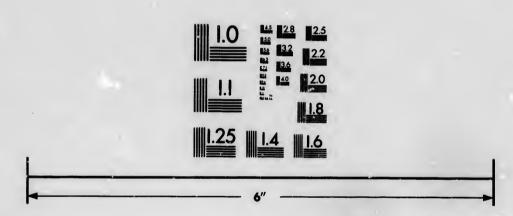
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The Finch Wood Preservative and Preservative Paint.

HOSE who have given the matter any consideration are aware of the great loss continually going on by the decay and rotting of wood. All classes are affected by this loss. The Governments of our country, city and town councils, railway companies, private individuals, few are exempt. In view of this great loss, the question naturally arises, Can it be stopped? The answer is-Yes. We do not say we think it can, but we know it can. We know that scantling that has lain on the ground eighteen years under a sidewalk when taken up was as sound as when put down. We know that planks, posts, joists, shingles, or any wood freated with the FINCH WOOD PRESERVATIVE or PRE-SERVATIVE PAINT, has never shown the slightest sign of rot or decay, not even sapwood.

We manufacture two kinds, one known as the FINCH WOOD PRESERV-ATIVE. It is used for foundation timbers, joists, sidewalks, cellar floors, posts. or any timber or lumber that is in or on the ground. The other, the FINCH. WOOD PRESERVATIVE PAINT, is composed of ingredients used in the preservative with the addition of linseed oil and other compounds that form a hard and durable paint. Two colors are made: one red, extensively used for shingle roofs, the other suitable for the sides of buildings or any other purpose.

'This preserved timber when on exhibition at the World's Fair, Chicago, 1893, was awarded a Diploma, and the special examiner from Washington, after a careful examination, stated it deserved the best expression in its favor that the English language could give, it being of national importance to so cheaply preserve timber from decay. The peculiar compound that preserves the timber enters the wood, filling and closing the pores, thus preventing interior fermentation or decay, and no fungus growth can affect it from the outside: we therefore offer it with the fullest confidence -- a confidence born of twenty-five years' experience—that timber treated with it will not rot or decay.

All timber and all shingle roofs, new or old, should be covered with this preservative. An old roof that has been on ten or twelve years can be repaired [if necessary] with a few shingles and covered with this preparation; it is then good for at least twenty years more service, will last much longer than a new one without the preservative, for less than one-fourth the cost.

We submit a few testimonials of which we are justly proud. We value them because of the standing of the parties, because of their well-known integrity and truthfulness, because such testimony loudly proclaim its value and carry conviction to every reader:

Department of Works, City of Toronto.

SUBJECT: WOOD PRESERVATIVE.

THE FINCH WOOD PRESERVATIVE CO.:

GENTLEMEN,—In reply to your question asking me for my opinion and experience of your wood preservative, I beg to reply as follows:

I have had an opportunity of judging of the preserving value of your preservative in the case of a sidewalk laid down on the south side of Queen street westerly from Yonge street in front of Knox Church, in this city. From the minutes of the Committee on Works, I find that the lumber of this sidewalk was treated with your preservative, and that it was

laid down in 1865. On the 20th of June of this year I examined the planks and scantlings of this walk and found them perfectly sound, the timber of the scantlings—which were bedded in wet, clayey soil—being as sound and free from all symptoms of decay as the day they were laid down. On the same day I examined a sidewalk on Gerrard street, south side in front of the Normal School grounds, laid at the same time, and in similar soil and conditions, but the lumber of which had not been treated with your preservative; and I found both planks and scantling very much decayed and largely coated with an offensive fungous growth. New planks are now being put down on this walk. This is convincing proof to me that your preservative is really of great benefit when applied to lumber that is liable to rot or decay.

The preservative seems to prevent the rot and to arrest the process of decay at its very commencement, and this makes it of great additional value from a sanitary standpoint. It is of much greater benefit than the application of pitch or tar.

I am having the preservative applied to sidewalk lumber that is being laid down in the city this season. I have seen two-inch planks worn down to one ! Ash by eight years use for sidewalk on Yonge and Queen streets in this city, and the scantlings both as sound and free from decay as new wood, having become hardened and seasoned.

I remain yours faithfully,

GRANVILLE C. Cunningham.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,

Toronto, Dec. 8rd, 1891.

Toronto, Dec. 3rd, 1891.

The above letter is from our present City Engineer, Granville C. Cunningham, C.E., and may be relied on as his official report of the effect on lumber preserved by the Finch Wood Preservative.

E. F. CLARKE,
Mayor for 1888, '89, '90, '91.

This Queen street sidewalk was again examined on the 22nd of May, 1895. The scantlings are as good as when first laid after ten years use. The planks are so sound that they are turned over, underside up, and now being walked on.

The Gerrard street sidewalk being completely rotten has been replaced with a new one.

Province of Ontario, County of York, In the matter of certain Lumber.

