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SUCCESS.

A song for those who succeed; A sigh for those who fail; For those who fall in the battle of life There is only a dismal wail.

The battle was long and fierce; And they fought hard who fell; Forgotten they lie under hurrying feet— The mystery—who can tell?

For the few who have scaled the height, Let the wreath ring with cheers; The many, who fall in their struggling might, Are lost in the drifting years.

-M. V. Thomas.

A Printing Paper Trust.

Available Spruce Timber and Mills in a Giant Monopoly.

Two years ago the price of ordinary news printing paper was so low as 1.6 cents per pound, or \$32 per ton. A few months later the Trust was formed and the price was at once advanced an average of \$5 per ton. Prices have since been firmly held, and during the last three months the price has been marked up to 2.3 cents per pound, or \$46 per ton. The price of wood pulp has gone up to \$23 per ton from a former price of between \$11 and \$16.

The reason given for these advances is that the drought has prevented the running of mills and greatly limited the supply of paper. It is reasonably certain that but for the duties on imported pulp and paper such high prices would not be possible. In October 1895, an attempt to organize all of the large paper mills into one gigantic corporation was probably prevented only by the opposition of hundreds of influential newspapers, which exposed the smallness of the assets of the proposed Trust, in comparison with the intended \$35,000,000 capital.

Two years later the attempt was successful, and on Jan. 1, 1898, the International Paper Company was incorporated, with a capital of \$45,000,000 and authority to issue \$10,000,000 in bonds. It took over by purchase twenty-four or twenty-five of the principal pulp and paper mills of the United States, producing from seventy-five to ninety per cent. of the news paper manufactured east of Chicago. The number of mills owned has since been increased to thirty. The new and independent mills which have since been built leave the Trust in control of about eighty per cent of the product.

MILLS IN THE COMBINE.

Table with 3 columns: Corporation, Total, and another column. Lists various corporations and their total values.

The fact was well stated in the brief presented at the instance of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association on December 27th, 1898, to the Anglo-American Joint High Commission which was investigating the subject. Among the statements made were:

"Excessive and improper prices were paid for many mills that were located on exhausted water courses and tributary to denuded timber tracts; for mills that at periods of the year have an insufficient supply of water, or are under water; for mills that are inferior and worthless in machinery, equipment and construction; for mills that must pay excessive rental for water power; for mills that do not own or control woodlands for mills that have neither pulp grinding attachments nor sulphate pulp auxiliaries.

"Ninety-eight paper-making machines were comprised in the plant of these mills, but only 45 of the 98 machines were of recent construction or of desirable pattern. Fifty of the 98 paper machines in the mills were almost worthless. Not one of the mills in all the combination possessed all of the six essentials of the cheapest and most successful manufacture—cheap wood, cheap and ample water power, cheap rates to market, modern machinery, wholesale production and concentration at one place under one supervision.

"One plant, which could not make newspaper on a number of its machines, was unloaded upon the Trust at a valuation of \$22,000 per ton of daily output, whereas the most intelligent and best authorities agree that plants equipped with modern machinery, capable of producing paper under the most economical and most satisfactory conditions, can be installed at less than \$10,000 per ton of daily output.

"The organizers of the Trust frankly admitted that the common stock represented only good will; yet a quarterly dividend of 1 per cent. on the common stock was declared in November, 1898. This common stock in January, 1899, sold on Wall street at 60. A circular issued by Hatch & Foots on July 15th, 1898, and based upon information furnished by officers of the International Paper company, showed it was making a profit of \$10 per ton on its output.

"The entire output of this corporation, representing 1420 tons per day for theoretical capacity, could be reproduced by a present investment of \$15,000,000, so that the American consumers of newspapers are forced to pay dividends upon an inflated and wholly fictitious valuation of at least \$40,000,000.

"This combination of 24 mills, while embracing many inferior and worthless mills, also included practically all of the locations in the United States where cheap and ample water-power, cheap and good spruce wood and cheap rates to market can be obtained for a mill of 100 tons daily capacity.

At the annual meeting, on August 25th, 1899, the president of the Trust stated in his report that the mills acquired since the

Trust was formed, brought the number of plants owned up to 30, and that the finest pulp mill in the world has been built at Milton Vt. It thus appears that the Trust controls the most available sources of supply of its raw materials and water power in this country. The 100,000 horse power and much of its spruce timber has undoubtedly been acquired not for present or future legitimate use, but to prevent competitors from entering the field.

MONOPOLY TRACEABLE TO TRAFFIC. This monopoly feature of the Trust, which alone gives it power to unduly advance prices, is directly traceable to our tariff on pulp wood and paper. Canada is covered with spruce from Labrador to Alaska. The present growth there would supply us with wood pulp for 100 years. At least 900,000 horse power—six times the paper Trust's power—is known to exist in Canada convenient to spruce forests.

