegree, Clarles Guesnefle and J. 13. andxum, were drowned at the muthth of the kunge reser, white attemptang to cross the swift curmem in a small lame. The men wete cabereal an lumbering operation-

## PERSONAL.

Mr. Podmore, of the timber firm of Sieveking, lode
 to Camadia.
Mr. James lones, secretary of the Sublerland, Inaes Co., Chatham, Ont., remrued a short time ago froma two months' trip to Europe.

Mr. Sulherland, of the Crown timber oftice, Winnipes, has been removed to Yorkton, N. W. T., where he becomes Dominion land dyemt for that district.

Mr. J. A. Graham, asistam timber a dic inplector of tile C. P. R., O. A L.. disision, has resigned. to accept a position an manager of a kentucky lumber firm.

Hon. Arthur Hill, of ata St. Authong lumber Co., Whatney, Unt., and the Arthur Hill Co., Vlilland, Ont., returned a foatnight ago from at six monalis trip io the pacific coast.

The marrige was celebrated lint month, in St. Mathias church, Westmoum, of Miss Matoct Hall Wiard, fifh damather of Hon. J. K. U:ard, of Montre:l, and Mr. Gerald Aytuer, of the biank of Montreal.

## TRADE NOTES.

The Victoria Foundry Co., of Ontavi, Ont., is buikling six mathomaking machince for Merratis Con, of St. Jolm, ㅅ.1s.
The Waterous Co., of lirantford, hat on wiew at athe Quebec exhibition:a $=$ oh.p. pratable engine, rumaing a suall saw frome and carriage, cutting logr from 9 to 20 feet in tength. In the machinery huilding they showed a planer, shaghe machune and stathonary engine.
The attention of Cinnadian lumber exporters desirons of obtaining at sepresentatite in Sprain is directed to the adsertivement in shis inue of Mr. J. Carreras Ferrer, of Barcelona. Mr. Ferrer beliewes ahat a market could be found in that coumry for Canadian lumber, expecially spruce, which is wed very langely fur box making. He ofiens to furnish fint clase references to expornagg firms.
At the recent Quebec exhilhition ath atiractive display of their varinas manufactures wav made by the wellknown firm of Carrier, Laine \& Co., al Levis, Que. In the machinery hath there were shown an atotomatic comphund harizontal engine, develoging to horse pawer, which is elained to be the noos perfect euginc on the market. Eienden other lines of eapines andsteam pumps, there was exhibited a complete line of gang naws, shingic machines, elc.
The new fork packings entablishatent of the Dark-iblackwell Co., limited, Tornato, is nearing completion. The building is a commodious structure of four storic., and is being equigped with latent up-tu-date machinery and appliances, and iv situated conveniently to the hay and cante nardets. The company anticipate requiring about three thousind hogs and one handired bead of cattle weekly: This enterprising company contemphate catering the export trade, in ablition so xiving attention to their large and growing latm trade. We draw attention to aluir advertisement, witich appean in this montis insue of the Cusman l.cmuermas.

The Douke Manfy. Co. of Toronao, limited, whose advertiocment appean in our pages shis montt, hate been granted a elarter, and have taken wer the business of the Dodge Wiod Split loultey Company. The Dodre Manfg. Co. will continue to nanarfacture the celebrated Dodge wond split puliey, and will alon carry on at gencral cugincering. foundry and methine buvines, making: : ipecialty of power tranmivium machinery, such an shafsing and hanger cquipment, jack shafts, howor stando, friction clatch pelieys and couphings, rope driving, srain handling machinery, etc: The Doblge Conamany have been formate in securug a vers ahle mechanical enginecr to aske charge of their works, and being enpecially well equipped, are in the bens ponible ponition to sed work out guickly. Jlans and information on all kinds of special
 handsomely illestrated catalogue is mailed frec bey the conpany on application.

# Fopeign Marketits fop Ganadian Timber Ppoductis 

GREAT BRITAIN

TTIIE United Kingdem of Great Britain and Ireland is the most extensive timber ingorting country in the world. Ponsessing no forest wealh of any atcom, her many large manufactories using wools as their raw material are dependent alnost exclusively upon importations from forcign countries: The quamily of wood soods imported amnally by Great lbritain is enormous. For the year ending December 3rst, 1897, there were received at the various ports $9, \mathrm{~S}_{4} \mathrm{j}, \mathrm{pss}$ loads of hewn and sawn timber. A load as used in Enghturd is equal to 600 feet board measure, making a torat import for the United Kingdom in 1897 of 5,907,592,ioo lee board measute. Placing the average value at Sti per thousand feet, this represents an ambasl expenditure in money of ower $\$ \$ 8,000,000$. It should be sated, towever, hat in that year the market was overstocked, and therefore the average import would be slig!tly below the above figures.
We give below the quantity of timber received in 1897 at some of the leading ports, accoding to their respective inportanee:


It has been estimated that the Dominion of Canada supplies Great britain will simber products, including manufactures of wood, such as dours, hox shooks, heading, cte., to the value of $\$ 15.000,000$. Perhaps two-thirds of this anount is represented by pine and spruce deals. In late yean our mimufacturen hate inereased their shipnents oflumber to Great Bnatan considerably; but from the above fagures there would appear to be an opening for further extending, our trade. In the lines most commonly imported, such as deals, phanks, and square and waney timber, the believe the prospects for business have been fairly well investiguted ; but there is undoubtedly a wide narkes yet undeveloped by Canadian lumbermen for manufactures of wood and apecialtics. The following letters, bearing upon the impont and requirements of some of the principal centres, point in this direction:

Dear Sif,-liestardims the beat methods by which lumber manufacturess not already is the trade may bring their goods to the notice of buyers here, I wouldstate that this can best be done cither throught the median of the many old established merchants in the trade, by applying 10 agents or brokers on this side, or by adiertising in special trade papers. There secass to be a concenulus of opinion that the Canadian preducer should phace himedf entirely in the landy of a single broker or agent, who would make it his busincess to watch his interests and obtain the best prices, while keeping him advised as to quality, sigle of preparation required for this market, etc.
It is not an cast mather io say what are the standard sizes of hatratwoeds in steady demand, as the demand varies from time to sime and the sizes depend to a great extent upon the prarticular purpose for which the wood may he reguired. Oak, ash, black walnur, elm, narile, birch and beceh are some of the hardwoods most in deniand here.

There is really no end to the field which exists for the extension of trade in partially and wholly manufactured speciathies in hard and soft wood. It is purely a question of price and quality, as competition is tery keen, and for articles such ats broom and axe handes, knife boards, spokes, carriage wood, car building materials, furniture, ecte. low prices have to be accepted to secure a fair portion of the trade. The denathd is very large, and Americans base obtained a hold on the market which renders competition very severe. For the most part the trade is done by merchants who import in large quantities b) contract.

The Canadian wood pulp business is already established on a firm basis, and there iṣ roem for an indefinite extension of this branch of trade in both the meclannical and chemical varieties. The following are the views of a gentheman well acquainted with the lumber and pulp trade in all ins bearings: "The Canadian wood pulp industry has, in our opinion, a great fucure. The pulp is regarded by British paper makers as in several respects superior to Scandinavjan, and makes stronger and lougher paper. There will always be a good demand for it in London and hanchester, even at a trific higher price per ton than Scandinavian me:hanical. In addition to the several schemes for erecting wood pulp nills in Canada and Noua Scotia which ate being carried into effect by means of British capital, our Mr. Mhillips has heard quite recenily that two of the leading paper-making concerns in this country are on the point of dispatching representatives to Canada to gather information with a view to the purchase of land and the establistiment of milis to supply pulp for their requirements. No doubt is entertained in the best informed paper trade circles here that the Canadian wood pulp industry is capable of vast development."
J. G. Coluer,

## London, England.

Dear Sir,-There is an increasing demand tiroughout the United Kingdon for :all kinds of Cinadian lard and soft woods, and our chiref trouble has been to keep our customers supplicd. We liave liad large consignments during this year from our own limits in Canada, but arestill very much behind with some of our orders. Wie are desious of communicating with reliable firms who are prepared to fill export bills according to the required specifications of this country's markets. We can give orders for almost every kind of wood that grows in a Canadian forest, furmsh prompt returns for shipments, and supply undeniable references on your side as well as on this. We have a steady demand for oak, ash, roek elm, soft elm, maple, basswood, bircit, beceh, chestnur, doors, etc., and are prepared to placelarge contracts with reliable operators who can shipany of sheabove mentioned woods either in lumber or cut to specification. Our inspectors in Canada are theroughly conversant with the requirements of this country and would ghady furnish all particulars as to the culling, etc., recquired for this market. lonst year we handled from $=00$ to 3.50 large consigments of Canadian woods, and are doing our utment to further this trade with Conada. We have received recently a harge enquiry for willow. Do you know of any firm who handles this wood?
We cannot see why the Canadians should not capture the paper market of England. It is an andeniable fact that the Americans are taking away the trade of the paper namufucturers in this country. It is 22,00 a well known lace that Ancrican paper is made fron. Eanadian pulpwoad. This trade belongs to the Camadians, and if they donit secure it they have themselices to blame, as they have the raw material and as good natural facilities for manufacturing as the dmericans, and quite as yood freight rates in this country. The writer remembers, a bout wo jears ago, while travelling on the nortl: shore of lake Superior, having seen hundreds of housands of loads of sprace destined for the American paper mills, and he belicues the same applies to all parts of Canada,
ats we ourselves have recently received tempting offen from American paper manufacturers for the pulphoot on our Canadian limits. The writer believes plenty of moser could be raised in England for the industry of pap manufacturing in C:thada should a proper paiphetus be shown.

The M. Thmer Company or Cinam. L.ondon, England.

