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## AN ANCIENT WATER ELEVATOR.

[. Egypt and other countries where irrigation is prace ticed to a greater eatent than elsewhere, the inventive inind has been ale:t for centuries, contriving desices of various leinds for elevating water. Some of these are so simple that they must have been ubvous, while others show an amount of anventive benius northy of our own century; in fact, as is well known, the funda mental principles of hydraulics were discovered ages since, and some of the early machines have never been materially changed or improved upon.
The Egyptian shadoof is a form of water elevator that has been in use from time immemorial, not only in Egypt, but almost all over the world. A device fuily as simple as this, but not so old, is a gutter, which was made both single and double. It consisted of a trough pivoted at one end above the level of the water, the free end being alternately dip. ped in the water and raised, so as 10 cause it to discharge into a sluice leading away from the machine.

The pendulum water elevator shown in the engraving is a curious modification of the swinging gutter. A number of gutters arranged in two series are secured to opposte sicies of a swinging frame, each series of gutters being arianged on a zig. zag line, and the two sentes of gutters are oppositely arranged with respect to each other, so that while one end of the lower gutter dips in the water, the lower gutter of the other series discharges into the next gutter above, and a flap valve retains the water while the device is swungin an opposite direction. In this manner the water is advanced step by step at each uscillation, until it is finally discharged into the sluice, which carries it away for use. Each of the gutters is provided with a valve, which retains the water as it moves forward and upward.

## ABOUT CIRCULAR SAWS.

FVERY saw-mill man knows that one of the most difficult and trying operations to which circular saws are put is that of log cutring, working up the rough timber inso lumber. But not all sawyers are as familiar with the conditions which govern the operation of the circular saw as they should be.
These are the only tools used in cutting and dressing lumber that within themselves have certain inherent conditions to govern their speed, and a knowledge of this is an important part of a sawyer's education.
A great deal of course, depends upon the material and manner in which the saw is made, whether it has been hammered "tight" or "slack" on the periphery. Assuming that on account of the centrifugal forces the stecl is stretched from the eye of the saw towards its periphery, a great deal would depend upon the condition of the saw at the $l$-ginning. A saw that is hammered loose at its periphery can be operated at a much higher speed than one that is tight or stretched.
In explaining this, let us suppose that a saw is started up and gradua:iy increased in speed. For a time, and up to a certain limit, according to the above conditions, the stiffness or rigidity of the blade will be increasce. Above this limit it begins to diminish, and at a verv. high velocity the plate becomes limber and pliant as a
ability and

AN ANCIENT WATER ELEVATOR.
ment in regulating their speed for the different classes of work to which they are put.

## CONCERNING VARIOUS WOODS.

ELM is likely to come to the front for many uses for which Oak has been zonsidered the only wear. Nothing is so good for hubs, for ple plates, baskets and butter packages for retail trade. Its veneers propeily finished, ould be beautiful for inside work. Its rapid growth up to a certain size would make it a valuable means of utilizing much rough land.
Natural laws that demand something new will always lec ia fores, and this is illustrated in the change in popular taste with reference to our native Hardwoods. Tropical woods-Maho:-ny, Rosewood and Ebony-
 the office.
piece of paper, and if the speced is kept ap, the pert phery of the saw will assume an undulators or was motion.

When in this condition it is as sensitue to pressure on its side as if it were made of a sheet of paper.

This, while it in is furm an interesting experment, is also saluable in the consideration of the subject of speed for such tosts. It shows beyond a doubt that there is a specific speed at which saws should be run to do work to the best advantage and within the limits of safety and erannmy

Sawmill men as a rule are not sufficiently familiar with such matters, and only consider the subject with relation to the amount of production. There is an important matter for careful study in the manipulation of saws, and a chance for the exercise of good judg. one of the pariners
"ere the only corteet thong not long sume, for costly furniture, espectally for latie domag tables, sule-boards. panos, etc. Then came in the era of matatoms of tropial wouls by tricks of stammg and pamting, but these som desencedly lost caste. Qute recently a sensible revolution in fivor of our nattie woods has taken place. Begmnug with lilack Walnut and going on to Cherry, Maple, Ash, White Oak, and even Chestnut, the natwe woods that are capable of recewing and retaining high polish are coming into favor for the finest furniture and inside finish. Eien the most costly pianos that are given the best place in shuw windows and wareromms are now cased in native woods.

Anong the more notable uses, to which Cypress wood could be profitably adapted, is that of boat building. The in a remarkable degree the qualities of ligbtness with extreme strength, pliability and elasticity, and the quality of keeping its form when bent to shape in planks. Its ligheness surpasses thint of the finest white spruce, and for tenacious strength it rivals Ontario hickory. In color the wood is a handsome straw color, very autractive in appearance. For boat building nothing better could be possibly obtained, as craft constricted of this timber would combme extreme lightness with extreme strength, the great desiderata with oarsmen. Great forests of the fine timber exist on the north coast of Jritish Columbia about 200 miles up, and there are also large patches of it in the lower Fraser valley.
The silver maple is widel; distributed iin Eastern America; it is found in the noth from the valley of the St. John's Kiver in New Brunswick to southern Ontario, and extends snuthward to western Florida, and westward to eastern Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas and the Indiant Territory: It is not found very near the Atlantic coast or in the high Appalachan Mountans. It is very common, however, west of the Mountains throughout the Mississippi valley, where it is one of the largest and most generally distributed of the river trecs. The silver maple is often called the soft maple, probably to the brittleness of its slender branches. It has been cultivated in Europa since 1725 , but does not flourish there so weil as on the banks of its native streams, but brtter there than many of our American trees.

## WATER DIDN'T TROUBLE THEM.

TWO lumbermen, who had been engaged in various real estate deals together and for themselves individ. ually, met in the office of another friend one day last week. After the salutations had been given one said:
" How is real estate?"
"All right. The prospects are as good as ever."
" l'm glad to hear it. Have you been out lately to look at those acres ?" asked 0.2 of the man who owned
"Yes, I was out the othe. hay. They are still looking up, but we've had so . uch rain that they are coveled with water."
That's not the trouble with ours, is it Tom aske.
"No," was the reply. "Ours is covered with mort.

## LIFE IN A LUMBER CAMP

THE lumber camps of the pine regions have wethin the last few years become an institution peculiar to their time and place. The novelist may yet make a fortune out of incidents directly or indirectly connected with them.

Lumbering, like everything else in this busy, pushing generation, is carried on by the wholesale. The owner of a tract of pine cither employs a general manager for the several camps of workmen or lets the cutting of the pine out by contract. If his business is sufficiently large, so that he runs a number of camps, he employs a walking boss, who is the highest authority in the whole bus1ness. Each camp has its "foreman," who rules his own domain, subject to the periodical visits and "cussings" of the walking boss.
Each camp is a colony by itself. Everything is provided for the comfortable sustenance of its inhabitants. A camp consists usually of two principal buildings, which are built of logs or boards in some hollow; shaded from the winds, and are long and low. In one of them are the bunks of the men placed along the sides in two or more tiers. In the middle is a long box stove that looks as though it had come out of the ark. At least, one was never seen that appeared to have been new in ti:e present century. Here the men pass the few hours that they are not at work, either sleeping, reading, playing cards or telling stories, and always chewing tobacco or smoking. The Lumber Jack that can't go to sleep with a pipe in his mouth and wake to find it within reach of his hand has not learned the first lesson of a lumberman's life.

The other long, low room is the kitchen, dining.room, pantry an' cook's parlor combined. The cook is one of the chiet features of the camp. In the woolly days of early logging the board furnished was the poorest kind of "grub." Fresh meat was an unknown quantity, the cooking was on a par. Most camps at present, however, furmish as good or better food than the orbimary run of small country hotels. The cook is one of the highest salaried personages about the camp, and one can find no better place to dine, after a long tramp through the woods, than a modern logging camp. The cook, himself, is only required to cook and fill out his orders for provisions. Under him and directly subject to him is the "Cookec," who builds the fires, brings in the water, washes the dishes and makes himself generally useful.

The daily programme in a lumber camp is somewhat as follows: At three or four o'clock in the morning all hands are called up. A substantial breakfast is served and the dav's work begins. Erery man has his duty. Some of them upon the hillsides are felling the monarchs of the forest with an ax and saw. After the tree is felled and trimmed it is cut into proper lengths and skidded. The skids are simply platforms made of limbs of trees alongside the logging road. Up to within a few years the logs were conveyed to the landing place bv horse-power, each sled carrying from eight thousand to ten thousand fect ; but with ghe increase in lumbering large firms now construct logging rallways and haul ther logs in long trains by steam.
The men are served four or fiye meals a day. If therr work is near the camp they return thither about eleven A. M., and have dinner. It they are at a distance they ore served durng the day with lunches, and have a full meal on return to camp at night. The day's work often does not end until eight or nine o'clock in the evening.
Wages and pay-day usually form a bone of contenwon between employers and employes. Ordinary laborers get from $\$ 1$; 10 \$30 per month of twenty-six day: and board. Every man has a camp account of various aticles which he buts during the winter, all of which are deducted from his pay. What he buys consists mostly of wearing apparel and tobacco. Liquor 15 never sold nor openly allowed in camp. The foreman keeps his supplies in the "wanegan." which is simply a large chest, and they are charged to him at the company's office. The men are never paid in cash, but receive tune checks, which in camps run in cold clmates and during the winter season only are due about the ist of Mas. Thus, if a man wishes to quit work in the middle of the winter he receives a time
check, which he must either carry until it is due or get it discounted. The time business is a rich thing for the banks during the winter season It is, also 3 feature wheh causes much complaint on the part of the employes ; but the employers claim that it is the only way they can hold their crews together, since, were it not for this system, the men would combine together and leave them in the lurch on the slightest provocation.

During the season of employment the Lumber Jack stays pretty close at home. He may occasionally take a Saturday night and Sunday off, and when he does he calculates to make the fur and the money both fly. But he is usually tired enough when he comes from camp to go to bed after his supper and omnipresent pipe. Sunday he lies around camp and reads such stray papers or story books as he can find. The local printing office is always a mine of pleasure to him, as its'exchanges contain just that miscellaneous kind of reading matter which will scrve to pass away an idle hour. The I:dies of the Christian Temperance Unions and other societies are, also, doing a noble but often unappreciated work in supplying reading matter to camps. The lumber camps in the pineries often hold the balance of power at town and county elections. The "Lumber Jack" is, however, an indifferent voter and usually casts his ballot as his walking boss or the circumstance of the hour may dictate. His home is here to-day and somewhere else to-morrow. Having no fixed habitation he has no fixed interests. Hence, whatever of a civilizing influence may be made to reach the lumber camps will, always be an element in the upbuilding of a better government and a purer moral atmosphere in the towns and cities adjacent to them. When the camps break up in the spring the boys draw what time is coming to them and make for the nearest town. All their worldly effects are contained in a gunny sack or wrapped in a piece of newspaper. The first saloon they strike is usually the "bank" in which their time checks are discounted. Oftena winter's wages of $\$ 200$ or $\$ 30$ is squanderedinanightortwo. Wine, womenand thegaming table take the bulk of it. The Lumber Jack is then open for a new engagement at hard work. And yet, they are not all alike. Many of them are saving and foresighted. From common laborers they rise to the position of foremen, walking bosses and contractors successiv 'v. It is but a step from the latter to the ownership of a wact of pine. Many wealthy pine land owners began life amidst the vermin and the foul air of a lumber shanty. Still more than this, the Lumber Jack is not as bad as he is often painted. He may be a spendthrift, it is true, and all his surroundings may be of the vilest, but beneath his woodmen's jacket often beats a truc heart. To his friends he is always open and generous to a fault, and the wayworn traveler in the forest of our Northern pine woods can find nowhere a more gencrous welcome than in a lumberman's camp.

## HORSE-POWER OF SQUARE ENGINES.

THIS table gives the horse-power of the various sizes of engines at $50,25,15$ and to pounds mean effective pressure, with 400 feet piston speed. The revolutions per minute are for "square" engines, where the diameter equals the stroke. The little numbers ( 606,303, etc., over the horse-power culumns) are multuplers for any other areas of pistons at those pressures, and 400 piston speed per minuie.

