

LIFE IN LUMBER CAMPS.

THE GREAT INDUSTRY OF WINTER TO THE NORTH OF US.

How Canadian Lumber Kings Amassed Their Millions—The Sort of Life Their Employes Have Led and Still Lead—Their Diet and Their Dissipation.

With the first of the breezy September days, when autumn's frost-touched breath lends an enlivening crispness to the northern air, the Ottawa valley throughout its entire length re-awakens to the importance of its great industry—lumbering.

The days of becoming a millionaire in the lumber trade are gone, however. The business still brings wealth, but veteran lumber kings shake their heads, and tell you that lumbering is not what it was two score years ago.

Before the construction of the Canadian Pacific railway there was no railroad running

BEYOND SAND POINT.

fifty-seven miles west of Ottawa. In the early autumn the shantymen, going up for the winter's work, under the supervision of a foreman and a clerk, boarded a steamer at Sand Point, and proceeded up the Ottawa to the Coulonge rapids.

The supplies were brought into the camp one season before they were needed, for teams could only be brought up after winter had properly set in, making it possible to drive through the bush on "blazed" roads and across lakes and rivers.

MILLIONS OF DOLLARS.

In time large clearances were made in the heart of the forest, and near the principal limits of each lumberman. The cultivation of these yielded hay and grain for the horses, many of which the lumbermen now owned and kept here for pasturage during the idle summer months.

In the early days of lumbering, limits were bought from the Government for \$200, \$300, or perhaps \$500, any of which are now valued at half a million dollars. This, in itself, is a magnificent return for a small outlay, but year after year the fortunate purchasers have taken lumber off their limits, each year's cut adding to their wealth.

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

There was a waste of lumber in the early days of this industry which seems inexhaustible. Logs which would now be considered in excellent condition were left in the bush to rot because of some small defect, often a fancied one.

The employees of lumbermen in the early days enjoyed no luxuries, and worked unceasingly six days of every week from dawn until nightfall. Their food consisted solely of pork and beans and bread and green tea.

It was the warm heart of the camp, holding cheer for body and mind. In the hot sand around the bake kettles always lay, and at night the weary fellows sat by it and ate their

PORK AND BEANS.

and laughed, glad that their day's labor was over, or watched its red logs spurting up sparks through the wide chimney hole toward the frosty blue sky spread far above them.

There are two classes of shantymen now—the somewhat disreputable ones, who spend their summer in all sorts of dissipation in the cities, and the other class of woodsmen, who work during the summer at their homes on farms, in mills, or go to Quebec on the "timber-drives."

The shantymen are kind-hearted and good-natured to an extreme. Their courtesy and hospitality to visitors are of the type called "old-fashioned"—that is, all-embracing and unstinted. The food they receive presents a striking contrast to the pork and beans and bread of the pioneer shantymen.

A LUMBER-CAMP consists of a cook-house, a storehouse, one or more sleep-houses, stables, and the shanty of the "handy-man," a sort of smithy-carpenter. They are all made of rough logs, chinked with hay and moss and mud, and the roofs are almost flat.

Isolated from the outside world for many months of the year, they are thrown upon their own resources for amusement. People who work hard generally possess great capabilities of enjoyment, and nothing can present a picture of heartier mirth than the shantymen's home on Saturday night. Then the dingy shanty rings with merriment. Old songs are sung and old tales retold. To a wild rush of violin music, sometimes agreeable, but oftener dismally squeaking, the woodsmen spin over the rough floor with more force, perhaps, than grace, and execute wonderful step-dances in a whirl of arms and legs and twirling shanty-belts.

SUNDAY RECREATION

in reading newspapers, they are usually well informed upon the chief incidents in the great world lying beyond their woodland home. These men impart their knowledge to the others, and no doubt many weighty opinions are expressed by the occupants of the sleep-house benches, as they sit at one another through the wreaths of tobacco smoke. Card-playing also forms an important part of their recreation. They play euchre and peder, and more often poker, which they call "bluff."

In this game a small limit is fixed upon, and they play for coppers, matches, or tobacco. In nearly all the camps the men are allowed to play cards and sing and dance on Sunday, as with the exception of very short evenings, when they do not always feel like amusing themselves, it is absolutely their only time for recreation.

It is well their honest merriment can lighten the lives of these men, whose severe toil goes to build up the lumber king's millions. It is all that elevates their monotonous shanty life above that of their horses.

WORN BY THE SEA.

Astonishing effects are sometimes produced by storm billows tearing away beaches and bluffs on the seacoast. But, upon the whole, the steady wearing effect of the ordinary sea-waves striking, or sweeping along, a shore-line exposed to in-driving winds is even greater, although being distributed over a comparatively long interval of time, it attracts less attention.

FIRST CROSS-EXAMINATION.

The case in which the Prophet Daniel defended Susannah against the false accusations of the elders was probably the first instance of it. A large painting on the subject, by Herbert, is in the House of Lords. Daniel, the fourth of the greater prophets, was born in Judea in the twenty-fifth year of the reign of Josiah. After the taking of Jerusalem by Nebuchadnezzar he was taken as a captive to Babylon, and entered the service of that King.

THE SHARK'S EGG.

A shark's egg is one of the oddest-looking things imaginable, and has no more resemblance to an egg, strictly speaking, than it has to a paving-stone. In one variety it is pillow-shaped, and has a long "horn" or "feeler" at each corner. The average size is about two inches by two and three fourths, and the color almost pure black.

It is unprovided with shell, as we understand that word, but the contents are protected by a thick, leathery covering, which has almost as much elasticity about it as a covering of india rubber would have. The "feelers" mentioned catch hold of seaweed and other floating objects, just as a grape vine tendrils would, and hang there until the egg is hatched, providing it does not get destroyed.

One variety of the shark lays 18 during the month of April. These float about until early in December, when the little sharks emerge, the period of incubation having been about nine months.

IMPROVING THE KITTEN.

Little Mary was discovered one day by her mother vigorously applying the oil can to the kitten's mouth. On being reproved, she replied: Why, mamma, kitty squeaks so awful when I pull her tail.

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