Market Reports.

TORONTO.

From Our Own Correspondent.

JULY 9 .- Our local trade is decidedly brisk at present, to whatever part of the city we go to piles of lumber and bricks meet the eye, so that it might be easily credited that all the yards are doing a rattling business. Dry lumber of most kinds is difficult to obtain. what little there is in stock is bold by the retail dealers chiefly. Dimension stuff, cut to order, is hard to procure in sufficient quantities to meet the immediate demands of the market. This is mainly owing to the fact that quite a number of mills are running on stocks for shipment, instead of bill stuff, on which they were mainly engaged last season, and the few mills now cutting to order get nearly their own price for bills, and to complicate matters the lumbermen acting on behalf of the Board of Trade have entered into what must be considered a foolish arrangement with the railroad companies, whereby lumber will in future be carried by measurement, instead of by weight, as hereto The weak spot in the bargain is not in carrying by the M, but in the figures charged for the carriage. That figure will simply make a difference of nearly one dollar per M from all cardinal points to this city, and instead of any benefit accruing to the lumberman by this advance it is sim ly swallowed up by the railroad companies. When the lumbermen, not connected with the Board of Trade, empowered the deputation, appointed by the said board, to a for them, it was generally understood that they the deputation would act for the general good of the entire lumber interest, it is now plain how fellacious that belief was. The blunder will prove a costly one to consumers and dealers alike. The answer to this will no dou't be that the wholesale dealer will now know exactly what his lumber will cost him landed at any point and the consumer must foot the bill This kind of argument will not hold water, inasmuch as any increase in the cost of the lumber to the consumer is only a tax for the benefit of the railroad corporations and a dead lose to all others interested.

Under this new departure, coupled with the facts before mentioned, all green bill stuff is likely to cost, the retailer and consumer slike. fully \$2 00 per M above the present prices before the end of the season is reached.

Troubles celdom come singly. I mentioned in a former letter the trouble experienced by lumbermen, by reason of the constantly increasing annoyance to which dealers are subjected by the petty orders issued from day to day by the N. & N. W. R. R. Co. for the better conducting of their business as they term it. If a dealer wishes to alter the destination of any car from dock to local, another dollar must be added to the company's exchequer, and if wanted from local to dock the same amount must be paid; besides the numerous orders given from week to week regarding the shutting of cars. The whole matter has become perfectly bewildering, not merely to a tyro in the business, but also to many who have spent half a life time in R. R. yards. The trouble seems to originate through the clashing of two or more departments, one of which promulgates some particular order for the better guidance of the yard master, and some other officer issues some thing intended to be a great improvement on the fermer, until at last the yard master is as perfeetly belogged as the lumberman is irrated. So the mill men may congratulate themselves on living in Paradise as compared with the men handling their cut at this end of the road. # All kinds of dry drossing and better lumber will now command roady sale here, also dry nawn lath, the latter in especially good demand. Shingles XXX also meet with ready sale. No advance in prices have taken place on the latter although our market is understocked.

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MONTREAL.

From Our Own Correspondent.

July 10 -Fine weather has been character isti, of the past fortnight, and trade upon the whole has been of a satisfactors volume. Contractors have been providing themselves with considerable quantities in anticipation of future requirements, and there are indications of a good movement throughout the summer. The good demand for carloads which marked the early part of this month has considerably fallen off, but the business at the yards has remained active. A steady feeling prevails in regard to prices. The export from the opening of navigation to the middle of this week embrace 619,316 pcs. deals and deal ends, 59,772 pcs boards, 7,049 pcs. battens and ends, to Europe, and 2,208,875 feet to South American

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From Our Own Correspondent.

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Cutting up 24 00\\(\dagger25 00
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Common 14 00x18 00
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CARGO LOTS-MICHIGAN INSPECTION

CHICAGO.

The Northwestern Lumberman of July 10th 823'8:-

BY THE CARGO.

Arrivals during the week have comprised a larger proportion of inch lumber than had check has been given to the forwarding of piece Lath 200 atuff, as the purpose on the part of the manu-lickets 2,029,109 the market for redwood battens continues facturers and their agents is to dole out consign.

ments no faster than the market requires. The ard men are not buying dimensions to a lavisht ydegree to pile for future use, though the curren demand absorbs all that is offered.

The demand for cargoes at present is rather more active than it was last week. Receipts of piece stuff having been graduated to the actual requirement, saids are readily made at the previously quoted price of \$9 a thousand, unless in exceptional cases. If there are lower prices nobody will confess it. Either \$9 for short green stuff is the basis of the market or else there is the solidest combination between the yard and commission men to keep shady that was over known - on the part of the yard men for the purpose of its effect on yard prices, and on the part of the commission dealers as natural consequence. Until this imaginary immeach ment is verified we shall have to accept surface indications. If the market remains as firm as it is now a little longer, the chief danger of a slump this season will have passed. Last year at this time short green dimension was quoted at \$8 75 a thousand; so it will be seen that values this season have gained but a point over prices last year In the third week of July last year the price of green piece stuff advanced 25 cents a thousand, so that on July 25 we quoted \$9 as the outside figure Will prices take a similar course this season? is a question that now interests both buyer and seller.

