

THE WEST INDIES.

Messrs. Clairmonte, Man & Co's circular dated May 27th, says:

Since our last advices there have been no arrivals with lumber. White pine, moderate supply, the cargo of the Grace Rice, reported in our last, was sold at \$21.50 for first and 15.50 for second quality; spruce, demand continues good, last sale \$15 for first quality. Pitch pine in supply, last sale \$21.11 for merchantable, \$15.51 for refuse, and \$13.51 for second quality.

The damage done to houses by the hurricane in September last has been repaired, and should shingles now arrive in any large quantity, we look for a sharp break in prices. Last sales of long Gaspé cedar: ex New Dominion, at \$3.50 for \$4.66 per M, as to quality; cedar laying \$2.07; spruce laying \$2.27 1/2; cypress sales ex store \$8.50 6-in. hearts, saps \$6.50.

May 17th: Schr New Dominion, from Halifax, with 700 M Gaspé shingles.—250 M large sold \$4.56, 50 M extra large \$1.66, remainder, small, \$3.50.

The circular of Messrs. S. P. Musson & Co. states: There have been no further receipts of either white pine or spruce. A small lot of the latter 36 m. ft. has been sold to arrive from a neighboring port at \$15.25. With regard to white pine, the absence of arrivals is having a healthy effect, and one or two cargoes would do well; especially with a good proportion of 2nd quality. In shingles the Tay-

mouth Castle brought to our address some 400 m. long Gaspé cedar, for which we were forced to accept \$3.50, as stocks were accumulating. For a few 6 in., 5 in., and 4 in., we obtained \$6.61, \$5.61 and \$4.61, respectively. The demand for this class of shingles is becoming very slack,—inquiry continues for cheaper grades of cedar laying shingles. No late receipt of pitch pine. Nothing to report in either shooks or wood hoops.

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Following is a comparative statement of timber, measured and culled, to the 20th inst., at the Supervisor of Cullers' office, Quebec:

	1897.	1898.	1899.
Waney white pine, cu. feet.	67,037	56,443	63,418
White pine, cu. feet.	62,149	73,535	57,373
Red pine, cu. feet.	55,980	42,912	73,352
Oak, cu. feet.	514,923	432,417	168,370
Elm, cu. feet.	235,577	217,081	289,398
Ash, cu. feet.	64,010	17,971	40,872
Basswood, cu. feet.	15	795	60
Butternut, cu. feet.	247		60
Birch and Maple, cu. feet.	117,922	106,042	226,083

Rafts entered at the Supervisor of Cullers' office since last report: The Calvin Co., Ltd., at sundry coves, oak; The McArthur Bros. Co., Ltd., at New Liverpool Cove, oak, elm, etc.; Dyments (drams), at Sharples' Cove, Sillery, waney pine; Blanchards (drams), Sharples' Cove, Bridgewater, oak, etc.; The Calvin Co., Ltd., Kings End Cove, oak and pine; Archie McArthur & Son, New Liverpool Cove, pine, ash, maple, etc.

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