

to obtain the stock. No. 3 barn 1 x 12 is selling at \$17 to \$17.50.

Reports from the eastern markets tell of the continued firmness of hardwood prices, and there seems reason to believe that there will be no appreciable weakening of prices before the winter at least. An expansion is reported in the demand for maple, especially cuts suitable for flooring, which sell at Buffalo at \$20 for firsts and seconds and \$15 for common. Elm, ash and basswood are also much enquired for.

FOREIGN.

The lumber which has reached British ports of late has to large extent been sold before its arrival, and consequently market quotations have not been influenced thereby. The tendency of prices on nearly all lines of wood goods is towards an advance. The stocks at London and Liverpool show a favorable comparison with those of one year ago. At London the stock of pine and spruce deals is some two thousand pieces less, while at Liverpool it is about equal to that of last year. At both London and Liverpool however, there is much smaller quantity of square timber in public docks, that at Liverpool, for instance, being less than one-third of what it was at same time last year. With a steady consumption, this is likely to be somewhat reduced even before the close of the import season. Waney pine is firm at at 2s 6d and 2s 9d for 19 and 20 inch average. There is a special good demand for large sized logs of red pine, birch, ash and elm, but the smaller sizes are little enquired for. Importers are now showing a strong disposition to contract for fall goods, but are realizing that there is very little Canadian stock to be obtained, and that for this they must pay a high price. Taken altogether the position of Canadian timber is very satisfactory.

Considerable shipments continue to be made to South America and the West Indies, where the demand seems to be steadily expanding; prices are also showing increased strength.

STOCKS AND PRICES.

Tenders are wanted by the city of Toronto for the supply of oak and elm lumber. The date limit is August 24th.

Box lumber is selling at \$12 and \$13 at Saginaw, Norway at \$9.50 to \$12, mill cuts at \$8 to \$10, and the log run at \$15.

Donald Fraser and Sons, of Fredericton, N. B., are filling an order for 1,600,000 box shooks for the British market.

Johnson & Beveridge, of Parry Sound, Ont., have been given a contract for 5,000,000 feet of logs, to be taken out during the coming winter.

The Ontario & Rainy River Railway Company are asking for tenders for the construction of 100 miles of road. Plans are on view at the company's office in Toronto.

The Nova Scotia Carriage Co., of Kentville, N. S., want tenders for the supply of 20,000 feet of 1 and 1 1/4 inch basswood, 8 inches and up wide, to be delivered by October 10th.

White ash is quoted at Buffalo at \$50 to \$60 for firsts and seconds, and \$28 to \$35 for common. Thick basswood sells at about \$26, and \$26 to \$30 is about the average quotation for elm.

Messrs. Graham, Horne & Co., of Fort William, who became financially embarrassed about one year ago, have again secured control of the mill from the Bank of Montreal. It is the intention to operate it next year, and with that end in view

logging operations will shortly be commenced in the woods.

It is stated that Messrs. McCormack & McLeod, who are extensive loggers in the Georgian Bay district, have secured the contract for building five miles of spur line from the Ottawa, Arnprior and Parry Sound Railway to the town of Parry Sound, and also the contract for building twenty miles of the James Bay Railway north of that town.

Referring to the shingle market at North Tonawanda, a correspondence of the American Lumberman states that in the past conditions have not warranted the dealers there in laying in a stock of them. Now, however, the demand has increased to such an extent that everyone is looking around for a supply. Buyers from the east report that they cannot find a sufficient quantity to supply their wants.

There has been a great improvement in the demand for hemlock lumber within the past three months, and frequent advances have been the result. The base price at Buffalo is \$11.50 for thick and \$12 for boards, which is \$3 more than ruling quotations six months ago. At Philadelphia prices are \$13.50 and 16 feet and under, \$14 for 18 and 20 feet, with 20 cents additional for every two feet additional for every two feet additional in length.

Following is the result of a recent sale of Canadian deals, etc., held by Calder, Henderson & Livingstone, at Glasgow, Scotland, on August 2nd: Quebec first pine deal ends, 8 ft. 11 x 3 in., 2s 5d per cu. ft; 7 ft. 7-10 x 3 in., 2s 2d; Quebec pine deals, 8 1/2 ft, 9 1/2 x 3 in., 1s 2 1/2 d; second pine deals, 12-16 ft., 12-18 x 3 in., 2s 2d; Quebec pine scantlings, 12 1/2 ft. 3-6 x 3 in., 10 1/2 and 11 d; Quebec red pine deals, 9 x 2 1/2 in., 1s 3d; Bathurst pine deals, 9-19 ft. 14-20 x 3 in., 1s 1/2 d; 16-19 ft. 9 x 3, 10 1/2 d; Quebec spruce deals, 11 1/2 ft. 12 1/2 x 3 in., 11 1/2 d; 10 1/2 ft. 10 x 3, 11 1/2 d; 12-16 ft. 11 x 3, 11 d; 14-16 ft. 9 x 3, 11 d; 12-26 ft. 7-11 x 3, 10 d; 13 ft. 6 x 3, 9 1/2 d; Quebec spruce battens, 13 ft. 7 x 2 1/2 in., 10 1/2 d; 13 ft. 5-16 x 2, 10 1/2 d; 10 ft. 5-12 x 2, 10 1/2 d; 11 ft. 5-6 x 2, 10 1/2 d; 7 9 ft. 5-12 x 2, 9 1/2 d; Bathurst fourth quality spruce deals, 15-23 ft. 7 x 3, 8 1/2 d; 9-14 ft. 7 x 3, 8 1/2 d.