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| 18 | 254.47 | 133 | 3.0844 | 154.22 | 77.11 | 46.260 | 30.844 |
| 20 | 314.16 | 120 | 3.8076 | 190.35 | 95.19 | 57.114 | 38.076 |
| 24 | 452.39 | 100 | 5.4956 | 274.75 | 137.39 | 82.434 | 54.956 |

## AN AGE OF COMIBINES.

THE air is rife with "combinc." The whole tendency of trade so far as our more important commercial industries is concerned is in the direction of amalgamation. Within the month three of the largest implement companies in Canada have consolidated. The Massey Company of Toronto and Winnipeg, two concerns that have always had separate management, and the Harris Company of Brantford, the united organization to be known as the Massey-Harris Company (Ltd.) The authorized capital of the Company will be $\$ 5,000,000$, with headquarters in Toronto.

The paint manufacturers of the Dominion have about completed an arrangement which will make one firm of A. G. Peuchen \& Co. and the Toronto Lead and Color Company, of this city ; William Johnston \& Co., Ferguson \& Alexander, William Ramsay \& Co., P. T. Dodds \& Co., of Montreal and Henderson \& Potts, of Halifax.
The financial returns of the Dominion Brewery of this city, which rather more than a year since was bought up by an English syndicate, have been such that now plans are on foot for the consolidating and buying up of three other breweries and making one gigantic institution of the whole.

The announcement is still fresh in memory of the Eormation of the Pillsbury-Washburn Flour Mills Co., of Minneapolis, which grouped into one several of the largest mills of the American north-west, and this is followed by word that an English syndicate, under the name of "The Northwestern Consolidated Milling Company" has been formed, and that it has taken over the "Galaxy," and "Columbia," the "Northwestern," the "Zenith," the "Crown Roller" and the "Petiit Mills" plants, stx other mills of Minneapolis, with a total daily capacity of 11,000 barrels.
When interviewed by the newspaper press the principals of these big enterprises have been very eamest in combating the slightest suggestion that the strength of these combinations will be used against existing smaller concerns, or that there will be any noticeable increase in prices. There is undoubtedly plausibilits and also fact in the claim, that in some cases amalgamation has become a necessity because of the extremes to which competition and cutting of prices has been carried. There is no business in doing business at a loss, which for example, we are told has been the case in the implement business. A greater number of firms have been making self-binders in Ontario, than has existed in the whole of the United States, and with results to force methods of business that have caused alarm to creditors and especially the banks.
It is the case that expenses will be substantially reduced as an outcome of each one of these amalgamatoons, and the inference is that this circumstance will at least work against any increase in prices, and possibly may lead to a reduction.
So far as a business combine of any kind tends to more healthful methods of doing business it is a blessing. The country and individuals are all losers by the ruinous course often adopted by business men to keep themselves afloat, the growth of an over keen anxiety on the part of one to get ahead of the other. Failure is inevitable in every such case, and whilst the consumer is temporarily the gainer by being enabled to buy cheaper goods, he in the end suffers in the general pinching that follows commercial disaster. As individuals we can prosper only in the measure in which the whole country is prosperous.

Unfortunately history tells a dark story of combinations and monopolies. Benefits such as we have named accrue to the public, but too often these are more than outweighed by the selfishness and grinding greed which seem to be born of monopoly and which a combine of any kind suggests and breeds. Everyone will hope that these latest additions to the catalugue will show a record different from that of many of the combinations that bave preceded them. -Canadian Miller.

They were talking about trees, "My favorite," she said, "Is the oak. It is so noble, so magnificent in its strength. But "hat is your favorite?" "Yew:" he re plied.


A thorough application of red lead to iron and steel surfaces exposed to the weather, is said to be the best means of preventing rust.
An artistic effect has been produced by India rubber panels or veneeis, which are very beautiful and adinit of easy cleaning with soap and water.

There is nothing which will squeich an oil fed fire in its incipiency more quickly and effectually than sandand there are no afterclaps in the way of water damage, either.
Locomotive practice shows that steel stay bolts snap sooner than bolts made from good brands of iron. The fault, which seems to be incurable, lies in crystalline structure of steel.

By the application of chorlide of antiomy a beautuful violet color is imparted to brass work. The brass should first be made perfectly clean and heated until water will steam off it without hissing.
An engineer asks the following pertinent question: "Who should be the most competent to decide as to the condition of the boiler, the man who uwns the beiler or the man who cleans and cares for it ?"
A method of stopping cracks in metal is to moisten the cracked surface with petroleum, then wipe it and inmediately rub with chalk. The petroleum exudes and shows the exact course of the crack. At the end of the crack borea hole, and the crack cannot go further
Den't use resin on belts. It shortens their life in elasticity and durability. Instead, use castor onl: but do not soak the belt in it. Let it run from a small spouted oil can on the belt while it is in motion moring the stteam of oil at every round turn of the belt until all has bcen bathed.
A well-known locomotive engineer declares that it he could invent a red paint that would withstand the action of the fire, he "oould have no difficults - lyy pantung the nside of fire boxes with it -in getlins cernatates of a saving of twenty-five per cent. in fuel.
A writer replsing to the query, "What will present belts slipping:' says: Let me answer for all-a little common sense. If a man is drawing a hundred bushels of wheat to your nill and the wagon gets stuck, he must either take off part of the load or hitch on more horses. It is exactly the same with a slipping belt. You must either lighten the load or else put on a heavier belt. In 99 cases out of 100 the trouble will be entirely obviated by putting on a double belt. Rest assured that any kind of a daub placed on a belt will be a detriment instead of a help. The belt will run better for a few minutes and then this stuff will collect on pulleys and in places on the-belt, makin: it much worse than ever. The best dressing that I have ever seen for leather belting is a little castor oil.
It does not appear to be generally known that almost any kind of fine dust floating in the air is highly explosive, when the proportion of dust to air rearhes a certain percentage. This should be remembered by those who are employed in ettablishments where quantities of dust, either from sugar, flour, wood, or any other article, is apt to accumulate. Usually the fatal step is made by carrying a lighted lamp into some dusty department. There need be no danger if the objectionable dust is allowed to escape, and there is very little risk if those concerned take pains to keep any flame from the dust-burdened air, though it is ad. visable to always keep such buildings well ventilated Experience is beginning to teach that there are many other explosives besides oil and gases. It has been recently reported that an ice factory exploded, so the only safe plan is to exercise care in all departments of manufacture

All tough timber, when the logs are being sawed into lumber of any kind, whether scantling, boards, or planks, will spring badly when a log is sawed in the usual manner, by commencing on one side and working toward the othe.. In order to avoid this, it is only necessary to saw off a slab or plank alternately from each side, finishing in the middle of the log. We will suppose, for example, that a log of tough umber is to be sawed into scantling of a uniform size. Let the sawing be done by working from one side of the log to the other, and the end of the scantling will be of the desired size, while at the middle some of them will measure one incli broader than at the ends. After the log has been spotted, saw off a slab from one side ; then n:ove the log over and cut a similar slab from the opposite side. Let calculations be made before the second is cut off, so there will be just so many cuts-no more, no less-aliowing fice the kerf of every cutabout one-fourth inch for kerf. When saved in this about one-fourth inch for kerf. When sa
way, the exts will be of uniform thickness.

## CANADIAN LUMBERNEN.

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UMBERMEN come prominently to the front in whatever part of the Dominion they mas reside. One of the most extensive operators in any of our Provinces, and holding a first position among the lumbermen who can write "M.P." after their names, is Mr. Kennedy F. Burns, of Bathurst, N.B., and member for Gloucester.

Mr. Burns, was born at Thomastown, in county of Tipperary, Ireland, on the eighth day of January, 1842, and came to New Brunswick when a boy; was educated in Halifax, N.S., and St. John, and from the latter place removed to Chatham, N.B. 1 I 1897 , where he was engaged in bisiness with the late firm of Burk \& Noonan, and finally setted in Bathurst in 1861, where he began a saccessful business career. In 1878 he formed a business parinership with Hon. Samuel Adams (now of New York) and his brother Mr. P. J. Burns, the new firm going more extenswely into the lumber husiness, building one of the finest saw mills in the province at the mouth of the Lepisigmt rever, opposite the town of Bathurst, and carrying on a general lumber and mercantule business at Bathurst, Caraquet and Petite Rocher.
On the retirement of Mr. Adams, the new firm of $k$. F. Burns \& Co. was fomed and carried on the same

business until May, 1890, when it became merged in the large and important concern-the St. Lawrence Lumber Compan!, limited, with mills at Bersimis, Quc., Bathurst and Caraquet, N. B., and offices in London and Liverpool, Eng. Of this prosperous company, Mr. Burns is the managing director and largest stockholder.
Mr. Burns first entered ooliticallife in 1874 , "hen he was elected to represent Cloucester in the House of Assembly, ant has eser since been a promatat $F_{b}$ ure in the political affairs of his cuunts. In 1882 he entered the larger sphere of Dominion politics, defeating Hon. T. W. Anglin in the general election held in that year, was re-elected at the general election of 1887 , and has again been returned in the recent election.
Mr. Burus has aluayo been a staunch Conseriative, and has been untiring in his eflorts to benefit his constituents. Through his strenuous efforts he succeeded in pushing to completion the Caraquet railnay, of which he is now president and general manager, a much needed line running from Bathurst to Shippegan and connecting with the Intercolonial system at Gloucester junction.
Straight and square dealing has ever been a motto of Mr. Burns, and to this may be attributed much of his success in life. His is a case where it can be written with all truth, "his word is as good as his bond." It is a compliment to any man to be able to
say that "his best friends know him best." This is Mr. Burns' record. He is kind and generous in disposition and among his workmen and employees everywhere he is very popular. Ke delaghts to mingle in the sports and pastimes of the younger men and becuming as it were, "one of the boys." By some of his public op. ponents he has been dubbed the "boy" a title of which he is very proud.
In his make-up Mr. Burns commands in a large measure the elements that give success in any work of life. Hopeful and energetic, yet shrend and camous in every tansaction, unassuming in private life, yet recognized by all as a leader among his fellows; affable and courteous in manner, yet decisive in all lis actions-he possesses in no common degree lla art of winning and retaining the high esteem and respect of his very numerous friends and acquantances. Having started out with few advantages-intelligent, industrious and self-educated, methodical in all things,- he has by his own mherent ability climbed his way to the tod of the ladder. He is a lumber shipper, a mill ouner, a farmer, a tra er, a politician and a horseman; his friends say he is a lawyer as well, but these apparently are but the ephemeral joys of his busy existence.

In private life and among his more intimate friends, Mr. Burns is noted for his geniality and good unture. Nobody enjoys a joke better than he, even when directed against himself, and his keen Irish wit sometimes turns the tables on the joker most effectivel!

## A GREAT SIBERIAN PINE FOREST.

ARU'SSIAN taveler gives an interes:ng account of the Siberian forest called the Tauga. He says it is so tast that not even the peasants who were born in it , and have lived there all their lives, know how far it extends. The peasants declare that in the winter strangers from the North come on reindeer to sell bread Whe penple they are, or whence they wime, the peasants can not say. They unly linow that they are not the same race as themselves and do not speak the same language. This mysterious people, it nould appear, have never been seen by any one but the inhabitants of the forest, who are themselves almost uncivilized, living upon what they shoot. The trees, which are pine. are wonderfully thick and high, and a dead stillness prevails in summer, an attribute common to ali Russian forests. This silence has a peculiar effect on the traveler after he has been journeging for many hours, especially if he is alone. At the end of the first day the traveler says he ascended a hillock, and as far as the eye could reach stretched an endiess sea of trees. At the end of the second day only the same scene was to be observed, although he knew that Irkutsk and open land lay beyond.

## HIS FATHER GOT THE WRONG END.

THERE was a big buzz-saw boxed up and ready to go on shipboard at one of the South street wharves the other $d . y$, when a colored man was nonced walking around it and eycing it wth the greatest interest.
"It isn't running," finally remarked a shipping clerk. "I kin see dat much," was the ready reply.
"Then what are you afrad of?"
"I isn't "fraid uf nuffin". lse smply sorter anxious." "Ever see une of those things ocfore?"
"Can't say as I her:"
"Then what are you anxious about?" persisted the man.
"Sce yere, boss," said the other as he retreated a step or two. "l lost my fadder when I was only a baby." "Well:"
"I lost him kase he walkel up the wrong end of a b'ar, an' I doan' reckiun tugit cotched in the same way. When I sec anything wid teeth to at I ether shy off or dodge behind."