To Wir: Dominion of Canada,

I, George Witchell, of the city of Toronto, in the County of York, builder, do solemnly declare:

1. That in 1895 I was engaged in the construction of Mr. R. Simpon's new store at the corner of Yonge and Queen streets, in the city of Toronto, and having to extend the cellar of said store; I had to take up the planks and scantlings laid on Queen street by the order of the Board of Works in 1885. These planks and scantlings were I believe prepared by the Preservative Process of the Finch Wood Preservative Co. of this city, in 1885.

2. That I found the said planks and scantlings as sound and free from decay as when they were put down, although having been in use for ten years, and I charged Mr. Finch if or three planks and three scantling, about the price of new lumber, the same being in as good condition as if they were new.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously, believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the "Canada Evidence Act, 1898."

Declared before me, at the city of Toronto, in the "Oscard). Cro. Wirehard, Builder

Declared before me, at the city of Toronto, in the County of York, this 22nd day of Dec., A.D. 1895. (Signed) WILLIAM READE, Commissioner, &c., Osgoode Hall.

Dominion of Canada. Province of Ontario, County of York, In the matter of certain Lumber. To WIT:

I, James Henderson, of the city of Toronto, in the County of York, caretaker of Knox Church, in this city, do solemnly declare:

1. That I saw the planks and scantlings preserved by the Finch Wood Preservative Co., in 1885, by order of the Board of Works, and laid on the south side of Queen street westerly from the corner of Yonge street.

2. That I have seen and constantly walked on them since, and that part of them in front of Simpson's new store were recently taken up, perfectly sound after ten years' use. The builder, Mr. George Witchell, charged Mr. Finch, who wanted them for samples, \$1 (about the price of new lumber), for three of the planks and three scantlings, they being in

as good a condition as if they were new

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under eath and by virtue of the "Canada Evidence Act, 1898"

Declared before me, at the city of Toronto, in the County of York, this 18th day of March, A.D. '95. (Signed) Wm. Pinkerton, Commissioner, &c., Osgoode Hall.

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THE FINOH WOOD PRESERVATIVE Co.:

GENTLEMEN,—I have much pleasure in stating that for ten years I was alderman for the Ward of St. James in the city, and for several years a member of the Board of Works. I know that planks and scantlings were preserved and laid in different wards of the city to prove its effects, for which the city paid \$1,000 in 1875. After about ten years the sidewalks being worn were taken up, when it was found the planks and stringers were in a complete state of preservation, showing no signs of decay or rot—in fact as sound as when laid down. Some of this wood is now in your possession. The process tends to harden and season the fibre of the wood, thus apparently making it absolutely proof against rot or decay.

Yours respectfully, N. C. LOVE.

Toronto, October 14th, 1898.

THE FINCH WOOD PRESERVATIVE Co., Toronto:

GENTLEMEN.—About ten years ago, when we were building our warehouse on Bay street. You persuaded us to use your Preservative on the joist in the basement, which we did. We had occasion this fall to repair the flooring, which had sunk. Before undertaking it we were convinced that the cause of the trouble was that the joist had decayed. On taking up the flooring we were surprised to find them as solid and in as good condition as when first put down, the trouble being that the foundation on which they stood, not he wing been properly made, had given out, thus causing the floor to sink. We have much pleasure therefore in stating that we consider your Preservative most valuable for the purpose that you recommend it, it having in our experience amply borne out all that you claim for it, and we recommend it with pleasure to any one putting down flooring in their basements or anywhere that wood may be exposed to decay.

Yours truly,

THE BARBER & ELLIS Co.

JAMES KENNEDY, Nassou street.

Order from R. Christie. Asq., Inspector of Prisons for Ontario.

FINCH WOOD PRESERVATIVE Co., TORONTO:

Please ship at once 50 gallons of your wood preservative to Mr. Thomas McCrossen, Superintendent of the Reformatory for Boys, Penetanguishene, for sanitary purposes, preserving new basement floors of institution, on account of the old ones being so decayed as to cause diphtheria.

Inspector of Asylums, Prisons, etc.

Toronto, April 9th, 1897

THE FINCH WOOD PRESERVATIVE Co., 104 Massey street, Toronto.

DEAR SIRS,—Mr. W. A. Hill is doing some work in the laying of a floor at the Mercer Reformatory, and I have instructed him to use your Preservative on the lumber before it is laid down. You will please let him have what he requires for the purpose and forward the bill to the Burser of the Reformatory.

Yours truly,

JAMES NOXON, Inspector.

We, the undersigned merchants, have noted that cedar block paving on Bay street from Front to Esplanade streets, laid with Finch's Preserved Blocks, in 1888. After nine years' use for heavy traffic, and no repairs, it is now level, smooth, solid and sanitary, as if recently put down. It is yet one of the best roadways in the city. Our wholesale houses are fronting on or near this roadway.

(Signed)

W. R. JOHNSTON & CO., Wholesale Clothing, southwest corner Front and Bay streets.

DONALD MACKAY, Wholesale Dry Goods, northwest corner Front and Bay.

