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CHICAGO.

The *Northwestern Lumberman* says:—The prospect is that shipment from the mills will *come this year earlier than usual*. On the great lakes freight rates are so high that it is preferable to let lumber remain on deck until next spring. On Saginaw river heavy purchases are being made of lumber that will not be shipped until next season. In the Chicago district the late drop in the price of short dimension, combined with high freight rates, has tended to discourage the mill men about shipping much more lumber this fall. From east shore points comes reports of a general determination to forward but little product to market this season but to pile the cut of the mills till they are shut down. The opinion appears to prevail among the manufacturers that lumber is a good enough property to hold until conditions of sale are more favorable than now.

On the other hand, the merchants have reached the conclusion that they will offer no inducements to prolong the striking up season. The trade does not regard the situation so good, or the prospect so bright, that it can afford to offer higher prices as an inducement for bringing forward the green lumber that the saws are turning out.

Thus it will be seen that the business of the country is in a rather peculiar position. It is far from the boom that characterized it in the fall of 1881, for then it seemed as if the jobbers could not buy enough to satisfy them. Now there is a degree of indifference about making purchases, unless the terms are satisfactory. The reason for this is not because the distributive demand has not been fairly satisfactory this season, but because prices still hang at a level not much above those that prevailed a year ago. In this market if it were not for the fact that long dimension is worth this year relatively more than it was last at a corresponding date, there would have been no gain in the value of Lake Michigan product. Short dimension is worth in this market no more to-day than it was last year at a like time, while the supply at the mills seems to be accumulating. Stocks in the yards are probably less than they were at this date last year and in the matter of dimension, they are more broken and equally sorted.

There is no burdensome surplus of lumber in the yards, but there has been no such cleaning off of mill stocks as has been predicted. But the supply of logs has been closer sawed up this season than last. The lumber business in the lake region, and in fact in all the white pine districts, is simply in a state of good health, but it is neither flashy nor robust. All have been counting on a boom during the year that has not come, and all are looking up expectantly, like young colts, with their mouth open, for the cherries of profit to drop into them. The fruit would fall in the right place if a little increased stimulus could be given to the demand. That stimulus would be given by a rise in the prices of farm products. Until there be such a rise, it is idle to expect a marked increase in the demand for lumber, or a material advance in its selling value.

At the yards business was not quite so active as has attained during the past month but there was a steady movement all the time. The out-of-town demand is quite heavy. Collections continue rather poor and some difficulty is experienced in that way. The *Southwestern* railroad freight cut has not come in to assist this market by opening Kansas City as better depot

for sales. The demand between yards is good as spring continues with unabated fury:—

Piece stuff, short green.	10 25 @ 0 50
Piece stuff, short dry.	10 50 11 00
Piece stuff, long.	11 00 14 00
Boards and strips, No. 2.	11 00 @ 13 00
Boards and strips, No. 1.	12 00 15 00
Boards and strips, No. 1.	15 00 20 00
Shingles, standard.	1 75 1 80
Shingles, extra.	1 90 2 00
Shingles, cedar, standard.	1 05 1 75
Shingles, cedar, extra.	1 00 1 35
Lath, white pine.	1 50 1 60
Lath, Norway.	1 40 1 60

RECEIPTS FOR WEEK ENDING NOV. 18.

	Lumber.	Shingles.
1880.....	47,650,000	10,172 4-0
1881.....	46,471,000	22,340,000
FROM JAN. 1, TO NOV. 18, INCLUSIVE.		
1880.....	1,560,168,000	740,254,000
1881.....	1,000,075,000	725,217,000

STOCK ON HAND NOV. 1.

	1880.	1881.	1884.
Lumber.....	699,877 647	665,620,150	688,057,336
Shingles.....	48,705,958	380,310,181	321,001,925
Lath.....	57,207 0	75,214,163	70,742,042
Lickets.....	1,613,000	2,789,250	1,830,116
Cedar posts.....	222,150	637,435	400,865

EASTERN FREIGHT RATES.

FROM CHICAGO AND COMMON POINTS ON CAR LOAD LOTS OF HARD AND SOFT LUMBER.

