,650 standards last year. The stock at present in at St. John is estimated to be 20,000 standards. The export of wood goods to France under the bew tariff has hardly come up to expectations. There was shipped from this province this year W.o France and French Algerian ports 15 cargoes, Milontaining 12,398,000 superficial feet, against 16 torgoes last year, containing 10,240,000 sup. ft.

The general depression in business in the United States last year about stopped shipments to that country, and put a large extra quantity on the British market. As there are signs of ousiness confidence being restored there, we may expect a renewal of shipments, particularly from St. John and Nova Scotia ports, to the relief of other markets.

5.5HIPMENTS FROM MIRAMICHI FOR 12 YEARS, FROM 1885

TO 1896, INCLUSIVE.

Sup Feet. Sup Feet. Sup Feet.

-87 millions. 1889—110 millions. 1893— 83 millions.

-72 " 1890— 88 " 1894— 96 "

-68 " 1891— 72 " 1895— 82 "

-73 " 1892— 75 " 1890—106 "

1885—73 " 1892—75 " 1896—106 "

The average shipment for the above 12 years is 86 milllon superficial feet per year. The average shipment for
the 12 preceding years, viz., from 1873 to 1884 inclusive
1 was 118 million superficial feet, an average falling off of
27% in the volume of our business. As we have not any
here we country to draw on for supplies, this decreased export
and will have to continue. From St. John previous to 1884
whethe average shipment was 190,000,000 superficial feet, and
continue 1884 it has fallen to an average of 146,000,000 sup. ft.

Shippers from the Port of Managery Species

SHIPPERS FROM THE PORT OF MIRAMICHI, SEASON 1896.

	No.		Sup ft. Deal, Scantling, Ends	Palings
Shippers,	100 ls		and Boards	Pes
l m.J. B. Snowb'll	43	34,273	31,705,851	1,339,555
we www. M. McKay	31	27,600	30,379,493	18,000
ion D. & J. Ritchie	21	12,893	12,547,058	108,400
it o Ernest Hutchison	12	12,420		12,000
F. E. Neale	15	11,183	11,000,398	
hericGeo. Burchill & Sons	s 8	6,827	7,517,000	17,000
non Clark, Skillings & Co) 2	2,111	136,000	
ip [J. W. & J. Anderson.	1	802		
or the 8 Shippers	133	108,118	106,147,420	1,494,955

16,0; Spool Wood—W. M. McKay, 404,078 sup. ft.; Clark, 15,00 Skillings & Co., 1,574,507 ft.; J. W. & J. Anderson, year.

DISTRIBUTION OF MIRAMICHI SHIPMENTS.

) IEEL			Sup ft. Deals,	
Ba _	No.		Scantling, Ends	Palings
	Versels	. Tons.	and Boards.	Pes
ling (Great Britain	65	60,032	59,780,812	1,355,755
le diremina	5'	35,803	34,886,631	139,200
. de France	10	6,756	6,645,000	
e da Francetter Africa	4	2,419	2,137,682	
tter Africa	2	1,597	1,570,692	
on. Australia	1	1,511	1,126,603	
with Totals	. 1 22 1	08.118	106,147,420	1.401.055

trade Great Britain, 2,447,067 sup. ft. spool wood.

does, In addition to above there were shipped to Buenos ts, 'Ayres by J. B. Snowball three cargoes, containing 1,445-se of soos superficial feet of deals, boards, etc. SCOUST. JOHN, N. B., SHIPMENTS OF DEALS, &c., TO TRANS-

3f OI:	9			
	Shippers.	op. ft. Deals, &c.	Pine.	Birch.
nowl	Alex. Gibson 6	1,360,952		2,104
	W. M. McKay 9	5,793,265	128	6,632
ng ic	George McKean	4,342,742		•
ious	Watson & Todd	5,749,483		
fave:	Jarvis Wilson		_	1,156
put e	Total	7,246,442	128	9,892

	1895, TO DEC. 181			
on he.			Tin	nber.
DIL HE		&c	l'ine	Birch.
et of	British Channel 38,9			
alphite	Fleetwood 6,4	94,716		
k ass	France 4,1			
	Glasgow 12,9	73,289		500
der E	Ireland	82,251		•
In the	Liverpool	16,588	128	7,860

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emi Distribution of St. John, N. B. Shipments, Dec. 15t,