Dear Sir,-Before enumerating the various desmip tions of timber which find here a ready demand, we beg to point out that no other industrial centre in the Uuitrd Kiugdom presents a more desirable outlet for the proteds of those who are interesied in the timber trade andergaged in its manufacture in the Dominion of Canad As the chief ste:t of the shipbuilding indastry in the country, our city does a large irade in every find or wood manufactured and exported frons Canada. The imports to the Clyde are large and increasing, and as faras present appearances indicate are likely to continue dozag so. The existing demand for nearly all Canadian wods, is tery good: for some it is ceren brisk. We beliene, therefore, that there is great scope in this market for a large development in business in Canadian timber, and for the information of your lumber manufacturers we beg to enclose a memorandum of the wooe's which aremosi extensively used here.
Waney boarmwood. - This timber is in consaat demand by shipbuilders and house builders, and is regolated in price by size and quality: liork at present is phensitul in each of these departnents of trade, with cecery prosjpect of being maintaired, and as slocks are lighter than they were at the sume period a year ago, oce anticipations are most likely so be realized.
Square linits: Pine.-The enquiry for has timber is only moderate. like the boardwood. the beller quater of it is used mosily for finishing purpones in houses and ships, and it always commands a good price.
Ren Pae.-At one time a considerable quanmey of this wood went into consump:ion for joisting. ctc., best it seems to be out of favor now, and superseded by pited pine. Still a fair consumplion atikes phace annually.
Eina.-Elm is largely used by shipbuilders, and the stock on hand not being excessive, rather, indecd. under what it was at the sime lime last year, points to toe conlinuance of a fair dernand, especially for large wool

Onk Lors and litanks. The former are used in step building and railway and waron building, and the planks chiefly for the latter industrf, which is a very maportast one in this sicinity, and large ghantites of varates specifications are taken up.
Astr. - This is mosily used by cabinet makers in the manufacture of bedroom furniture, and also for draker wood. The demand is always more or less active.
Brecth goes largely into clanir making, aled there is a betrer demand than existed some few months ago buth for logs and planks, boards and squares.

Wiute Pive Deals.-There is almays a large demad for these in the different sizes and grades of guahtit. Al the beyinning of the year, in consequeace oflarge socks, prices ruled low, but the present very brisk condtion of our principal industrics has greatly improved natters Firs quality are used to a large extent for finishuys pare poves, such as panclling in house doors, shaps, cti., and ahoo for pattern wood for engineers. Sccond ijualthy, though in fair demand, is not so much used as finte or thirds, and the imputs ate therefore on a smallet seate In third quality deals there is a sery large consumption amongst joiners, boat builders, packing box makes, cle. and good sound planks can always be sold al thers salar. Fourth quality deals, boih broad and narrow, are nimstly used by packing box makers, but the low price, :w compared with thirds, makes them in demand also 'y the smaller class of fursiture makers.
White Pine: Smmise.-Lange guantitics of thene are imported to this market. Since their introduction h.re io recent years there has been a great demand for liem,
nches wide. Refuse is what is culled from the shipners as not being quite up to that grade, and may contain boards of nine feet contents without sap, or boards of 10 feet contents and upwads with sap, but the sap must not extend across the board, that is, must leave six inches of heart lumber throughout the entire length of the board. Second quality, so-called, is inferior to refuse, and consists of boards of 8 feet contents and under, or bourds of larger contents in which the sap does not leave six inches of heart lumber, or has streaks of rot, but in which the rot has not eaten into the board. An allowance of 5 per cent. for splits on shippers is customary. Reluse usually brings $\$ 3$ per thousand less than shippers, and second quality from $\$ 3$ to $\$ 4$ less than refuse. Very little plank is required, not more than $5 \%$ of cargo, and it must be of good quality.
Spruce is principally used from February to June, during the crop season, and is imported in cargoes of 130 M to 200 M . There are only two grades, merchantable and second quality. No allowance is made for refuse ; only boards of 6 in . and under, and very much shivered, are thrown out, and bring about $\$ 3$ per $M$ less. No allowance is made for splits.. Scantling is used in very few sizes, such as $2 \times 3,2 \times 5,2 \times 6$, and in the following proportion, say $25 \mathrm{M} 2 \times 3,5 \mathrm{M} 2 \quad 5$ and $5 \mathrm{M} 2 \times 6$.
Shiagles: Cedar Laying sawn, 4 bundles to 1 M , are largely used, and principally No. : extra Spruce laying sawn in small quantities are saleable. Long Cedar Split are saleable; they must be of good quality, 100 to the bundle, and about 20 in . long.

The terms of sale are 3 months' credit to the local buyer. Salex being rendered on completion of delivery are subject to $1 / 3$ per cent. discount and 5 per cent. commission, which is really $21 / 2$ per cent. selling and $21 / 2$ per cent. guaraniee, and a small charge of about is cenis for delivering. The duty on white pine and spruce lumber is $\$ 1.20$ per thousand feet. Shipments should be made whenever possible by sailers instead of steamers, for convenience of landing, and cargoes should contaill about one-third first quality.

## TRINIDAD.

This colony is fairly well supplied with hardwoods of its own growth, supplemented by some imporis from the near coast of Venezuela and Bitish Guiana, which amounted in 1897 to $\mathbf{7 6 , 8 2 5}$ superficial feet only. Formerly, when the sugar crop was shipped in hogsheads, there was a large importation of cooperage materials. Now hogsheads have been displaced by bags, so that for last year imports were reduced 10 only 113,000 white oak sinves, 1856 bundles shooks and 53,400 wood hoopso Shingles were alsu largely imported formerly, but last year were reduced to 63,500 pieces, their use now being displaced by galvanized iron. The importation of lumber is therefore practically limited to pitch pine, white pine and spruce, coming from the United States and Canada. The total imports of the three kinds in 1897 were $11,488 .-$ 375 superficial feet. Of this $10,402,108$ came from the United States and only $1,086,274$ direct from Canada. The consumption of each kind is extimated to be about as follows : Pitch pine, $\mathbf{3 0 \%}$; white pine, $\mathbf{5 3 \%}$; spruce, $15 \%$.
The description of lumber received from Canadian ports is what is known as ordinary shipping boards and planks, 8 inches wide and 2 inchex thick. Assortments should not include more than $10 \%$ plank. The lumber usually measures from 10 ft . to 22 ff . superficial for bourd, and of courve double for plank. An average of itfi. contents for boards is considered good. More than i inch of sap on the pieces, or red rot, however litile, makes the lumber refuse, and splits of more than tiree running feet, broken lumber, whilst sixes under 10 ft. superficiml for boards, and zo ft. for planks, are also rejupered. The width of the lumber should be from 7 inches up to 15 and 16 , or even 18 inches for ordinary quality, but dimensions such as obtxin in the lumber received from she United Sintes, say 12 fi. lengths, by 10 and 12 inches wide, will always command a preference with buyers and bring higher prices, as these shipments are always sized and run very regular in length and width, as above.
An allowance of $5 \%$ for splits is customary, but in some instances is waived by purchasers. Ordinary sales are made subject to allowance for split. The contents of each board or plank should be legibly marked at one end of the piece, in colored pencil or chatk. Any piece less than 7 inches wide, or under 10 ff . contents hourd and 30 A. plank, are considered refuse and rejected as
such. The customary difference between good mercliantable lumber and refuse is from $\$+$ to $\$ 5$ per $M f$.

The import duty on lumber into Trinidad is $\$ 2$ per M f., irrespectice of quality or whence imported. The proportion of white pine used in Trinidad in comparison with spruce is fully 3 to 1 . The average value of Canadian lumber is $\$ 18$ to $\$ 19$ per $M$ for merchantable white pine, and $\$ 15$ to $\$ 16$ for spruce.
Much lumber the prodwt of Canadian mills is shipped through linited States ports and classed as American lumber. It can usually be obtained cheaper than by direct shipments. This is explained by the difference in freight. The United States have the practical monopoly of the supply of breadstuffs to Trinidad, and the vessels taking flour, etc., carry deck loads of lumber at cheap rates. Thus the one trade facilitates the other. ibere does not seem to be any good reason, however, why our lumber should not be shipped direct.

## JAMAICA.

Nearly nine-tenths of the lumber used in Jamaica is pitch pine from the United States. The total imports for the year ending March 31st, 1Ry8, as furnished by the Collector-General at Kingston, were as follows:


 | British East Indies | 150 | $13, \ldots \ldots$. | $\ldots . .$. |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | Total . $\overline{6,754,7592,746,9073.444,319237,875}$ These fixures show the small quantity supplied by Canada, and the possibilties of that market for our manufacturers and exporters. Concerning the Jamaica market a correspondent says: "A small proportion of white pine only is used. This comes from New York, hut It think it is manufactured in Canada. A very small proportion comes from Nova Scotia, also some spruce, but the quality of the wood that comes from New York is far superior to that which comes from Nova Scotia, the former being all $12^{\prime \prime}$ wide, 12,14 and 16 feet long, while the latter runs from $5^{\prime \prime} 1016^{\prime \prime}$ in width and 10 to 30 feet in length. Seven or eight years ago as much white pine was sold as pitch pine, but the drop in the price of pitch pine, while the price of whise pine remained about the sume, has no doubt caused the sate of the one to increase while the other decreased. I have oflen wondered why it is that Canadian manufactured lumber can be sent here through New York commission houses at far lower rates than it is possible to get it direct; in fact, it is almost impossible to get the same description of boards direct from Canada, although they are manufactured there. This is a matter thut should be looked into."

## ST, luCIA.

The quality of lumber used on this island is ali Canadian white pine of 1 and 2 incher by 12 inches and upwards. For some years pase it has been found more profitable to import the lumber from New York instead of the Maritime provinces, on account of the cheap freight by steamers from that city. Spruce and hemlock are not used there, and the only ollier kind of lumber imported is yellow pine from the Soulhern Siatex. The yearly quantity of both qualities imported amounts to about one and one-half million feet.