To New York.....	25c.
Boston.....	30c.
Philadelphia.....	23c.
Baltimore.....	22c.
Washington.....	22c.
Albany.....	24c.
Troy.....	24c.
Buffalo and Pittsburgh.....	15c.
Schenectady.....	24c.
Wheeling.....	15c.
Suspension Bridge.....	15c.
Salamanca.....	15c.
Black Rock.....	15c.
Dunkirk.....	15c.
Eric.....	15c.
Toronto.....	15c.

LAKE FREIGHTS.

From Muskegon, green.....	1 63 1/2
From Whitehall.....	1 63 1/2
From Ludington.....	1 75
From Manistee.....	1 37 1/2 @ 87 1/2
From Menominee, dry.....	2 00
From Menominee, green.....	2 00
From Cheboygan.....	2 00
From Bay City.....	3 00
From Oscoda, dry.....	2 75
From Alpena, dry.....	2 50

NEW YORK CITY.

Reports from this city show that as a rule the lumber trade has been moderately brisk during the past month. The demand for all descriptions has been quite active and the volume of business has been fully up to that of the past few months. The demand from the yards is unusually brisk, owing principally to the large amount of building at present going on. This state of affairs in the yards is likely to exist for a few months at least. The export movement, while in some respects showing a slight decrease, keeps up very well, and the business completed, is, on a whole, encouraging. The market for yellow pine and spruce has ruled very firm. In white pine very little change has occurred. Trade all around has been quite active, and a cheerful feeling characterizes the market generally.

OSWEGO, N.Y.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Three uppers.....	\$46 00 @ 347 00
Picking.....	29 00 @ 327 00
Cutting up.....	26 00 @ 227 00
Fine Common.....	22 00 @ 225 00
Common.....	14 00 @ 18 00
Culls.....	13 00 @ 15 00
Mill run lots.....	19 00 @ 21 00
Sidings, selected, 1 in.....	28 00 @ 36 00
Selected.....	30 00 @ 38 00
Mill run, 1x10, 13 to 16 ft.....	19 00 @ 21 00
Selected.....	24 00 @ 26 00
Shippers.....	14 00 @ 16 00
Mill run 1x10.....	15 00 @ 17 00
Selected.....	21 00 @ 23 00
Shippers.....	14 00 @ 16 00
Mill run, 1 & 1 1/2 in. strips.....	19 00 @ 21 00
Selected.....	32 00 @ 34 00
Culls.....	12 00 @ 15 00
1x6 selected for clapboards.....	32 00 @ 34 00
Shingles, XXX, 18 in. pine.....	3 50 @ 3 75
XXX Cedar.....	2 00 @ 2 25
Lath 1 1/2, No. 1.....	1 00 @ 1 25
No. 2.....	1 00 @ 1 25
Ash, 1st & 2nd 1 & 1 1/2 in.....	16 00 @ 17 00
Basswood, 1st & 2nd, 1 & 1 1/2 in.....	11 00 @ 12 00
Culls.....	11 00 @ 12 00
Hard Maple, 1st & 2nd.....	23 00 @ 25 00
Lath, 1st & 2nd.....	1 50 @ 1 75
Shingles, 1st & 2nd.....	2 00 @ 2 25
Shingles, 2nd & 3rd.....	2 50 @ 2 75

CORNWOOD.

Long Maple, per cord.....	\$ 6 00 @ 6 50
Long Birch.....	6 00 @ 6 50
Long Beech.....	5 00 @ 5 50
Tamarack.....	5 00 @ 5 50

DETROIT, MICH.