TT has been calculated that the electromotive force of a bolt of lightning is about $3,500, \infty \infty$ volts, the current about $14,00,00$ amperes, and the ume about one twenty-thousandth part of a second. In such a volt there is an energy of $2,450,000,000$, volts, or $3,284,182$, horse power.

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## DOMINION LEGISLATION.

Thi: meinbers of the Dominion Parliament have been "hard at it," to use a vulgarism, for a whole month. It can hardly be claimed that they have yet given the country anything startling, much less useful, in the shape of legishation. The Speech from the Throne foreshadowed nothing remarkable in this direction, and whatever may be forthcoming will have to be the outgrowth of the work of the session.
As is the case usually in the first session after an election and particularly when the contest was as bitter as that of March gth, and the majority for the "Ins" somewhat slender, the major portion of the time of the House is taken up with motions and movements having a tendency to compromise and affect the position of the majorits aiming at its aboliton The Tarte-McGreer) andal, concerning as it does the character of a minister of the crown, Hon. Hector Langevin, is in this instance proving just the nicest morsel that the opposition could have hoped to taste. The case is still sub judice, and we have no desire to prejudge, but there is no question, that surrounded b ; various peculiar circumstances and relations, it is proving an anroying and worrisome watter to the Government-and especially to the First Minister.
'Tis pity that the trend of politics in this age is so completely partizan that the important iunction of Goverminent to create and enact wise measures for the betterment of the condition of the people and the advancement of the country's commerce must be given a subordinate place, whilst the unsavory occupation of washing the legislators' dirty linen is proceeded with.

Tife lumberman refers to the matter with no party bias whatever; this is not its vocation; simply to regrei that these things exist. Important questions bearing an intimate relation to the financial welfare of the Dominion are pressing for a solution, and as a commercial journal, it is these we should hope to see engaging the attention of the Commons.
When the debate on the Budget takes plane, we may expect that some of these matters will be discussed, but it is measurably certain that so high will party feeling run, that no equitabie and common ground will be reached.

In the upinion of those who are watching closely the throbbing of the political pulse we are hardly likely to have many, if indeed any, tariff changes of mportance this scssion. Various deputations of manufacturers and commercial men have interviewed he Government, and others are to follow, their whes will be courteously considered by the Cabinet, but some other day, not to-day, they may receive practical demonstration.

Only one yucstion of direct interest tu lunabermen might find a place un the papers of the House, and that is the possible re-imposition of the duty on logs. We have no reasnn to suppose that it will obtain precedence of other questions, concerning other interests, that to thuse woricined, wre of equal impurtance with this. A quict agitation is going on in different por,ions of the pless for a change in the duty: And it is notice able that the seirrest criticisms on the action of the goveranacnt in abulishing the duts is coming from the goiernment organs. The contention is that the step is one directly in opposition to the spirit of the

I National lolicy ; and the Sharcholder of Montreal, and the Camadian slanufucture) of thas cuty arrasin the I government in vigorous terms for what they have done; | 10 quote the classical language of the latter journal, the organ of the Red l'arlor, "the Canadian government ought to put a stop to the depletion of Canadian forests p. d.q." The Lumberman is desirous in get at-not what political view any particular individual may hold on the question, but what is best, taking the whole problem in a broad and liberal light, for the general interests of the entire country. As a means to this end we puibish agam this month the opinions of lumbermen engaged in business in different.sections of the Dommon, and shall be pleased to hear from others.

## RAILWAY BONUSES.

Wrris the story of the iron horse is written the progress and development of every country; and individual sections of country. What Toronto owes to her splendid railway connections will perhaps never be filly realized by the great body of her citizens. What would come of our immense shipments of lumber, grain and general merchandise, wete it not for the trundeling freight train travelling the country from end to end?

No other explanation can be given of the liberalitysometimes prodigal in extent-of municipalities and governments in bonusing railways in all parts of this Dominion. We have no carping criticism to heap upon the railway corporations of the country. We owe them much, even though we have sometimes paid dearly for it.

But it is not all gold that glitters and there is another side to the shicld. A large and influential deputation of municipal magnates, representing 22 counties and five cities in Ontario, waited on Sir John Macdonald and the Minister of Finance, Mr. Foster, on 21st ult., to ask for a recoupment from the government for bonuses granted in years gone by. It has been part of the policy of the government to assist in the construction of railuays in Canada by granting subsidies of $\$ 3,200$ per mile. The clain of the delegation here referred to, is that they as municipalities had taxed themselves to construct milways, without any government aid and at a time when railways were more a matter of necessity than they are to-day. Why should they not be placed in the same position as those municipalities which are now being aided, and as they would likely have been aided if the railways in their respective counties were under construction at the present time, instead of having been built many years ago. The general reply of the First Minister to this plea is, that whilst it is true that municipalitics in Ontario have paid out of their own pockets to this purpose, at same time Provincial Governments, for example Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, where the municipal system is not so perfect as in Ontario, have from the provincial funds built railways and as a consequence taxed the people for this thing-"we cannot consider the claims of any one province without considering all." There is no difficulty in reading between the lines, in the speeches of both Sir John and Mr. Foster, and coming to the conclusion that the visit of the deputation to Ottawa, whist doubtless exceedingly enjoyable, will not be productive of any practical results.

The spokesmen of the deputation were, Mayor Walsh of Orangetille, Mr. S. J. Parker, treasurer of the County of Gres, Mayor Porter, of Belleville; Mayor Taylor, of London ; and Jonathan Sissons, warden of the County of Suncoe, and it is from the speeches of these gentlemen, that some interesting inside figures are obtained showngs the amount given to rallways by various municipalities, the conditions under which these bonuses were granted, and how nicely the railway corporations adhered to their agreements, after they lad made sure of the collection of therr money.
The cuy of Belleatle had bonused the Midand ralway in a large amount. By the by-laws raising the bonuses, certain rights were guaranteed the muncipalities. Some of these were embodied in the act of incorporation of the Grand Junction ralway, Lut in the amalgamation which afterwards took place with the Midland, these rights were entirely wiped out. The
(il) of London had granted \$ic0,000 to the Londion, Hutun and Bruce, and the county of Middlesea had contributed largely to ths aid, but "the promises solemn l) made had not been carried out to the satisfaction of the people." Simcoe county paid in the neighborhood of nearly $\$ 1,0 c o, c c o$ for railways. Part had gone with the purpose of erectung a competing line with the old Northern, but it was not long before the North-western found it to their adantage to unite with the Northern and the competition for which the people had paid no longer existed.
These few cases are is pical of scores of others that could be cited, and that ase confined to no one section of country; or any one railway corporation. Many' of the municipalities which voted large sums of money to certain railways are to day worse off locally than if no railway whatever had been built, because of their trade being diverted afterwards in other directions, where for the tume it was found more desirable to grant railsay facilities, practically by the same promoters, who had held out to the first municipality the Eldorado that was before them if they would only vote right on the bonus.
This may be all explained ayay as justifiable commercial methods-on the principle of "get there" any-how--and corporations being soul-less such a code of morals may be good enough for them, but in private morals may be good enough for them, but in private
and ordinary business transactions rather more honor would be exacted.
Still the bonusing business continues and it would not be surprising to learn that the municipalities that have suffered and lost most in this way; are ready to go over the same ground again, go another \$10,coo, if only the lyre of railway orator is tuned to play in suf. ficiently sweet and silver-tongued tones.

## IN FAVOR OF CANADA.

American lumber dealers, who are interested in finding a market for Michigan and Wisconsin rather than Canadian lumber are incensed at the action of certain American railways in entering into arrangements wath the Canadian Pacific discriminatung against American shippers of lun.ber to the advantage of Canada. The case is put thus by the NorthWestern Lumberman:
"The rate on lumber from Chicago to New York is 25 cents a hundred ; to Boston, 30 cents. The rate from Buffalo and Tonawanda to New York is 13 cents a hundi ed, and to Boston 15 cents. Last winter the New York Central made a traffic arrangement with the Canadian Pacific, by which a pro rata rate was established, so that when lumber is shipped to the eastern points named, the cost, enst of Niagara river to Nell York. is but $93 / 2$ cents a hundred, or $31 / 2$ cents a hundred. below the Buffalo and Tonawandarate to New York. Thus, though the duty on Canadian lumber is $\$ 1$ a thousand, it is nearly ofiset by the discrimination in rates against American dealers shipping from Tonawanda, IJuffalo or any other point west of those markets, effected by the conibination between the great Canadian railway ard the American roads named. This is in keeping with the general complaint that has been made by American shippers, that the Canadian Pacific has for some time made rates on traffic entering United State teritory that resulted in diverting shipments from Americin roads, as well as operating adversely to dealers and shippers on this side the international boundry. It has been charged by the railroad companies, whose lines are exclusively in the states, that the Canadian Pacific makes rates on traffic between Pacific coast points and the east that cannot possibly be met by the complaining roads, owing to the restrictions of the national commerce law. It has also been charged that much traffic has been diverted to the Grand Trunk road much traffic has been diverted to the Grand Trunk road
by the advantage that it possesses in the respect named over the American lines."

The result of this discrimination we are told is to operate specially against the sale of lumber manufac tured in Michigan or Wisconsin, and distributed by Tonavanda and Buffalo dealers. Boston and New lork dealers state that whe the $\$ 1.00$ duty added they can lay down Canadian lumber in the y yards cheaper than from points east of Niagara Falls.
All this is making our good friends around Tonawanda feel very sore. We can understand that it is very naughty for railroads like the New York Central for exampie to enter into these combines with sister roads, and especially with Canadian roads. But we cannot do anything on this side of the border to remove the trouble. We can hardly regret that our own roads are considerate enough of our own minterests to deal with us generously in the matter. We are not to be expected to shed tears over the fact that their influence with American roads is of that calibre to innbue them with a like kindly regard for us. After all, is not somebody in the Aunerican republic a gainer by this railroad combine? Mychigan and Wisconsin lumber may be at a discount in the eyes of New York and Boston, but then they get good Canadian stuffs, and evidently at a betier price, or they would not buy it. evidently at a better price, or they wou
It's not all loss to our American friends.

## EDITORIAL <br> 

Have you made the acquaintance of Eli? He talks 10 you again in this month's Lomberman.

THE forestry commissioners at New York are fighting against the building of any rallway through the ddirondack forest reserves. They have applied for an in. junction to stop the building of the Adirondack and St . Lawrence railroad.

The British Columbia Commerial Jourmal is the name of a new weekly newspaper published at Victoria, B. C., and devoted to the mercantile interests of the Pacific const. It is bright and newsy, and editorially faithfully and ably espouses the interests of this important commercial corner of the Dominon.

At the meeting of the Presbyterian Synod in Montreal on the 1 gth ult, Rev. Dr. Armsirong told of his mission work among the shantymen of the Ottawa Valley and neighboring vicinities. During the season 250 camps had been visited, a large supply of valuable literature had been circulated, and the missionaries and their papers we are told, were heartily welcomed by the shantymen and miners. Another year the Presbytery hopes to increase the visits and the supply of reading matter.

The Merchants Magczine ard Financial Review published in Montreal by Mr. Frank Weir, which dates its inception from April, will fill an important place in Canadian commercial journalism. We have several creditable weeklies devoted to trade and commerce, but it is only in a monthly that we can expect that careful and accurate summing up of events, where the hurry of weekly journalism, is not felt, that is so necessary to a correct casting up of results. Judging by the number before us, this new claimant in the mercantile field will ably fill the bill.

We are pleased to publish in "Our Letter Box" a number of communications from readers of the Lumberman. We are not going to say that we agree with the views expressed by all our correspondents. It is not necessary that we should.' Lumbermen, we are sure, are liberal minded enough at any time to agree to disagree. We want to hear from our friends at all times; whether to indulge in a shaft of critic: sm , impart a piece of practical information, or record some items of news in their district, their letters will always be welcome.

Ir is stated that Assistant Secretary Spaulding, of the United States treasury department, in reply to a Chicago law firm asking in behalf of certain of their clients who own timber land and stumpage in Canada, and from which they produce under their own superrision railroad ties, fence posts, ete., at "hat salue they should be invoiced, their dutiable value in this country, etc., has informed them that the invoice should specify the actual market value or wholesale price of the merchandise at the time of exportation to the United States in the principal markets of the country of importation.

