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when it got under the fodder, the weight of the stuff broke the crust in and down it went into a regilar pit of fire. I tell ye it was an unsartin place to live on, and I was thankful cross, "said a friend, who was a member of a government survey, "go down with me to Woodbine." Four miles beyond Woodbine, out on the sandy stretch of old sea bottom or beach that is termed the Cape May peninsula, we came upon Dennisville, where all the Dennises of all time had evidently settled. A local Dennis said there were 2,500 of them, and nine-tenths were evidently children. They lived in scattered shanties, or houses on a long narrow street, on each side of which malaria stalks abroad from the great swamps that constitute their boundary. The latter, however, that are perhaps over twelve square miles in extent, are the means of providing a living to nearly all the inhabitants of Dennisville, though the nature of their occupation would never be suspected from external observation.

"We're all in the loggin' business," "We're all in the loggin' business," "The subject of underground the locality above the results. Some of the trees imbedded are over twelve feet in diameter, and as only the tops that it didn't get under the house. We'd never have known what hurr us; we'd jest melted down quick. Yes, there's heaps of places in the swamp district that's eaten out jest the same way. The fire will run along for miles sometimes, and then crop out where it's least expected. I have had been taken from living and when they came back it was gone, and a fourth of an acre with it'. If it had happened twelve hours late they'd have gone in. In the Delaware swamp you will find heaps of such places, and green hands when they go down there, think there has been a volcany, and so there has, after a rashion."

"The subject of underground forest, "said my geological companion, on our way back," is an interesting one, and in the west there are some of them has cost at least as much as that, although he did not call it is all this Dwane we feel.

"That's about it," replied the man.
"You know we're obliged to be a whit odd or so; we've got the name of it, anyhow."
"The secret of this business," said my friend, the geologist, "is that ages ago all this area was covered with a fine growth of large trees, and the same are found growing in some parts of the swamp yet, but they have died out and fallen down and sunk into the soft mud, and so been covered up by mold and mud until many other layers have grown over them; but in some remarkable way the wood is preserved and these sunken ancient is preserved and these sunken ancient logs are just as good for shingles and other articles as when alive. Hence "A detail was sent out under the is preserved and these sunken ancient leading are just as good for shingles and other articles as when alive. Hence for many years there has been a steady but for them and Deunisville and the surface are the only but for the sample and the number a that have been enothed are beyond conception. The trees upon or near the surface are the only ones available and fortunately are the best. But far below these there are probably myriads of others turned to stone, and propresenting the past geological ages of the earth. The logs were worked out by the men who are nickanance wampoodles, and who live in the midst of the malarious district all their lives. When a log is found a ditch is made about it, into which the water soon flows. A great saw is then applied and the roots removed, and as a rule, the log will rise to the surface off, though in many localities the shingles are made right on the sport and dragged over the swampon roads in many eases made of boughs and twigs. This currons business is no confined to New Jersey, but over in Deleware and Maryland there are similar swamps, where the shingles are made right on the sport and dragged over the swampon roads in many eases made of boughs and twigs. This currons business is no confined to New Jersey, but over in Deleware and Maryland there are similar swamps, where the shingles to secure them, as, when could be an an and be cut up and carried off, though in many localities the shingles are made right on the sport and dragged over the swampon roads in many eases made of boughs and twigs. This currons business is no confined to New Jersey, but over in Deleware and Maryland there are similar swamps, where the shingle to the core often containing wondered the core of the swamp on the core of the swamp on the core of the core often containing wondered the core of the core of the core of

"Last summer, continued the geologist, "I took a run up the valley of the east fork of the Yellowstone. There is a country for you, and fortunately, in the National park, and to be perched on a reg'lar woodpile; there ain't no end to it. I built a foundation to a barn some years ago, down in Delaware on the swamp lot, and the further down I dug the more and the further down I dug the more logs I come on to, and I reckon way down it's clean, solid wood, and when Soda Butte creek rises the mountain,

bow when I tell ye that that hull Many are thrown out and prostrate, kentry had been tunneled by the fire. from fifty to sixty feet in length, and You see, it had crept along under from five to six feet in diameter. In ground for nigh a thousand feet, cases where the roots are seen penestin' away the wood, and finally, when it got under the fodder, the weight of the stuff broke the crust in, and down it went into a rec'ling pit of pilish such results. Some of the

"We're all in the loggin' business," said a tall thin Dennis, yet as far as the eye could reach not a tree could be seen at a little eye could reach not a tree could be seen at a little eye could reach not a tree could be seen at a little eye at a little be seen standing that would make about, as if some hurricane had swept even the ghost of a fair log. "They about, as if some hurricane had swept over the spot and leveled them to the ain't a growin', "continued the man, "they're under the ground. We dig for them, as you might say. Here's the tool," and stepping into a low hut he brought out a crowbar that, like everything else seemed attenuated and was stretched out into a long, slender-pointed rod. "We wade along," continued the man, "and probe with this feeler, and when we strike a log we feel around and if it's a good one we dig her up, and if it ain't we let her soak; that's about the way of it."

"So down in Jersey you burrow for your logs?"

"That's about it," replied the man.

these localities a fine collection has

Igs I come on to, and I reckon way down it's clean, solid wood, and when a fire breaks out in the swamp you want to keep your greep peeled, now I'm a talkin. How so? Well, I'll was five you and the land ran right into it about half a mile. That sumer it was monstrously dry, and after a while the fires began to break out in the swamp, and the land ran right into it about half a mile. That sumer it was monstrously dry, and after a while the fires began to break out, and dafore we knew it had crept up to any letters and Packages, as usuet, by all Steamers for San Francisco and Paget Sound parts

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