Kegarding this market, Mr. Sainval Coipel, of St. Pierre, writes: "White pine lumber is imported exclusively from New York, in boards and planks of an average of 16 feet for the former and 32 feet for the latter, their rexpective thickness being of $:$ and 2 inches, and the width varying between 10 and $i f$ inches. The lumber is of pretty fair quality, not very knolty and almost free of sap. Being myself engaged in the trade as a wholesale dealer, and having very good connections with several New Brunswisk firms, 1 have tried to secure a share of the business for my friends, but to my great regret, they have never been able to send the rigitt articic: it seems as though they cannot get boards of suitable widihs. Otherwise, I have not the lenst doubt that they could compere successfully with the New York shippers. I would, therefore, be glad to place a trial order with some good reliable firm. For spruce there is no demand with us. This descripion of lumber was used mosily for heading, when our planters were manufacturing Muscovadu sugar; now that they make white crystala only,
they require a specinl kind of wood for their packages, and spruce in in consequence entirely neglected.

## DEMARARA.

In the year 1897 this island imported $4,463,673$ feet of white pine and 934,439 feet of pitch pine, on which the duty wan $\$ 3$ per thousand feet. The white pine sold at from $\$ 21$ to $\$ 24$, refune bringing $\$ 17$. The average price for pitch pine was \$23. Some shingles were also imported. White pine is imported in about the proportion of zo per cent. of a inch plank and 80 per cent. of Inch bourds, is to 16 ft . long, which is received principally from New York nnd Iorland, and much of it is known to be Canmdian lumber. The trade in Nova Scotia, at one lime large, has decreased of late. Spruce and hemlock do not appear to be in demand.
Mensrs. Merwin, Woods \& Co., Fredericksted, write : "Thir market is too small to receive cargoes of lumber. We, ournelves, from time to time, order smmall quantities of white pine bonrds from Halifax when we have any difficulty with freights by steamer from New York, but we nlwayn find that the Canadian Jumber is not uniform in thicknesw: that is, we require, a"well as the other West Indiun inlands, boards 12 inches wide, from 14 to 16 feet in length and ont inch in thickness. The Canadian lumber, as a rule, when ordered for one inch, in either one inch scant or one inch too full, i.e., $11 / 16$, all mixed together, which is not satisfactory to the carpenters here: in consequence New York lumber for general purgoses, though costing more, is preterred. The only importers, Messrs. Bartram Bros., get their
taves and heading, $\$ 28,000$; all other lumber, $\$ 4,600$; and a comparatively very small quantity of sawed and hewn limber and logs. Doors, sash, blinds and house finishings aggregated $\$ 8,900$ for Cubn and $\$ 2,400$ for Porto Rico; hogsheads and barrels, $\$ 74,000$ to the former and $\$ 2,000$ to the latter ; household furniture, $\$ 217,000$ and $\$ 25,000$ respectively; noodenware, $\$ 12,000$ and $\$ 1,000$, and all other manufactures of wood, $\$ 133,000$ and $\$ 4,000$ respectively. These figures, while representing the imports of one of the most prosperous years, show the extent and importance of the market, to which attention might well be given by Canadian exporters. Spruce and white pine would be favorably received.
According to the proclamation of the President of the United States, the duty on lumber will be aboul as follows: Staves, per 1,000, 2 pesos; boards, deals, etc., round wood and timber for shipbuilding, per cubic metre, 1 pesos: planed or dove-tailed, broomsticks and cases wherein imported goods were packed, per 100 kilos, 0.40 pesos; cabinet-makers' woods in deals, boards or logs, per 100 kilos, 3 pesos, sawed in veneers, 4.35 pesos; furniture or bent wood, per 100 kilos, 10 pesos; upholstered furniture, 0.60 pesos; common joinery, 2 pesos. The peso is the Spanish dollar, gold, and its value is 92.6 cents of Canadian money. The kilo is equivalent to 2,204 pounds.

## ANTIGUA.

Following is a return showing the quantity of lumber, shingles, staves and shooks imported into Antigua for five years, from 8893 to 1897 :

| Year. | Pitch Pine. Feet. | White Pine and Spruce. Feet. | Shingles. |  | Shooks. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Cedar and Pine. | Cyprem |  |  |
| 菑 $\{$ | 457.947 U. S. | 602,960 B. N. A. 850,876 U.S. 1,000 U. K. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 680,000 B. N. A. } \\ & 797,250 \text { U. S. } \\ & \text { 16,500 W. Islands. } \end{aligned}$ | 480,450 U.S. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 8,148 U.S. } \\ & \text { 2,981 B. N. A. } \end{aligned}$ | 4,800 Bdos. |
| あ | 455,251 U. S. | $\begin{aligned} & \begin{array}{l} 332,312 \\ 506,677 \\ \text { U.S. N. A. } \end{array} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 359,250 B. N. A. } \\ & \text { 150,000 U.S. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{\|} \text { 296,260 U. S. } \\ \text { 5,000 Bdos. } \end{array}$ | 1,522 Barbados. <br> 1,201 B. N. A. <br> 1,800 U. S. <br> ${ }_{130}$ French Ports. | 6,000 Bdos. |
| $\underset{\sim}{\mathscr{\alpha}}\{$ | 8,924 U.S. | $\begin{aligned} & 393.781 \text { R. N. A. } \\ & 316,3,3 i+11 . \text { S. } \\ & 1,370 \text { B. Guiano. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 431,850 B. N.A. } \\ & \text { 100,000 U.S. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 568,000 U. S. } \\ & 78,600 \text { Bdos. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 3.910 B. N. A. } \\ & 500 \text { U. S. } \\ & 400 \text { Barbados. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 25,83E U.S. } \\ & \text { 16,857 B.N.A. } \\ & \text { 2,232 Bdos. } \end{aligned}$ |
| \% ${ }_{6}^{6}\{$ | 360,619 U.S. | 247,12: U. S. 110,200 Barbados. 29,919 B. Guiana. 26,551 Trinidud. | 150,000 U.S. <br> 115,000 B. N. A. | 349,200 U.S. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 3,500 U.S. } \\ & 900 \text { B. N. A. } \\ & 400 \text { Barbados. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 24,000 Bdos. } \\ & \text { 36.721 U.S. } \end{aligned}$ |
| $\underset{\underset{\sim}{8}}{\dot{E}} \mid$ | $82,827 \text { U. S. }$ | 395,268 U.S. 118,607 Barbados. 27,323 B. N. A. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 386,750 B. N. A. } \\ & \text { 20,000 U.S. } \end{aligned}$ | 100,000 U.S. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1,465 B. N. A. } \\ & \text { 1,200 U.S. } \end{aligned}$ | 2,400 Bdos. |

Jumber exclusively from New York. We only order from iwenty to thirty thousand feet at a time, which is sufficient for our needs."

## CUBA AND PORTO RICO.

It is exprected that the lumber trade of Cuba and Porto Rico will immediately revive now that peace has been restored. Buildings will be reconstructed, and much of the lumber required therefor will be imported. The native timber is entirely of the hardwood variety, more nuited to the requirements of the shipbuilder, cabinet, furniture and implement manufacturer. The principal woodn arv mahogany and cedar, the latter being exported to some extent, but the expense of logging, estimated at \$so per thousand feet, has prevented the expansion of the
industry. industry.
In the year $1 \$_{3,3}$ Cuba and Porto Rico imported over $\$ 70,000,000$ worth of merchandise, the greater quantity from the United States and Spain. Steadily since that year the imports have declined, until in 1896 they reached only $\$ 30,000,000$. Lumber has been imported almost entirely from the Southern States, and consists chiefly of pitch pine. Sintistics show that in the year 1893 Cuba received the following: $29,000,000$ feet of boards, deals and plank: 3,300,000 feet of joists and scantling; 232,000 whingles: $\$ 24,000$ worth of hoops; $\$ 152,000$ worth of mhooks; $\$ 66,000$ worthor slaves and heading, and $\$ 63,000$ worth of all other lumber. For the same year the imports into lorto Rico were : 8,000,000 feet of boards,
demis nnd plank ; $1,000,000$ feet of jists and demis and plank ; 1,000,000 feet of joists and scantling; 65,000 shingles ; shook $\mathrm{s}, \$ 76,000$ worth ; hoops, $\$ 8,000$;

The lumber most in demand is pitch pine scantling, $2 \times 3$ 106 square ; pitch pine plamk, 2 inches thick; pitch pine bourds for flooring, 1 inch thick, 6 inches wide; white pine and spruce plank, $a$ inches thick; white pine and spruce boards, 1 inch thick, 12 inches wide.

## MEXICO

THE MEXICAN LUMBER TRADE.
By Pancy LL Kuminsor, Mexiso City.

As is well known, Mexico furnishes a large variely of dye and cabinet woods, which grow in the coast countries, these woods finding their present markets in New York, San Francisco and European ports. Pine and oak used entirely for home consumpion, are found mainly on the great plateau and are alinost invariably inferior to similar lumber from northern latitudes; therefore the latter will always find a ready market in Mexico at satisfactory prices. A potent factor in the Mexican lumber industry is the difficulty of securing satisfactory cutting rights, owing to the inaccessibility of the forests and the fact that these are usually the property of Indian tribes, who hold them in common.
At present nearly all importations of lumber into Mexico come from the United States, the principal reason of this being the proximity of one country to the other, and consequently cheaper transportation than obtains between Mexico and any other country which might share the
trade. trade.
At present most of the best oak is shipped from Mem-
phis, Tenn., and St. Louis, Mo., and is worl $==$ $\$ 200$ Mexican currency per 1,000 feet, the a tload freige rates to the frontier being 28 cents gold per 100 lbs , from Memphis, and 33 cents from St. Louis, .nad from ine frontier to Mexico City and common poinls it 6 Mexiza currency per 1,000 kilograins, which is equill to about 3 cents gold per 100 lbs . at present rate of enchange, in premium. This makes a through rate of 61 centsgold po 100 lbs from Memphis and 66 cents from Si. l.ouis.
The bulk of imported lumber, however, iv pine, and, general iden of its price in this republic will be given th the present retail price in Mexico City of tongued and grooved planed pine, namely, $\$ 60$ to $\$ 65$ Mexican ou rency per 1,000 feet, and $\$ 55$ for flooring and ceiling. Most of the pine comes from Texas and Lounsiana, cilbe all rail or via Mexican gulf ports; the prescolt carhod freight rates from mill points to the frontier lwing 18 ceas gold per 100 lbs. plus the 33 cent rate to Mexican lir and common points, which makes a through rate of 3 cents gold per 100 lbs.
The lumber carlond freight rate from New York hy steamer and rail to Mexico City and comnon points is to cents gold per 100 lbs., and on Canadian hipments the rate from point of origin to New York would have to be added, not to mention the Expense of bonding throug the United States.
It will thus be seen that, with the present transporation facilities and rules of freight, there is little opening for the sale of Canadian lumber in Mexico, but should a direct line of carriers be established between Canadia and Mexican ports, Canadian lumber merchants should be able to build up a very good trade with this Republic.
The following table shows the amount (in Mexicat currency) and nature of the importations of lumber ino the Republic of Mexico, during the fiscal years of 18906 and $\mathbf{8 9 6} 6$-7:

