

to have been made at \$3.45. The conditions would seem to be in favor of higher prices for shingles.

MANITOBA AND BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Lumber manufacturers and dealers catering to the North-West market are experiencing some difficulty in meeting the demand for lumber. Not that there is an inadequate supply, but with the early spring has come a rush of orders for immediate shipment which is taxing the capacity of the yards to handle. Car shortage is still a serious drawback. Manufacturers have many orders on their books for lumber and shingles, and if it had been possible to secure cars for making shipments, they would now be in much better position to cope with the spring trade. From the standpoint of orders and prices no complaint can be made. Business is good, with indications of the best year yet experienced. The pending labor difficulties at Winnipeg and Vancouver will, it is believed, be satisfactorily settled at an early date, and there will then be removed almost the only obstacle to an active building season.

UNITED STATES.

The tone of the lumber market has seldom, if ever, been stronger than at the present time. From all sections of the country come reports of increasing business, from which it is concluded that the high price of lumber is not affecting building operations. Stocks in the east are very light, but promise to be augmented in the near future upon the opening of navigation. Box lumber and mill culls lead in point of demand throughout the Eastern States, and some dealers have recently marked up prices to a still higher basis. In the Lake Superior district No. 3 and better lumber is being sold at from \$18 to \$18.50, which would make this class of stock \$21 for Chicago delivery. There is no dry piece stuff and much of that to be cut the coming season has been contracted for. The opening price by cargo is based on \$16.50 for No. 1 short dry pine piece stuff, Chicago delivery. Hemlock continues strong, the Wisconsin manufacturers having adopted a new list making a material advance on several items. Similar action was taken by the Wisconsin manufacturers of hardwood lumber. The new list will be found in another column. The conditions of trade are such that there is no price cutting but a very general disposition to adhere to the list. The quantity of hardwood logs taken out the past winter has not been large and it is estimated that more than one-half of the production has already been placed under contract. Thick maple and basswood are scarcer than other lines.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The British market is exhibiting a more cheerful tone and representatives of Canadian shippers have succeeded recently in placing considerable stock. There is an increasing inquiry from the East Coast for spruce deals. This is owing to the high prices asked for Baltic whitewood. An ordinary specification of 60 to 65 per cent. of 7 and 8-inch spruce is selling at £7 10s c.i.f. West Coast ports, and for small cargoes of the same specification £7 15s

has been paid. Consumption is more active, which is regarded as a favorable indication on account of the probability of an early opening of navigation. Holders of stock are seizing every opportunity to reduce their supply so as to be in a position to receive new shipments, but notwithstanding this fact prices have been maintained and in some cases advanced. A quantity of first quality Quebec pine, 2x8 inch, brought £22 10s at a recent public sale. Waney pine is exceedingly firm. Belfast importers have contracted on the basis of 3s 9d per foot c.i.f. for 18-inch. This, so far as can be learned, is the maximum figure that has yet been paid.

STOCKS AND PRICES.

Carnoweth's steam mill has finished sawing 250,000 feet of lumber at Memel, N.B.

The barque Avonia is loading deals at Hopewell Cape, N. B., for the United Kingdom.

J. L. Scott & Son, of Chatham, Ont., recently purchased 20,000 cedar posts for the spring trade.

The Moyie Lumber Company, of Moyie, B. C., expect to have 10,000,000 feet of logs to supply their mills during the coming season.

The lumber clearances from St. John, N.B., for the United States for the week ending March 21st included 1,168,000 feet of long lumber, 4,000,000 lath, and 425,000 shingles.

It is understood that Harold Kennedy, of Quebec, who has recently been in England, has placed his season's output of birch timber with Joseph Owen & Sons, Limited, of Liverpool.

Revelstoke citizens are staking out 90 miles of timber locations under special licenses in the Big Bend country. This is the largest tract of timber land ever taken up under special license.

The Alex. Gibson Railway & Manufacturing Company, of Marysville, N.B., have finished logging operations on the Nashwaak river. The cut has been in the vicinity of 30,000,000 feet. As the ice is already out of most of the tributaries of the Nashwaak, stream driving will be commenced in a short time.

Under date of March 14th Messrs. Clairmonte, Man & Company say of the Barbadoes market: "We have had no arrival with lumber during the fortnight. Our yards are still barely supplied, and during our reaping season, now going on, there is always a good demand. Prices are as follows: White pine, \$26 for first quality and \$21 for second quality; spruce, \$22.50 for first and \$19.50 for second quality. Last sales of Gaspe long cedar shingles were made at \$4.89 to \$5.04, but they are now worth more. Cedar laying shingles are worth \$1.82 and spruce laying \$1.65 to \$1.70."

It is estimated that the cut of logs on the south branch of the Oromocto river, in New Brunswick, this winter was in the neighborhood of 6,000,000 feet. Smith Bros. have got about three and one-half millions, which they will manufacture at their own mill, and about 1,500,000 has been cut for John E. Moore, of St. John. Hilyard Bros. have about 1,500,000 at

French Lake, which will likely be manufactured at St. John. W. J. Scott, who operates for Murchie & Sons, at Deer Lake, has finished his season's work in that locality. The recent soft weather ruined the hauling and he was obliged to leave 1,700 pieces in the woods.

