

ST. JOHN LUMBERMEN A "PURSE-PROUD" LOT.

The President of the Van Buren Lumber Company Waves a Big Stick---Tells a Wonderful Hard- Luck Story to the Kenebec Journal.

(Kenebec Journal.)
Van Buren, Jan. 28.—An article clipped from a recent issue of the St. John Times has been going the rounds of the Maine Press of late relative to the building of piers in St. John river, that conveys a wrong impression of the situation, remarked A. E. Hammond, general manager of the Van Buren Lumber Co. to a representative of the Journal, this afternoon. "I have no doubt," he continued, "but what the paper in question handled the matter in an entirely news way. Inasmuch however, as it stated the case from the New Brunswick and St. John standpoint I think it is only fair that we should be permitted to state it from the Maine and Van Buren standpoint."
"The situation on the upper St. John in Aroostook county is at once peculiar and anomalous. Nothing like it can be found in any civilized land under the sun. With a policy avowedly one of protection, the Congress of the United States has passed a special act, (Section 20, Title 33 of the Revised Statutes of the United States) which reads as follows:
"Section 20.—That the produce of the forest of the State of Maine upon the upper St. John river and its tributaries, owned by American citizens and sawed or hewed in the Province of New Brunswick by American citizens, the same being otherwise unmanufactured in whole or in part, which is now admitted into the ports of the United States free of duty, shall continue to be so admitted under such regulations as the secretary of the treasury shall from time to time prescribe.
"This act passed July 24th, 1897, was intended to continue in force an act passed in 1867 for a period of 30 years, prior to which time, the reciprocity treaty between the United States and the British provinces served to accomplish the same purpose.
"To obtain the benefits of this act, men who have never in truth been residents of the United States an hour, have sworn themselves through the naturalization courts and been transformed into American citizens, without losing for an instant, even their good standing as British subjects. Other, a trifle more scrupulous, have gone through the formalities of leasing their mill or mills to an American citizen, without yielding possession of the same to him for even an instant. Others again have taken in nominally, at least, an American partner and the business has been carried on in his name, and these few Americans, a handful in all have soon become more Canadian than the Canadian himself, and are to be found in the forefront of the battle, fighting on the Canadian side and against the citizens of the country which when it is profitable to them to do so, they still claim as their own.
"Under cover of this act, also, very many millions of Canadian lumber, after being manufactured, have found their way into the markets of the United States, and the Saint John mill-owner has had the advantage of both the American market and of Great Britain, in which respect he has been far more highly favored than our most highly protected American lumber manufacturers.
"How has it fared with the American citizen on the northern border in Aroostook county? He lives near the province of Quebec, where the inhabitants are protected by a law passed for that purpose, which allows no lumber cut in that province, to be driven out to be manufactured elsewhere. He has the privilege of seeing the British subject from the

