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WE HAVE 300,000 FEET OF VERY GOOD Beech Logs which we wish to cut to order. Signed, JOHN HARRISON & SONS Co., Limited, Owen Sound, Ont.

FOR SALE.

CEDAR SAWED OR IN THE ROUND. Reid Bros., Hepworth Station, Ont. Correspondence Solicited.

MASTS FOR SALE.

NEAR TORONTO, UP TO 90 FEET IN length. Apply to W. A. MILNE, Brown's Corners, Ont.

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THREE SMALL LIMITS FOR SALE IN THE Township of Gibson, all fronting on the Georgian Bay, and close to Midland and Penetanguishene. Apply to THE MUSKOKA MILL & LUMBER CO., Ltd., Toronto.

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36 FOOT 8 INCH PRESCOTT FEED STEAM Jump Saw, 40 to 56 inch saw; three block under steel Carriage, opens 40 inches, Boss dogs, good networks, Endless Log Haul Up, hundred feet chain, could be lengthened; a number of Engines, Boilers and Mill Machinery taken on new machinery. WATERLOO, Brantford, Canada.

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THREE THOUSAND ACRES OF TIMBER LIMITS

ALSO SASH AND DOOR FACTORY, SAW, Shingle and Lath Mills, complete, with large Dry Kiln attached. Buildings, Stables, Shops, Dwelling Houses, etc. Four miles from the limits, located in West Kootenay, British Columbia. Machinery all up to date and only run one season. Satisfactory reasons for selling. Apply for particulars to T. H. DECEW & SONS, Fenelon Falls, Ont. Correspondence solicited.

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FOR SALE.

CEDAR, ROUND OR SQUARE. Apply to REID BROS., Hepworth Station, Ont. Correspondence Solicited.

FOR SALE.

THE MILLING CO.'S PLANING AND SAW Mill: doing good business. Reason for selling, other engagements. Stock about \$2,000; machinery splendid order. Address, J. W. CUTL, Mitchell, Ont.

WANTED—FOR DELIVERY IN SUITABLE parcels during season, 25 to 50 standards Spruce Strips, to be 4 feet and up in length, sawn to 1 in. x 1 in. exact to steel gauge, and to be free from sap and rough knots; C.I.F. North Docks, Liverpool. Address, Box 40, CANADA LUMBERMAN.

FOR SALE.

\$5,000 feet Rock or Soft Elm... 6 1/4-1 1/4"
40,000 " Soft Maple... 6 1/4-1 1/4"
18,000 " B. Ash... 4 1/4"
13,000 " White Ash... 6 1/4-7/8"
4,000 " White Oak... 4 1/4" or thicker

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FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN.

ONE 32-INCH DIRECT STEAM DRIVEN Gang; one heavy circular Saw Frame; one heavy 4-block Carriage, coupled with track to cut 52 feet fractional set; steam feed; Rhodes' Swage; Covel Gang Sharpener. Above practically new, used only three years. Address, Box 76, CANADA LUMBERMAN.

SAW MILL MACHINERY FOR SALE.

THE COMPLETE MACHINERY OF A SAW Mill, consisting of a steam feed large carriage and frame, one rope feed ditto, double edger and trimmers, swing saws, automatic grinders, belts and saws in good order, all made by Waterous, Brantford. Will be sold cheap. Apply to J. K. WARD, Mona Mills, Montreal, Que.

SAW MILL FOR SALE.

THIRTY FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS BUYS Saw mill worth double this amount, if taken at once; 2 Boilers 120 h.p., Engine 100 h.p., Iron Saw Frame, Three Block Carriage, 2 good Saws, Double Edger and Trimmer good as new. Slash Chain, all in good running order, run this season; size of Mill 100 x 100 ft., good Boiler House, Blacksmith Shop, House, Barn, etc., 400 acres of good Birch and Hemlock, also thousands of acres of timber near by. For particulars, address ALLEN CRESSMAN, Berlin, Ont.

BUSINESS NOTES.

Samuel Hawes, planing mill and builder, St. Thomas, Ont., is advertising his business for sale.

A. M. Stetson & Co., lumber dealers, Boston, Mass., have made a voluntary assignment. The liabilities are reported to be \$250,000, but it is said that a settlement is likely to be effected. The firm has property in New Brunswick, Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont.

CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS.

ONTARIO.