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Manchester Canal 5,489,193
Wales 2,221,495 1,156 vailab'. woods ars six Total......167,246,442 128 9,892 ars as Shipment from St. John to Trans-Atlantic Ports

FOR THE PAST 12 YEARS.					
	Total	Timber Birch.	(tons)		
_4	Sup. fc. Deals, &c.				
1885	152,543,026	13,769	3,686		
1886		7,354	4,313		
1887		5,197	1,587		
1888		4,721	457		
1889	180,167,488	7,221	487		
1890	132,608,516	1,311	4,317		
1891	122,242,682	5,004			
1892	146,529,309	10,200			
1893	156,653,334	5,294			
1894	153,473,076	5,015			
1895		8,374	324		
1896	167,246,442	9,892	128		

TOTAL TRANS-ATLANTIC SHIPMENTS OF NEW BRUNSWICK 1895 COMPARED WITH 1896.

	180	96		
Pors Miramichi	No. Vessels.	Tons. 108,118	Sup. ft. Deals, &c. 100,147,420	Timber
St. John	26	7,518 11,374	167,246,442 8,188,078 11,191,062	10,020
bellton. Shediae Sackville. Outports of Hilfsbord Harvey Alma	. 60 23 . 36	41,631 11,545 19,843 20,246	36,600,980 11,054,978 19,996,978 25,614,039	195
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Totals			386,039,977	10,215
	18	95		
	No. Vessels	Tons	Sup. ft. Deals, &c.	Timber.
Miramichi St. John	. 117	89,771 149,226	82,457,575 126,449,707	8,698
Bathurst		8,987 4,561	8,817,000 4,420,210	20
Dalhousic and Camp beilton)•	30,204	25,56	164
Shediae	. 23	9,000	9,083,501	•
Outports of Harvey Moneton Alma		22,532	23,336,282	434
Totals		325,806	291,382,574	9,316

The trans-Atlantic shipments from the Province of New Brunswick for the past ten years were:

Sup. feet.	Sup. feet.
1887-250 millions	1802325 millions
1888277 "	1893-312 "
1889~ 369 "	1894-326 "
1890-293	1895291 "
1801253	1800 - 380 "

SAIPMENTS FROM NOVA SCOTIA, 1806.

	No.		Sup ft. Deals	
Ports	Vewels	Ton√	Ac.	Timber.
Outports of Amberst		23,048	19,827,000	
Halifax		39,634	41,755,060	650
Ship Harbour	ı	424	404,447	
Sheet Harbour	8	6,245	6,276,707	
St. Margaret's Bay	2	2,678	2,790,966	
Parrsboro	33	42,935	43,315,254	
Pictou	10	7,889	4,946,000	3,658
Sherbrook	_ +	3,766	3,800,955	
Totals	137	126,610	123, 116, 380	4.308

The shipments of deals from Nova Scotia to trans-Atlantic ports for the past ten years were:

	Sup. feet.		Sup. feet.
1887	82,959,589	1892	87,861,398
1888	85,070,005	1893	109,252,930
1889	92,605,488	1894	106,327,250
1890	99,512,924	1895	109,324,393
1891	78,603,742	189	123,116,389

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The excellent quality of the British Columbia timber is becoming more widely known each year, which accounts for the substantial increase made in 1896 in exports of lumber to foreign countries. The following table, although not quite complete with regard to the quantity and value of cargoes, will serve to show the scope of distribution:

BRITISH COLUMBIA LUMBER FLEET, 1896.