AN American contemporary raps over the knuckics those newspapers that have the "beastly" habit, as the editor puts it, of speaking of logs as lumber. The charge is laid particularly at the door of the press of New Brunswick. These papers, we are told, will say "that sone operator put in so many feet of lumber on such a river the past season; or that lumber is conning out of such or such a stream in good shape." There is of course a marked difference between logs and lumber, and the "boys" of the maritime press will have to call things by their right names. Of course our American newspaper men never make such blunders. Oh no !

Mr. J. $\overline{\text { a }}$ letcher, of the Experimental Fa:m, Oltawa, has bcen lecturing on "The most suitable ornamental shrubbery for this climate." As lumbermen were sometimes apt io look too much on the trees of the forest from a hard practical stand.oint, as something of vonderful utility, forgetting that they are alike, "a thing of beauty," ind without throwing any uncalled for sentiment into the question, "a joy forever." The beauty of our leading Canadian cities is due to the commendable custom, which might be more widely cultivated of planting shade trees along our principal streets. The lecturer recommended for shrubbery pur poses the growing of the Russian, English white, the ornamental and rosemary leaved willow, the weeping birch and the magnificent American clm of which there were few trees to equal; Canadian white cedar and the Siberian pine tree, of which there were 15 varieties.

The forestry display of the Chicago World's Colum. bian Exposition will be one of the mportant features of the World's Fair. Every effort is being put forth by Mr. W. I. Buchanan, Chief of the Department of Agriculture, who has charge of the forestry department, to enlist the co-operation of the varous umber and lumber interests, and an effort will be made to have a special building erected to be devoted to the umber industries. A good deal of attention will be devoted to forest botany, the distribution of forests, of geneta and of species, as well as the anatomy and structure of woods, and the diseases of forest trees and timber. Forest management, maps, illustrations, and instruments for measuring standing timber ; growths of different ages and soils; graphic and other illustrations st.owing rate of growih; influence of various managements on tree growth; statistics of the lumber trade and of forestry; the harvesting of forest products ; the turpentine and charcoal industries will all receve proper attention.

The fire losses in the Unuted States and Canada in March this year footed $\$ 12,540,750$, against $\$ 8.466,300$ in 1890 , and $\$ 10.912,000$ in 1889 . The woodworking and allicd industries contribured abour $\$ 750,000$ to the cotal for March. These are large figures showing the devastating effects of fire, but they will be immensely increased, so far as the lumber interests are concerned, for the month of May. In another column we publish a list of fires in the lumber sections during May. They have been largely in the States, though we have not escaped in Canada. The damage in New Jersey foots up at least $\$ 1,000,000$, at one point alone, 25,000 forest acres were burned. The Schroll \& thearn's mill comgany of Wiona, Minn., lose $\$ 100, c o o$ by the burning of their mill, blocks of lumber and warchouses. Michigan, the scene in the past of intense suffering and financial loss, counts in agan to the amount of several milhon dollars of damage. Long Island, Pennstivama, Wisconsin and other States have been included in the sweep of the fire monster. It has been in the vicinity of Gravenhurst that our greatest losses have been made. From all parts comes the prayer for rain. It's needed to stay the tread of the travelling flames, and the country requires it too, the better to assure the certainty of the present hopeful harvest.

No section of the continent is working up a boom on lumber more vigorously than the residents of the Southern States. A timber famine may be imminent in the near future in some parts of the Amertian continent, but not "Away down South in Lixie, or e!sewhere among the cotton fields. Yellow pine is being boosted for all our Southern friends know how, and from some of the more enthustastic comes the predictoon that it is making serious inroads into the sale of the white pine of Michigan and other northern states. But our contemporary the Southern Lumbermant does not want Europeans or other peuple in the Northern States oI Canada iu run away with the idea that southem timber is confined even to "cypress, magnolia, and long-leal yellow pinc." As a matter of fact, we are told the varieties of woods in the Southern States are infinite. They embrace such wuods as oak, poplar, hickory, ash, beech, cucu:nber, walnut. cherry, chestnut, buckeyc, lynn, elm, napisi, birch, gum, sycamore, lo.
cust, pine, balsam, sassafrns, mulberry, dogwood, sournood, peanood, satinwood, hackberry persimmon, holly and many others. Hurrala for the bunny south 1 We cold blooded folks of more northern climes will have to look after our forest laurcls.

TILE destruction of furcsts has certainly compassed the failuse of a gooll many water powers. This paper is not an alarmist, butt the question of woods and rain is one which must sooner or later recewe intelligent attention from the powers that be.
This statement we find in a contemporary devoted to milling interests. It is another argument for forest preservation. The scarcity of timber itself, though we're apt to look upon this time as far remote, perhaps mistakenly so, will prove a troublesome matter for this country. But in the meantime other inte us are suffering seriously because of the almost entire wiping out of anything in the way of a forest in all the older settled sections of the country. Here we have a journal which makes a study of questions affecting the milling trades, pointing out the impairment that has been caused to many water powers for the want of the growing tree. In last month's Lomberman we referred to the testimony of 200 famers who told of the much better crops that were raised when timber was standing than since more has been cleared. We're neither alarmists nor fadists, but the question is one of sufficient import to call for consideration from those engaged actively in the lumber trades.

Messrs. Rhuplle \& Smith of Quebec says Le Canada have sold for $\$ 82,500$ a timber limit in the township of Ballantyne, to the Moore Lumber company, of Detroit. This limit was bought from the Ontario Government at an auction some years ayo for $\$ 49,000$. Mr. Riopelle has been very lucky in his timber limit speculations. A few years ago he entered into dartnership with Honore Robillard M. P. and, the latter, obtained from :he federal government, for the firm, a piece of Indian reserve tumber limits on Whutefish lake, for \$312. Mr. Robillard shortly afterwards sold his interest in the limit for $\$ 15,500$ cash, but Mr. Riopelle retained his share for some ume selling it finally for \$27,500 In connection with Mr. Robillard's purchase from the Dominon Government Mr. Barron M. P. has moved in the Commons, now mession for a return showing what quantity of tumber or other wood has been returned to the government of Canadia, as having been sut up to the present ume from off Indian reserve No. 6 of the Robinson treaty by the licensecs or vendors of the unber thereon since the sale to Honore Robillard, M. P., what amount of revenue or dues has been paid to the government sunce the sale thereof, from the vendors or hicensees, on account of tumber or wood cut thercon. Mr. Barron is alsc moving for 2 return showing the quantutues and kinds of tumber and sawlogs cut annually on the lately disputed territory in the province of Ontario, under the authority of timber licenses issued by the Dominion government.

Chief Justice Sir Thomas Gialt has recently given a decision which practically knocks the bollom out of the Ontario Act respecting assignments and preferences by insolvent persons. He decided that clause rerences
9 of that Act, which provides that assignments shall take precedence of judgments and executions, was ultra tires As the British Vorth America Act says that the Dominion Government only shall have the power to deal with bankruptcy.and insolvency, the Provincial Governments may not make laws taking allay the priority of an execution credheut, as such would be legislation relatirg to bankruptc, and insol. vency. In the case in which his Lordship gave decision one Neville, an Ottawa merchant was in business difficulties. The Union Bank yot an execution aganst him and serzed his siuk. Shortly afterwards tic made an assignment to John Moran Under the nuthurity of this assignment Moran demanded possession of the stock. Under the Ontario Act he was entitled to it, but Mr. Meredith, who represented the Umon Bank, touh the case into cuart. ha Chambers the decision was against him. He then touk it befure the Chics Justice, who decided as abo e Mr H T IBeck, who represented the trustee Moran, as well as the attorneyrepresented the trustee Moran, as well as the attorney-
General of Ontano, will cariy the case in the Court of appeai. In the meanume bir Thumas Gatis decision stands. If a cieditor noul getis his caccution in he retains the rikhe to realize on the goods scized antirely for his own benefit. It will be a race between creditors as to which shall get in the first execution.


AFRIEND has written me from Madawaska, N.B. He expresses the hope that "Eli's pen will prove mightier than the sword to cut the thread of begotted ignorance and imbecile legislation, such as remowing the export duty on our logs and allow Americans to retain their duty on spruce and raise it on cedar, giving them a premium ove: us to slaughter our forests." I amafer all 'em fellows who would give away this country of ours even to a beloved Yank; and $n \mathrm{~m})$ opinion it was a serious blunder of the government to have included spruce with logs when removing the export duty. This legislation is especially rough on the lumbering interests of New Brunswick, where spruce forms so large part of their stock in trade in lumber. Of course the liank had an eye to business here, spruce being the chief growth of the Maine forests, the State that can claim the Plumed Knight of the Harrison cabinet, and in the arrangement of tanff matters, this much was made sohd for Mane. On the general question of the removal of the export duty on logs, opimons of lumberman are undoubtedly a good deal divided.
"The lumber trade would certanly be injuriously affected in Canada" said Mr. Sinclair of Paisley; "should any course of legisla:ion necessitate an increase in the mport duty on lumber going into the United States. Since the reduction of the duty from $\$ 2$ to $\$ 1$ we have beenenabled :o ship in much larger quantites to the States. Our cutting is chiefly hardwood, maple to a good extent. We have also some cedar in this locality. The woods however in this section are getting cleared and in about to years we'll not have very much more of the present forests to cut."

Duty or no duty continues to be a leading question in lumbering circles. Wherever I meet lumbermen the matter comes to the front in some shape. "We have been able," said a large operator, "to get lumber into the United States that could never have been shipped there with the extra dollar duty in existenc. We have shipped over, $1,000,000 \mathrm{ft}$. culls across the line, that hitherto remained here depending entirely on local trade for a market. And this has been the case with other lumber, besides culls, that has gone from Canada. I am speaking now of lumber, manufactured at our Canadian mills. No doubt the abolition of the log duty has had some local effect among saw mill men, but as between the injury it has caused the few and the general benefit to the entire lumber trade there is a wide gulf."

Nothing better than history to help in the intelligent discussion of a question. One need not necessarily follow in the line of history always; but it is an experience and as such is an actual guide post of what is best and wisest to follow-it may be; or to shun ; or perhaps -modify. 1 have come actross a bit of Scottish history touching the matter of forestry; that may point a moral or adorn a tale in this newer land. The Scotch are proverbially a cann; people and their recogntion of the salue of torests and the danger arising from denuding the land of them was very early. In 1535 the Scottish parhament passed a law inflocting the death penalty upon any one convicted of stealing umber for the third tume from the public domain. The area in timber in Scolland in 1812 was 913,608 acres, in 1872, 734,490 acres and in 1881, 829,476 acres. And the same lively and mitligent interest in forestry is taken by the Scottish people to.day: I don't know that they do any hanging now.a-days, but they are adopting the more intelligent methods of modern times and propose establishing a school of forestry, so as to educate the peopic up to a higher understanding of the value of this God-given wealth. .
"The curse of the lumber trade in this country," sdid Mr. J Gray, of Gco. Hastings \& Co., clly, "is the creflit system. We sell a lot of stuff. nearly nll on time, and then every little while some fellow goes under and taking the season throughout losses enough are made to take off a good slice of the year's profits." How about duty on lumber, inquired "Eli?" "l am on the road nearly all the time," said Mr. Gray. "Along the North Shore the mills are fecling the effect of the large shupment of logs to the States, and where they do not close down, they are running on short time. Whole communities are affected of course where this is the case, men are throws out of employment, the storekeepers lose their customers and villages will be depleted. All this is offset by certain general bencfits. Timber limits are made more valuable; and coarser lumber, even culls, that with the heavier duty could not be shipped to the States are going over these in considerable quantities. The lumber trade is in this way benefilted. Where the Americans are towing logs over to be cut in their own mills, they are leaving behind a lot of rough stuff, tops of trees and that like, which are not going to bencfit our limits any."

A reader of this page.takes me to his bosom in this fashion: "Eli, you have a vencrable appearance, evidently a man of great wisdom and good nature. I like your smile and your nose. Your mature years are a guarantee that whatever appears in your columns will be worth the most serious consideration of mankind. The writer is most pleased to learn that the Canada Lumberman has found its way to far off India. Permit me to say a word or two abolt forest administration in India. The forest officials of that part of the Britush Empire, by their zeal and scientific knowledge, have placed the administration of the forests beyond that of almost every other country. In 1886 a revenue of about $\{2,000,000 \mathrm{stg}$. was obtained. Formerly there was not only an entire absence of revenue but a capital each year becoming less. The rapacious timber dealer, who cut but for self aggrandisement, was restrained, and a course between reckless waste and legitimate demand, was followed resulting in the revenue mentioned above. If you could induce some Indian forest official through your subscriber, to send an article or two on the subject of forestry; from which we Canucks could learn how to manage nur fast disappearing forests, you would be doiry - ery wise act, and for which your descendants, near id remote, would rise and call you blessed. In the - guage of Milion; "Long may you wave. Adieu my veı erable friend."