| Class of lumber. | Fisal year 1895.6. |  | Fixal year ilys\%. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\left.\begin{gathered} \text { Weight } \\ \text { ing } \\ \text { kikgrams } \end{gathered} \right\rvert\,$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { IIv. value } \\ \text { Mexician } \\ \text { silver } \end{array}\right\|$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Weight } \\ \text { in } \\ \text { kilogfams } \end{array}\right\|$ |  |
| non-dutiable. |  |  |  |  |
| Ordinary bourds, bearas, scanuling, etc., in the |  |  |  |  |
| Railway T ¢ies................ |  | \$ 612,819 | 89,0554,488 |  |
| Box lumber and boxes....... | 34,26,850 | $\left.\begin{gathered} 153,600 \\ 30,706 \end{gathered} \right\rvert\,$ | 4,741,493 |  |
| Herreis and sanves.: |  |  |  |  |
| Other nowdatiable lumber. dutianle, | 2,372,78 | 36,245 | 2,540,28s |  |
| ved planed boards. Duty $\mathrm{f}_{1}$ Mexi. can currency per 100 <br> Fine lumber, planed, aill kinds duties...nying various duties.... |  | 199,75 | Measurement in$m 1$ meter | 377,58 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Wibgrams |  | Wcaght in |  |
|  | 274,347 | 13,093 | 299,397 | 10, ¢ ${ }^{1}$ |
|  |  | \$ $51,103.90$ ) |  | 51.400 |

## SOUTH AMERICA

Some of the South American Republics are becoming important markets for Canadian lumber. Severill cargos of pine and spruce are shipped annually from the port $\alpha$ Montreal, while the shipments from New Brumswick aod Nova Scotia represent no small quantity. Of the lalter no records are available, but it is known that sume firas are engaged in that trade almost exclusively.

## ARGENTINA.

In the year 1897 our direct exports of limber to Argentina was valued at $\$ 538,000$, an increase of over $\$ 100,000$ over the previous year. Mr. Edmund E Sheppard, Trade Commissioner to South America, reports that this trade can be very largely increased, as the woods of that country suitable for lumber are groma nearly altogether in the south towards Patagonia, and are very heavy and not adapted to the purposes for which white pine is used. Spruce is brought nearly alho gether from Maine, and handing it is already a very large business. The export of portions of housci, alredy prepared is successful in but few countries, owing to the tariffs, but the export of white pine lumber to Arrentime, there to be milled and made into doors and sanhes and frames in the yand where it is received, should be a vers profitable business, for of all the countries of $1 \cdot *$ sonth Argentina is most rapidly increasing in population, the stretches of a rable land being enormous, and the "rection of small dwellings proceeding at a very rapid rat : The export to Argentina of Jumber suitable for the liting of
calle sessels is also an important feature. The city of Betenos Ayres has a poppulation of 700,000 , and uther principal cities are being buill up very rapidly. The duly masprece and white pine is about $\$ 5.35$ per thousand feet.

## URUGUAS.

Io the year 1896 the total imports of timber into linguay represented a valuation of $\$ 771,000$. Of this sem pine accounted for $\$ 517,000$, of which $\$ 500,000$ vass from the C'rited States.

## BRAZIL.

Last year Brazil imported Canadian lumber to the taps of $\$_{5}=, 000$. Owing to the fact that an insect atucks white pine and burrows through it until it is arrost like a handful of ashes, that lumber is little used excepl for decomtive purposes and doors and windows, where it is needed tor its lightness, and is protected by ramishes and paint. In the interior and the southern parts of the country the importation of material suitable for aindow frames and doors should be very large. Of retbw pine there is inported annually about $30,000,000$ fet, which tcalizes about $\$ 25$ net per thousand. This is also an average price for Canadian boards. The Canacan commissioner states that our trade is hampered by tbe lact that large ships from United States ports load parly with lumber and partly with kerosene, preferring to mix their cargoes, while mixed cargoes from Canadian pots are hard to obtain.

## PERU.

This republic is showing many clements of prospenty, and is likely to prove a good market for Canadian jumber. This is also true of Eucador, the chief xaport of which, Guayaquil, was recently destroyed by Ereand is being rebuilt nearly altogether with wood. The lumber now used is obtained chiefly from San Francisa

## CHILE.

The tiniber importations of Chile are in the neighborhadd of one million dollars snnually, the bulk of which is supplied by the United States. The Chilian lumber is practically all hardwood. The methods of lumbering are sery crude, as the result of which the native timber has cot had the sale which would otherwise have been the case. The present condition of the country is fatorable $102 n$ extension of the Canadian lumber trade, particularly in pine and spruse, although the native timber is protected by a substantial duty. The principal dratubark to exports of pine and other timber from Canada is that there are no direct means of comnunication. Suppies of white pine, etc., are first shipphei to Nex. lork or other United States ports, and hence by steamer, reselting in immense increase in freight and other charges, coastituting almost the precilusion of the use of the lumber except on a limited scale. If direct shipments were made of sech classes of Jumber as could compete with Oregon pine for building purposes, undoubtedly a satisfactorv tiade would be brought about.
below will be found an interesting letter from Mr. Leris E. Thompson, Comnercial Agent :
Dear Sir,-Oregon pine was imported here in lange qeantitics up to end of 2896 , since which time importation has decretised, owing to the fact that building operations are vers limited. A fairly frood market is at all times open here for good quality of rived oak staves, of which Large quantities are consumed yearly for making wine adk: and barrels of different sizes. These staves are improd from New loork principally, although small lots are also brought from France, and there is no reason why Canadian states should not find a good market here also, providing the dimensions and quality are satisfactory.
The sume remarks apply also to vak planks of $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}, z^{*}, 3^{n}$ and $4^{*}$ thick, and of any width up to $16^{\circ}$ or $3 \mathrm{~S}^{\prime \prime}$, lengths from $1=1 \mathrm{a}_{2} \mathrm{~S}$ feet; also white pine and ash of the same dimensions, all of ist quality, will find a market, in case these can be delisered at same or lower prices than American lumber of same class.
Hox Silitiks.-Two large consumers of empty boxes have becal imponing these for several years from Enytand, and 1 notice that these shooks are made of Nova Scotiz or New Brunswick spruce, evidently resawed for boxes in England; without doubt these shooks could be delisered here direct from Canada much cheaper than is
actually the case when they are imported from Eugland, where the cust of making the boxes from deals must be considerable, added to freights and intermediate profits of dealers. The exterior dimensions of these boxes are as

 smoothly cut to exact dimensions and neatly packed in complete sets. The tops and bottoms are composed of two pieces each, consequently the width of the box is 1510" outside measurement.
Canadian merchandise in general tabors under the disadvantage of being, in most cases, shipped from New York, and is consequently looked upon as American merchandise, thus placing Canadian products in Chilian statistics as tributary to U'nited States. If complete cargoes of lumber, composed of staves, shooks, oak, ash, white pine and walnut, could be made up in Montreal, 1 think a good trade could be established between that port and Valparaiso, as return freights of nitrace of soda could be secured for these vessels which engage in this venture.
Should it not be possible or convenient to send full cargoes of fumber, other merchandise, such ats agricultural machinery and general goods, coutd be introduced here with the same facilities which offer for American goods.
The writer is in touch with most of the large lumber importers here, and would suggest that intending exporters send me a list of prices for the lumber above mentioned, free on board in Montreal or New York, prices to be net and without the intervention of middlemen or commission agents, and with this data at hand the writer will make it a point to consult the importers and see if there is a possibility of introducing Canadian lumber here with any degrec of profit and success.
It is my impression that a year or two must pass before there will be any considerable demand for Oregon or British Columbia pine, as the restriction in building operations, and also the suspension of all public works, has reduced the demand surprisingly. The greater part of the west coast trade in lumber is, I believe, transacted in San Francisco, and I have been informed that a syndicate has complete control over the entire production of Puget So and and British Columbia in general.

## Santiago, Cimle.

Lemis E. Thomisos.

