Log Breaking Down Saw Frame

5 FEET CAPACITY

The principal, who will have the moulding of an Australian school of forest thought, must be a broad-gauge man, and all his assistants must be the best obtainable. I have suggested salaries from £900 to £1,500, and, having regard to the present rate of pay to foresters in India and elsewhere, I think that less than those amounts would fail to draw the men we want. The committee should advise as to the choice of these men, and here I would like to suggest that whoever goes home to the Imperial Forestry Conference should be asked to select the principal and staff. We must, I think, acknowledge that we have not in Australia at present men that can be spared from their administrative duties to take up the educational side of the profession, and so must import our teachers. It is unlikely, much as I should wish it, that all matters can be finalized before this conference breaks up, and so it will be necessary to appoint the committee a standing one, with a secretary, to take charge of the scheme and bring the establishment of the school to a successful issue.

FORESTRY, its aims and agencies—fire control, silviculture, state economy—are still little understood. Habits of neglect and wastefulness attach to our woodlands, and are deep-rooted. An active, prolonged campaign of education, in which the nation and the states shall co-operate, is imperative.—American Forestry.