

a similar decline in other grades and a drop of 15s in third quality New Brunswick spruce. Quebec square and waney timber is inquired for, and prices show a tendency to stiffen. Ash has been imported quite largely from the United States.

STOCKS AND PRICES.

Warren Copp has cut 800,000 feet of lumber in Pictou county for Rood & McGregor, of New Glasgow, N.S.

Saginaw valley manufacturers have advanced the price of shingles 10 and 15 cents per thousand. At Minneapolis white and red cedars have been advanced about 5 cents

Quotations of cooperage stock at Buffalo are as follows: No. 1 dry elm flour barrel staves, \$7.50 to \$7.75; No. 2, \$4.75 to \$5; basswood heading, 5 3-4 to 6 cents; No. 2, 4 to 4 1-4 cents, coiled hoops, 6 ft., \$7.50 to \$7.75; 5 1-2 ft., \$4 to \$4.50.

The following are the quotations adopted by the Chicago lumber dealers for shingles and laths in carload lots: Extra pine shingles, \$2.75; standard pine, \$2.25; clear pine, \$3; clear cedar, \$7.85; extra cedar, \$2.65; standard cedar, \$2.10; white pine lath, \$2.60; mixed dry, \$3.10; No. 2, \$2.75. In the Lake Superior district green or partially dry lath is selling at \$3.25 to \$3.35 or No. 1 white pine.

Of the London market for Canadian timber Messrs. Denny, Mott & Dickson say: There has been little feature in this market. Waney pine, oak and elm have all been little enquired for; but the small supplies on hand and largely increased cost of next season's supplies cause prices to continue to stiffen, as it seems indisputable that a very modest demand for the rest of the year would more than exhaust the possible supply.

Messrs. Churchill & Sim furnish the following statement of timber, deals, etc., at the public docks in London, on May 31st:

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| Foreign deals . . . | 1,904,000 | 684,000 pcs. |
| " battens . . . | 3,674,000 | 1,532,000 " |
| " boards . . . | 14,085,000 | 8,481,000 " |
| " wainscot | | |
| " logs | 574 | 373 " |
| " oak tim. | 1,907 | 1,437 lds. |
| " fir timber | 2,014 | 1,473 " |
| Colonial pine d'ls | 724,000 | 600,000 pcs. |
| " spruce do | 733,000 | 491,000 " |
| " oak timber | 1,287 | 1,532 lds. |
| " birch " | 3,476 | 1,736 " |
| " elm & ash | 1,872 | 287 " |
| " white pine | 1,006 | 223 " |

Messrs. S. P. Musson, Son & Company, in their market report of June 8th, refer to the Barbadoes lumber market as follows: Since the "Trad-

er," from Shelburne, N.S., with white pine, which was placed at \$25.75 and \$20.07 for shipping and second quality respectively, there has been no arrival of consequence. A small lot of 10,000 feet has been sold at \$23.65 as it run. The market is virtually bare, and first receipts will do well, although one or two cargoes have been contracted for at \$24 and \$19 customary delivery. In spruce the "F. B. Wade" arrived on the 29th ultimo, from West Dublin, with a lot of 22,000 feet, which was sent in vessel to Trinidad, and on the 30th the "J. K. Dawson" arrived from same port to our address with 250,000 feet. The crop being so nearly over, and dealers being unwilling in the present position to carry much stock, the most we could obtain was \$17.05 and \$13.05 for shipping and second quality respectively; and we doubt if next receipts will bring these prices.

By the recent fire in the Conger Lumber Company's yard at Parry Sound, Ont., Hames & Company, of Buffalo, lost 1,000,000 lath, and the Saginaw Lumber & Salt Company about \$2,000 worth of lumber. The heaviest losers were the Skillings, Whitneys & Barnes Company.

FIRES

The saw mill situated at Port Arthur, Ont., owned by Seaman & Company, was last week destroyed by fire.

The saw mill of R. M. Sully at Venosta, Ont., was burned a few days ago.

Fire was discovered in the lumber yard of the Sumner Company at Bathurst, N.B., on the 16th inst. The mills were saved, but lumber to the value of nearly \$60,000 was destroyed.

Practically all the lumber in the yards of the Ontario Lumber Company at French river, Ont., was destroyed by fire on the 16th inst. The lumber, about 15,000,000 ft., was owned by the Ontario Lumber Co., and represented nearly an entire season's cut. It is understood that the loss is largely covered by insurance. The saw mill and other buildings were saved.

THE LIVERPOOL MARKET.

The following review of the Liverpool market is given by Farnworth & Jardine: The business of the past month has been unsatisfactory. The arrivals have not been unduly large, and the deliveries have been fair, but buyers lack confidence, and a serious decline in some of the leading articles has taken place. Stocks generally for the season of the year are on the

heavy side, and shippers should act with caution by consigning moderately.

CANADIAN WOODS.—Waney Pine.—Of Waney there have been no arrivals, the stock is reduced to a moderate compass, and values are firm. For square there has been only a limited demand, and the stock is sufficient. Red Pine.—The demand is slow; stocks are ample. Oak.—There has been no import; the demand is quiet, but the stock of 1st quality wood is fairly moderate. Elm.—The demand has been disappointing, and the stock for the season of the year is too heavy. Ash.—The import chiefly consists of shipments from the United States, which have been on a large scale; there has been a fair demand, but sales are difficult to effect, and stocks are increasing. Pine Deals.—The arrivals have been considerably in excess of the corresponding month last year; the deliveries have been unsatisfactory, but there is little change in value to report; the stock is too large. Red Pine Deals continue in fair demand, but prices are easier.

NEW BRUNSWICK AND NOVA SCOTIA SPRUCE AND PINE DEALS

—The arrivals during the past month have been large, viz., 4,280 standards, against 1,520 standards during the corresponding month last year. The deliveries have been fairly satisfactory, but the stock is much too heavy; sales are difficult to effect, and there has been a sharp decline in value; it is very desirable that shippers should act with caution in consigning moderately until our markets are more settled. Pine deals continue in fair demand; prices are steady; stocks are light.

BIRCH.—Of logs, chiefly from Quebec, the arrivals have been small; there has been a fair consumption, but the stock is sufficient; there is little change in value to report. Planks have again come forward too freely, and although the deliveries have been fairly satisfactory, the stock is much too heavy, and recent sales have only been effected at very low prices.

SHIPPING MATTERS

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