The annual sale of unmarked and mixed logs rafted during the season by the Fredericton Boom Co. took place at Fredericton, N. B., on August 7th. Among the prominent lumbermen present at the sale were J. A. Morrison, R. A. Estey, Donald Fraser, Jr., of Fredericton; B. H. Babbitt, of Gibson; C. F. Woodman, Henry Hilyard, W. H. Murray, Fred Mills, and E. L. Jewett, of St. John, and Parker Glaser, M.P.F., of Lincoln. The prices realized were as follows: 125,259 feet spruce deals, 96,883 feet spruce battens and 32,326 feet condemned spruce, E. L. Jewett, at \$9.25 per thousand; 10,120 feet of pine, T. E. Babbitt & Sons, \$6.90 per thousand; 48,200 feet cedar, William Minue, \$8 per thousand; 6,150 feet hemlock, R. A. Estey, \$3 per thousand. At last year's sale spruce brought \$6.70 per thousand, pine \$5, cedar \$3.45 and hemlock \$2.25.

LONDON AND LIVERPOOL STOCKS.

According to Churchill & Sims wood circular, the stock of timber, deals, etc., in public docks at London on July 31st last was 15,127,000 pieces, against 13,961,000 pieces in 1898 and 14,248,000 pieces in 1897. Following is a comparative statement for two years:

Table with 3 columns: Item, 1899, 1898. Rows include Foreign deals, Battens, Boards, Wainscot logs, Oak timber, Fir timber, Colonial pine deals and battens, Spruce ditto, Oak timber, Birch timber and planks, Elm and ash timber, White pine timber, Red pine timber, United States pitch pine timber, Pitch pine deals, East India teak.

The deliveries for the seven months of this year were 21,639,000 pieces, an increase over the two previous years.

The following table shows the import, consumption and stock of Canadian wood goods at Liverpool up to July 31st for two years:

Table with 5 columns: Item, 1898 Import, 1899 Import, 1898 Consumption, 1899 Consumption, 1898 Stock on 31st July, 1899 Stock on 31st July. Rows include Quebec square pine, Quebec waney pine, St. John's pine, Other ports, Red pine, Oak, Canadian and American, Oak planks, Elm, Birch, Birch planks, Ash, Quebec pine deals, Quebec spruce, N. B., N.S., &c., spruce and pine deals.

THE BARBADOS MARKET.

Messrs. S. P. Musson, Son & Co., in their last report, review the Barbados lumber market as follows:

The "Moss Rose" has arrived from Liverpool, N. S., with 10 m. ft. Shipping, and 165 m. 2nd. quality white pine. This cargo coming to a virtually bare market, brought good prices, \$23.60 for shipping and \$17.30 for 2nd quality. The shipping was such a small quantity that it cannot be considered as a criterion for the sale of cargo lots, but we would consider fair valuation for a couple of cargoes, say, about \$22 for shipping, and \$16 or thereabouts for second quality. In spruce there have been no further receipts; one or two cargoes would likely bring from \$16 to \$17. In long Gaspe cedar shingles the market has been variable, and sales have been at various prices as to quality. A speculator has come in during the past few days and taken some of the later shipments, as we have been pointing out that we did not believe that the receipts would be heavy during the remainder of the season. Arrivals have been ex "Ceylon," from Gaspe, Que., with 165 m. of superior quality, sold at \$5.21; ex "Advance," from Campbellton, N. B., 131 m., sold at \$3.03. The speculator referred to previously has taken bulk of "Golden Hind's" cargo, some 760 m., at \$3.83. A small parcel of dimension shingles, 5, 6 and 7 inch, have been placed at \$5.40, \$6.40, and \$7.40;

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225 m., also ex "Golden Hind," of fine quality C. R. C., sold at \$5.27. The "Advance," from Campbellton, also brought \$24 m. Extra No. 1 sawn cedar laying, which sold at

\$2.60 The spruce laying, 100 m. ex "Alliance," referred to in our last, brought \$2.40.

Since writing the above the schooner "Rose-neath" has arrived from Jordan Bay, N. S., with 100 m. feet white pine, which sold at \$24.12 for shipping, as the market is quite bare.

VALUABLE INFORMATION.

Each week the advertising pages of our Weekly Edition contain information of value to lumber manufacturers and buyers. They tell where stock can be obtained, and at same time contain inquiries for lumber perhaps just the class of stock of which a manufacturer has a large supply. Subscribers will find it profitable to watch the advertising pages carefully.

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