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in the lumber trade are gone, how- whose only bit of brightness was the ever. The business still brings wealth, glowing warmth of the burning logs but veteran lumber kings shake their on the "combuse." The combuse, those who wished to possess themselves of its riches had to proceed un- and laughed, glad that their day's labder many difficulties. They had to or was over, or watched its red logs pay absurdly high prices for any pro- spurting up sparks through the wide visions bought from the few settlers; spread far above them. at times, in remote western districts, hay was sold at \$100 per ton, and now-the somewhat disreputable ones, Black rivers. or lower down the Ot- during the summer at their homes on tawa, there was not as much difficulty in bringing men and supplies to the camps as to the noted Kippewa district, or others even further west. adian Pacific railway there was no

Before the construction of the Canadian Pacific railway there was no the pork and beans and bread of the railroad running

BEYOND SAND POINT,

the early autumn the shantymen, go- viands. The cook usually sleeps in a has a long "norn" or 'ieeler" at each ing up for the winter's work, under bunk in the cock-house. In the sleep- corner. The average size is about two Priceville, first Wednesday in cockthe supervision of a foreman and a houses there are two tiers of bunks inches by two and three fourths, and month. clerk, boarded a steamer at Sand built around three sides of the dimly-Point, and Proceeded up the Ottawa furnished with spruce boughs, three It is unprovided with shell, as we unto the Coulonge rapids. Here they pairs of shanty blankets, and a pillow, derstand that word, but the contents left the steamer, passed to the head which is also known as a "turkey," of the rapids, and, again taking pas- extra clothing is brought to camp. A sage on a steamer, ascended the river bench is fastened to the lower tier of to the Des Joachins rapids, or "The bunks. Ropes are stretched across the Swishaw," as it is familiarly known to shantymen. Above these rapids of bright tuques and shanty-belts. they were obliged to take to the large socks and mitts, usually to be seen on red lumber boats, each one capable them. of holding from thirty to forty-six The numerous chutes and ra- of rough logs, chinked with hay and months. pids, which are distinctive features of flat. the rivers of the Laurentian plateau, Isolated from the outside world for necessitated portages; in other words, many months of the year, they are the men had to carry boats and tents amusement. People who work hard and bags of food and clothing along generally possess great capabilities of my kitty squarks so awful when I and bags of food and clothing along generally possess great capabilities of the bank of the river until the ra
enjoyment, and nothing can present a pull her tail.

the Knapp House, Lower Town, enjoyment, and nothing can present a pull her tail.

CHOPPING DONE. pids, sometimes four miles in length, picture of heartier mirth chan the pull her tail, were passed. At nightfall a stopping Then the dingy shanty rings with place was selected, and the tents merriment. Old songs are sung and pitched, and at earliest dawn the men old tales retold. To a wild rush of were again at work.

camp one season before they were with more force, perhaps, than grace, needed, for teams could only be and execute wonderful step-dances in brought up after winter had properly a whirl of arms and legs and twirling set in, making it possible to drive through the bush on "blazed" roads and across lakes and rivers. This mode of bringing up men and supplies was naturally a great expense and a loss of time to the lumbermen; they had also to pay timber dues on every log taken out of the bush, yet the wonderful wealth that lay in the pine forest enabled them to pile up hundreds of thousands and

MILLIONS OF DOLLARS. In time large clearances were made in song. the heart of the forest, and near the As each camp receives mail regular-The cultivation of these yielded hay

timber which had been put into the doubt many weighty opinions are exrivers and creeks began to float. Then, pressed by the occupants of the sleepas now, a "gang" of river drivers took house benches, as they nod at one ancharge of them. The logs were taken other through the wreaths of tobacco down to the mills of the owners, and smoke. Card-playing also forms an imthe square timber to Quebec, whence portant part of their recreation. They At the present time a great quantity poker, which they call "bluff." In this

were bought from the Government for exception of very short evenings, when \$200, \$300, or perhaps \$500, any of which they do not always feel like amusing are now valued at half a million dol- themselves, it is absolutely their only lars. This, in itself, is a magnificent | time for recreation. return for a small outlay, but year | It is well their honest merriment can after year the fortunate purchasers lighten the lives of these men, whose have taken lumber off their limits, each severe toil goes to build up the lumyear's cut adding to their wealth. A ber king's millions. It is all that elemuch smaller outlay of capital is re- vates their monotonous shanty life quired to work a limit now than some above that of their horses.

years ago, as men and horses may be We hardly appreciate as yet the efhired at a lower rate, and provisions fective work accomplished by this are cheaper. But limits are in this late day beyond the reach of the many. It isolated portions of country. The takes almost a fortune to buy one of the "pinewood boys" is built even third-class value. There are in a remote forest. A mill follows. men who enter into contract with the Then a little village grows around the lumber kings, agreeing to cut so many logs during the winter season, and have them at some named part of a river at in, and, behold, another bit of the for-

