

Mille Lacs Lumber Company card 3
enclosed an offer from D.M.Sabin for 180,000,00
feet very fine pine "in the so-called Mil Lac
Reservation for \$3.50 per M. " Secombe wanted
to buy at \$3.50 outside price and mentioned
Michigan men and Stillwater firms coming into
region, the latter thinking of buying timber an
putting it into Snake River, though Rum River
is its natural outlet.

The Milaca mill burned to ground March 20-21,
1890; no insurance; rebuilt at once. Hammons
resigned a/c letter of Sept. 26, 1890 as vice
pres. and Director of Co. Most of correspond-
ence at this time is addressed to W.A. Stephens
Cutting of timber out from Milaca on Mike Drew
Brook to be finished w. er of 1890-91. Drives
are mentioned. Letterhead of Nov. 19, 1890

shows picture of log landing, river and log train, and a forest background. Oak was becoming scarce by Nov. 1, 1890. Sales of cut-over lands of Co. had liquor-excluding clause and thus was hindering development of village of Milaca by Nov. 25, 1890. "Our Town is growing fast and is becoming unmanageable. They are calling for a Town organization, two School teachers etc. and of course the Coy. are the principal tax payers altho we own a small portion of the Bldgs. in the Town." By Dec. 30, 1890 the office of the Co. had been transferred from Milaca to St. Paul, perhaps because bills were running unpaid for months. Most of correspondence in 1890-91 relates to long unpaid bills. Occasionally there are glimpses of what was going on in the woods, who owned the logging

camps, where they were located, the amount of the cut of each, etc., but one has to piece together a good many bits of scattered data of this sort to get a clear picture of logging, lumbering, milling, and marketing of the white pine, oak, and other hardwood timber of the company. 48 boxes, 21 vols, and 5 in small box 2 oversize pieces, one a map of Milaca, the other maps and plats.

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Good description on page 489 in Statements and Miscellaneous Information, Vol. 2. This book covers the period of 1888-1891.

The company was incorporated July 1, 1882. The incorporators were: Andrew G. Tod, Weston Hammons, William Secombe. See: Minute Book of Mille Lacs Lumber Co.

The company was dissolved June 26,
1915.

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For the outward correspondence of this company 4/9/91 to 5/25/91 see Vol. W of letterpress volumes. It is mostly routine business of the main office of the company, sending out bills, giving directions to the manager of the lumber department at Milaca, etc.

See also other volumes in this lettered series of office press letterbooks.

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Advances to the company: page 193 of March,
1884 volume

1881-83	\$153,000.00
received	11,514.10
Interest	21,664.76
Now due	163,150.66

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