## AUSTRALIA.

While Austraila possesses a forest area of some extent, the governments of several colonies have lately awabened to the fact that the supply will sumfice only for a very few years. In addition to her native supply, Australia has for a number of yeirs imported a large quantity of foreign timber, chiefiy from the l'acific coast. The chief supplies are received from the United States, New Zealand and Norway, although lest year there were shipjed from British Columbia lumber to the value of nearly $\$ 200,000$. Much complaint has been made that inferior stock has been thrust upon the market, and this h- operated against the interests of Canadian shippers.
The bulk of the dressed lumber received in Australia is from Norway and Sweden. It consists of flooring, siding and shelving, and it is said to be full of small and tigh knots, which, of course, are objectionable. It is believed that if Canadian mill owners and exporters would push the business vigorously, a large trade in flooring could be secured in Australta, and especially the colony of New South Wiales. The Balle floorng is $6 \times \operatorname{is}_{3}$; the British Columbia is dressed out of $6 \times 1$, and is therefore $!$ inch narrower than the Baltic. The latter is quoted at 13s. 6d. per one hundred superficial feet, while Oregon, by which the B.C. product is known, has sold at is., but irs. Gd. would be paid for $1 t$ if it could be had.
It is probable that a moderate trade in doors could be secured from Australia by properls directed effort on the part of our manifacturers. These goods are now obtained mainly from San Francisco, the quatations being about as follows:

| Size. |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $2^{\prime} 6^{\prime \prime} \times 6^{\circ} 6^{\prime \prime}$ | $\times 11{ }^{1 / 4}$ |  |  | \$2.50 |
| $26 \times 66 \times$ | $\times 1 \geqslant$ | $\cdots$ |  | 2.75 |
| $25 \times 6$ S | $\times 11$ | " |  | 2.75 |
| $28 \times 68 \times$ | $\times 1 \%$ | $\cdots$ |  | 3.00 |
| $28 \times 63 \times$ | $\times 1{ }^{1}$ | " |  | $3 \cdot 50$ |
| $210 \times 610 \times$ | $\times 1 \times$ | " |  | 3.25 |
| $=10 \times 680 \times$ | $\times 13$ | " |  | 4.00 |
| L.ess a discount of $40 \%, 5 \%$ and $2 \% \%$ cash. |  |  |  |  |

The sizes mont used are $2^{\prime} 6^{\prime \prime}$ and $2^{\circ} 8^{\prime \prime} \times 1 s_{2^{\prime \prime}}$. In shooks and states there is abo an opening for trade. We are advised that the desire of importers is to deal direct with the mill owner or shippur.

In the following letter the importations by Victoriat and New South Wales for the years 1896 and 1597 are reviewed:

Svonev, New Soltu Wales, Augast 12 th, 1898.
Dear Sir,-It is only possible to give you the figures respecting the timber trade of New South Wales and Victorin, as these are the onty colonics for which the tride returns of 2897 are to hand.

## NEW SOUTH WNAES.

The importations of timber tor the years 1896 and 1897 were:

Of these amounts the imports from Cannda and the United States were :

| Canada. ...... United States. | Rotgil Timare. 2ing. |  | JSg6. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Fert. } \\ & 2,273.557 \end{aligned}$ | $6 \begin{gathered} \text { Value. } \\ 5,317 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Feet: } \\ 1,996,916 \end{gathered}$ | $\& \frac{\text { value. }}{6,963}$ |
|  | $25.513,065$ | 106,962 | 21,753,44 ${ }^{\text {S }}$ | 95.730 |
|  | Defssed | Timber. |  |  |
| Canada | 169.919 | (. 9:0 | S0,733 | ¢ $47{ }^{1}$ |
| United States. | :,495.3'S | 10,171 | 400.95S | 3.755 |

In addition, there went int, Bruken Hill, via South Australia, and credited to that colony, $18,654,94$ feet of rough and 504,005 feet of dressed timber. This, or nearly all of it, came from the Pacific coast of Canada or the United States. It was mainly what is known here as "Oregon." for timbering the mines.
Other items were sent by Canada to the following


There were imported into this colony last year 36,999 doors, valued at $6_{151715}$, all but 1,400 coming from the United States.
These figures require but little comment. They show the extent of the market, the relatively small proportion that falls to Canada, the marked improtement of the trade of 1897 over 1896 , and that Canada shared in it. The values show that prices in 1897 were rather better than in the previous year.
A year ago I sent you the sizes and prices of doors imported here, and stated that 1 should beglat to hear from Canadian manufacturers respecting the possibilities of the trade. The doors, then as last year, came from Califormia, and were made of sugar pine. Some attempts have been made to introduce cedar doors from British Columbia, but as there is a prejudice against that timoer, the experimen! failed. A representative of the British Columbia Alilling and Trading Company is expected here shortly, and on his arrival steps may be taken to ascertain whether this prejudice cannot be overcome. When 1 wrote you and also to some eastern mills respecting doors, the ordinary freight was too high to enable a profitable trade being done. My idea was to have prices and other information ready, so that should a more favorable upportumity occur, advantage conald be taken of it. Linfortunately, no one replied to m l letters, and the party here that I mierested in the matter opened up communication with New York houses, and when freight rates weat down to about forty per cent. of the former figures, doors were shipped here. Whether this will result in an extensive trade has yet to be determined, is much will depend on the relause rates of freight between San Francisco and New York and Sydney-

The figures show the very small proporton of dressed lumber supplied by Cianida. Two years ago 1 antleipated the amount would be mach increased. Had the Canadian sicamers not secured more profiable freight, there is no doubt that the hope would have been realized. The demand for it certainly improved, but as it seemed impossible to get eargo space in liancouver, the orders were sent to San Francisco, dressed spruce in the shape of shelving coming from that prort. It the sugar trade beween Canada and Queensland should detelop as it now promises to do, it will require additional shipping, and the
B. C. millmen will bave very much better facilities for getting into this market.

## victora.

This being a protectionise colony, the dunces on dressed and manufactured lumber, and the faet that whe thenf "Oregon" is discriminated against, affects the importations and limits them largels to deals and other undresured stuf: The ingrortaions of the classes in when Camada is or aight be interested were:

|  | $\underset{\substack{1897 \\ 1 \times 0 e t}}{ }$ | $\underset{\substack{1896 . \\ \text { Feet. }}}{ }$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Deals, total | 2,061,950 | 4.429,600 |
| From Canada | 884.900 | 2,400,700 |
| " Xerway and Sweden. | 954.900 | 1,8:1,100 |
| Lathes, total mumber | 995.400 | 1,006,000 |
| From United States | 73.60000 | 1,002,000 |
| Calutda | 249,000 |  |
| Oregon, total | 10,130,000 | 11,315,000 |
| From Canada | 4,116,000 | 3,242,100 |
| Staves, number | 562,133 | $245,9: 3$ |
| From Linited State | 3 $60,2=0$ | 105.480 |
| Cudressed timber | 16,942,600 | 17.743 .100 |
| From Camada East. |  | 2,40 |
| Conited Statcs Exa | 1,258,500 | S35,400 |
| " " " Wew | 1,7,46,900 | 1,074,700 |
| " New \%ealind. | 11.944 .300 | $13.323,000$ |
| " Norway and Sweden. | $220,4 \infty$ | 1,0S2,900 |

It will be seen that there wats not much change in the trade of the two years. The largest decrease is in deals, both Canada and Norway and Sweden sharing. There was a demand for spruce deals, but freight rates were high, and this stopped busmess. The Camadan trade would be mach amproved by at receproc ' tariff between Canada and Victoria. The duty on Oregon and the free atminsion of all other undressed timber bears more heavily on the west coast trade of Camada than on that of the Linited States. Having redwood and sugar pine admitted free, it is easier to make up a cargo in San Francisco than in Victoria. Spruce should find a market in Victoria and take the place of Balitic lining and shelving, as it does in Syduey when it can be had.
Business is improving in Victoria. There appears to be a slow but steady recovery from the crisis of five years ago, and should it be blessed with tair harvest, of which there is now a yood prospect, the trade of next year will show a decided advance over that of this or several previous ones. When it is remembered that a large part of its areat has suffered from drought for three years, ruining its harsests and hessening its output of wool and butter, its present condition is remarkably good. With more faworible seasons there will be a resumption of building, athough mostly like the extent that characterized the boom yean prior to 93 , and a larger demand for lumber.

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Is South Alrica there is quite a promising market for Canadian simber products, in which our exports have increased during the pasi two years. This may be said to beanew field, as it is only within recent time that any considerable shipments from Canada have been made. There is, we believe, a good market there for spruce and pine deals, seantling, doors, sashes, blinds and other manufactures of wood, while a limited quantity of red pine, elm, ash and oat logs could be placed. The consumptinn of hardwoods in British South Africa will no doubt mendatlly inerease, as the furniture and other industries using this class of raw material are fast deteloping. In deals it feet is the average length for the Cape Town market.

One estential fealure in securing a more extensise tracie for Canadian lumber manufacturers is that the goods should be placed on the markel at a reasonable cost, as compertition from Baltie wonds is iery keen. The attention of the trade is directed to the following letter:
\# Wile Strabt, Cast. Tulls, bulill Afrila,
August ist, isgs.
Sir, Since mas last letter appeared in your joumal, considerable improvement has taken phace in the tumber tride between Cinadia and South Atnea, and 1 am pleased to note that cargoce from both the dilanuc and lacific ends of the Dominion have arrived and are still coming, and at this time Cathoda, with her amber and other probducts, in better known in this part of the world than ever herctofore. The transactions of the pist two years have allso had the effect of bringing the two colonies into
closer relations, and of seemingly teducing the miteage between them, and I have no hesitation in hazarding the statement that in the past iwelve months the number of leners and cablen passed between South Africa and Canada will show an increase of tenfold over any previous like period.

Alf this would indicate that business has begun to be done, and in my opinion it will continue so long as Camadians remain alive to their interests here, and no longer. With the exception of the timber trade, all eargoes have been coning, thus far, through the port of New York, there being a couple of steamers and sailers leaving there for South dfrica each month, and so long as present bonding privileges and competitive freight rates to New lork continue in force, there is not much to grumble at in that port as an outtet for Canadian general shipments and small shipments of lumber. in fact, before the United States put the new tariff on Canadian lumber, large quantities of Camadian pine were shipped here by Ameican firms by the regular steamers and saiters from New York, which trade should now be continued by Canadians. This channel can therefore be utilized by shipperstorthe purpose of geltin:g smatlsample shipmentshere.

