

factory prices. Eastern spruce is also stronger, owing to the scarcity, while there has been a material improvement in hemlock. At a meeting of the manufacturers of Wisconsin last week prices on nearly all items in the hemlock list were advanced on edollar per thousand, while at a recent meeting of Michigan producers higher prices were adopted as the basis of future sales. In Michigan there is a decided scarcity of 2 x 4 and 2 x 8 in 14 foot lengths, and for long stuff one dollar more for every additional foot over 16-foot is being obtained. At By City and Saginaw the base price for hemlock piece stuff is \$11.

STOCKS AND PRICES.

The Huntsville Lumber Company, Huntsville, Ont., expect to cut 750,000 feet of deals for the British market market this year.

Smith Bros., of Central Blissville, Sunbury county, N.B., are getting out 2,000,000 feet of logs this winter for their mill on the South Branch.

The Saginaw Lumber & Salt Company has sold 2,500,000 feet of white pine lumber for next season's delivery. The stock is to be manufactured at Sandwich, Ont.

Extensive lumbering operations are being carried on this winter in the eastern part of the province of Quebec. Price Bros. & Co. are making 125,000 logs on the St. Marguerite River, and 30,000 to 40,000 on the River aux Canards. The Saguenay Lumber Co., of Escoumains, is making over 125,000. Maurice Tremblay is getting out 50,000 to 60,000 on the Black River at St. Siméon, and H. R. Dougall about 100,000 on the Manicougan. A quantity of railway sleepers are also being made on the North Shore, especially at Mille Vaches, Port-Neuf and Laval.

THE GLASGOW MARKET.

Messrs. Allison, Cousland & Co., in their monthly timber market report, dated 1st February, say:

There is little of importance to report during the past month. Saw millers report having had a good start, but sellers have been rather quiet. The stock of spruce and white pine is small, and there is a tendency toward higher values. An advance in price has also taken place in pitch pine, but the stock is still too large to warrant a continuance. Trade, however, cannot be said to be too promising, shipbuilding orders being very scarce, and other allied trades are only moderately employed.

White pine—Wancy.—There is little change in the position of the market, what stock there is being very firmly held. Prices are little altered. Quotations.—1st class wood, 35 6d to 38 8d; 2nd class, 25 2d to 28 8d per c. ft. Square.—Little business is reported, but prices remain firm. Quotations.—45 to 50 feet average, 28 8d to 34 2d. G. F. A. wood, 25 to 28 4d per c. ft.

Red pine.—No business is reported.

Quotations.—1st class wood, 25 1d to 28 3d; 2nd class, 20d to 22d per c. ft.

Elm.—Business has become very quiet and stocks are heavy; there is a large percentage of grey and soft wood which is very difficult to dispose of.

Oak.—There has been a few small enquiries—long wood is scarce.

Ash.—Business has been a little more active, but there is no advance in prices. Quotations.—17d to 23 per c. ft. according to scantling.

Birch.—Business has been moderate and prices are steadier at about 2d over the inch.

Pine—Fir—Are all very low in stock, and prices are good. Broad are quoted at £27 10s to £28 17s 6d. Undersized, £19 5s to £20 12s 6d per St. Pet. Std. Seconds.—There has been little business, but prices are firm. Quotations.—Broad and regulars, £19 5s to £22. Undersized, £13 15s to £15 2s 6d per S. Pd. Std. Thirds.—Have been in good request—the stock in first hands is now small.

Quotations.—£12 7s 6d to £13 8s 1d for regulars. Undersized, £9 12s 6d to £10 6s 3d per St. Pet. Std. Fourth.—Stocks are light. Regulars are firm at £9 19s 4d to £10 6s 3d. Undersized, £8 5s to £8 18s 9d per St. Pet. Std.

Red Pine.—At present there is little demand, but prices for regulars are firm—oddments, however, are weaker in price. Quotations.—9 in. and up, £11 13s 9d to £13 13s. Oddments £7 4s 4d to £9 19s 4d per St. Pet. Std.

Quebec Spruce.—A brisk business has been done and prices are firm. Quotations.—£6 10s 7d to £8 18d 9d per St. Pet. Std.

N.B. BIRCH.—Logs are in moderate demand. Planks, however, are still very plentiful and prices are low.

N.B. DEALS, BATTENS AND BOARDS.—The stock is a small one, and with the low stock of 4th Quebec pine prices are well maintained.

N.B. SPRUCE.—Continues in good request, prices are inclined to be stiffer, present quotations being £6 10s 7d to £9 5s 7d per St. Petersburg standard.

THE BOSTON MARKET.

The spruce lumber market continues firm, though it is still in the midst of the quiet season. It is possible that some lots of random might have to be sold a little below quotations, if shipped on to the market here with instructions to sell. Frames are very firm, though not specially agitated at this time. Prominent dealers look for high prices on spruce as soon as buying sets in: Ten and 12 inch dimensions, \$20; 9 inch and under, \$18; 10 and 12 inch random lengths, 10 feet and up, \$19 to \$19.50; 2x3, 2 x 4, 2 x 5, 2 x 6, 2 x 7 and 3 x 4, 10 feet and up, \$16 to \$16.50; all other randoms, 9 inch and under, 10 feet and up, \$17 to \$17.50; 5 inch and up merchantable boards, \$15 to \$16; matched boards, \$18 to \$19; out spruce boards, \$13; bundle furring, \$16 to \$17.

Hemlock lumber is firmer, with Pennsylvania very firm: Boards, 12, 14 and 16

feet, \$14 to \$14.50 for good eastern; random, \$13 to \$13.50; Pennsylvania, No. 1, \$16 to \$17; No. 2, \$14.50.

White pine is in fair demand, with prices very firm: Uppers, 1 inch, \$72 to \$73; 2 1/2 and 3 inch, \$77.50; 4 inch, \$81.50; selects, 1 to 1 1/2 inch, \$66 to \$67; 2 inch, \$68 to \$70; 2 1/2 to 3 inch, \$73 to \$76; 4-inch, \$75 to \$80; fine common, 1 inch, \$55; 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 inch, \$60; 2 inch, \$55; 2 1/2 and 3 inch, \$65 to \$67; 4 inch, \$70; barn boards, \$23 to \$32; coffin boards, \$27 to \$32.

There is a fair movement going on in hardwoods. Quotations are well sustained: Quartered oak, \$56 to \$65; fancy, \$70 to \$75; plain oak, \$40 to \$47; black ash, \$40 to \$50; white ash, \$45 to \$55; cherry, \$90 to \$130; maple, \$32 to \$40.

Shingles are scarce, with prices very firm at the advance. Washington red cedar are further advanced: Extra cedar, \$3.25 to \$3.30; clear, \$2.85 to \$2.95; second clear, \$2.35 to \$2.40; sup, \$2.10 to \$2.20; extra No. 1, \$1.75 to \$1.80; Washington and British Columbia red

cedar, 16-inch, five butts to 2 inches, \$3.45 to \$3.50; 18-inch, \$4.25 to \$4.50.

Clapboards are scarce and nominal, with prices very firm: Extra spruce, \$35 to \$36; clear, \$33 to \$34; second clear, \$29 to \$32; extra No. 1, \$20 to \$23; pine extra, \$50 to \$52; clear, \$45 to \$48; second clear, \$40 to \$42.

Laths are quoted at: One and five-eighths inch, \$2.90; 1 1/2 inch, \$2.50.

BRITISH TIMBER SALE.

The following prices were realized for Canadian deals, etc., at an auction sale held by Foy, Morgan & Company, London, England, on January 29th:

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