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### CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS. ONTARIO.

While the quantity of lumber which has changed hands since the first of the year has not been large, the number of inquiries received has produced a strong feeling of hope among the trade. Present indications point to a large demand for hemlock for repairing barns and other cheap buildings; the general building outlook is good; stocks at the mills and in retail yards are light; prices show a tendency to advance. These conditions are regarded as favorable to the manufacturer. Not for many years has pine lumber held a stronger position than it does to-day, and this notwithstanding the duty on United States shipments. There is a marked degree of strength surrounding the shingle market, and the advance of last fall has been maintained. At Toronto XXX pine shingles, 16 inch, are selling at \$2.25, although an effort is being made to obtain an advance of five cents on this price. The average price paid at the mill is about \$1.90.

Somewhat peculiar circumstances surround the hardwood industry. The competition in buying logs is very keen in certain sections, particularly in western Ontario, and exorbitant prices are being paid by some manufacturers. Instances have occurred where, in the desire to secure a large stock of logs, buyers have not exercised that judgment which is essential to the management of every successful business. Just what the result of this will be depends entirely upon the course of the hardwood market. If, from any cause, prices during 1899 should weaken, these mill men who have paid excessive prices for logs will certainly do business on a very small margin of profit, if not

at an actual loss. Should present prices be maintained throughout the season, they may be able to show a balance on the right side. The season thus far has been against a heavy production of hardwood logs. A number of operators have logs on the skids waiting for sufficient snow for hauling, and unless the balance of the winter should be particularly favorable, the contemplated input will not be reached in many cases.

### MANITOBA AND BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Wholesale dealers and manufacturers in Manitoba and the Northwest are experiencing the usual winter quietude. Apart from a few small orders for sorting-up purposes, no business is doing. The market, however, is firm, as there is every indication of a continuance in 1899 of the prosperous conditions which prevailed last season. In anticipation of this, every effort is being put forth this winter to secure a large crop of logs. In British Columbia trade is quiet, but there, as in Manitoba, the outlook is favorable. For building purposes the lumber requirement promises to be large; the box trade shows signs of reviving, and the foreign demand is increasing. It is expected that China will furnish a greater outlet in the future for British Columbia timber, and that an increased quantity will be placed in the British market, provided the cost of transportation can be reduced.

### UNITED STATES.

More lumber has changed hands during the first two weeks of January than in any similar period for several years past. A heavy movement by rail from the mills indicates broken assortments in wholesale and retail yards, and there is a tendency to further advance prices. Since the close of navigation, low grade stock at the head of the lakes has been marked up 50 cents per thousand. At Buffalo, Tonawanda, Pittsburg and other eastern points stocks of pine are expected to fall short of the demand. This is realized by buyers, who have endeavored to augment their supplies. The eastern spruce trade seems to be gaining strength also. The manufacturers at Boston and vicinity, at a meeting held last week, agreed upon another advance, which places 10 inch frames at \$15, and 10 to 12 inch at \$16. The chief interest at

present centres around the hardwood trade. There has been no abatement in the consumption and consequent demand, and consumers are finding it difficult to obtain a sufficient supply to meet their requirements until the new cut is available.

### FOREIGN.

Circulars to hand review at some length the timber trade of Great Britain for the year 1898. There were imported into the United Kingdom during the year wood goods to the value of £20,594,494, against £22,978,842 in 1897. Although the consumption was large and the import less than in the previous year, the stock of Canadian timber of many classes is yet quite heavy. Particulars of the Glasgow market are given in another column. At London the importation of pine deals from the St. Lawrence was 2,331,000 pieces, and of spruce deals 3,866,000 pieces. These figures are considerably less than those for the previous year. In New Brunswick and Nova Scotia spruce, the falling off is even more noticeable, being 699,000 pieces in 1898, and 1,037,000 pieces in 1897. Of timber, elm, ash, oak and red pine show a considerable increase. Elm timber has advanced, 2s 4d being paid for 50 cubic feet average. Large white ash timber is wanted, but smaller stock is plentiful. Red pine deals have been much enquired for and prices were firm throughout the year. Spruce prices continue to improve, and we understand that contracts are being entered into for spring delivery at a considerable advance over late quotations. At Manchester 2½ inch by 7 inch spruce battens are wanted by builders and wagon manufacturers. Some inquiries have been made at Glasgow for spruce deals for spring delivery, and the Caledonian Railway Company are in the market for their annual supply of wagon oak planks, which amounts to over 100,000 cubic feet. Generally, the market is considered firm.

A number of inquiries have been received by British timber merchants for battens and boards for export to Spain. Now that this market is improving, it should be possible for Canadian exporters to secure a portion of the trade. The Australian market is quiet, but it is believed that more activity will be shown in the near future.

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