In nyy ramifications among business men I get wormed into discussions on many different topics. The oft' talked of subject of advertising came up the other day in a business office in this city. Did it pay to advertise was the not very fresh query? One occupant of the office doubted it, another said it was a wasteful waste of money, the owner of the establishment himself was spending a considerable sum in this direction, and speaking from his own experience he knew that advertising paid. I was a listener rather than a talker; was indeed "a chiel amang them taking notes," and it was interesting to diagnose the case. "A" was scepti-cal-truth his calling did not throw him in the way of advertising, he had not studied the question closely and yet as only a casual observer he could not believe that so many shrewd business men would spend the amount that was indicated by their space in leading journals, and do this continuously if no results were forthcoming; so that for this reason, while mentally he had misgivings, he was not going to dogmatise. "B" was a business man of the old school, fortune and spectal circumstances had favored him, so that without much effort be had made muney, and "he didn't have to throw any away in advertising either," and taking his own experience to be typical of the general experience, instead, it was exceptional, he denounced the whole business as a humbug. We've all met these kind of paople and tise logic of a John Stuart Mill would be wasted on them. Who was number three? Well he was an advertiser. He had faith in printer's ink and he had shown it by his works. He did not, it is truc, make a
thousand dollar contract thoughtlessly. .The medium offering advertising was studied. Did it suit his particular needs? As a manufacturer he. believed in trade journals, as reaching specially the people with whom he could expect to do business. He knew that not only was a trade jou, nal carefully read by its sub. scribers, butin mine-cases out of ten it was kept on fyle for future reference-yes for the idvertisements, as well as the general reading. He paid attention to his advertising. His argument was that if it paid to spend a given sum per year in this way, it paid to have it looked after and well done, and I happen to know that there are few "ads" in any of our newspapers more striking than those that bear this firm's name. He knows how to advertise and it pays. 1 got some pointers on advertising in this short half hour with men of varinus minds that will be valuable to me.

A few days ago I called on Mr. James Tennant, the well-known lumber merchant of Victoria street. and whist there had an interesting chat with Mr. Christic, one of the oldest and most respected members of the trade in Canada.

Speaking of general business, Mr. Tennant had the same story to tcll, that is found recorded elsewhere in this page from the lips of Mr. Gray. "Business in Canada," said he, "is awkwardly handicapped by the extent of the credit system. We sell on three months' time, and too often are obliged to renew the larger part for another three months. In the States terms are at the outside 60 days and more frequently 30 days or net cash. It is a steady cash outlay by the manufac. turer from the time the men go into the woods until the finished lumber is ready for the dealer, and just as much as the load of wheat the farmer draws to market, and sells only for cash, should lumber be net cash."
"General business," said Mr. "ennant, "is quiet. Dealers all through the country complain of a scarcity of money and as a consequence few purchasers. Trade in the city is akin to the conditions in the country notwithstanding the figures paraded in the daily press assuming to show a large increase in building pernits over last year. Permits to-day are issucd for alnost every stick of building that goes on ; in 1890 this was not so."
"Besides," joined Mr. Christie, "a large part of this year's building is such as you see across the roadpointing from the office window to the massive stone structure of the Loan Association being erected on corner Victoria and Adelaide streets-in which there is vers little wood used."
"Most certainlv the reduction of the duty on lumber to one dollar a thousand," quoth Mr. Tennant, "has increased shipments to the States."-
"And there has been no general closing doxn of saw mills along the North Shore," added Mr. Christic, "such as was predicted. I have been pretty nearly over the whole of that ground this season, and only know of two mills that have been closed, and there were exceptional reasons for this. The mills at Spanish river, Bying Inlet, Victoria Harbor, Parry Sound Collingwood, Pt. Severn, Cook Bros.' mill, Bryant's mill and a string of others 1 could. name are all running and doing good business. No such quantity of logs as some have named is being shipped to the States. Pity is that the duty was not removed entirely. There should be complete free trade in lumber."
"The extra shipments of lumber to the States," resumed Mr. Tennant, "are also having some effect in stiffening prices in Canada. I have no idea that the government will make any move to reimpose the log duty. The Ottawa lumbermen, among whom are some of the strongest friends of the government, would never consent to any step that would lead to an increase in the duty on lumber, and the reimposition of the duty on logs would of course work this way."
"Morcover," said Mr. Christie, "as a matter of policy it is the worst thing the government could do. Commercial interests cannot be imperilled by constant tinkering with the tariff."

And with a hearty good-day we parted.
California has 2,675 of the giant trees still left, and the largest of these is thirty-three feet in diameter.


PROTECT THE WORKINGMAN.

## Editior Canada Lamberman:

It see.ps to me that in your article in last month's Lumberpan on Mr. Hardy's Lien Act for shantymen, you leun just a little toward the jobber and ..way from the workingman. If a man hus not got the necessary capital to carry him through his season's work, is it right that he should call on the w' - in, who are depending ypon their wages to provide the actual neces. sities of life for themselves and family, to supply part of this capital by their labor? To put it another way, should the jobber be encouraged, much less allowed, to speculate on the carnings of the workingman? I think not. Wages should certainly be assured in every case.
Thundeł̧ Bay, Ont.

Jack in Camp.

## SPARE THE WOODMAN'S AXE.

## Editor Cayada Lumberman:

I am a lumberman and it is out of the fallen tree that I make my money. All the same I believe the time has come io "spare the woodman's axe" on the forests of this coypiry. 1 am in accord with the sentiments in your editopial in May Lumberman on forest preserva. tion. Wq want both to spare the tree and to plant the new tree to fill the gaps that, with a too prodigal hand, we have made throughout the country. I live, when out of the woods, in a farming section, and am something of a farmer myself. There is no question that the yield of the farmer in many Ontario farms to-day is being lessened, because when clearing the country years ago we went too often on the basis that the only thing that a tree was good for was to cut it down, and make some money out of it.

Woodman.
Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.

## A VOICE FROM• NEW BRUNSWICK.

## Editor Cqnada Lumberman:

If the National Policy means protection, ivhy not profect our forests and our own mill owners, is well gs the manufacturers' pockets in other trades? In the county of Madawaska N. B. stork for over 25 millions of shingles yearly has been floated by the mill of one of our men, and manufactured on the American side to feed, clothe and build up American citizens and pay no export duty, while our citizens are driven out of the country to seek .labor. Our Mirister of Inland who has the honor to represent Victoria and Madawaska by his silence on the export duty, perhaps thinkp the lumber resources may as well go to pot wholesale as retail; it is only about forty thousand dollars per year of a loss. Last week's heavy rans will clear all streams of lumber and put thousands into the pockets of those who got the corporative drives. Nature has done her work handsomely, so much the befter; wa.ier still rising and.will be too high.. B.

## BETTER A HIGHER EXPORT DUTY.

## Editor Canada Lumbernsen.

It is interesting to note the diversity of opinion as to the advisability of reimposing the export duty on logs. The millmen deem the imposition of the duty as necessary to their existence, while the holders of timber limits are of the opinion that such an act would be prejudicial to their inierests. No one denies the fact that American millmen are shipping logs from Canada to their mills in Michigan to be manufactured into lumber. This they would not do, if a quantity sufficient to supply the demand could be obtained at home. From this the inference is obvious, that necessity compels them to have recourse to our forests to procure that which they are unable to obtain from their own Since of necessity they get logs from Canada, the same need or want would compel them to take the lumber manufactured here, assuming an export duty, practicalIy prohibitive in its nature, imposed. If they must have our logs to supply a present existing demand,
they require lumber, and if they cannot get our logs, they must tike our lumber, or go without.
As they come to us in formu paluferis, it is for us:0 determine what shall be done, and as the nabter now stands, it would be better for our countr, as a whole to have a high export duty placed on all log's leatme the Donimon. To this the holders of timler limits would not agrec. What about the capital miested in the limits? The best thing would be for our local nol ern ment, or failing that, the Dominion, to buy back evety limit in the country, and control the cutting of the timber. The holders of the limits have never done anything to increase the value of these lands. It is nature's work and not their's. Purchase from then their limits and pay them at going prices. Possibly this might satisfy these gentlemen.

Canadensis.

## JAMES SCOTT.

Vice-Pkesment of Georgias Bey Lemier Compasis.

$\theta$$\because: E$ of the most successful of the many large and prosperous lumber concerns of this country is the Georgian Bay Consolidated Lumber Company with head offices at Waubaushene and general business offices at Manning's arcade in this city. The VicePresident and business head of the company is James Scott, whose portrait appears in this column.

Mr. Scott was born in Tyrone, Ireland, in 1839, and six years later came with his parents to Canada, set :irg in Kingston. Here the subject of our sketch spent the happy years of childhood, and those school boy


J ames Scott.
days so fraught with pleasant memories to us all, as years commence 10 add to years and with them the cares and responsibilities of later life. He was educat. ed in the publir schools of the Limestone Citv, finishing off at Borthwick's private High school, an educational institution, holding then a postion similar to the High schools and collegiate Institutes of the present day.

Mr. Scolt's first experience in "paddling his own canoe" was as teacher in one of the Kingston public schools, becoming shortly afterwards prinoipal of the teading public school in the ci.y. His next step in active life was to become connected with the Royal Canadian Bank, leaving banking with the collapse of this institution, an event yet fresh in the memories of many.

In 1869 Mr. Scott removed to Toronto, taking a position in the Crown Lands Department But the life of a civil servant, if congenial to some, and doubtless it is, was 100 monotonous for a man of Mr. Scott's energy and push, and at the end of three years we find him in the midst of the activities of lumbering as hook-keeper for the Georgian Bay Lumber Company. Devoting himself industriously to the interests of the Company he was quickly promoted from one position to another, for many years serving as Sec'y.Treas., relinquishing' this later to become Vice-President and active business manager of the company.
This position Mr. Scott occupies to day, and some idea at least of the labor and responsibilities that go with it, may be gieaned by a brief reference to the large business carried on b! his company. In 1872 the
business "as conducted under the name of .he Georgian Bay Lumber Company withunills at Waubaushene and Pl. Severn and business head-quarters at Barric. In $18 ; 3$ the head offices were remoied to Waubamshenc. and shorily after this the company abscribed the propertics of Page, Moxer \& Co., of Byng Inlet and also the Collingnood mill known as Hotclikis, Peckam $\&$ Co.'s mall. The firm name was at this time Changed to the Gcorgian Bay Consolidated Lumber Co. Five mills are now operated by this company, who also own large timber limits. Their output for 1890 consisted of $6,000,000$ feet of lumber, besides a considerable quantity of shingles and laths. Additional to this there was taken out three quarters of a million feet, cubic, square waning timber for the English market. The company run a box factory at Waubaushene where they manufacture boxes for the New York trade to be used in the exporting of coal oil to foreign countrics. They turn ort 5000 shooks per day.
For six, een years, until less than three years since, Mr Scott resided at Waubaushene, at that time remosing to this city Whilst, at no time owing to the extent of his business engagements, occupying any public position, he has always taken an active and intelligent interest in public affairs. He is a prominent member of the Conservative association and at the convention prior to the last general election his name was mentioned in connection with the candidature for East Simcoe. He is a member of the Episcopal church, and is and always has been a iotal abstainer from intoxicat. ing liquors and ever active, as opportunity occurs, :i promoting the interests of the temperance cause.