A cargo of Norway dimension, mostly short but having some long lengths in it, was sold this week for \$9.25 a thousand. This shows a tendency to overreach quotations when the cargo is desirable. Separate lots of slim jim dimension sell from \$10 to \$11, according to the quality and sawing; 2x12 and 14, and 3x12 and 14 bring \$11 to \$12 a thousand.

There is a large call for railroad bridge and culvert timber. Short, heavy timbers for this purpose are in urgent request. Prices vary, determinable by size and contract conditions being altogether outside quotable accuracy. It is important to know, however, that such stuff is wanted. A bill is out for the Sioux City line of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul road-a short branch-that calls for 4,000,000 feet, which shows how railroad building absorbe the product of the mills. The vast mileage of railroad that is now under construction will require more and more timber and lumber as the lines near completion.

There is nothing new to be said of shingles or iath. Both are sluggish goods, and it is hard work to realize quotations.

The following are current quotations of cargo prices :-

Dimension, short green	\$ 9	00		
Dimension, short dry	9	50@	10	00
Boards and strips, No. 2	10	00	12	00
Boards and strips, medium	13	00	16	00
Selected	21	00	24	00
Boards and stripe, No. 1	16	00	19	00
Shingles, standard	1	70	1	
Shingles, extra	1	80		00
Shingles, cedar, standard	1	65	1	75
Shingles, codar, extra			3	œ
Lath, green			1	25
lath, dry			1	40

AT THE YARDS.

There is prevalent the usual July moder ation of trade, though the dealers inclined to forget that the demand is tame during midsummer, and to regard the present duliness as extraordinary. As a matter of fact there is still a fair movement, for the time of year, if the shipping and local demand are aggregated. Within the past two or three days, however, there has been increased complaint of a falling off of country orders, the shrinkage possibly resulting from the effect the wide-prevailing drought is having on western crops.

Receipts of lumber and shingles for the week ending July 8, as reported by the Lumberman's Exchange :-

RECRIPTS.

Lumber. Shingles. 43.404,000 22,792.000 50,248,000 13,342,000 FROM JAN. 1, TO JULY S. INCLUSIVE. RECEIPTS \$15,054,000 200,838,000 108,246,000 STOCK ON HAND JULY 1.

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Quotations a the yards are as ion		
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Pine, fourths	50 00463	00
Pine, selects	42 00/247	00
Pine, good box	92 00/483	Oi)
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Pine, 12-in, boards, 16 ft.	73 000334	w
Pine, 12-in boards, 13ft Pine, 13 in. siding, select	28 00@00	00
Pine, 11 in. siding, select	40 00 343	00
Pine, 11-in, siding, common	15 00@18	00
Pine, 1-in siding, select	40 00@42	00
Pine, 1-in siding, select Pine, inch siding, common	13 00@15	00
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Spruce, plank, 11-in , each	00 006400	20
Spruce, plank, 2-in., each		
Spruce, wall strips, each	00 12(400	
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Black walnut, ‡ inch	00 00(485	
Scaymore, 1-inch	28 00/430	
Scaymore, & Inch	21 00ct23	
White wood, 1-inch and thicker	38 00040	
White wood, & Inch	28 00x430	
Ash, good, № M	40 00ca43	
Ash, second quality, WM	25 00(d30	
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LIVERPOOL.

The Timber Trades Journal of June 26th says:-Repo ts from the manufacturing districts generally speaking, show an improvement in the quantity of business done, if there be no absolute advance in prices obtained. This, however, has not yet affected the timber trade in this most desirable direction, but we can only hope that the day of better things is not far distant. The passing of the Manchester Ship Canal Bill, in which many of the local timber merchants have taken great interest, may have some influence in the improvement to which we have referred.

We are glad to notice that our Manchester neighbors have decided to hold an exhibition in that city next year, in which the chief object, as far as can be carried out will be to show the improvements in all those manufactures in which she is so deeply concerned that have taken place during the reign of Her Majesty. Committees have already been formed to arrange preliminaries, and as soon as the elections are over they will doubtless go to work with the energy so characteristic of the citizens of Manchester.

The import into Liverpool has again been in excess of the wants of the trade, both in spruce deals and pitch pine, with the natural result that both these descriptions of timber are today in a weaker position than hitherto, though the actual quotations are perhaps unchanged.

No public sales of whitewoods have been held during the rast week, nor are any announced up to the time of writing.

LONDON.

The London Timber Trades Journal of June 26th says :- The coast trade must be described as extremely quiet, a few contracts only having been closed during the past week, and these only for minor parcels. Whether or not a general election, as conducted now-a-days, really effects the trade of the country seriously is an open question, but there can be no doubt that buyers seem only too willing to take advantage of the opportunity to look on and wait the course of events. There is a general fear that market cargoes will be pressed for sale later on, but, as far as we can hear, shippers show no intention of sending forward unsold