I might say that the principat woods imported into this colong are deals $3^{\prime \prime} \times 9^{\prime \prime}$ and $3^{\prime \prime} \times 11^{\prime \prime}$, hooring boards, ceiling, dear pine and pine boards, planed on all sides and in the rough, and pitel pine logs.
Daring the year 1897 there were inported into this
 boards: 13.755 standards. I hase not obtained a return of the imports of pine boards, ete., which would be large, and the refurns are not further classified.
Apart from spruce and pine, the major part of these imports is from the Batic, but recently a new wood to the trade, called "fir," has been introduced here, and several cargoes have been shipped in from Tacoma, Washington Territory, and Vancouser, B.C. The advantage which ballic timeer has had over spruce and red pine is in lengths, as well as being slightly better in guality and more suited for building purposes and joinery work; but this country demanding long leugths, seems to have given fir a temporary advantage over all, in which deals are now being landed, from to to so feet long, without a knot.
There seems to be considerable sip in this fir, however, which is alvo loose in texture, and it is possible that it may not fill the requirements of the market. Tleere is a market here for spruce deals and pine, and the Baltic being closed during winter months, betters the chances so far as the Maritime provinces of the Dominion are concerned, and longer lengths are produced ir the provinces than in guebec. Deals should be $3^{\prime \prime} \times 9^{\prime \prime}$, and as long as posisible; other sizes do not sell well, as all building specifications are made out for $3^{\prime \prime} \times 9^{\prime \prime}$ sizes. White pine should be shipped $\leq a y \quad 1 z^{\prime \prime}$ and up $\times 1^{\prime \prime}$, and should be as long is is produced, planed on all sides. It is called "shelving" here. Clear and strictly clear pine boards should be rough, $1: 2,2,2 \leq$ and $3^{4}$ thick, $12^{*}$ and up wide, and of yood length.

I belicue the day will soon come when spruce flooring, ceiling and finish will hold a good place with the trade here. As for hemlock, a product of the Maritine provinces, and. I belicve, a very good wood, nothing is known of it here, and until a sample lot is received nothing will be heard of is.

I take this opportunity of advising the merchants and mill oll rs of the Waratime provaces that I have opened here, u. ser sinction of the government of the Domimon, a building wherein eahibits of all kinds may be placed frec of charge, and intending exporters are incited to correspond with this office and send samples and form of invoice f.o.b. at port of loading, of goods they are able to supply.
We can without difficuly dispose of car load lots, out of which we can retain samples for exhbutuon purposes, and we have concluded an arrangement wha Mr. J. B. Smull, export ajent, jo State street, New York, to attend to trans-shipments, secure space for shppers, and to advise as to ocean freight rates and sailings. Ratwas companies will, however, grant through bills to South Arnea on car load iots, in which case therr own agents attend 10 trms-shipment.
Thanking you, Mir. Editor, in amicipation of agan being allowed space in the columns of your taluable journal, I am,

Yours truly,
Thos. Morfitt.

## OTHER COUNTRIES

## LNITED STATES.

Tine Conited States market is so well-known to Cie dian lumber manufacturers as to require but brief meation here. In the gear ibjeg, whith free lumber, our exports of lumber to that country were, approxmately, 800,000,0es feet, valued att $\$ 9,000,000$. There were also expontes shingles, lath, scanling, lies, pulpwood, etc., to the ret of :about $\$ 5,000,000$. Since the coming into force of is Dingley Bill, in July, 1897, our exports have fallen e consderably. The duty on white pince, spruce and 2 hardwoods excepting basswood, sycamore and whilemad is two dollars per thousand feet. These latter are subjo to a duty of one dollar.

## FRANCE.

This country is quite atn extensive importer of tiabee products, her chief supply coming from Norway 23 Sweden. Recenty some Canadian lumber has beeaie ported, which seems to have met with favor, and the ent look for an extension of the trade is believed to be proces ing. The Dominion trade and navigation retums gite the export of spruce deals to France in the gear isgo a valued at $S_{1}: 0,000$, but there is little doubt that it estimate is attogether too low. The average prise o $3 \times 9$ inch deals at Bordeaux, one of the chaf imporita points, is 360 francs per standard c. i. f. Thus is equal to about \$3a in Canadian money:

HOLLAND AND BELGIUM.
These countries also import lumber extensively, the native supply being entirely inadequate. Norway and Sweden furnishes the bulk of the iniport. Taking be port of Amsterdam alone, we find that in the year isgit there were received ${ }_{17} S$ eargoes of wood goeds. $Z_{215}$ dam received 192 and Harlingen it cargocs. Beigime imported $\$ 20,000,000$ of lumber in the year isoj. There is a market there for spruce and pine. Indeed, magy kinds of lumber would be sialeable, providing it is ligth, properly sawn, squared, and frece from rot. The essid dinensions are from 2 to 8 inches in widh and from ${ }^{0}$ inches upwards in length. The rates of duty assessed mo all lumber imported into Belgium are, per cubic metes $(35,316$ cubic feet), as follows: Oak and walnut wood, $2: 1$ building and cabinet woods other than oak or waloet, ie logs or unsawn, and joists and pieces of lumber in be $\log$ or unsitw, less than 29 inches in circumfereson, So. $191^{2}$. Building and cabinet woods (except oak ast walnul): Beams, sawn, So.j8: beams, olhernise pe pared, Si.1G; siwn beams, planed, S1.74; all other the ber free.

Exporters of lumber desirous of increasing their trate in Belgium must conform to the usage of the coundryiz their methods, especially in the system of measuremet All lumber sold is quoted by the cubic meter; any otem method of giving quotations is unintelligible to Belgen dealers, and all price lists should be made on this basi Correspondence should be in the French language, and care should be taken to einploy the correct techriad terms in describing the variety and condition of lamber offered, as confusion is very apt to arise.

## SpAlN:

Concerning the Spanish market Mr, J. Carreras-Ferre, timber agent, Barcelona, writes as follows. "It is a singular fact that the imports of Canadian produce into Spain should be so limited, and show no signs of improre ment. This apathy is due to lack of knowledge ou the part of Canadian manufacturers and exporters. I word strongly advise that they appoint capable agents, bbo oughly experienced and knowing perfectly the regurie ments of the different districts of Spain. This coentry offers a vast field for trade in Canadian woud prodods such as pinc, hardwoods, wood pulp, etc., and nowe especially spruce, which is required in large quantities itx casing alone, on account of the quantity of fruit $y^{\text {roduced }}$ The market deserves attention, and Canadia., shippes who will take it up in camest will reap the benctit of the enterprise. Business is of a most sound nasure, no oos signments, anippers have no interference with Spanish dues or duties, contracts are made for ensite cargnes both by stenm and sailing ships, for determined specifertions, at grices in sterling per standard f.o.b. at shippiag points, and sometimes c.i.f. Recent sad international

HINTS ON BUILDING BAND MILL TRACKS. By A. J. Berton, Algonquin Park.
A rew suggestions as to the method ot building band mill tracks may be appreciated by the practical readers of your journal. One important consideration is that the timber or track ways should be of good sound wood. Southern pine is very well adapted for the purpose, owing to its strength and the fact that it will not warp or twist easily. Plane the track timbers on all four sides as straight as possible, and endeavor to have the timbers of good length to avoid making the joint opposite the saw. Set the timbers 2 inches or $21 / 2$ inche; into the cross timbers of mill, and bolt down the track timbers, say, every 6 feet. By bolting them it will be much easier to level up the track, for the high places can be drawn down and the lower places can be shimed up, always assuring a good level track. Key the trackways solid by driving hardwood wedges in the gains in the lower cross timbers which the trackways are let into; next, stretch a line parallel with lower band wheel shaft and put down the $V$ or guide track first, which should always be the farthest from the saw, so that it will get less jar from heavy logs and from the nigger than if placed on the saw side, and moreover, you will have less trouble in keeping the track in line. The line should be two inches higher than the top of track iron.

After laying down both tracks temporarily, make a wood straight-edge long enough to reach from one track to the other, and cut a notch in it to fit the guide track exactly, and fair over the centre of guide rail drive in a nail to be used for a guide as a pointer to set the guide rail true to the line by. You can move this straight edge along every toot or so, and with care can set a guide track perfectly true.

It is taken for granted that the track is straight and level, that the edges of the band mill wheels are turned true, and that the lower wheel shaft is perfectly level. Draw a line parallel with the track from one end to the other; then draw a line across the track above the floor in front of band wheels and square this with the first line; then, from sticks or supports above the upper wheel, let fall two plumb lines at opposite edges of front side of upper wheel, and let these lines fall directly to or at equal distances from the line already stretched across the track. Then, by moving one or both ends of the lower wheel shaft, square the wheel shaft with the line across the track by having the opposite edges of the band wheel at exactly the same distances from the two plumb lines, and adjust top wheel in similar manner. It is better to have a band saw trained a little in rather than out of the log, but it is best to have it perfectly parallel with the track. Having the wheels properly lined, do not move the cross line again, not even to adjust the saw, but put saw on mill, run it sicwly, and adjust saw with the tilt until the saw runs from $3 / 4$ to $7 / 8$ of an inch off the front edges of wheels. If your saws are hammered alike you will not have to move the tilt again for the season's sawing, unless the saw gets hot or meets with an accident, for saws will all run alike if put up alike. Adjust guides carefully and slack off all four guides from saw. Next, set the luwer log side guide up to saw, put in a sheet of writing paper between guide and saw, and then screw up the guide until paper will not fall out, but not so
hard as to move the saw out of line. Then fasten the guide firmly put in another piece of paper between the saw and the board side guide, and push the guide up and fasten firmly, and if right the paper will pull out tight and leave a pertectly guided saw without too much or too little clearance. Set the top guides same way, but always be careful not to move saw out of line when setting the guides.

If a band saw is hammered and fitted right, and the mill and guides are properly lined, the saw will stand a good feed and cut straight lumber.

## SPACING AND LENGTH OF BAND SAW TEETH.

The spacing of band saw teeth as used on bands and band resaws varies from 1 to 2 inches, but the great majority run a spacing of about $11 / 2$ to $13 / 4$ inches. There is nothing to recommend a longer spacing than the above, unless it is desired to run a long tooth with extreme hook. In such case a a-inch spacing may be used with a throat from $3 / 4$ to 1 inch deep on a log band saw and from 36 to 9/16 on a band resaw, with a large rounded gullet quite similar to that run on a circular saw. Shorter teeth are usually preferred for hardwoods and frozen timber than are used for softwoods or summer sawing. Thus a $1 / 2$ inch tooth is generally used for hardwoods in winter and $9 / 16$ in summer, whileteeth for soft woods range from $1 / 2$ inch to $3 / 4$ inch, orlonger.