Mr. Scott's carear is a case in point of how a young man by minding his own business, and throwing con. science and energy into every detail of work, can climb from the lowest rung in the ladder to its highest point

## TRADE NOTES.

Messrs. J. Muckieston \& Co., of Kingston have leased the extensive works of the late D. McEwen \& Co., of that city and intend manufacturing a full line of lumbermer.'s tools, such as "cant dogs," "peavies," "skidding tongs," etc., in connection with the Brazel's (pat.) snow and side plows, for which they have the sole right in the Dominion. Last wintor upwards of 100 of the snow plows were sold to lumber$\mathrm{m}^{n} \mathrm{n}$ in Michigan, where they have already been on the market for some years and where they are fully, known and appreciated as an article that will pay for itself several times over during a season. Messrs. McLaughlin Bros., of Arnprior, having bought and fully tested one last winter, have already placed their order for five more and write in most flattering terms concerning them. We are sure that lumbermen generally will find it to their interest to give these plows a trial, and by placing their orders at the earlest possible dato insure prompt delivery in the fall. J. Muckleston $\&$ Co., are also manufacturing the celebratad "Forest Champion" bob sleigh which is the best of its kind yet introduced in Canada. They also have the latest improvements in all the lines they make, and are extensive dealers in lumbermen's supplies generally. Their catalogue will very shortly be issued. Their advertisement appears in another column of The Lumberman.

## ALASKA'S ONLY SAW-MILL.

WESTWARD of Lering hes Annette island, upon Which is situated the Tsimpsean sottlement of Rev. William Duncan, which was removed to Alaska from British Columbia about three years ago. Here is
found the only sawmill avowedly producing lumber for found the only sawmill avowedly producing lumber for sale. This mill is operated er irely by Indians, even the office work and book-kecping being done by them. These people also have blacksmith shops, tin shops, etc., and have erected a cannery, which produces a few thousand cases of salmon annually. In oroier to establish this settlement, it was necessary to clear the
iwhole area of its covering of forest and whole area of its covering of forest and undergrowth, and after erecting a town of comfortable cottages, arranged in regular strects and squares, these people are just beginning to make their first attempt at horticulture. Annette island is densely timbered and well stocked with deer ; its streams abound in salmon, and the surrounding waters furnish an ample supply of halibut and codfish. An attempt is being made to
have this island declared a reserve for the sole use of have this island declared a reserve for the sole use of
the Tsimpscans.

## THE NEWS.

## ONTARIO.

-Send us the news of your district.
-The mill at MrcGregor is closed.
-The mills at Severn Bridge are running full time.
-Stalker's saw mill at Flodden is in full operation.
—Alex. Mustard's saw mill at Brucefield is being refitted.
-Dennis' lumber mill at Schombers is doing a good trade.
-Men everywhereare now actively at work on the "drives".
—A. Tait of Orillia will cut $2,000,00$ feet lumber this jear.
The Niagaia Glazed Paper Co. is building a millat Niagara Falls.
-Mr. Dole, shingle mill man of Dorset is statting to cut lumber.
-The Hardwood Saw Mill has been acquired by the Rathbun Co.
-Mr. John Millin bas rented Mrs. Kelecy's saw mill at - Dunchurch.

- The S S Seguin is carriag lumber from Parrs Sorisu to Tonawanda.
-Conlon's mill on Pienid Island has commenced cutting for the season.
-Mr. Ranney's shingle mill at Severn Bridge is shut down for the want of stock.
-Mr. Zuber of Walkerton has removed to Chepsiow, where he will run a saw mill.
-Neve machinery has been put into the saw mill of John MrKnight at Pembroke.
-Bronson and Weston, Otawa,are putting on a uight gang and the cut will be large.
-Mr. James Sharpe M. P. P. Burk's Ealls, is shoving his shingle and lumber trade.
-J. Mosseau tas left Belle River to take charge of a Iumber yard in Ridgelown.
- Mr. Vizeneu is putting in a carding mill in connection with,his saw mill, at Vars.
-3 essts. Doraldson $\&$ Yerdue of Bayfield have moved their saw mill to tiae Sauble line.
-Drinkwater Bros'., Orillia, report business good, though priecs are lower than last year.
-Thistle, Carswell and Mackess mill at Calabogie, will it is expected, be a very iarge one.
-J. D. Shater of Bracebricge mill cut this season 4,000,00 fi. of lumber and $8,000,000$ shingles.
- Mr. J. MeConiche of Traders La Porasge will cut :boul $7,000,0 \infty$ feet of lops into shingles this season.
-The Longford Lumber Company's shingle mill at Lakeside, has commenced operatuons for the season.
-A planing mill is abou: to be sected at Pt. Credit by Mir. A. R. Gocdon who will also open a lumberyard.
-The mill of Feter Şhaw. Nuvan, will cat this year abont $1,000,000$ feet of tember and $3,00,000$ shingles.
- Buchanan Bros. Staples are ditching around their lands to facilitate getting their tiabler oat of the bash.
-It is expected that a portica of J. R. Booth s bis new mill, - Ollawa, will be ready for operation carly this month.
-The Flesherion saw mill bas been purchased by Mr. J. E. Moore, wi.o also proposed starting furnitere manufacturing.
-Ficsheis at Burk's Falls bave given some trouble so those working at Sharpe's logs on the north brench of the riter.
-Mickic Djment \& Soa will cat 21 Barric and Eradford 6,000,000 fi. of lumber and at Grarenherst 5,000,000 feet.
-The siaff cf hands as Beatry's shingle mill Parry Sound, is frozter than ans pretioxs season. A large trade isanticipated.
-Cass Eros of Manimrille have opened ip trasiness with a large drive of logs, and plenis of sawn lomber of all kinds.
-E C. Lewis of Elford as actively crigaged in shappiag lamber to Detroit and other points. His mill is ranning full blast.
-The Bracside Lumbes Alills are not going to commence operatarss fer the season till the end of joly or laginaing of A"gas.
-Messrs James McLaren is Co., have Ieased Mečymant's mill in Mideau ward, Oltama and will run it dering the semancr.
-The Holbert saw mill at Burk's Falls has been so improved as to enable the proprictor to increase the output for shipment.
-The timber drive of Barnesi \& Co. at Cedar Lake on the Petewawa is in charge of Mr. Ephraim Lalorde, of Ottawa.
-The drives on the Madawaska river N. B., are reported to have started well, their being no lack of water.
-Messrs. Graham, Horne \& Co. have removed their saw mill and drying kiln to Font William from Vermiltion Bus.
-A night gang has been put on at McLaren \& Co's. New Edinburgh saw mill giving emplojment to over 100 additional men.
-The Brennan mill proberty in Huntsville is to be transformed into a tannery. Mr. Beardmore, it is said, has purchased it.
-Mr. T Hobart, Burk's Falls is cutting this year for J. Sharpe of same place. The cut will be chieffy shingles-about 7,000,000
-A bill is now before the Dominion parliament to reduce the capital stock of the E. B. Eddy Manufacturing company to $\$ 300,000$.
-A Listonel public meeting has resolved to form a joint stock company with $\$ 50,000$ eapacity to build and operate a furniture factory.
-No night gang will be put on at Perley \& Pattee's mills the Chaudiere this season, and the firm's cut will be consequentty smaller than last year.
-Tbe Shepterd \& Morse Lumber Co., the Otama Lumber Co. and the Export Lumber Co., have moved into their new offices in Central Chambers, Oltawa.
-A tow of lumber larges containing 3,3j0,000 feet of samin lumber, was brought from Ottawa to Montreal on 6th uit., being the sscond lig tow of the season.
-Messrs. AcLaren \& Co's St Denis Creek drive, appears to have been an unfortunate ore from the word "go"-stuck last gear, tro men drowned this year.
-The annuai report of the Owen Socnd Board of Trade shows that shipments were made to the States during six mniths of 1890 of orer a millioa feet of lumber.
-The Serern Bridge mill has beea tboroughly orerhauled, and an automatic filer and an endless chaia carrier has been adried among other improvements introduced.
-Tae table made from the first tree cut in Guelph and owned by the late MIr. Baker bas been bought bry Mrs. Thos. Holliday, wLo intends to present it to the Masor of the city.
-The new mill of W. W. Belding, Katrine, is now compieted. The cut this year will run from $6,000,000108,000,000$ feet of lumber, $5,000,000$ shingles and $4,000.000$ isth.
- The Parn Sound Lumber $C u$,'s mish is turting out an enormous amount of lumber dails. The largest cut in one day was $9,0 \infty$ feet, and the arerage for two weeks about 90,00 feet per day.
-Mr. Jas. Hlaine, blacksmith, has remoted from Batk's Fails to Katrine where he purposes to rebaild his steam sam mill and renew his lumbering operatiuns in connection with the smith wark.
-From Fergas north in the bed of the Grand River more corduowd, loss, poles and posts hare been taken out through the townships of Luther, Arthur, Proion, Waldemar etc. than in ans prerious year.
- The new basd saw from the works of the Stearns aranu. facturing Co. New York, and recently placed in the bis mill of the Rathbans a: Deseronto, is proriag quite a norelis to mill men in that section of coontry.
-The E B. Edds nianufacturiag Company itare purchased the waste lamber of the season's cut at the Baell, Orr, Husdman \& Co's mills, Ollawn. Ther iequife it for steam purposes in conaection with the prolp factory.
-Mr. J. B. Miller, presideat of the Parry Sound Lamber Co. has duriag the winter had baile a lember baige costing oret $\$ 100,000$. The boat will de used for the carreing trade and will be the largest lamber barge on the upper lakes.
-Le Careía announces that Messrs. Riopelle \& Smith have sold for $\$ \$ 2,500$ a timber licrit in the township of Ballar. 1 yne , to the Moore Lumber company of Detroit. This limit was looght from the Ontario gorernment at avetron some years ago for \$82,000.
-.t quantity of hickory wood is being shipped from Ridgetown and neighborhood ditece 10 Germany, to be manafactured inso rifie stocks for the arms. The timber sells for \$16 per thousand, and the freight charges to its destination it is said amoznt io $\$ 50$ moic.
-The Whaler Lumber Company of Huntsville are adding iwo new shingle machipes rade by Moecy is Son of Graven:
hurst, and a new lwiter from the factory of Goldie \& MeCullough. They will manufacture about $3 ; 000,000$ feet lumber. An improvement to their mill will be a new siding which is row beirig laid and which will give them belter ship. ing facilities for the future. Prices are feported about same as this time last year and trade faisly göod.
-The Georgion Bay Lumbering Co. are experiencing con siderable difficulty in getling their logs down the river. The steady westerly winds retard them on the little lakes.
-The lumbermen of Fergus are having a hard time with their logs, owing to the dry weather. The ziver is very low. Perry \& Black have got as far as Glenlammond dam. Mr. Reed is stuck with his 7,000 ties up abore Belwood.
-Large quantities of elm logs are being shipped from Walkerville over the I. E. E. \& D. R. R'y for Wyandolte and Detroit. They are taken on that line to the west of the town and rafted either across or down the river. About 200 carloads of timber will be shipped from the slip north of Harrow.
-Messrs. McBurney and Laycock of Gravenhurst oferated just two camps the dast winter. They expect to cut also 3 .000,00 feet lumber this year, which is one half the quantity Itt last jear. They trill also cut 3 million lath. The en. pacity of their mill is 40,000 feet daily. It is anticipated that this will be their last season on the old limits.
-Heathi Tait and Tuinbull of Huntsville will cut 3,000, $\infty 0$ shingles this season. They bave been rumaing day and night since middie of April. Thes will get out about 4,000 , 000 feet of lumber and have on hand about $8,000,000$ logs. Arrangements have liven completed with the Edison electric light company: to put in about.twentr-five incandescen! lights into their mill.
-Operations at Mrason's lumber mills in the Ottaua Valley are in a very prosperous shape. The firm began operations in 1872. Two years ago Mit. Geo Mason, senior member and his son, Mr. Wim. T. Mason, bought out the interest of the old firm, and have made big strides since. The cut last season reached almos: nine million feet, which it is expected will be exceeded this year.
-The William Hamitoon Manufacturing Ca, of Peterboro', Ont., have got the contract to supply all the machinery for the Pacific Lumber Companj, which is starting a mill at NewWestminster, and is to $u_{-}$ac a daily capacity of about 250,000 feet. This company is also furnishing machinery for the new mill of 75,000 daily capacity at-Ladnar's Landing, B. C.
-By the will of the late Mr. R. H. Klock of Aglmer, it is understood Messrs. James and Robent Klock succeed to the immense estate connecied with his lumber interests. It in. cludes 1,500 square miles of limits. The somn and country estate and personat property is divaded between the four nother members of the family.
-John Milne \& Son, Huntswille, are doing a much larger business than formeriy. Thes hare been running the mill alf winter. They hare put in 2 acw broom handle machine, which will enable them to turn out 4000 broom handles dally and propose putting in 2 machine for the manufacture of pike poles.
-John West of Simose has completed and launched the alligator lug "Saginaw" 20 horse power which mikes 6 miles per bour on water and half 2 mile.per tay orer portages sic. She is unequalled in breaking dumpsiand tozing booms, as she anchers and winds in bee steel rope tow line, with the same earine and:a direr which can be.peared slow. then draxing herself ores the hasd. The sytern seems a complete seceess, and this is the frith now in use.
-A ce:tificate of partnership has been registered which amalgamater serer=l large lumber interests. The firms amalgamating are Messrs. White, Avery \& Co, Alessrs Buell \& Orr, of Nicut York and Barlington, and Messrs Hurdman of Oltawa. The new firm will be known by the mane and vitic of Bacll, Orr, Hardman Si Co., in Ottawn, and as Beell, Orr is Co., in Niew Yori:. The pariners zac Mcesers A. A. Baell of Burlingion ; J. C. Orr, New York. F. W. Arers, W. G. White, Robert Hiurdmen, C. S. Read, W. E. Hurd. min, jr. Mr. C. S. Read will act as financial manager. In 2nswer to 2 seporter, Mir. W. H. Fiurdman said : The new fram will not cause any iactease in the outpat this year. ithe change will efiect it afterwerds. Miessrs White \& Arery mill comple:c their present engagements, and then all new eagage. meats will be in the name of the Sirm, as will Arr. Buell's at Berlington. Mit. Or's prrate business at New York will not be affected. The new inm besides manafacturing will launch into the general tomber besiness. it is expected that the operations of the firm in the Oltawa valley will be largels in. creased.


