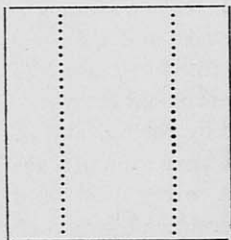
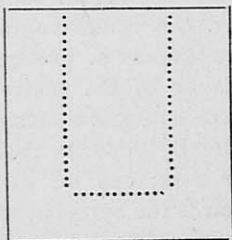


of the ground unless it should be very heavily timbered. Another method is for each man (and is most generally adopted where there are two men) to pace off twenty rods from each side of the forty and then make a line for the opposite side, thus giving each man twenty rods on each side to look over. The following will illustrate the principle:



There is another form, which is generally adopted where there is only one man, and the following diagram will illustrate it:



This method allows one man to look it over carefully. Where the timber is very heavy the forty is divided into ten acre lots, or rather quarters, and then about the same course is pursued as is done with a forty except that each man has only ten rods to look over.

In estimating pine the height, size, soundness, nearness to streams, character of ground, and expense of running the logs to market, are taken into consideration and enables

the land looker to form a very accurate estimate as to its value. A forty that has five hundred thousand of pine is considered heavily timbered and valuable, if well located. As a rule a forty ought to have about one hundred and fifty thousand feet to make it desirable, although where well located and pine of a good quality it will pay to enter where there is only fifty thousand feet to a forty, provided it is near other heavy timbered pine.

A good land looker will, as a rule, run a line about five or six miles in one day, and commands from three to five dollars day and expenses paid, time counting from the time he leaves home until he returns.

A STRONG LUMBERING COMPANY.

We learn that our townsmen, Mayor Ludington and Hon. Daniel Wells, Jr., have incorporated their extensive lumber interest at Menomonee, Mich., and Chicago, Ill., under the name of "The Ludington, Wells and Van Schaick Company, of Michigan," with a paid up capital of \$600,000. This does not include a tract of pine land of 70,000 acres, estimated to contain 600,000,000 feet of standing pine timber, located on the Menomonee river.

Mayor Ludington is president of the company, Hon. Daniel Wells, Jr., vice president, and A. G. Van Schaick secretary and treasurer. The principal office of the company is at Chicago, as heretofore, with Mr. Van Schaick as manager. The business at Menomonee remains in charge of Robert Stephenson, superintendent of the company, also a stockholder.