

manufacturers appear to be buying more liberally. Laths are in greater supply, while shingles are scarce and below the demand.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The steady falling off in the volume of imports is imparting a strong tone to the British timber market. The Board of Trade returns show that the import of hewn and sawn timber into the United Kingdom for the first nine months of this year was 7,038,369 loads, against 7,136,769 loads for corresponding months of last year. While the shipping season will not close for a couple of months, the amount of chartering shows that very little stock is likely to be imported into Great Britain during the balance of the season. There is some fear lest the shippers of Norway and Sweden should overstock the market, in which case Canadian timber would be sympathetically affected. The opinion is gaining ground, however, that by next spring the market will again be on a sound footing. The reported improvement in spruce deals has been maintained, although buying is by no means active. Business has been done at £8 per standard for 3 x 9 third quality c. i. f. London, although most agents are asking £8-10s c. i. f., or £9 2s 6d landed. Spruce deals are weaker at Glasgow than at other ports. The Timber Trades Journal says that the position of Quebec spruce in the London market is a strong one, and stocks are light, some sizes being very scarce. It is learned that a merchant accepted compensation for cancelling a transaction for 3 x 11 second spruce, simply because the shippers could not obtain the goods to fill the contract. Canadian pine is likewise stronger. Although the stock of pine deals is heavier than it was at this time last year, it is pointed out that twelve months ago shipments were made much later, whereas this year practically the whole season's import has arrived. First and second qualities are very scarce in first hands.

FIRES.

Arthur Ludlam's sash and door factory at Leamington, Ont., was burned recently, at a loss of \$10,000.
A portable saw mill owned by Walter Clendennan, of Wellandport, Ont., was destroyed by fire on the 16th inst.

BRITISH TIMBER SALE.

At recent auction sales in London, England, Canadian deals, etc., brought the following prices:

Pine—18 ft. 3 x 11 in. red, £9 10s per std; 13-20 ft. 3 x 11, £9 15s. Ex. Cora from Miramichi—14-22 ft. 3 x 11 in. fourth quality, £9 5s; 15-20 ft. 3 x 12-18, £7 10s; 14 ft. 3 x 7-10, £8 5s; 15 ft. 3 x 9, £8. Ex. Dahome, from Halifax, N.S.—4-18 ft. 3 x 9 in. unassorted, £7 15s.
Spruce—11-16 ft. 3 x 8 in. third quality, £7; 6-8 ft. 3 x 11, £6 15s; 6 ft. 3 x 9, £6 10s; 6 ft. 3 x 7-9, £6 10s. Ex. Elisif, from Matane, Que.—10-19 ft. 3 x 9 in. unassorted, £8 5s; 4-8 ft. 3 x 11, £7 10s; 4-8 ft. 3 x 9, £7 10s; 4-8 ft. 3 x 6-7, £6 10s. Ex. W. Croft, from Quebec—9-18 ft. 3 x 9 in. coarse third quality, £8; 12-14 ft. 3 x 10, £7 5s; 10-13 ft. 3 x 6, £6 15s. Ex. Mab, from Rimouski, Que.—4-8 ft. 3 x 11 in. unassorted, £7; 4-8 ft. 3 x 9, £7 10s; 4-8 ft. 3 x 8, £6 10s; 4-8 ft. 3 x 7, £7 and £7 10s; 4-6 ft. 3 x 6, £7 10s.

CANADIAN LUMBER SHIPMENTS.

The following shipments of lumber, etc., from Canadian ports are reported since last issue:

From Sheet Harbor, N.S.: Schr. Rosa, for Ste. Pierre, spruce lumber, deals and boards, value \$584, by Sheet Harbor Lumber Co.

From Parrsboro, N.S.: Barque Avoca, for Queenston, for orders, 1,114,748 feet deals, 149,671 feet ends and scantlings, value \$11,035, by George McKean, of St. John.

From Yarmouth, N.S.: Barque Reform, for Buenos Ayres, 660,000 feet lumber, value \$8,179, by Dickie & McGrath. Schr. Hattie P., for New York, lumber and piling, value \$350, by A. Perry.

From Halifax, N.S.: Str. Ornioco, for Bermuda, 12,356 feet lumber, value \$319. Barque Eugene, for Newcastle-on-Tyne, 61,500 feet, value \$7,000. Barque Bersagliere, for Gibraltar, 982,664 feet, value \$9,575. Schr. Regina B., for New York, 68,000 feet, value \$612.

From Vancouver, B.C.: Ship City of Hankow, for Sydney, Aus., 893,430 feet rough lumber, 17,440 pickets, 108,000 laths, value \$9,605, by North Pacific Lumber Co. Tug Dauntless, for United States, 400,000 feet fir and spruce logs, value \$2,700, by T. E. Highland; 33,000 feet fir logs, value \$1,980 by M. Morin. Tug St. Clair, for United States, 250,000 feet fir logs, value \$1,650, by J. Pratt. Barque Servia, for Sydney, Aus., 1,048,156 feet rough lumber, 88,000 staves, 538,100 laths, value \$9,907, by British Columbia Mills, Timber & Trading Co.

From Montreal: Str. Frisia, for Hamburg, 151 walnut logs, by C.P.R.; 1,227 pieces lumber, by G.T.R. Str. Lycia, for London, 8,152 pieces lumber, by Watson

& Todd; 20,869 pieces lumber, by Dobell, Beckett & Co. Str. Lakonia, for Glasgow, 8,700 pieces deals, etc., by Robert Cox & Co.; 6,683 pieces deals, etc., by J. Burstall & Co.; 13,911 pieces deals, etc., by Dobell, Beckett & Co.; 1,981 pieces deals, etc., by McLaurin Bros.; 1,513 pieces deals, etc., by E. H. Lemay; 2,078 pieces deals, etc., by G.T.R.

From St. John, N.B.: Str. Uxuna, for Swansea, 298,820 feet birch plank, 611,947 feet spruce deals and battens, 12,748 feet ends; for Cardiff, 1,984,085 feet deals and battens, 24,559 feet ends, by J. M. Driscoll. Str. Huelda, for Bow Head, 1,980,740 feet deals, 114,628 feet scantling, 54,954 feet ends, 46,205 feet boards, by W. M. McKay. Barque Taurus, for West Indies, 28,236 banana crates, 56,950 feet scantling, by J. A. Gregory. Schr. Druid, for Boston, 860,186 ft. boards, 28,044 feet scantling, 2,328 feet plank, by A. Cushing & Co. Str. Valetta, for Boston, 45,583 feet scantling, 65,112 feet plank, 30,170 feet deals, by Stetson, Cutler & Co. Schr. Romeo, for New York, 166,354 feet deals, by A. Cushing & Co. Schr. Stephen Bennett, for City Island, 281,718 feet deals, by Stetson, Cutler & Co. Sch. Lena Maud, for Boston, 84,191 feet boards, 7,155 feet plank, by A. Cushing & Co. Barque Hawkesbury, for Limerick, 456,620 feet deals and battens, 2,842 feet ends.

58,177 feet box shooks, by J. M. Driscoll. Schr. Jennie C., for Boston, 58,923 feet plank, 29,206 feet scantling, 10,125 feet deals, 228,000 laths, 50,000 shingles, by Stetson, Cutler & Co. Schr. Abbie Kest, for Vineyard Haven, 184,406 feet boards, by Stetson, Cutler & Co. Schr. Sea Bird, for Portland, 413,000 shingles, by Stetson, Cutler & Co.; 635 shingles, by Chas. Miller.

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