## qUEBEC.

-The Eastman Mill Company have statted their drive of logs from thelanding at the Cartoon.
-A large raft belonging to the Collinsty Rafting Co. was broken to pieces while going through the Lachine Rapids.
-The Pulp inill, ai Buchingham, sold recently to an American firm is doing a large business. Mr. Scott is the manager.
-Prace Brothers, of Quebec, the famous lumber kings, have cut no less than 160,000 pine logs in Montmagny woods during the past season.
-A timber raft belonging to Calvin \& Co., Cardinal, Ont., went to pieces during its passage down the Lachine Rapidson 3rd ult. Fourteen men were on it and had a narrow escape from drowning.
-Considerable lumbering has been donethis season at Glen Sutton. A large quantity ol hewn bisch has been taken our to be shipped to England.
-The contrace has teen let for the building of a new paper mill, at Sherbrooke, Que. The pulp mill at the same place is being overhauled and enlanged.
-Plans are being made by Architect Ellswerth, of Holyoke, Mass., for a new mill to be erected by the Rojal Pulp and Paper Co., of East Angus, during the summer. The mill will be erected on the St. Francis River and will be on the direct line of the Quebec Central Railioad. The company has 2 capital o: $\$ 300,000$, and the general manager is James $D$. Finlay, formerly of the Winona and Wauregan paper mills. Gearge Van Dyke, president of the Connecticut River Lumber Company is a director.

NEW BRUNSWWCK AND NOVA SCOTIA.
-Lumbermen are anxiously looking for rain to bring the winter's lumber cut out of the streams.
-Grants for 36,669 acres of Crown Lands were issued by the Crown Land Office of Nora Scotia lest year.
-The Pulp Mill, at Mill Village, N. S., is now running night and day, giving employment to twents-five med. Mr. J. Hughes, of Halifax, is manager.
-There is no frestet in either of the great liranches of the Miramichi, N. S., and the lumber drives are razking very slow progress. Rain and warm weather are wanted.

- Mit. A. Gibson has in use at the Nashraak. N.S., seven scows of 110,000 carring capacity which will be used in loading deals and do away in of least.part with the wood boats that heretorote jid the work.
-3Ir. W.H Murraf, the well-known lumberman, of Exed. rickion, N.B., while oa his way to Quebec a few dajs siace had $\$ 1,500$ stiven out of his sleeping buth. The act was afterwards traced to the colored porter and all the money save abou: $\$_{100}$ was recorered. The thief was arrested at Halifan, N. $S$.
-Some scoundrel who should be severely punithed cutaway the boom at Cameron Bridge, Black River, Ni. S., in such 2 manrer as to leare it apparently safe, but yet ready to break with a very slight strain. The boom-stick which holds the strain at the centre of the bridge span had beea cat almost throagh rith an axe, but enough wood was lef intact to hold it in position.
-The annual report of the crown lends department, Niew Brunswich, shows that during $\mathbf{1} 890$, there was cut:
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In addition there was cut a large quantity of cedar poles, cordwood, etc. The total stampage charged in 1890 is $\$ 111$. 475.37. There is an increase of about $\$ 3,000$ in the stompage recoipls, and of $58,715.59$ in the total territorial revenue.

## MAMITOBA AND THE NORTHWEST.

-The Bulmer Mills, at Rat Portage, Man., are ren by Cameron \& Mofitu.
-j. McCanachic's shingle mill at Rat Portage, Mran., will run aight and day. his semmer.
-A net boaler and eagine bas" :a placed in the mill of f . Whiteside, Rat Portage, Man.
-Careen $\mathbb{S}$ Kenaedstare put in 45 lights 32 candle power each in their mill at Norman, M\{an.
-All the millsat Norman, Man., some six or eight lage concerns, are doing a brisk trade.
-The Western Lumber Company, of Rat Portage, Man. has opened 2 yard at Brando.a, Man..
-Joseph Davis, of Winnipeg, lamberman, is a segalar purchaser of lamber at mill points along the Northern Pacific, making shipments to points orer the line.
-C. A. Larkin, of Brandon, has sold his mill to L. .J. Ashley.
-A lumber yard has been opered at MeGregor, Man., by J. W. Thompson.
-Nessrs. Arthur \& McRae's inill will saw a million feet of lumber at Berth, Man., this season.
-The Malcoln Thompson cut of logs at Rapid City, Man., will be sawed by Messts. A. \& W. Stewatt.
-C. A. Christe, of the Brandoa sam mills, has seien million feet of logs coming down the river for his mill.
-Selkitk, Man., is to have a paper mill. Mr. D. Macarthur, of Winnipeg, proposes erecting one on his propety recently occupied by the lasere saw mill there.
-A lumber gard has been opened at Alexander, Man., by Alex. Carman, late manager for Dich, Banmy $\ll$ Co., of Portage la Prarie, Man.
-The government contract for the supplying of timber for the works at the lucks at Peninsula Creek has been awarded to Whiteside $\mathbb{X}$ Young, of Rat Portage, Man.

## BRITISH COLUMBIA.

## -A saw mill will be established at Sycamouse.

- Murray Bros. have epened a lumber yard at Mission City; B. C.
-Collett \& Hunter are about to establish a saw mill at Nicola.
-British Columbia lumber dealers are doing a gosi Australian trade.
-Two beautiful sticks of lumber, 8 feet long, were cut at the Brunette mills.
-The Brunette mills are inaking heary shipments ofdressed and rough lumber weekly.
Morse's mill, at Vancouver, will be improved, and the capacity largely increased to about 200,000 feet per day.
-The Mechanis Mill, at North Arm, is running full time, and the firm are making a specialty of fine interior ficishings.
-The Brunette Mills Company, at New Westminster, are building a lange scow and a fine boat for their lumber trade.
-Logs orer five feet in diameter and perfectly sound and good have been cut at the Brunette mill, New Westminster.
-A shingle mill is in course of erection at False Creek by W. L. Tait, of Uinnipeg, Map.. It will have a daily capacity of from 35,000 to 40,000 ft.
-Mr. Jas. Trethency, of Mission, isalbout to erect a saw mill on Elk Creek where he has acquired a fine tract of land with a good water porrer situsted conreniently.
-At E. Ward's shingle mill, North Arm, a large steam boat, 60 ft by 14 ft . beam, is being built for Mr. Ward, to be used by him for towing purposes.
-The business of the Rojal Caly Planing Mills Cumpany, Limited, at New Westminster and Vancourer, and the Hacttags Saw Mill Company, Limited, of Vancouter, hare been acquired by the British Columbia Mills Timber and Trading Company, and will in future be carried ca under that name.
-The Moodywille Saw Mill Company are preparine to put twelve netebolers in their mills. They bave been designed 3s S. J. Randall, machinist for the mills, and are of a shape especially adapted for utilizing the heat obtained from sawdust and mill refise.
-The Port Disco:ery saw mill has stopped work, owing, it is said, to dullness in the forcign trade. According to mill men, the rat in Cliti has had a depressive effeet on the industry, and they look forward to brighter times wien that trouble shall hare been settled.
-The capacity of the Rock Bay sam mill at Victoria, is to le increased to 80,000 feet per day. This will necessitate the pating on of a night gang and reaning night and day. An electric platet bas been put in for the parpose of lighting the mill.
-Negotiations are oa foot for the formation of a company with extensire capital, to constrect and operate a line ofsailing ships in connection pith the Chemainus sart mills, whose ont. put is expected to reach erefy quarter of the globe. This compans is separate and apart from the sat mill company, which will also have i:s own ships.
-At Golden the Upper Columbia Narigation \& Tramway Company are building a sate mill, with a capacisy of 60,000 per day. In connection with this is the Nootenay mail line of steamers, which ran from Golden to Windemere and tap East Foolenay, which is knowa to be the richest country in min. crals and also for ranchingin British Colembia. The company is an English one, with a directorale "composed of Lord Norbary, Hon. T. B. EF. Cochrane and En F. Armstrong, and will expend this season about $\$ \mathrm{x} 00,000$ in tramuays and other improrements genctally.
-Messrs. Johnsen, Walker \& Flett, of Vietoria, have disposed of their planing milt in that city to a Seattle firm for a consideration of $\$ 40,000$. The Seattle people will continue the operation of the planing mill, and Johnson, Walker \& Flett will erect a large saw mill on the prenises adjoining it.
--The boiler, engines, large circular rigi etc., for the new saw mill of the North Pacific Lumber Company, it Barnet, B.C., which will be one of the largest on the Pacific Coast is being supplied by the celebrated Waterous Co., of Brantford, and another mart of the machinery by the Wm. Hamilton Co . of Peterborough.
-The finalarrangements of the sale of the Moodywille mill have been executed. The sale was made to some European capitalists, and includes the mill, the timber limits and all the property belonging to the late company, with the exception of the vessel, Elta White. The amount paid was about a million dollars. The mill will shortly be greatly improved and enlarged.
-The Royal City mills, New Westminster, are building a line of rilway from their limits on Mud Bay to Hall's Prairie, where it will connect with the Great Northern. The Iengit of the line will be about six miles. Orer this line and the Great Northern, the logs from the Mud Bay camp will be carried to Port Kells, where they will be unloaded into the water, boomed, and towed to the mills in New Westminster.
-There are forty-one saw mills new built or in course of erection in this Province. The capacity of the mills at Vancourer has been increased to $210,000,000$ feet yearly and the actual eapital invested represents $\$ 1,750,000$. For the year the actual cash value of the output sas in round numbers, $\$ 3$. 000,000 , and the output in feet about talf the capacity, nameiy $100,00,000$ feet. The number of men employed by the various mills at Vancouver is 1,900 . The finest growth in timber is ou the coast and in the Gold and Selkirk zanges. AMilions and millions of feet of timber, locked up for centuries, have now become available for commerce.


## UNITED STATES.

-The widest plank on earth is on exhibition in Humboldt, Cal. It is 16 feet in width. It will be among the Eumboldt exhibits at the World's Fair.
-It is estimated that the production of hemlock lumber in Penosglvania will reach $800,000,000$ feet in IS91.
-The old log cabin in St. Louis county, Mo., which Gien. Gramt ereeted with his own hands out of timber cut and hewn by himself, is to be removed to Chicago as one of the attractions of the World's Fais.
-A shingle machine that will turn oun 90 shingles per minute is awaiting a patent at Dubois, Pa
-Texas has 45,302,500 actes of timber land, with 67,508, 500,000 feet of standing timber
-Aceurding to the Fosf, of Chicage, the pine stuffed handle in that market lost year amounted to $1,900,000,000$ feet. It is beliered that the present year's consumption will far exceed that of isst year.
-In the decade from 1850 to 1890 the value of the output of forest products from the soathern states has more than doubled. In 1580 it footed up $\$ 46,977,000$ while in $3 \$ 90$ it had increased to $\$ 102,122,000$ being an increase of $\$ 55,145$. $0 \infty$.
-The bin pine trees don't seem to be all cot in Mrichigan. Rust Bros. found oae of these monsters in Clare counts during the winter that scaled 5,162 feet, one $16.500 t \log$ sealing 1,204 fect.