Uppers 4x4.....	\$18 00
5" 4x4 & 8x4.....	20 00
5" 4x4 in.....	20 00
Selects, 4x4.....	22 00
4x4, 8x4 & 8x4.....	25 00
Fine common, 4x4.....	25 00
4x4, 8x4 & 8x4.....	25 00
Shop, 4x4.....	25 00
4x4, 8x4 & 8x4.....	25 00
Flooring, select common.....	18 00
No. 1 common.....	18 00
No. 1 fuel.....	18 00
Roofing, D. & M.....	22 00
Siding clear.....	21 00
A.....	19 00
C.....	14 00
Celling, select common.....	25 00
Celling, No. 1 common.....	21 00
No. 1 fuel.....	18 00
Stocks, 1x1 & 1x10, No. 1.....	14 00
1x12 & 1x10, No. 2.....	11 00
1x12 & 1x10, No. 3.....	10 00
Ship culls.....	8 00
Mill culls.....	11 00
12 to 16 ft.....	12 00
18 to 24 ft.....	13 00
22 to 24 ft.....	13 00
26 to 28 ft.....	14 00
30 to 34 ft.....	16 00
Shingle 5" clear, 18 in. Ex.....	3 75
10 in. clear, 18 in.....	2 30
6 in. clear, 18 in.....	2 00
6 in. stock clear, Ex.....	4 00
5 in.....	4 50
Lath, per Mps.....	2 50

Add for S. 1 or 2 S. 1 1/2 @ 1/2

ALBANY.

Pine, clear, 1/2 M.....	\$55 00 @ 60 00
Pine, fourths.....	60 00 @ 7 00
Pine, select.....	42 00 @ 44 00
Pine, good box.....	22 00 @ 23 00
Pine, common box.....	13 00 @ 15 00
Pine, 10-in. plank, each.....	00 45 @ 00 47
Pine, 10-in. plank, culls, each.....	00 25 @ 00 27
Pine boards, 10-in.....	00 30 @ 00 32
Pine, 10-in. boards, culls.....	00 16 @ 00 20
Pine, 10-in. boards, 16 ft., 1/2 M.....	23 00 @ 32 00
Pine, 12-in. boards, 16 ft.....	23 00 @ 32 00
Pine, 12-in. boards, 13 ft.....	23 00 @ 32 00
Pine, 1 1/2 in. siding, select.....	40 00 @ 43 00
Pine, 1 1/2 in. siding, common.....	15 00 @ 13 00
Pine, 1 1/2 in. siding, select.....	40 00 @ 42 00
Pine, 1 1/2 in. siding, common.....	13 00 @ 15 00
Spruce, boards, each.....	00 00 @ 00 16
Spruce, plank, 1 1/2 in., each.....	21 00 @ 00 00
Spruce, plank, 2 in., each.....	00 00 @ 00 30
Spruce, wall strips, each.....	00 12 @ 00 13
Hemlock, boards, each.....	00 00 @ 00 14
Hemlock, joist, 4x6, each.....	00 00 @ 00 32
Hemlock, joist, 2x4, each.....	00 00 @ 00 14
Hemlock, wall strips, 2x4, each.....	00 00 @ 00 11
Black walnut, good, 1/2 M.....	100 00 @ 120 00
Black walnut, 1 inch.....	50 00 @ 60 00
Black walnut, 3 inch.....	50 00 @ 60 00
Seymour, 1 inch.....	21 00 @ 23 00
Seymour, 3 inch.....	21 00 @ 23 00
White wood, 1-inch and thicker.....	28 00 @ 40 00
White wood, 1-inch.....	28 00 @ 40 00
Ash, good, 1/2 M.....	40 00 @ 43 00
Ash, second quality, 1/2 M.....	25 00 @ 30 00
Cherry, good, 1/2 M.....	40 00 @ 43 00
Cherry, common, 1/2 M.....	25 00 @ 30 00
Oak, good, 1/2 M.....	40 00 @ 43 00
Oak, second quality, 1/2 M.....	25 00 @ 30 00
Maple, Canada, 1/2 M.....	25 00 @ 30 00
Maple, American, 1/2 M.....	25 00 @ 30 00
Chastnut, 1/2 M.....	28 00 @ 30 00
Shingles, shaved, pine, 1/2 M.....	00 00 @ 00 60
" 2nd quality.....	00 00 @ 00 60
" extra, sawed, pine.....	4 30 @ 4 00
" clear.....	0 00 @ 3 00
" cedar, mixed.....	0 00 @ 3 13
" cedar, XXX.....	0 00 @ 0 00
" hemlock.....	2 25 @ 2 37
Lath, hemlock, 1/2 M.....	0 00 @ 2 35
Lath, spruce.....	0 00 @ 2 30

LONDON, ENG.