The Northwestern Hemlock Manufacturers Association of Wisconsin have adopted a new price list effective March 30th, by which the price of hemlock lumber has been advanced. For No. 1 hemlock boards the prices are: 3x8 in., 10 feet, \$14; 12 and 14 feet, \$13; 16 feet, \$13.50; 18 and 20 feet, \$14; 22 and 24 feet, \$15.50; 3x10 in., 10 feet, \$14.50, 12 and 14 feet, \$13.50; 16 feet, \$14; 18 and 20 feet, \$14.50; 22 and 24 feet, \$16; 3x12 in., 10 feet, \$15.50; 12 and 14 feet, \$14.50; 16 and 18 feet, \$15; 20 feet, \$15.50; 22 feet, \$17; 24 feet, \$17.50; 4x4 to 8x8 in., 10 feet, \$14; 12 and 14 feet, \$13; 16 feet, \$13.50; 18 and 20 feet, \$15.50; 22 and 24 feet, \$16.50.

NEW HARDWOOD PRICE LIST.

The following prices of hardwood lumber have been fixed by the Wisconsin Hardwood Lumbermen's Association, f. o. b. Wausau and effective March 25th:

Ash.—1st and 2nd: 1-in., \$32; 1½ and 1¾ in., \$34; 2-in., \$35; 2½ in. and thicker, \$40. No. 1 Common: 1-in., \$22; 1½ and 1¾ in., \$23; 2-in., \$24; 2½ in. and thicker, \$26. No. 2 Common: 1-in., \$11; 1½ and 1¾ in., \$12; 2 in. and thicker, \$12. No. 3 Common, all grades, \$6; 1-in. log run, No. 3 Common out, \$20.

Basswood.—1st and 2nd: 1, 5 and 11 in., 8 to 16 feet, \$30; 12-in., \$35; 13-in. and wider, \$36; 1½ and 1¾ in., \$32; 2-in., \$34. No. 1 Common: 1-in., \$22; 1½ and 1¾ in., \$24; 2-in., \$25. No. 2 Common: 1-in., \$14; 1½ to 2 in., \$15. No. 3 Common, all sizes, \$10; 1-in. box Common (No. 2 and 3 mixed), \$13.

Birch.—1st and 2nd: 1-in., \$28; 1½ and 1¾ in., \$30; 2-in., \$32; 1-in. red, \$38; 1½ to 2-in. red, \$40; 2½ in. and thicker, red, \$42. No. 1 Common: 1-in., \$18; 1½ and 1¾ in., \$20; 2-in., \$22; 1-in. red, \$28; 1½ to 2-in.; red, \$30. No. 2 Common: 1, 1½, and 1¾ in., \$10; 2 in., \$12; red, all sizes, \$14; 1-in. log run, No. 3 Common out, \$18.

Soft Elm.—1st and 2nd: 1-in., \$26; 1½ to 2-in., \$28; 2½ in. and thicker, \$30. No. 1 Common: 1 in., \$16; 1½ to 2-in., \$18; 2½ in. and thicker, \$20. No. 2 Common, \$10. No. 3 Common, \$8. Inch log run, No. 3 Common out, \$16.

Rock Elm.—1st and 2nd: 1 to 2-in., \$30; 2½ in. and thicker, \$34. No. 1 Common: 1 to 2-in., \$18; 2½ in. and thicker, \$24. No. 2 Common, \$12. No. 3 Common, \$6; 1 to 2-in. log run, No. 3 Common out, \$18.

Hard Maple.—1st and 2nd: 1-in., \$23; 1½ and 1¾ in., \$25; 2-in., \$25; 2½ in. and thicker \$27. No. 1 Common: 1-in., \$13; 1½ to 2-in., \$15; 2½ in. and thicker, \$16. No. 2 Common: 1 to 2-in., \$8; 2½ in. and thicker, \$12. No. 3 Common, \$5; 1 to 2 in. log run, No. 3 Common out, \$13.

Soft Maple—1 in. to 3 in. log run, No. 3 Common out, \$14.

Red Oak.—1st and 2nd: 1-in., \$39; 1½ to 2-in., \$42; 2½ in. and thicker, \$48. No. 1 Common: 1-in. \$29; 1½ to 2-in.,

\$32; 2½ in. and thicker, \$39. No. 2 Common: 1-in., \$19; 1½ to 2 in., \$22; 2½ in. and thicker, \$28. No. 3 Common, \$9.

White Oak.—1st and 2nd: 1-in., \$37; 1½ to 2-in., \$40; 2½ in. and thicker, \$46. No. 1 Common: 1-in., \$27; 1½ to 2 in., \$30; 2½ in. and thicker, \$36. No. 2 Common: 1-in., \$17; 1½ to 2 in., \$20; 2½ in. and thicker, \$26. No. 3 Common, \$8.

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