"jobbers" are generally men who have settlement, which may yet be a great centre of life and trade.—Katherine ber camp. They begin with very little Hughes, in the Boston Transcript. capital-a few hundreds of dollars generally, and I have heard of one who realized of clear profit in a few years \$100,000. This is only ONE JOBBER'S SHARE

of the lumber king, who has many of these men in his employ?

third-rate position. The days of becoming a millionaire articles sold in the shanty van. They

PORK AND BEANS,

of dissipation in the cities, and the ity to visitors are of the type called making clear her innocence. 'old-fashioned"-that is, all-embracing and unstinted. The food they receive presents a striking contrast to lighted shanty. These bunks are each the grain-bag portmanteau in which sleep-house from end to end, and these are weighed down with the collection

A LUMBER-CAMP

moss and mud, and the roofs are almost |

thrown upon their own resources for by her mother vigorously applying the shantyman's home on Saturday night. violin music, sometimes agreeable, but oftener dismally squeaking, lithe The supplies were brought into the woodsmen spin over the rough floor shanty-belts. The most interesting of their songs are ballads by their own poets. A person does not easily lose the impression he receives when he hears one of these jingling songs sung

after the fashion of the "come-allye's," and with the proper shanty-setting, into which the picturesque element often enters largely. For the animated faces brightening the dark sleep-house, and the glowing spots of colour afforded by belts and hose, give an additional expression to the

principal limits of each lumberman. ly and the more serious men take their SUNDAY RECREATION

and grain for the horses, many of which in reading newspapers, they are usually the lumbermen now owned and kept well informed upon the chief incidents here for pasturage during the idle sum- in the great world lying beyond their woodland home. These men impart In the spring the logs and sticks of their knowledge to the others, and no of square timber is taken down by rail to Papineauville, forty-one miles below Ottawa, and thence rafted to Quebec.

In the early days of lumbering, limits of square timber is taken down by rail game a small limit is fixed upon, and they call bluff. In this square timber is taken down by rail game a small limit is fixed upon, and they play for coppers, matches, or tobacco. In nearly all the camps the bacco. In nearly all the camps the bacco. In nearly all the camps the severest pain, and know it to be a good article.—Cincinto Papineauville, forty-one miles below Ottawa, and thence rafted to Quebec.

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stated time in the spring. These est has developed into a strong young

DANGEROUS LOCALITY. Why have you decided to leave this country, Crookly? Because I've been down looking at WORN BY THE SEA.

Astonishing effects are sometimes early days of this industry which beach a local broad and sometimes seems inexcusable. Logs which would beaches and bluffs on the seacoast. But, now be considered in excellent condi- upon the whole, the steady wearing eftion were left in the bush to rot be- fect of the ordinary sea-waves striking, How Canadian Lumber Kings Amassed fancied one. There was such a wealth fancied one. There was such a wealth fancied one. Their Millions-The Sort of Life Their of pine to choose from that "cullers" to in-driving winds is even greater, alwere very dainty in their selecting, though being distributed over a comand millions of logs have been wasted.

Destructive forest fires have also ra-With the first of the breezy SeptemWith the fi ber days, when autumn's frost-touched limits with bright visions of future eastern coast of England, between Flambreath lends an enlivening crispness riches have disappeared from the list borough Head and Spurn Head, along to the northern air, the Ottawa valley third rate position throughout its entire length re- The employes of lumbermen in the has been retreating before the onslaught awakens to the importance of its great early days enjoyed no luxuries, and of the ocean, for the last 37 years, at industry-lumbering. The air is full worked unceasingly six days of every the average rate of nearly six feet a of business. It is full, too, of brisk good-byes and greetings, as the lusty gangs of shantymen bid farewell to their home friends and hail old campcomrades. West-bound trains carry
to the life the life to the li hundreds of these men out to the life, there was obtainable only the un-lumbering districts. Lonely forests skilled, though willing, attendance of from the direct assault of the waves. are converted into centers of throb- alternative but to pay the very high E-lle constructed at Dover and

FIRST CROSS-EXAMINATION.

