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## population employed at a remun- paper and this by reason of water conditions are not suitable for eration which will enable them to transportation is not such a very working with horses as they are in New Ontario or New Quebec, or live and clear the land, it is far heavy factor. better than anything they have at "There is no tariff on newsprint along the Canadian National Rail. the present time or that any person or sulphite pulp going into the Uni- ways east from Prince George. Familiar With Country can see that they are likely to have ted States, and this class of pulpat the present time, and as above wood is used almost entirely for the "We are familiar with the country stated we are prepared to try it out manufacture of newsprint and we are talking about. We have taif the government will co-operate sulphite and other high grade pa- ken out many hundreds of thouto the extent of classifying pulp pers. There is a tariff on sulphite and jack pine ties in that country cordwood, which is peeled and split, paper going into the United States. We know the timber, the land, the as manufactured timber, and will Sulphite paper is made chiefly of climate and the conditions, and we also give us government stumpage mill offal and fir and cedar and know the people who are in the country. They are primarily timber and royalty charges not exceeding such like dark timbers. 60c per cord. We would point out "Mr. Caverhill in his argument "eople, and there is practically that these charges would be prac- suggested that British Columbia nothing for them to do. We have tieally all found money to the Gov- should not permit the export of had very many of them implore us einment, as at the present time this pulp cordwood off Government to go back Into the country to start "The Canadian National Rail- timber is falling and rotting with lands unless the Americans moved up some operations. We do not .02 in loading facilities and in getting pulpwood would give the railway we are after will help the Govern- not see where the argument is in that country such as we believe approximately \$40. It would take ment some will relieve the Govern- point as this sort of pulpwood does this would. "A year ago the people in the Castern United States were anxious o get this timber and were anxious to 1,000 men, and this employment all taxpayers in the Province; will purposes into the United States as to try it out. In the meantime their pulpwood requirements doubtless help the railway, and we cannot they have tremendous quantities



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ture of British Columbia pass this same time turn the timber to pro-\$5.00 legislation at the coming session. fit. This is the reason the settlers 10c You can also readily understand in New Ontario and New Quebec that for a permanent proposition can make progress. While they clear 3.00 ourselves and others would be will- their land they get enough out of ing to incur the necessary expendi- their pulp timber to enable them to \$6.00 ture to launch this business which live.

think at least \$100,000 would have .25 ready, but certainly no person can comparatively permanent basis.

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Honorable the Minister of Lands price paid for cordwood in the body.

.15 consider it whether from the stand- about 200 cars to a ship load, or ment a great deal by private labor not go into sulphite paper, and I point of the purchaser or the pro- three ship loads a month-about which now the Government has to do not think that Canada could ducer on anything other than a 600 cars. It would employ from 500 provide at a very heavy expense to ever export pulpwood for sulphite would be the year around.

"Mr. Caverhill contends that the see where it is going to hurt any- of that product in the United States which they get chiefly from mill

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Under these circumstances there seem to be two courses open to Dr. Tolmie. One is to recognize the condition, make an immediate appeal to the people and accept defeat grace- concede that it would be better if very small, but if we can keep our rent being the freight rates on the large timber and where the large timber and where the large timber and where the fully if it comes. The other is to do what the majority of in addition to the work used in politicians would do, hang on to the job until the last min- manufacturing the cordwood and ute, ignoring the fact that they do not really represent the public opinion of today.

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We do not think Premier Tolmie will hang on until the vince, but the same argument would last minute. In view of the situation we expect him to put apply in regard to the export of through non-contentious legislation at the coming ses- lumber. We contend that there is sion, arrange for the necessary financing and then at the earliest possible date after that make his appeal to the the manufacture of cordwood and country.

## NOVEL THEATRE MATINEE

Tomorrow the management of the Capitol Theatre has arranged for something very unusual in the way of a matinee, entry to which is to be paid in goods for Christmas relief. Some of those attending will take a pound of tea, others a packet of sugar or biscuits or a plum pud- we should also consider it good ding or a hamper of groceries. To see the goods come in will be worth the money.

Prince Rupert people usually respond well to calls of this kind. They will doubtless do so at this time and as

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last January or February, and he Eastern United States is from \$17 "We are also of the opinion that waste, by-products of fir, pine and pulp and paper mills, as the dewas very fair and reasonable, but to \$19 per cord delivered, and he the export of this pulp cordwood cedar and other operations. mand for paper has been reduced. pointed out that the House was very contends that by reason of that fact, instead of acting as a detriment to "Mr. Caverhill also mentioned Yet we are confident they would busy and it was comparatively late; industry cannot turn out this pro- castern pulp and paper mills com- that pulp cordwood operations. still be ready and willing to renew in the spring before it was brought duct and deliver it within that ing into British Columbia, will act both in British Columbia and Washthe proposition, but as above pointo their attention, and that it was price. We agree that the price is as a help. It will establish the fact ington. Ore, had been a failure. We ted out, it cannot be touched unless an important matter of policy to be small. We would point out, how- that we have the timber here at a concede that such has to a large on a fairly permanent and large determined. Apparently the chief ever, that whether or not industry reasonable price and when it comes extent been the case but it must scaled basis."

matter of policy is as to whether or can deliver this commodity within to the time for them to move their be remembered that the most of not the Province will permit the ex- that price is up to the industry. It plants, which is happening all the these pulp cordwood operations at is a proposition that will not afford time, they would naturally move to the Pacific Coast which have been port of pulpwood from crown lands. As a matter of policy anyone would big profits. The profits will be very, British Columbia. the only deter- a failure were coast operations in

delivering it alongside ship, the cordwood when so produced was also turned into paper in the projust as much work per unit used in

delivering it alongside ship as there is in the manufacture of lumber and delivering it alongside ship, and while it would be to the advantage of the Province to have all the lumber manufactured into pianos, furniture or coffins, yet such is impractical. We consider it good business to export lumber, and I believe business to export pulp cordwood. These pulp and paper mills are

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or Russia, or some other country, and we think it good business for British Columbia to get into the picture and to get its share of the business. "A large portion of the pulpwood which we have in view would be produced along the Canadian National Railways east from Prince Rupert. There are tremendous acres of this timber there consisting chiefly of Englemann spruce and

down near tidewater of low grade sitka spruce, and also considerable quantities of western hemlock. The Englemann spruce lies on both sides of the railway and stretches north and south for very great distances. It grows to about 18 inches in diameter and there is as much of this timber which dies each year in a state of nature as which grows each year. Under a system of taking out pulp cordwood trees of approximately 10-inch butt and up! would be cut. It is a country in which horses and vehicles can be used and the balance of the timber is not injured, and as a result of the thinning the smaller timber left standing grows more rapidly and inside of ten or fifteen years it can be cut over again. It is a recurring crop and the area is so large that this timber for this purpose is practically inexhaustible. The chief menace has always been fire, and one of the reasons that fire has been so bad is that the ranchers in that district can see no value for the timber. Apart from the jack pine tie business there has been practically no market for this timber since they have been in that country upwards of twenty years. All the settlers along the Canadian National Railways east from Prince Rupert have heretofore won a considerable percentage of their livelihood from the taking out of jack! pine ties. That business practically disappeared last year and our information is the Canadian National will not require any increased delivery of ties before 1940 or 1944. This is largely due to the fact that they have been over-stocked and they have utilized the creosoting plant to such effect that their renewals do not have to be made so frequently. Practically all of these settlers have a little timber of their own. At the present time they have to burn it in order to clear the land. A pulpwood market would enable them to clear the land and at the

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