

STOCKS AND PRICES.

W. E. Dryden, of Hillsboro, N.B., expects to cut 3,000,000 feet of lumber this winter.

The Alma Lumber Co., of Alma, N.B., are now shipping birch lumber from St. John, N.B., to Great Britain by winter steamers.

At Duluth, Minn., as high as \$14 is being asked for No. 3 barn, but \$13 is about the average quotation. Log run brings from \$16 to \$18.

The barque Freeman sailed from Tusket Wedge, N.S., last week for Buenos Ayres, with 872,000 feet of lumber shipped by Dickie & McGrath.

The South River Lumber Co., of South River, Ont., are this winter taking out a large quantity of pine logs, some hemlock, and 100,000 cubic feet of waney board pine.

The Newville Lumber Co., of Newville, N.S., expect to take out this winter 4,500,000 feet of logs. Nearly all their next season's production of lumber has been sold for shipment to Great Britain.

J. J. Wheelock, of Connors, N.B., expects to manufacture 30,000,000 shingles during the coming season, as well as a quantity of long lumber for the local trade. He has a mill at Connors, N.B., and another at St. Francis, Maine.

It is understood that the C. Beck Manufacturing Co., of Penetanguishene, have commenced logging operations on the two limits in the Nipissing district purchased at the government sale a fortnight ago.

The W. & A. McArthur Co., of Cheyboygan, who recently purchased the McKinnon & Welsh saw mill at Little Current, Ont., are putting in 30,000,000 feet of logs, and will likely operate the mill day and night next season.

One year ago dry white pine lath could be purchased in Chicago at about \$2.15 per thousand, while they are now selling at \$4.50 f.o.b. cars. In the local trade there white pine lath sold during December at from \$5 to \$5.50 per thousand. Of late there has been some easing off in

quotations, although the shortage in the supply has not been relieved to any marked degree.

THE BOSTON MARKET.

[Correspondence of the CANADA LUMBERMAN.]

SPRUCE.—The spruce market is quiet, with little change. The financial flurry has had some effect on the situation, with builders cramped in one or two instances. Orders are still slow about being filled at the mills, with the water low and logs scarce. Reports from the spruce lumber regions mention a lack of snow for hauling, with one of the winter months gone and almost nothing done. A big cut has been yarded, but unless snow comes very soon and continues in good shape, the cut of logs cannot be hauled. The chances are that what was planned for a very large cut of spruce may turn out to be a small one. Of provincial lumber there were arrivals of six cargoes for the week, with 651,983 feet of lumber, 196,000 laths, and 980,000 shingles. Prices are unchanged:

Table listing lumber prices for various sizes and types, including frames, merchantable boards, and furring.

PINE.—Western white pine continues very firm with the manufacturers and shippers, and the market here is steady:

Table listing prices for various sizes of pine lumber, including uppers, selects, and fine common.

CLAPBOARDS.—Clapboards are steady, with trade quiet:

Table listing prices for various sizes of clapboards and sheathings.

SHINGLES.—Cedar shingles are in quiet request:

Table listing prices for various types of cedar shingles, including extra cedar and clear cedar.

Oregon shingles range from \$2.30 to \$3.15, as to grade and quality.

LATH.—Laths are active, with prices firm: 1 1/2 inch, \$3 to \$3.25; 1 1/4 inch, \$2.90 to \$3. BOSTON, Jan. 2nd, 1900.

LUMBER FREIGHT RATES.

CANADA ATLANTIC RAILWAY.

Lumber freight rates on the Canada Atlantic Railway, are as follows: Ottawa to Oswego, \$1.90 per M ft.; Ottawa to Syracuse, \$2.20 per M ft. (3,000 lbs. and under per M ft.); Ottawa, Rockland and Hawkesbury to Montreal, 5 cents per 100 lbs.; Quebec, 10 cents per 100 lbs.; Arnprior to Montreal, 7 cents per 100 lbs.; Quebec, 12 cts.; Pembroke to Montreal, 8 cents per 100 lbs.; Quebec, 13 cents per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to New York, 15 cents per 100 lbs. Arnprior to New York, 17 cents per 100 lbs.; Pembroke to New York, 18 cents per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to Buffalo, 12 cts. per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to Port Huron and Detroit, 14c. per 100 lbs.; Ottawa, Rockland and Hawkesbury to Boston and common points, local 15c., exports 13c. per 100 lbs.; Arnprior to Boston and common points, local 17 cents, export 15 cts. per 100 lbs.; Parry Sound to Boston and Portland and common points, local 21 1/2 cents, export 20 cts. per 100 lbs.; Ottawa, Rockland and Hawkesbury to Portland, &c., 15 cts.; Arnprior to Portland, 17 cts.; Ottawa to Burlington, 6c. per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to Albany, 10 cts. per 100 lbs.; Arnprior to Albany, 12 cts. per 100 lbs.; Parry Sound to Albany, 17 cts. per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to Scranton and Wilkesbarre, Pa., also Binghamton, N.Y., 13 cents per 100 lbs. from Arnprior 15 cents, from Parry Sound 20 cents per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to St. John, N.B., and common points, 20 cents per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to Halifax, N.S., and common points, 21 cents per 100 lbs. Minimum carload weight for shipment of lumber, lath, shingles, etc., is 30,000 lbs., and rates quoted above are in cents per 100 lbs., except when quoted per M ft.; minimum carloads 10 M ft., lumber not exceeding 3,000 lbs. per M ft.; lath 50,000 pieces, not exceeding 600 lbs. per M pcs. Ottawa rates apply on shipments from Rockland and Hawkesbury. 18s 9d per St. Petersburg standard, according to specification.

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