lower St. John, who has not a single interest in common with him, pass up along the Saint John river into the Maine woods and cut down the very best lumber which grows in Maine and drive the same down the river several hundred miles to the Fredericton boom, there to be rafted by the New Brunswick and floated down to the few mills at Fredericton and the many mills in St. John, there to be manufactured by a crew composed entirely of foreigners who spend more or less of their leisure time in cracking jokes at the expense of the poor Yankees.
"Nor is this all. Not satisfied with having had a monopoly of the manufacture of the lumber of the Saint John valley both in New Brunswick and Maine for more than 75 years, the New Brunswick mill owner has become not simply rich, but purse-proud and tyrannical and has arrived at the conclusion that he owns the St. John river in fee-simple, and has made up his mind to prevent such few citizens of Maine as have ventured to engage in the lumber business on the upper St. John from stopping, sorting and holding their legs for the purpose of manufacturing them, claiming that the Ashburton treaty of Washington, as we term it, passed in 1842, supports him in this contention.
"And so a systematic persecution has been organized against the mill-owners on the upper St. John, with a view to driving them out of business, with the intention evidently and almost avowedly of not allowing any lumber to stop above the Fredericton boom.
"Now the act of Congress above cited has been supplemented by another passed in 1891 also in the interest of the New Brunswickers, and which is entitled "an act to incorporate the Madawaska Log Driving Company."
"Now, the St. John mill-owners have absolute control of this corporation, and it is run under their direction and in their interest. Whatever its legal worth may be, in effect, gives them control of the upper St. John waters and everybody must clear the way for them. While protesting most vociferously against the obstruction of the Saint John river they are constantly and continuously in possession of it, and obstructing it themselves.
"Frequently, the corporation drive remains in the river and filling the river completely for miles and miles.
"The man who has a mill on the banks of the upper St. John holds his lumber back in one of the smaller streams until the corporation drive has got out of the way, it having naturally and in a sense necessarily the right of way.
"The corporation drive is made up of the lumber which goes to the Fredericton boom. Large bodies move slowly. The water is falling and by and by the corporation drive is abandoned for the season and the Maine mill-owner of the upper Saint John has lost the benefit of the spring freshet for driving purposes while waiting for the big men of St. John to get out of the way, and by and by finds the whole river filled and absolutely blockaded with their lumber, and finally must content himself to give up wholly the ideal of driving his own lumber that season, or must endeavor as best he can to drive it through the entire corporation drive, hung up on account of the scarcity of water, at an expense which so far exceeds his original calculations as to turn what might have been a successful operation into an absolutely ruinous one.
"Now, were it not for the act of Congress above cited, such a condition of things could not exist, for the St. John mill-owners would have practically no lumber to drive on the upper St. John, and likewise could find no pretext for objecting to the use of the waters of the river by the Maine mill-owners, who manufacture lumber on the northern border.
"It therefore becomes doubly important that this act of Congress be repealed.
"Now, let me submit this question to the citizens of Maine, residing on the Penobscot, the Kenebec or the Androscoggin. How long would you tolerate such a condition of things? How long would you endure to have the lumber on your rivers cut and driven down your rivers by foreigners and carried off into a foreign country, there to be manufactured by foreigners, and then admitted to our market free of duty, without murmuring? We have not heard that you were mean enough to submit to such treatment, nor have we reason to think that you are unjust enough to allow it to be dealt out to us."

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SLEIGH DRIVES.

Two large sleighs conveyed about sixty members of the boy's branch of the Y. M. C. A. on their sleigh drive yesterday, and the outing was a very pleasant one.
The boys were in charge of the boys work committee. They left the Y. M. C. A. building shortly before 5 o'clock and went as far as the three mile house, after which they returned to the rooms, where supper was served. A short programme of vocal and instrumental music was carried out.
The young people of Trinity church, hold a very enjoyable sleigh drive last night. The three large sleighs, which had been chartered for the occasion, left the church school room at 8 o'clock, and drove out the Marsh Road, for some distance. The rector, Rev. J. A. Richardson was present.

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OFFICERS MEETING.

The annual meeting of the officers of the 62nd St. John Fusiliers was held last night, Lieut.-Col. Edwards presiding. The committee elected for the ensuing year are:
Regimental fund committee—Major Magee, Capt. Churchill, Lt. Fleetwood.
Band committee—Capt. Peters, Lieut. Fleetwood, Lieut. Sancton.
Drum corps—Capt. Frost, Lieut. H. J. Smith, Lieut. Dowden.
Headquarters room committee—Lieut.-Col. Walker, Major Magee, Capt. Churchill.
Audit committee—Lieut.-Col. Walker, Lieut. A. McMillan.
The officers' drill pay was, as usual, voted to the fund.

THE SECOND NIGHT SCHOOL.

The night school in the Centennial school building, Brussels street, was opened last evening, but beyond instructing those who came, respecting the purchase of the necessary books, and utensils, nothing was done. Tonight, though the school will be in full operation, the teaching will be in the exhibition hall on the top story, where fifty-eight desks and chairs have been placed. It must not have been generally known that the school would open last night, for only eighteen persons assembled, but it is expected that all the seats will soon be occupied.