LONDON, Nov. 20.—There is not much of interest to note since our last, and it appears now to be generally felt that as regards the position here there is not likely to be any change from the present quietude before the advent of the new year. By that time we shall be able to judge more correctly as to the stocks here and the prospects of consumption in the future.

The chief point of interest is now shifting from this country to the other side, and is being centred on the probable free-on-board quotations for next season, and the extent of business that is likely to be transacted. The question is rather a complex one, the chief factor in arriving at a conclusion necessarily depending mainly on the views taken as to the future prospects of general trade both in this country and abroad. Of one thing we may be tolerably certain, and that is that the consumption of wood goods here and in the Colonies is, to say the least, unlikely to be less than for the present year. Prices are now at a low level, and stocks generally throughout the country are in moderate compass, so that, should the present improving tendency in general trade continue and develop further, we may in the spring have larger demand for first open water shipments than has been experienced for several years. Should this be the case, we think producers would act wisely in not making quotations too high, but rather study to keep prices at a moderate level, and thus ensure a steady and

continuous volume of business throughout the season to the mutual advantage of both seller and buyer. A constantly fluctuating market renders buyers timid and cautious, while an even and regular range of prices emboldens them to purchase freely for their probable requirements. Each week that passes continues to confirm these views we expressed some time ago as to the unsoundness of trade in several quarters, and we are afraid we have not yet seen the end of it. It is, however, reasonable to hope that in the long run the trade must be improved and strengthened by the elimination of what weakness and unsoundness exists.—*London Timber.*

LIVERPOOL.

LIVERPOOL, Nov. 20.—The timber trade of Liverpool has been more or less excited by the announcement that one or two more failures are to follow those already published; however, as the result of this has to a great extent been anticipated, and comparatively few houses are involved to a large amount, the trade is really not much affected except in a certain circle. In spite of these adverse circumstances, it is thought that although there is not a great volume of business doing, there is a better tone prevailing and orders recently taken have been at more remunerative prices. The arrivals are only light.

BOARD OF TRADE RETURNS
LONDON, ENGLAND.

The following are the official returns of the imports of wood goods during October, 1886, and also for the ten months ending 30th ult., as compared with the same periods of 1881-5:

	Month ended 31st October, 1886.	Month ended 31st October, 1885.	Month ended 31st October, 1884.	Month ended 31st October, 1883.	Month ended 31st October, 1882.	Month ended 31st October, 1881.	Month ended 31st October, 1880.	Month ended 31st October, 1879.	Month ended 31st October, 1878.	Month ended 31st October, 1877.	Month ended 31st October, 1876.	Month ended 31st October, 1875.	Month ended 31st October, 1874.	Month ended 31st October, 1873.	Month ended 31st October, 1872.	Month ended 31st October, 1871.	Month ended 31st October, 1870.	Month ended 31st October, 1869.	Month ended 31st October, 1868.	Month ended 31st October, 1867.	Month ended 31st October, 1866.	Month ended 31st October, 1865.	Month ended 31st October, 1864.	Month ended 31st October, 1863.	Month ended 31st October, 1862.	Month ended 31st October, 1861.	Month ended 31st October, 1860.	Month ended 31st October, 1859.	Month ended 31st October, 1858.	Month ended 31st October, 1857.	Month ended 31st October, 1856.	Month ended 31st October, 1855.	Month ended 31st October, 1854.	Month ended 31st October, 1853.	Month ended 31st October, 1852.	Month ended 31st October, 1851.	Month ended 31st October, 1850.	Month ended 31st October, 1849.	Month ended 31st October, 1848.	Month ended 31st October, 1847.	Month ended 31st October, 1846.	Month ended 31st October, 1845.	Month ended 31st October, 1844.	Month ended 31st October, 1843.	Month ended 31st October, 1842.	Month ended 31st October, 1841.	Month ended 31st October, 1840.	Month ended 31st October, 1839.	Month ended 31st October, 1838.	Month ended 31st October, 1837.	Month ended 31st October, 1836.	Month ended 31st October, 1835.	Month ended 31st October, 1834.	Month ended 31st October, 1833.	Month ended 31st October, 1832.	Month ended 31st October, 1831.	Month ended 31st October, 1830.	Month ended 31st October, 1829.	Month ended 31st October, 1828.	Month ended 31st October, 1827.	Month ended 31st October, 1826.	Month ended 31st October, 1825.	Month ended 31st October, 1824.	Month ended 31st October, 1823.	Month ended 31st October, 1822.	Month ended 31st October, 1821.	Month ended 31st October, 1820.	Month ended 31st October, 1819.	Month ended 31st October, 1818.	Month ended 31st October, 1817.	Month ended 31st October, 1816.	Month ended 31st October, 1815.	Month ended 31st October, 1814.	Month ended 31st October, 1813.	Month ended 31st October, 1812.	Month ended 31st October, 1811.	Month ended 31st October, 1810.	Month ended 31st October, 1809.	Month ended 31st October, 1808.	Month ended 31st October, 1807.	Month ended 31st October, 1806.	Month ended 31st October, 1805.	Month ended 31st October, 1804.	Month ended 31st October, 1803.	Month ended 31st October, 1802.	Month ended 31st October, 1801.	Month ended 31st October, 1800.	Month ended 31st October, 1799.	Month ended 31st October, 1798.	Month ended 31st October, 1797.	Month ended 31st October, 1796.	Month ended 31st October, 1795.	Month ended 31st October, 1794.	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Month ended 31st October, 1762.	Month ended 31st October, 1761.	Month ended 31st October, 1760.	Month ended 31st October, 1759.	Month ended 31st October, 1758.	Month ended 31st October, 1757.	Month ended 31st October, 1756.	Month ended 31st October, 1755.	Month ended 31st October, 1754.	Month ended 31st October, 1753.	Month ended 31st October, 1752.	Month ended 31st October, 1751.	Month ended 31st October, 1750.	Month ended 31st October, 1749.	Month ended 31st October, 1748.	Month ended 31st October, 1747.	Month ended 31st October, 1746.	Month ended 31st October, 1745.	Month ended 31st October, 1744.	Month ended 31st October, 1743.	Month ended 31st October, 1742.	Month ended 31st October, 1741.	Month ended 31st October, 1740.	Month ended 31st October, 1739.	Month ended 31st October, 1738.	Month ended 31st October, 1737.	Month ended 31st October, 1736.	Month ended 31st October, 1735.	Month ended 31st October, 1734.	Month ended 31st October, 1733.	Month ended 31st October, 1732.	Month ended 31st October, 1731.	Month ended 31st October, 1730.	Month ended 31st October, 1729.	Month ended 31st October, 1728.	Month ended 31st October, 1727.	Month ended 31st October, 1726.	Month ended 31st October, 1725.	Month ended 31st October, 1724.	Month ended 31st October, 1723.	Month ended 31st October, 1722.	Month ended 31st October, 1721.	Month ended 31st October, 1720.	Month ended 31st October, 1719.	Month ended 31st October, 1718.	Month ended 31st October, 1717.	Month ended 31st October, 1716.	Month ended 31st October, 1715.	Month ended 31st October, 1714.	Month ended 31st October, 1713.	Month ended 31st October, 1712.	Month ended 31st October, 1711.	Month ended 31st October, 1710.	Month ended 31st October, 1709.	Month ended 31st October, 1708.	Month ended 31st October, 1707.	Month ended 31st October, 1706.	Month ended 31st October, 1705.	Month ended 31st October, 1704.	Month ended 31st October, 1703.	Month ended 31st October, 1702.	Month ended 31st October, 1701.	Month ended 31st October, 1700.	Month ended 31st October, 1699.	Month ended 31st October, 1698.	Month ended 31st October, 1697.	Month ended 31st October, 1696.	Month ended 31st October, 1695.	Month ended 31st October, 1694.	Month ended 31st October, 1693.	Month ended 31st October, 1692.	Month ended 31st October,
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