These vast supplies should be drawn on by the United States and our own fast-disappearing forests preserved so far as possible. Were there no tariff barrier between this country and Canada immense pulp mills would be in operation in Canada and the price of paper would probably never again exceed 1 1/2 or 1 3/4 cents per lb. With such boundless natural resources rendered available our paper manufacturers would at once recognize the folly of attempting to corner and monopolize spruce woods and water-powers, and the prices of paper and pulp would remain normal.

THE BRIGHT SPARK OF THE TRUST.

"While the enlistment of capital in American enterprise may exercise a slightly deterrent influence on the Paper Trust, the effect cannot be material, because the Trust owns the largest and best powers in localities where spruce wood is cheap and from which transportation is prompt and cheap. A successful and energetic competition cannot be maintained within the United States. The outside mills that do or can make paper are not equipped for the economical manufacture of newspaper. We must look to Canada for our paper supplies, where ground wood pulp can be produced for one cent per pound. Free paper is, therefore, the only strong and permanent assurance of protection from this combination.

THE DUTY ON PAPER STOPS CHEAP BOOKS AND CHEAP NEWSPAPERS. It taxes intelligence, because the newspapers are the people's school and library. All taxes upon paper are taxes upon reading and knowledge, upon the dissemination of information. Under any government such a duty would be oppressive and prohibitive. In a government based as ours is upon the intelligence and resultant virtues of the people, it is anomalous and monstrous."

WHAT IT ALL MEANS.

The duties on pulp and paper are ineffectual from any point of view. In the first place, the duties on pulp and paper compel the 20,000 papers of this country to use paper made from our limited supply of wood, instead of from Canada's practically unlimited supply. The effect is to devastate our forests, injure and destroy many industries dependent upon cheap wood and a steady rainfall and water supply, and to injure the health of millions living along our streams which now overflow in spring and dry up in summer and fall.

The duties produce no revenue worth considering. They simply foster a monopoly or trust, which is not an infant, but is now exporting paper to Great Britain, Japan and Australia at the rate of 1000 tons a week. To the extent that these duties enable the Trust to charge American consumers higher price for paper they injure those consumers, who are 40 times greater in numbers than are the producers. Because paper is used as a medium for conveying news the taxes upon pulp and paper taxes upon knowledge and injure the whole American people.

Brave Explorers.—Like Stanley and Livingstone, found it harder to overcome malaria fever and Ague, and Typhoid disease germs than savage cannibals; but thousands have found that Electric Bitters is a wonderful cure for all malarial diseases. If you have chills with fever, aches in back of neck and head, and tired without feeling, a trial will convince you of their merits. W. A. Null, of Webb, Ill., writes: "My children suffered for more than a year with chills and fever; then two bottles of Electric Bitters cured them." Only 50c. Try them. Guaranteed. Sold by F. Potts Green, Druggist.

Distinctions.—"She's the best match-maker in our town." "Matrimonial or plain sulphur?"

ANSWER THIS. In Bellefonte there are scores of people who allow their experience and opinions of Doan's Kidney Pills to be published in our local papers early in 1898, interviewed considerably over two years ago and they have never had the opportunity to assert that the benefit received has been lasting. Is not that readily worthy of notice? A. J. Jackson, W. Fred Jackson, Katherine Jackson and Geo. T. Brown her husband's name Mitchell guardian of Matie Jackson, being widow and heirs of Geo. W. Jackson late of Bellefonte borough; deceased.

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Medical.

RHEUMATISM

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Tourists.

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To Los Angeles and Southern California.

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New Advertisements.

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25th, 1899.

At 10:30 o'clock, a. m. the following described real estate, to-wit: Beginning at a post on the west side of road from Snow Shoe to Sugar Camp on town line thence along said town line 44 degrees west 164 2/3 feet to corner of Michael Fahy, thence along lands of Michael Fahy north 56 degrees east 150 feet to a stake still along lands of Michael Fahy, north 56 degrees east 22 feet to a stake, thence along land of Frank Uzzle south 49 1/2 degrees east 74 1/2 feet to a stake at stake at lot of Snow Shoe 28 degrees 38' and 10 minutes west 244 feet to place of beginning, containing 7 1/2 of an acre being the same piece of land which the Lehigh Valley coal company by their deed dated the 28th day of March, A. D. 1889, and recorded in Centre county in deed book, Vol. 38 page 335 granted and conveyed to the party of the first part, thence saving and reserving from the last mentioned tract sold by Thomas Meyer and Margaret his wife to Solomon Webb by their deed dated the 12th day of June, A. D. 1889 and recorded in deed book Vol. 69 page 133 bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a corner at the township road leading from Snow Shoe to Hopkins saw mill, thence along lands of Lehigh Valley coal company 160 perches to a post, thence northeast along lands of Martin Fahy 6 perches to a post, thence along lands of Thomas Mather east 6 1/2 perches to a post, at the township road, thence along township road south 8 1/2 perches to the place of beginning, containing 49 1/2 perches.

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