

forest resources as a whole are being depleted or not. Certainly, in some districts they have already been seriously depleted, and this depletion has necessitated either the moving of the industries dependent on them or the transportation of the timber from more distant sources. The exhaustion of local supplies of timber has forced the abandonment of many sawmills and the consequent impoverishment of the settlements which had grown up around them. With a knowledge of the productive capacity of the forests and the adoption of suitable working plans, these industries could have been operated on a permanent basis.

A classification of Canada's forest area is given in Table 8. The total of forest land is divided into the areas at present carrying timber of merchantable sizes or valuable young growth, and other areas unsuited for present exploitation. It may be pointed out, however, that many of these latter will develop into productive areas as the demand increases and transportation facilities are extended. The totals of forest land given in this table refer to areas which are on the whole better suited to forest production than to any other purpose, although they include about 41,637 square miles of occupied agricultural land at present covered with forest.

8.—Classification of Forest Land in Canada, 1935.

Province or Territory.	Productive.								Non-productive.	Total Forested.
	Totals.		Softwood Type.		Mixed Type.		Hardwood Type.			
	Mer- chant- able.	Young Growth.	Mer- chant- able.	Young Growth.	Mer- chant- able.	Young Growth.	Mer- chant- able.	Young Growth.		
	sq. miles.	sq. miles.	sq. miles.	sq. miles.	sq. miles.	sq. miles.	sq. miles.	sq. miles.	sq. miles.	sq. miles.
P. E. Island.....	485	240	485	240	-	-	-	-	-	725
Nova Scotia.....	7,470	4,480	5,000	3,000	670	480	1,800	1,000	50	12,000
New Brunswick....	14,584	7,189	5,884	2,416	7,378	3,883	1,322	890	189	21,962
Quebec.....	213,500	90,000	164,400	54,000	42,700	23,400	6,400	12,600	70,000	373,500
Ontario.....	56,100	113,900	19,500	45,500	29,300	53,700	7,300	14,700	70,000	240,000
Totals, Eastern Provinces.....	292,139	215,809	195,269	105,156	80,048	81,463	16,822	29,190	140,239	648,187
Manitoba.....	4,615	25,885	1,835	9,115	1,100	5,120	1,680	11,650	62,500	93,000
Saskatchewan.....	7,305	34,855	1,745	7,155	2,045	7,350	3,515	20,350	40,000	82,160
Alberta.....	20,680	72,395	7,695	24,075	9,365	31,435	3,620	16,885	37,560	130,635
Totals, Prairie Provinces.....	32,600	133,135	11,275	40,345	12,510	43,905	8,815	48,885	140,060	305,795
British Columbia..	71,000	46,100	71,000	46,100	-	-	-	-	123,000	240,100
Totals, All Provinces.....	395,739	395,044	277,544	191,601	92,558	125,368	25,637	78,075	403,299	1,194,082
Yukon and N.W. Territories.....	1,000	9,000	500	4,000	250	3,000	250	2,000	50,000	60,000
Totals, Canada	396,739	404,044	278,044	195,601	92,808	128,368	25,887	80,075	453,299	1,254,082