A style of throat that is very popular in many sections, and especially among the cypress manufacturers, is the rather long throat with the base line about horizontal. It is impossible to suggest that any particular style of tooth is best adapted to any particular wood, for the reason that all shapes of teeth are apparently used with success in different woods. Expert users of band resaws find that for boxboard work not over 12 inches wide, a spacing of $13 / 8$ is satisfactory. In work demanding a minimum saw kerf and a moderate speed for saw, as in sawing picture backing, etc., a 2 inch spacing is found good. The same is true of resawing panel stock and hardwoods. Kiln dried hardwood, such as oak, hard maple, etc., tends to dull the saw very rapidly unless the feed is well regulated, and it is well to have the saw stand a fair feed instead of simply allowing it to rub the dust away. Careful feeding of the saw in kiln dried hardwoods will enable the saw to do good work in cutting considerable stock, where feeding without exercise of careful judgment may dull the saw in a few minutes.-From Baldwin, Tuthill \& Bolton's Manual.

## GREAT FORESTS IN INDIA.

Few people have any idea of the immense forest area in British India-a valuable asset which is now being systematically preserved. At the present time the reserves of the forest cover an area of nearly 75,000 square miles, and they may be hereafter further extended in Madras and Burma, where the work of reservation is as yet incomplete. Outside these reserves are about 56,000 square miles of state forests, some of which will eventually be brought within the reserve area. This means that there are in India practically for all time forests which would completely cover the United Kingdom. The mountain slopes of the Western Ghauts are still covered with the vegetation of the primeval forests.

## WOOD PULP 0 ©～DEPPRRTMENT

THE PAPER AND PULP INDUSTRY．
The past two years have witnessed a marked development in the paper and pulp industry of Canada，and yet．considering our vast resources and the excellent facilities at our doors for manu－

Britain paper makers with a limited quantity of pulp，which is regarded as of superior quality to that obtained from Norway and Sweden，but the guantity bears little relaton to the tacilities which we possess for the manufacture of the material．

## THE CHICOUTIML PULP COMPANY．

One of the most extensive establishments of its kind in Canada is that of the Chicoutimi Pulp Conpany，at Clucoutim，in the province of Quebec．The works are situated on the Chicou－


facturing，it is rather surprising that we have not taken adrantage of them to a greater extent． It wouid seem ：hat only recently have Canadians realized the value of such immense spruce forests as are to be found in this country，but now that a commencenient has been made in the sight direction，we look forward to the establishment of an industry of almost inestimabic value to the people．

We have in the past been too content $t 0$ allow our raw material to be taken to the linited States，there to be manufactured into pulp and ．paper for suppliting the liritish market．It is estimated that in the United States there are t， 200 pulp mills，turning out mare than 1,500 ， © 0 tnas of pulp per year，in the m：nufacture of which about $=, 000,000$ cerds of wood are con－ sumed．Much of this wood is supplied by Canada．In the year iSgz the Linited States imported SiSラーラi＝worth of pulp wood，white last year the impors was valued at $5 / 11315 \%$ The significance of these figures is shat she Conited Siates is becoming more and mose de－ pendeni upon Canada for a supply of pulp wood． and unlexs some prolectite action is taken hy the Dominion goverament，an incriasing quanity mill la taken awny each year．Alecording to the present tarift arrangements．pulp wood is subject to no duty whatever，but the Linied States giovern－ ment collects a duty of so per cent．on imperted manufactured pulp and ispercent．on paper．The position is therefore unfarorable so the buidding up of the prip and paper industry in Canada so far as the Linited Staies marker is conecrned． Whether any change will be made as a result of the conference of government representalives now in session at Quebec is an open quention．

In European comnirics，however，there is a market for paper and pulp which is not subject to such discrimination．W＇c now supply hereat
timi river，about one－quarter of a mile from its discharge into the Saguenay river，which is navigable up to Chicoutimi．The mill is on an island，the river fowing in rapids on both sides． The Chicoutimi river flows from Lake henogami； where the company have about $\bar{\xi} 00$ square miles of timber limits，in which black and white spruce are plentiful．The Quebec and Lake St．John Railway Company have a siding sight up to the
atmosphere shich permeates the district and the many pleasant excursions shich can be nade o the numerous lakes and mountains where fish and game are abundant．

The pulp wote．occupy a space sovering several acres．One block of buildings comprises grinding rooms，measuring $60 \times$ So ft．，wet machine rooms， $150 \times 50 \mathrm{ft}$ ．（of which ：t view is given），pump room， $30 \times 50 \mathrm{ft}$ ．，bailing room， $30 \times 40 \mathrm{ft}$ ．，electrir．light room $; 0 \times 40 \mathrm{lt}$ ．，all an the island as aforesaid．On emain land is a large wood preparing room， $50 \times$ So ft．Ona convenient spot are also the blacksmith shop and machine shop，the largest in that section of the country：Other buildings comprise the boiler house used for heating purposes and 2 large storehouse．The offices occupy a cos－ manding view of the whole works and are lighs and conmodious．

The falls and rapids from which the mill ds－ rives its power are 170 fect high，and are capable of developing 15,000 horse power， 2 h though at the present time the company use oni： ahout $4,000 \mathrm{~h} . \mathrm{p}$ ．The water is conducted to the water wheels by a stecl thume $111!\mathrm{ft}$ ．in diameter， having 55 ft ．head and $=0 \mathrm{ft}$ ．draft tubes．Tte turbines are of the Crocker pattern．There zie tuo 40 inch，one $=5$ inch，and one 20 inch，all is the same penstoal：．The wood preparing mill is driven from a wheel in this penstock，and the power is transmitted across the riter by a skaf running over a steel bridge．

A series of chains carry the trood from cithe： the cars or the river reserioir to the saws，200 from thence to the barkers，wherice they proaed across the riter to the grinder room urithost being handled by men．Six grinders of tex neviest type grind there an average of 30 coins per day，and a sufficient number of screess doubly sereen all the pulp produced．In the we： machine room are eight heary wet presses capabis


door of the mili．There are seteral large falls of water bosh above and below the mill，where a large amount of power might be readily de－ veloped．

The town of Chicoutimi numhers aboss 7，000 peopic，and is ģuickly mrorring，over 300 houses having beers huile this year．The iomn is lighted hr electricity generated at the pulp mill，and has alsu a yood system of trater works．it is a very pleorent gince to live in．owing to the superb
of making from So 10 go tons of pulp daily，and powerful hydraulic presses for the purpese of extrating the water and bailings．The puap is all put ep in press－packed bales and sen：to Europe．Shipments ate made from the Chiow－ limi prort and also from the prort of Quebec．
The company employ on an average $1=5$ men In winter 200 extra men are given emplogmeni cutting the wood in the forest and draming it to the edze of the different rivers，which are very
numerous in the district. About 400,000 logs are thus cut down and floated on Lake Kenogami and the Clicoutimi and Saugenay rivers to the mill. The yearly consumption of black and white spruce is about $\mathbf{1 5 , 0 0 0}$ cords, producing approximately 24,000 tons of wet pulp. It is the intention of the company to increase its plant in the near future.
The president of the company is Mr. J. D.

Guay, of Chicoutimi, who is also the proprietor of the paper "Le Progres du Saguenay." The managing director is Mr. J. E. A. Dubuc, a man of great financial capabilities, who has promoted the interests of the company with a very remarkable success. The superintendent, Mr. Oswald A. Porritt, a practical man of much ability in chemical as well as in mechanical pulp, has under his supervision the whole plant, the
produce of which is readily disposed of in the European market. Much of the machinery in the mill was supplied by the Waterous Company, of Brantford.

There are alnost $2,000,000$ actes of tin.leer on the island of Anticosti, and M. Menier, the owner, will probably establish two puly factorics.
It is expected that the puip mill at Surgeon Falls, Ont, which was recently taken over by an English syndicate, will ise put in operation during the present month.

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The usual nethed with nituy who tave little to lone and much to fain is to secure in denirable site. pay cavh for the land, and borrow and het credit for the buitding. This worked all right as long an there wats a demand for houses, but ar jurchawers and tenitnts are not keeping pace with sfe murnber of houses, flats and senements built, the grome plays aut, and when the houses will neither rent nor sell, or ilse buiduencannot burrow any more moncy on them, the venture collapmes. and the powe lumbermen millmen and others get lert out in the cold. I will tive you one imatance: $A$ buildes whu lass beencrecting scores of hounes and sencmanti, sot belind frombeing unable to cell or mexotiate further loins. lie aused a lumberman fise shoutand dollars for material. for which be wave notis When the notw cancedee there urere no funds: noiss. Ilien ilie notes cane due there were no funds they were renewed as they came due, and nine per cent intercel cimaryed. The lumberrian hot worried oict it and presced lard for a payment: die bulcer made a slrenuous eflort and hanced in ten dolian on account. lery shortly affermards ilie ectate was throun anto bankrupicy, and the fumberizan realized sixis dollars out of the five thonsand.
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## THE BRITISH PULP MARKET.

Tue following commanications from puip importers in Great Britain, referring to the possibilities of that market, will doubuless be of interest to Camadian pulp mill owners:






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preat activity is also shown among Scandinavian mills to increase theis outpul, yuice wall maturally lic lower, and sule inctease theit outpul, pices will nazurally lie lower, and sule yower for all sorts unilit the zase can absunt the ancrease Makers who ate alive tw this have in umany instances alread discounted the fall and accepted loucr prices for next year. We considet the haste to do so premature, secing that the out put fonn new mills cannut come on the market "all of a heap, hut uill cume graduall, and at considerable intervals of umic The fact that sotur nell knoun liands of Nurnegran sulphate have leen sold for all next year much luner than last jeat's contraets were looked at, has compelled other not so well known lrands (as weill as Canadian) to follou surt.