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SUPREME COURT.

Hilary Term Opened at Fredericton This Morning

The Hilary term of the Supreme Court opened at Fredericton this morning. The docket is as follows:—

Motion Paper.

Maximo Babineau vs. Frederick Laforest—Referred by Chief Justice. Laforest to move to strike out or amend first and fourth count of declaration and to strike out fourth and fifth counts of the declaration.
In matter of the Shediac Boot and Shoe Company, Ltd., (in liquidation), Reed Ward Girouard liquidator—Referred by Justice Landry, Powell, K. C., to move for orders to compel the liquidator to pay to the Peoples' Bank of Halifax certain moneys. Chandler, K. C., for liquidator, contra.
B. L. Kennedy Company, of Toronto, Limited, vs. John R. Vaughan. Referred by Justice McLeod, Kelley to move for order to compel plaintiff or to allow the defendant to sign judgment.
The Standard Bank of Canada vs. John R. Vaughan—Referred by Justice McLeod, Kelley to move for a stay of proceedings.

Crown Paper.

King vs. James Kay, police magistrate of Westmorland county.
Ex parte Charters T. Legere, Steeves to show cause.
The same vs. the same. Ex parte Henry Gallant. The like.
The same vs. the same. Ex parte Henry Cormier. The like.
Eloi C. Cormier, the like.
The same vs. Lewis A. Mills, police magistrate. Ex parte Frederick Coffin. Grimmer K. C., to show cause.

Special Paper.

McCutcheon vs. Darrah—Currey, K. C., to move for a new trial.
Adame vs. Alcroft et al—Teed K. C., and Jonah. The like.
Prescott vs. Stiles et al—Teed, K. C., to support demurrer of Newton Stiles to first count of declaration.

Equity Court Appeals.

Cushing Sulphite Fibre Company Ltd., (plff), appellant—Powell, K. C., and Teed K. C., to support appeal from Supreme Court in equity.
Cushing defendant, appellant, and Cushing Sulphite Fibre Company, Ltd., (plff), respondent—Barnhill to support cross-appeal from Supreme Court in equity.

County Court Appeals.

Patterson (def.), appellant, and Larcen (plff), respondent—Barnhill to support cross-appeal from Supreme Court in equity.
Porter et al (def), appellant and Tibbits (plff), respondent. The like.
Ringutte (plff), appellant and Herbert et al (def), respondent. LaForest to support appeal from Madawaska County Court.
McLaughlin Carriage Company, Ltd., (plff), appellant, and Quig (def), respondent—M. G. Teed to support appeal from the St. John County Court.
Delhi Fruit and Vegetable Canning Company, Ltd., (plff), appellant, and Harris (def), respondent—Chandler, K. C., to support appeal from Westmorland.

BOYS RELISH "SWISS FOOD."

Boys grow strong on "Swiss Food" and its like nuts to them. It suits young and old alike—15 cts. packages.
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- BLACK CASHMERE EMBROIDERED HOSE, 25c. PAIR.
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- TAN KID GLOVES, 90c. PAIR.
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- TAN AND GREY LINED MOCHA GLOVES, 75c. PAIR.
- WOOL GLOVES, BROWN, BLACK, WHITE, 35c. PAIR.
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All city school children whose parents do not pay taxes in the city, must pay tuition fees amounting to \$20 yearly or \$2 a month. This order was read in the Carleton schools yesterday, and is now in effect. Most of the children who are not residents of the city attend the Carleton schools, but there are some in the Aroostook and High Schools, and the order will apply to them as well. Inspector Bridges said last night, that he had not been aware that any such action had been taken by Secretary Manning. About 150 children will be affected by the new order, there being at least that number in the schools who come from outside districts.

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KEARNEY—On the morning of Jan 30th Joseph Kearney, aged 28 years. Funeral on Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock from No. 5, Marsh street.

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