## PERSONAL

Mr. Andrew Atacampbell, M.P.P., was in zourn duriag the past week. Lumbering, he says, is quiet in the Midiand district.
A. I. Patehing, of Windsor, has been down in Tennesee for some time where he has made large purchases of lumber and mincral lands.
Mr. Tames Corccian, of Siratord, managing director of the Canadian Pacific Lumber Company, has been spendins the pasi month in Eritish Columbiz selecting a site So: a new mill. It was thought thas Ner. Westminster would have got the plum,
bat inter seports state the mill will be located at Fraser kiver. bat iater seports state the mill will be located at fraser kiver.
The Luanermasi had the pleasure of a call on the 37 uth, From Mr. A. MicDonald, of Pceichoro'. He sags a fair lrade inlumber is ocing done this season. The toun has taken on quite a boom as a result of the building of the Edison Electric quight Works.
James Qaigs. ath old time packer and miner, of the Caritio Mining Districi, B. C, is dead. Before leaving New Brenswick, in 18 ji, he followed tow-loating and lumbering for a licing, and is said to be an expert rifer driver. In is6s he was in Alinnesota, and was ai Ked Wing, dering the Indian mascacte. From Ninnccota be drifed op lhe Red Rirer ralley 10 Wianipes, and from Winnipex crossed the plains 10 British Colonbia. ife was a well-known characier in Cariboo,

## TRADE RETIEW.

## Office of Canilda Lumbermant May $30 \mathrm{~h}, 1891$. \}

-OMPLETE quictude appears to exist in erade circles at the present time. - Dealers are ready to sell but buyers are scarce. Everyone is arxious for the good time that the 'morrow is cxpected to bring, only the 'mcrrow is slow in getting here. Throughout the country there is litte activity and apparently no movement to give an impetus to lumber sales. Travellers report that much push is needed to make sales. Local trade in the city is no belter than we reported a month since, which is to say that we are certain to pass through a quict summer. Money is not plentiful and wholesalers report renewals more in request than a year ago. No failures of any moment have taken place during the month which so far is a healthy commercial condition.

Shipments to the States are hardly as brisk as last month, the best of the irade appearing to be over.

British Columbia tade is curtailed by the condition of matters in South America, which has been an important shipping point for dealers on the Pacific coast. And there are not any signs that the Argentine Republic will get on its fcet again. in- a hurry. Local rade however, in British Columbia is active and growing, a number of new mills having been erected during the present season. The annual report of the Minister of the Interior, recently issued, shows that the amount collected in simber dues in British Columbia and the North-west territories is larger than those of 1889 by $\$ 25,878.78$. Of the revenue from timber, $\$ 45,-$ 485.09, was derived from bonuses, ground rents and royalties on timber cut from lanis in the railvay belt royalties on timber cut from lanis in the railway belt
in British Columbia, being an increase of $\$ 27,440.32$ over the previous year.
Our news columns indicate a fairly active season among the mills, and we hear of at least one large lumber company in the Dominion, that by: shrewd watching has been able to open out fresh ñeids for some stocks this vear..
A despatch from Michigan states that Duight Cutler, of the Cutler \& Savidge Lumber Company, Spring Lake, Mich., who has been quietly buying up good timber lands in the Queen's domain, until he now has upwards of 50,00 acres in the Georgian Bay regions with a stumpage estimaite at $200,000,000$ feet, will as soon as the company's opetations in Dichigan are completed, transfer the entire plant to Canada. Nr. Cutler says that with the reduced tariff on lumber the pine can be cut in Canada and be shipped as lumber to the States at a substantial profit.

## UNITED STATES.

Labor strikes and boycotts are playing sad havoc with lumber trade in some parts of the States, more particularly New York. The Lumber Trude foumal of that city, always careful in its conclusions states: "The uncertainty attending the attitude of labor, it is safe to say, has put back and delayed hundreds, of thousands of dollars worth of building in this city, and iñ figuring up their losis in wages, we wish the labonng men would take cognizance of this fact. lihat with boyceits and shuidowns there is nothing in the situaion but rouble. Trouble and the dullness will un doübtedly continue until the matter is setiled."
Exom Boston comes word that the weather is fine, but it has not proved an incentive to trade. Sprice is abundant this season, the shingle trade is fair; poplar, more in demand than for five years. Albany makes a more cheery showing. Notwithstanding the Nery York trouble a fair trade is doing. Dry ureather, is causing anxiety and unless rain comes speedily a good many logs are likely to be hung up. There is a probability of the joint committees of the Buffalo and Tonawanda Exchange meeting at an carly date to revise quetations. Good lumber at Tonawanda is said to be decidedly iscarce. The disastrous fires of the month have had a tendency to disorganize trade in many parts of Nichigan.

## FOREIGN.

A steady under-current of trade is being feit in the British market. The continental markets are deriving strengith from the English demand. As to prices, no alteration is to be noted, the advance being stif confined to $4^{\text {th }}$ and $5^{\text {th }}$ quality of prime makes and 10 whitewood, which continues 10 find a steady sale at about is increase on the figures accepted in January:

Messrs. Denny, Mort \& Dicksom, of London, Eng., under date of Mry sth, repont: "that the very moderate stocks of Canadian oak, yellow pine and elm continue to move off slowly: Business for nevt season's supplies continues very difficult to arrange as the prices required by Quebec shippers show very linic prospect of a margin of protit to buyers on ithis side, whilst the demand for consumpition continues so quict. Probably the busers who know how to wit will do the best in this market." General business this repor: sars lacks animation, and ithe siocks in inost diescription of goods are +ill sn anple that ronsumers are not to De persuaded thit these is any cause to fear their
failing to buy ai "bottom" raies, and a languid hand-to-mouth demand is the result.
A Melbourne (Australia) umber report of March 18 says: Our wholesale markets have been rather more active than for a few months past, and sales have been somewhat heavier. The fi:mness of holders has im proved values for some lines, but there is a feeling among merchants that the winter trade is going to be quiet, and they are therefore not inclined to buy freely. quiet, and they are therciore not inclined to buy freely: Which has kept some of our merchants busy. Deliveries from store grounds generally have been fairly brisk.


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FIRES.
Forest fires in Quebec.
Forest fires in New Brunswick.
Morley, Mich., containing eight saw mills is in ashes.
Heavy losses of lumber through bush fires in Wisconsin.
A loss of $\$ 300$ by fire in Withrow \& Hillocks lumber yard, Toronto, on gth ult.
The carpenter shop of Cameron \& Kennedy's mill at Kat Portage, Man. Loss $\$ 250$. Insured.
Miles of woods have been ablaze at Preston, Pine Lake, and the other side of the North.West Arm, near Halifax, N. S.
Twenty-five thousand acres of pine lands in New Jerscy. At a rough estimate it is said the losses, will be at least $\$ 1,000,000$.
Every saw mill on the mountains between Bellefonte and Lewisburg, pa., has been destroyed, and millons of feet of valuable timber.
The large planing mill of Jacob Lovell, at Niagara Falls, was destroyed by fire on the might of the 8 th ult. Loss $\$ 6,00$. No insurance.
The saw mill of Mr. N. L. Lusty, at Rodney, Ont-:was completely destroyed by fire on 1st ult. Loss about $\$ 3,000$; no insurance.
Carrick and Bros.' shingle mill at Fawham, Ont. together with a million and a quarter feet of lumber. Loss 512,500 . No insurance.
Awful bush fires along the line of Kingsion \& P: Ry. taking in Ornpat, Lavant and Wilbur. A great deal of cordwood cut last winter has been destroyed.
Terrible bush fires and great suffering in Pennsplvania, taking in the pretty little farming towns of Austin, Cosiello, Galeton and Moore's Run, in Potter county:

- Millions of dollars worth of damage has been done by the forest fires in the Michigan lumbering districts. Nothing like it since the disastrous fires of 188 r .
The saw mills owned and run by A. B. Saylor, at Boomfield, Ont., have been completely destroyed by fire. Loss $\$_{4}, \infty 0$ : partly covered by insurance.
About twenty-five acres of standing wood belonging to the Rathbun Company on Wm. Green's place, Kennebec, Ont., was destroyed by fire two weeks since.

A row of seven new houses, belonging to william Stewart, ouner of the West Toronto Junction planing mill, were completely destroyed by fite the early part of the past month.
A fire at Tasker's switch, Gravenhurst. destrosed a million of lumter belonging to John T. Harvie and about the same quantity belonging to Robt. Thompson, of Hamilton. Both losses are fully covered by insurance.

At Winona, Minn., the entire plant of the Schroth \& Ahearns Mill Company went up in flames. The mill, warehouse and three blocks of lumber were burned. The fire started in the wheel pit of the planing mill. Loss \$100,000.

The thriving lumbering towns of Otta. Fields and Park City, Mich., have been wiped off the earth by the flames, and all that semans of Lilley are the hotel and depot. Heavy losses were made in the destruction of several large saw mills.
One of the largest fires known for years south and west of Austun, Pa., on the lands of F. H. \& C. W. Goodyear. It is estimated $30,000,00$ feet of logs and 10,000 cords of bark have been destroyed, besides 10 mile; of tram railway.
Aggregate losses of $\$ 500,000$ have been made by fires at Long Island, L. I. The losses of the Export Lumber Company will probably reach $\$ 250,000$; the H . F. Burroughs Companys lumber vard, $\$ 200,000$, the Whiting Lumber Company, \$5,000 ; MacIntosh \& Co., lumber, $\$ 25,00$.
A disastrous bush fire broke out in the pine woods of Messrs. Kennedy \& Staples north-east of Bowmanville, Ont., on the pine Ridges on 7 th ult. The fire, it is thought, caught from the engines on the C.P.R. A large quantity of cordwood belonging to Messrs. Ashley $\$$ Staples was consumed. The injury to the standing pine will be very great.
At St. Anthony, N.B., on the line of the Buctouche and Moncton Railway, on the night of the soth inst., a lagre_quantity of valuable lumber, consisting of ash and other hardwoods, spruce, pine and hemlock, manufactured at the mill of Joseph Paulin and belonging to himself and others, was consumed by fire, supposed to have been in the sawdust for two or three days. The lumber was valued at $\$ 1,800$ and is a total loss; no insurance.

## casualties

A man named Lafiamme was killed in the saw mill of Shearer \& Lo., at Montreal, Que., on Monday 4 th ult.

Mr. Robert Rusk of the Cedar Mill, Deseronto, had a close call on 15 th ult., having been thrown quite a distance by some of the machinery, landing near the saws, and having his right leg severely bruised.

Mr. Gco. Shoaff, of James Sloan's shingle mill at Melanchton Station, had his hand badly lacerated on the 12 th ult.
An accident occurred in Jayfair's mill, Sturgeon Bay, early in May, resultonis in the crushing of the fout of a Mr. James Fallis.
A teamster named Alex. Simpson, an employec of the Longford Lumber Co., at Orilla, was killed a week ago by a runaway team at the mills.

Charles Sisson, a logeer at Bickley Bay, Cadero, Channel, B. C., committed suicide on 6th uit, by cutting of his arm and bleeding to death.
John Kennedy while landing logs on Bartholnew River, N. B., on Wednesday, Oth ult., was crushed to death by the logs giving awas and taking him along with them.
A cruel joke was played on an employee of the saw mill at Valton, Ont., a few days since, in loading his pipe with gunpowder, resulting in badly burning his ejes and face.
A young man named Abraham, while working at a frame saw in the Royal City planing mills, New Weatminster, B.C., lost one finger and had two others severely injured.
On Mav 15 th, Hazard Hull, a saw mill owner of Thamesford, Ont., was running a circular sall when the board he was ripping was thrown in some manner so as to strike him on the stomach. He died the next day. He was 76 years of age and highly respected.
The tug "Eleanor," belonging to McWilliams \& Gilderslecve of Kingston, sank near Pigeon Island on Lake Ontario, the second sweck in the month, while on her way from Oswego to.this city with a tow of barges, light, to be loaded with lumber. No lives los:.
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