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Name.	From	For	Cargo Lr	Value.
Laura May	Vancouver	San Francisco	310,433	4,011
Arranmore	Chemanas	Sydney	1,472,551	
C. F. Sargent	Victoria	Sydney	1,302,052	
John Smith	Chem unus	Shanghai	651,192	5,000
Desdemona	Vancouver	Valparates, f. o.	1,135,171	10,725
Addenda	Chemamus	Lientsin		4 142
Melnise	Maple Bay	Santa Rondia	157,140	3,200
Benj Sewell	Moirlyvile	Shanghar	1,045,376	8.834
Quickstep	Mondyville	. Trentsm	495,359	4.559
Jane L. Stanford	Chemanus	Shanghar	1.141.111	9,711
E. K. Wood	. Monthy ville	Lientsin	651,847	6, .,
Chchalis	Mostyville	Shangh d Taku	770.349	9,08.
King Cyrus	Chemainus	Taku	23.897	
Elisi	Chemainus	Antofagasta	612,649	8. **
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Jessie Osborne Magallanes	Chemamus	Geraldton	810,269	7.0012
Magallanes	Vancouver	. Iquique		,,-,-
Guinevere	. Chemainus .	Velpårater Port Prife	75 1.000	6,069
Bolaia	. Moodyville	Port Parie	702,500	
Beechley	Vancouve	Buen is Avres	1051101	17,021
Katie Flicking r	. Vancouver	Kube	501.027	
City of Adelaide	Westminster	Buen & Ayres Kobe Melbourne	(+), (RR)	
Prince Victor	Vancouver	. Gibraltar	252.000	5.80
Americana	Vancouver .	Gibraltar	Lotson	13,450
Errol	Moodyville	Adelaide	1.1200	10,000
Kowiusko	. Chemainus	Adelaide	. 645,054	6,84
Marie Berg	Vancouver	Adelaide Granton, U. K Melbourne	161,000	5,494
Colorado	. Chemainus .	Melbourne	841.545	7.337
Senator	Vincouver	Mellourne London Dieppe, France Delagon Bay Iquique Greenock Freemantle Valparaiso Kobe Delagon Bay Valparaiso, f. o	1,001,000	13,500
He enslea	, Varcouver	Dieppe, France	1,012,000	16,23
Clairmont	. Vancouver	Delagon Bay	511,127	
Hindostan	.Vancouser	Iquique	1,415,546	11,93
Trowbridge	. Moodyville	. Greenock .		
Bundaleer	, Chem ai nus	. Freemantle	. (42,307	5,499
Ariel	Moodyville	Valparaiw	0.000,086	
F. S. Redfield	. Vancouver	. Kobe .		
Port Adelaide	Vancouver	. Kobe Delagoa Bay	982,762	9.68
Ariadne	. Vancouver .	Valparaiso, f. o		
City of Delhi	Vancouver	Valuaraiso, f. o		
Wythop	Vancouver	D fagoa Bay		
Khorasan	Vancouver .	D Jagoa Bay Guayquil		
Speke.	Moodyville	Sydney		
Blairlogie	Vancouver	South Africa		
Lyderhorn .	Chemainus	. Sydney		
Verbena	Moonyvile.	Adelaide		
Addenda	Chemainus.	Sydney South Africa Sydney Adelaide Tientsin		

It will be observed that there has been a gain of 12 per cent. in the number of ships carrying lumber to foreign markets, while the total tonname to locagn markets, while the total ton-nage has increased from 76,316 to 93,394. Of the 86 vessels, 39 loaded at Vancouver, 23 at Moodyville, 16 at Chemainus, 4 at New West-minster, 2 at Maple Bay, and one each at Vic-toria and Vegucing Page. toria and Vesuvius Bay.

During the year there was also a good local demand, arising from the requirements for mining purposes. Some revival in the shingle trade took place, but unfortunately prices remained very low. Shipments to the eastern provinces kept up well throughout the season.

At the beginning of the year a gigantic lumber trust was organized to control the foreign trade, and to be known as the Central Lumber Co. It embraced nearly all the principal mills on the Pacific coast. The operations of the trust were successful early in the season, and prices were advanced to a remunerative basis. But towards the close of the year some of the members showed a disposition to withdraw from membership, and this finally culminated in the breaking up of the combine, with what result remains to be seen.

In 1897 a still greater foreign trade is looked for. Japan, Europe and South Africa are likely to be heavy purchasers. China is at present making tests of British Columbia timber for railway purposes, and efforts are being made to extend the Australian trade.

MANITOBA.

An average year was experienced by manufacturers in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories. The demand for lumber was principally from the farmers, who, encouraged by the higher prices received for grain, expended money more freely for improvements to buildings. Had the production of wheat been as great as the previous year, the season would have been one of unusual prosperity. A quantity of lumber was brought from British Columbia, but the main source of supply was the Lake of the Woods district, where the output of logs this winter is being greatly increased, in anticipation of a prosperous season in 1897.

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Mr. S. S. Stevens, Auburn, Nova Scotia, writes: "Enclosed please find \$1.00, subscription to the CANADA LUMBERMAN. I received the November number, which I liked very much.'