The case in which the Prophet Danbut veteran lumber kings shake their on the "combuse." The combuse, iel defended Susannah against the false which is still used in some cases, was heads, and tell you that lumbering is very dear to those first shantymen. accusations of the elders was probably 12 to 2 o'clock. not what it was two score years ago. It was the warm heart of the camp, the first instance of it. A large paint-Money really grew on pine trees then, holding cheer for body and mind. In the first instance of it. A large painting on the subject, by Herbert, is in the hot sand around it the bake ket.

as lumber was a most valuable comtles always lay, and at night the the House of Lords. Daniel, the fourth as lumber was a most valuable tolk the salways lay, and at night the House of Lords. Damer, the fourth of the House of Cash Price List for Stuffing Birds modity. But as with all treasures, weary fellows sat by it and ate their of the greater prophets, was born in lege, Toronto. All diseases of domeschimney hole toward the frosty blue sky spread far above them.

There are two classes of shantymen sharts to instruct him in the language and specially. Calls promptly attended, night or day. Of-language and specially. Calls promptly attended, night or day. Of-language and specially. Calls promptly attended, night or day. Of-language and specially. Calls promptly attended, night or day. Of-language and specially. Calls promptly attended, night or day. Of-language and specially. Calls promptly attended, night or day. Of-language and specially. Calls promptly attended, night or day. Of-language and specially. Calls promptly attended, night or day. Of-language and specially. Calls promptly attended, night or day. Of-language and specially. Calls promptly attended, night or day. Of-language and birds up to Sparrow size. \$100 promptly attended, night or day. Of-language and birds up to Sparrow size. \$100 promptly attended, night or day. Of-language and birds up to Sparrow size. \$100 promptly attended, night or day. Of-language and birds up to Sparrow size. \$100 promptly attended, night or day. Of-language and birds up to Sparrow size. \$100 promptly attended, night or day. Of-language and birds up to Sparrow size. \$100 promptly attended, night or day. Of-language and birds up to Sparrow size. \$100 promptly attended, night or day. Of-language and birds up to Sparrow size. \$100 promptly attended, night or day. Of-language and birds up to Sparrow size. \$100 promptly attended, night or day. Of-language and birds up to Sparrow size. \$100 promptly attended, night or day. Of-language and birds up to Sparrow size. \$100 promptly attended, night or day. Of-language and birds up to Sparrow size. \$100 promptly attended, night or day. Of-language and birds up to Sparrow size. \$100 promptly attended, night or day. Of-language and birds up to Sparrow size. \$100 promptly attended and birds up to Sparrow size. \$100 promptly attended and birds up to Sparrow size. \$100 promptly attended and birds up to Sparrow size. \$100 promptly atten language and sciences of the Chaldeans. other things at a like rate. In work- who spend their summer in all sorts Nahuaka has been and conduct pleasing Nebuchadnezzar he was given several DR. A. L. BROWN, ing the limits along the Coulonge and other class of woodsmen, who work posts of konor. It is a matter of tradition that this prophet, when but 12 | Licentiate of the Royal College of Loons, Cranes, etc. . . 400 to 700 "timber-drives." The shantymen are ining the false witnesses who appeared fice and Residence, opposite Temperance Weasle, Mink, Musk Rat. 200 to 300 kind-hearted and good-natured to an against Susannah in showing the Hall, Holstein. extreme. Their courtesy and hospital- worthlessness of their testimony and

THE SHARK'S EGG.

A shark's egg is one of the oddestpioneer shantymen. The deep tin looking things imaginable, and has no plate and the tin drinking-bowl are more resemblance to an egg, strickly still the only dishes to be found upon speaking, than it has to a paving-stone. Residence:-First door west of the fifty-seven miles west of Ottawa. In the shanty table, but they now contain many kinds of nutritious, appetizing less a love "contain the shantymen, gothe color almost pure black.

are protected by a thick, leathery covering, which has almost as much elasticity about it as a covering of india rubber would have.

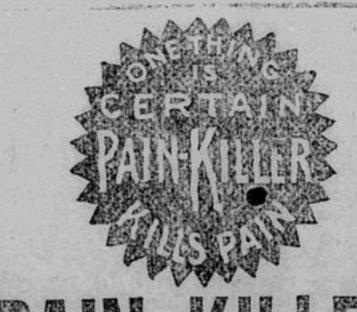
and wind themselves around pieces of 1 L. Graces store. Lower Town. seaweed and other floating objects, just as a grape vine tendril would do, and hang there until the egg is hatched, providing it does not get destroyed.

One variety of the shark lays 18 dur- grankster, soliciton etc. Offic consists of a cook-house, a storehouse, ing the month of April. These fleat D Upper Town, Dicham. Concilor an LOWER TOWN, men, and row up the river, bringing one or more sleep-houses, stables, and about until early in December, when Agency promptly accorded to. Sesuches mad tents, shanty implements, and sup- the shanty of the "handy-man," a sort the little sharks emerge, the period of at the Registry office. plies of pork and hard tack with them. of smithy-carpenter. They are all made incubation laving been about nine

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