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## THE LATE THOMAS HALE

Avorner prominent lumberman of Ontario has joined the ranks of the great majority, in the person of Mr. Thomas Hale, who died at his nome in Pembroke on Thursday; Sepiember 15th. For sonie time Mir. Hale had heen afficted with a nervous disorder, but was on the road to recovery, when, one month previous to his death hewas athacked bytyphoid feter, withfatal results

Deceased was bo:n in the year iSq 1 on the old homestead on Hale's Creck, about four miles west of the town of Pembroke. His fatiner, who was one of the pioneer setilars, was an Englishman, and his mother st Scotch descent. Lumbering attracted Mr. Hale when he was a mere youth, the free life of the woods appealing incesistibly to him, and he has been a lumberman ever since. When about fifteen years old he went to the shanties, and was soon promoted to the position offoreman and pilot for Mr. J. I. MeDougall. After serving some years in that capacity he branched out as a lumier jobber, and was quite successlul, no doubi oning to his thosough prac tical knoriledge of the business. He afterwards formed a partne...hip with Mr. Robert Booth, of Pembroke, which continued for some time, wher be kecame associated with Mr. J. R. Booth, the
lumber king of the Otawa valley, the flum nume being Hale \& Booth. This firm, twetve years ago, bought some timber limits, and from a very small beginaing built up a large 1 usiness. Mr. Hale's first acquaintance with Mr. Boob was in 1878, when he took out a large yuantitr of logs for his Ottava mill hy contract. It is said that he was the first Canadian to Ruat a raft of timber out of Michigan for the Quelec markets. The Michigan raft was taken from the Two Heart and Sucker Rivers in Northera Michigan, where the firm owned extensive limits, which they have been working recently. In thelag few years they have sold natany logs to Dichiga manufacturers. The firm's limits in Catada are on the Montreal, the Magnetawan, Vernilion,


The late Thonas Ifale
White Fish and Serpent rivers, and in the Кіррена.

Within a few years Mr. Hale was a compartively poor man, but with qualities for the work he had chosen which ensured success, his opportunities came, and he took advantage of them so effectually that at the time of his death the had accumulated considerable wealth, being the oxate of much property in Pembruke. He was a bess man, aluays actively engaged in lookin: afte the interests of his firm. Indeed, it is feared that his close attention to business hastened for end. In religion Mr. Hale was a Presbiterian and in politics a staunch Liberal, being onc of the prominent workers for that party in the North Riding- Mr. H:alc is survived by his wife, two daughters and three sons.


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## THE LANE SHINGLE MACHINE.

 As illustatun is given herewith of the lane shingle machine, as mumatured by the Lloyd Manufacturing and Foundsy Comp wy, of Kentwille, Nova Scotia. This machine is ued very ent nively in the United States and Canada, over one thousand bunimg been sold in the former country; where the patentec, tur J.ane Manufacturing Company, have been axaded numberus gold medals and diplomas. Regarding the construction and operation of the machine, the manufncturers sate that the uw arlor is of best steel and $2 / 88$ inches in dameter, with trarings 10 inches long, lined with lest babbitgracted to carriage on front and running on track. 13y an attuctronem to hade that suats and stops carriage is a pall, so arrarged that now harie in turned to top carringe, this pall engages in a toothed rack funed of tation of corrmperay, gad securely locks carriage, which overcomes the downers. tion in many other machines when carriage stats as operator is putting in block, and often causes the loss of an arm.
The iop casting that holds hlock is arranged with two power ful springs with means for making the tension greater or less by a thumb nut. The top of shingle carriage is raised to receive block by a foot treadle which is not shown in cut, but
eceentric. On offset lug is a slotted lever or crank, having sot 3 inches nide and is inches long. Fastened to spoke or friction pulley is a pin with a $\}$ inch roller which fits in the slot of lever or crank; thes when you revolve friction pulky, and 3
 end of slot in tever or crank, wind when fiction mintey in worned a half turn from this point, 3 inch roller attached to spooke of friction pulley will le three and one half inches from centre of fulcrum: thus to each revolution of friction pulley, it gives one Now and one quick motion return of carriage, four to one, this being done without the aid of any weighted moveneent.


The lane Shamber Machink.
metal; size of driving pulley, 13 inches in diameter and 10 in . tace. The brackets that hodd bearingsare adjustable by screws, sothat at any time they can be adjusted to line saw with carriage. The block carriage is mounted on wheels, twu large wheels on lanck running on lrack, which are provided with mons of taking uy all losk motion in case of wcar, and on the front cartuage tuns on flat rollers of large diameter, being atiached to frome of carriace. Hy this mears the savdust is prevented fromsticking, as is the case when the wheels are
urnished with each machine. The feed has cones of two steps for vatying the feed to suit the class of timber to lee sawn. Altached to the cone shaft is a leather loatd friction, which is engaged or disengaged to fiction pulley thirty-four inches in diametex, by simpie movement of handle shown at side of machine. Thelargeliction whiley revoives onasiecveloied solidioframethrouph hub of milley. Attached to the end of this sleeve is a casting with a lug pin three inches in diameter, which is offet from centre of sleeve $S$ inches, swinging or revolving on this

The jointer is twilt attached to frame of machine as in engraving, or furnished seprarately when so ordered. The slingle rest or table is arranged with a suinging piece next to saw. which provides for shims or pieces gellob y it oiving away and letting peeces through, then springing ave o machines where this is not provided or, many expen ive accidents have occurred, and saws ruined by pieces geltime The clowding saw over against carriage
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PULP NOTES.
Mr. Ali, a lumberman of Thinty-One-Mite L.ake, Que., states that it is the ritention of two Ametican capitalists to buitd a putp mill on that lake next sping.
The Electric Light and Power Company of Quebec are building a large power house at St. Gabriel lialls, Que., where it is preposed to establish three pulp mills.
It is said that II R. Melellan, of St. John, N.B., has in view the erection o pulp, mill on his timber property at St. M:- aret's, on the $n$th shote of the St. dawtence siver.

It is sumored that he International l'aper Trust has purchased the Guise wate power on the St. Mautice siver, in the province of (litelec, and will erect a large pulp mill there.

Mr. E. V. Douglas, o Jhiladelphia, who is interested in the Kakaleka Falls, on the Kiministiquia river, near Port Arthur, Ont., is understood to be nepotiating for the building of a pulp mill in the vicinity:
A wind storm recently detnolished some of the walls of the new pulp nill now in course of constrection at liawkestury, Ont., for the Kiordan Pulp Company, as a result of which the mill will not be completed as early as was expected.
Mr. Harry is. Wood, of Argyle Building, 45 IlangingDitch, Manclester, England, has been appointed agent for the laurentide l'ulp Co., of Grand Mere, Que, and will handle their production of sulphite and mechanical pulp in the lisitish matke.
The Maritime Sulphite Fibre Co, of Chatham, N. R, have ordered a $500 \mathrm{~h} . \mathrm{p}$ cross compound condensing engine from the Rolld Enginecring Co., to replace their present $\mathbf{2 j o h}$.p. engiae and to provide for contemplated enlargements of their plane.

The new mills of the Laurentide Pulp Co. at Grand Mele, Que, are now almost completed. The plant has cost about $\$ 1,500,000$, and is modern in every respect. The daily production of sulphite pulp will be 75 tons, and of ground wood 100 tons.
Mr. W. G. Reid, of Mlontreal, who was given an extensive franchise by the Newfoundland government, is said to be considering the crection of a pulp mill at Grand Lake, with a apacity of 162 tons of dry pulp per day. For this purpose a company is being formed.
Mr. A. Drewson and his brother, Dr. Drewson, of New York, have just made an extensive tour of the pulp woorl distriets of the letawawa siver, with the intention of establisiting large pulp mills in the vainity of Pembroke, Ont. They hope swon to secure the necessary capital to carry out the proposed enterprise.
At a recent meeting of the Cushing Sulphite Fibe Co., of St. John, N.B., it was stated that Captain Partington, of the fitm of Olive \&: Partington, Mlanchester, Engiand, had agreed to furnish two thirds of the captal for a 50 ton mill. An effort is now being made to secure local capitalists to subscribe the balance of the money:
Dr. Vigo Drewson, of New York, vice-president of the Petawawa Lumber, l'ulp \& l'aper Company, was in Toronso last month. This company holds liberal concessions from the Ontario government setting aside extensive tracts of spruce lands in northern Ontario for the purpose of permanently supulying raw matcrial for the manulacture of wood pulp in the large mills which this company will build at Petawzwa, Ont., where it has secured about five hundred acres of land and all water power rights on the letawawa siver, in the vicinity of the Canadian lracific Kailway station. The com-
pany expects to have in operation before the c nil of ou season a plant with a daily capacity of go tons o.t diy sulphies fibre. The company will probably build a papi.. mill also,d about 100 tons daily capacity.
A meeting of Canadian pulp and paper inandacturets un held in Montscal on Sepsember squll, at which be follonize firms were repiesinted : E. B. Eddy, of the E. is Edaly $\operatorname{Cos}$ pany: Ifull ; John McFarlane, of the Conada l'apit Conpeng; J. F. Patton, of the Dominion libure Company ; I. Dary, d Merition; F. 11. Clergue, of the Saute Ste. Marie Pupd laper Company ; W. G. Jones, of the Acadia 1-sp \& dapa Mills, Ilalifax, N. S.; Hamiton \& Ayers, Ind wute ; f. \& Soucy, of Old Lake Road, Iemiscouata; Jno. I: Malet, \& Georgetown, Ont. : St. Kaymund Pulp Compans - Fisetris Company. After a lengliyj discussion, the follam ang reverex was adopted: "It is the sense of thas meetmg that an eypor: duly be inmediately placed on all pulp woul a ported fre Canada (no mater in what shape or size), whech nushle
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