R. MCGREGOR, of M. FISHER SON & CO.,

Wholesale Woolens, northeast corner Front and Bay streets.

ALEX. MACHIE, Bay street.

J. W. CORGORAN, Bay street.

THE BRYANT PRESS, Bay street west.

H. A. NELSON & SON, 56 Front street west.

P. BURNS & CO., 88 King street east.

Toronto, April, 1898.

FINCH WOOD PRESERVATIVE Co.:

Gentlemen,—I was foreman of St. John's Ward in this city for many years. The preserved lumber which was laid on Yonge street after many years use was worn uneven, the knots protruding. It had to be taken up under my directions. I found it perfectly sound—no sign of decay on any of it. Ordinary sidewalks decay in from five to seven years, but yours after double that time is as sound and free from decay as any wood can be.

T. McGOWAN, 208 Chestnut street.

FINCH WOOD PRESERVATIVE Co.: 4 Toronto, April 7th, 1898. GENTLEMEN, -- I have been Inspector of Streets for the city of Toronto over twenty

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years, and I know the above to be true. A section of sidewalk was put down on Queen street, under my direction, in 1875, and when taken up this year was hardened, seasoned and sound, not the slightest sign of decay.

FINCH WOOD PRESERVATIVE CO.:

Toronto, March 25th, 1889.

GENTLEMEN.—After careful inspection of your specimens of preserved lumber, which has been in use many years, in the most exposed and trying situations. I have no hesitation in stating that your process is the most valuable I have met with. The samples of the sidwalk that have been in use many years are more absolutely as sound as ever, which strikes me as being extraordinary. I shall certainly make use of your invention whenever I have an opportunity.

J. KING JAMES (James & James), Architects, 137 Broadway, New York, Architects of Toronto Board of Trade Buildings.

From Messrs. GORDON & HELLIWELL, Architects, Toronto, to Hon. C. Fraser, Minister of Public Works for Omario:

DEAR SIR,—The Finch Wood Preservative Co. has a lumber preservative which we believe is an excellent preventive of decay. We have had the plank foundations and basement timbers of nearly all the buildings of the Land Security Company treated with it, Yours respectfully, GORDON & HELLIWELL.

This Preservative is endorsed and approved of by the following architects: W. G. Storm, Esq.; Messrs. Gordon & Helliwell; Charles Walter, Esq.; Charles Martin, Esq.; Kivas Tully, Esq., Chief Engineer for Ontario Government; Stever B. Hatch, 115 Broadway, New York; Messrs. James & James, 137 Broadway, New York; James Gaylord, Esq., Inspector for Mr. Waite, of Buffalo. N.Y., Architect of Parliament Buildings, Canada Life Assurance Co., and Bank of Commerce Buildings, Toronto.

In 1888 I put down some plank and scantling at the Lansdowne School yard, in this city. It was treated with the Finch Wood Preservative and put down by the School Board as a test, I have to-day taken up a fair sample of the same, and find both planks and scantling in as sound a condition as when put down nine 'years ago.' Other plank put down at the same time, but not preserved, are now rotten and are being replaced with new ones this year.

THOS. PHILLIPS, Contractor.

Toronto, 19th August, 1897.

I am Caretaker of the Lansdowne School, and saw the planks put down by Mr. Philips nine years ago. The plank and scantling taken up to-day are perfectly sound, not showing the least sign of rot or decay. Other plank not preserved put down at the same time, and close to the preserved ones, are now useless.

Toronto. 19th Aug., 1897.

R. KIRK, Caretaker.

E. H. CRANDELL, Esq., Mayor of Brampton, writes:

DEAR SIRS,—In reply to your request, would say you painted an old roof of my house in 1882, and it is still in a good state of repair.

Brampton, April 2, 1897.

Yours truly,

GENTLEMEN,—About sixteen years ago you painted the roof of the house. The shingles were then pretty well worn. I have done nothing to this roof since, and the shingles appear to be in a good state of preservation.

M. TREADGOLD, Ex-Mayor of Brampton.

SAMPLE ORDER.

FINCH WOOD PRESERVATIVE & PAINT CO.

"Please ship by rail at once, in the care of our City Surveyor, Montreal, one carload, 30 casks. 40 gallons each, of your Wood Preservative, sufficient to preserve one quarter of a million feet of lumber from decay. Montreal has no further use for rotten, decayed lumber, since you have proved by ten years' trial that it has been kept sound and sanitary, reducing the lumber bill one-half, and preventing disease and accidents from rotten wood."

Has been used and tested since 1875. Diploma, World's Fair, 1983; Industrial, Toronto, 1887

We have samples of Preserved sidewalk that have been in use on Tyndall Avenue in this city eighteen years: they are sound and in good condition.

Correspondence and orders solicited and attended to promptly.

The Finch Wood Preservative & Paint Co. 870 Queen St. West, TORONTO.