Although in the midst of the winter season, there continues to be a heavy movement of lumber by rail. There would also be more business done were it possible to obtain the stock desired. Reports to hand state that not for many years has the stock of low grade pine lumber been so thoroughly picked up. To such an extent is this the case that some of the manufacturers have for the first time inaugurated winter sawing. The quantity of stock placed on the market as a result, however, will not be large, and will not likely affect prices, particularly as the demand between now and spring will more than take care of the supply. Business for the year is opening up very favorably. A number of the Ottawa valley manufacturers have disposed of their cut, and we understand that several mill owners in the Georgian Bay district expect to close negotiations at an early date for considerable of their next season's production. The Midland cut of the Arthur Hill Company, to be sawed at Playfair's mill and amounting to 20,000,000 feet, has been contracted for by W. B. Mershon, of Saginaw, Mich., at a price which is regarded as very satisfactory to the manufacturers.

There are numerous inquiries in the market for hardwoods, and from present indications prices will not weaken during the next few months at least. Consumers, recognizing the situation, are showing a disposition to contract for their requirements in advance.

QUEBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

Writing to the CANADA LUMBERMAN, a manufacturer in Quebec states that all grades of lumber have been picked up this winter closer than he has ever known before, and that many contracts are in the hands of mill men for new stock to be cut as soon as there is enough snow for logging. These remarks reflect the situation throughout Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. Enquiries for lumber are numerous, but the supply of dry stock is almost exhausted. Prices in 1900 promise to be even better than last year, as several manufacturers have sold their output of British spruce deals at an advance of from \$1.50 to \$2 per thousand over the prices realized for the 1899 production. This increased price will not, however, give a greater margin of profit to the manufacturers, as the cost of producing logs this winter will be considerably greater than last season.

UNITED STATES.

The first ten days in the new year have not witnessed a large demand for lumber, although the business done during the holiday season was above the average. The market still remains firm. There is a general shortage of dry stock in pine, spruce and hardwoods, more pronounced in the lower grades of white pine than in any other class of stock. Of the stock on dock at Ashland and Duluth it is said that there is not to exceed 20,000,000 feet unsold at each place, while a considerable percentage of next season's production

has been contracted for. The eastern wholesale markets are fairly well supplied. The stock of white pine in Buffalo yards is estimated at 120,000,000 feet, of which 20,000,000 feet is Canadian stock. The outlook for building operations in the eastern cities during the coming season is considered good, and this fact is having an influence upon prices. In New York city there is almost a famine in box and low grade lumber, and higher prices are predicted. The quotations on hardwood lumber are being maintained, the difficulty of buying at western points at a reasonable price assisting to this end. The supply of basswood lumber has become almost exhausted, and a famine is expected before the new cut shall be available for shipment. Michigan manufacturers of maple have endeavored to secure a corner on that lumber and have advanced prices by \$2 per thousand. This brings prices up to a basis of \$9, \$13 and \$18. Red birch is selling in Buffalo as high as \$42 for inch.

There has been no change in shingle prices. Best 18 inch red cedars and white pine are selling at Buffalo at \$4. This price has caused consumers to look around for hemlock shingles, which sell at about \$2.50, but there is no large supply in the market.

FOREIGN.

Prices for spot goods in Great Britain continue to strengthen owing to reports of high prices asked for timber products in producing countries. To such an extent have prices been advanced that some predict that the volume of business during the year 1900 will be restricted on this account. On the other hand, the outlook for the year, judged from the orders now in hand, seems to be particularly bright. At London several transactions have lately taken place in third and fourth quality spruce, third quality selling at £9 5s per standard and fourths at £9; second quality brings about £9 11s. From Liverpool comes the report that contracts have been made at £8 per standard c.i.f. for cargoes or large parcels by liners for specifications containing about 80 per cent. of 7 and 8 inch. From this may be gauged the value of 9 and 11 inch. Pine deals are steadily improving, and while until two months ago £24 15s was the maximum, recently \$28 3s 9d has been reached for first quality. The stock in first hands is about one-half that carried over at same time last year. Red pine deals are selling at £12 7s 9d and there is very little stock that is not in the hands of consumers. In nearly all classes of square timber the stock is light, but there is a decided scarcity of ash.

SHIPPING MATTERS.

The barque Kelderdale has been chartered to carry lumber from Boston to Buenos Ayres at \$9.25.

The ships Marie MadrefB and Vanloo have been fixed to load deals at Bathurst, N. B., for Marseilles at 62 francs.

A partnership has been registered under the name of Bissel, Ross & Co., lumber dealers, Sherbrooke, Que.