

Prices of Building Materials.

CONDITION OF THE MARKET.

TORONTO: The spring trade has not yet commenced to move, and consequently there is little activity to report in builders' supplies. At country points a fair amount of building is projected, and common brick seems to be in good demand, as well as cheap lumber. In most lines, however, complaint is heard of slow business. A few light shipments of wire nails have been made, and lots of building paper are regularly called for, while a little better demand is reported for sheet steel and galvanized iron. Plumbers' supplies show no improvement.

MONTREAL: The market for builders' supplies has exhibited more life during the past couple of weeks, and the statement that several projected works of construction are about to be carried out has caused dealers to take a more favorable view of the outlook for spring trade. The sale of 300 barrels of cement is reported, and the tone of the market is steady at recent quotations. Firebricks are in limited demand, at \$17.50 to \$20 per thousand. In paints and oils the volume of business is fully up to the average for the season of the year. Hamilton pig iron sells at \$18.25, but in the heavy metal trade in general very little is doing. An increase in orders for wire nails is reported.

LUMBER.

CAR OR CARGO LOTS.

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	\$	\$	\$	\$
1/4 to 3 clear picks, Am ins.	33	33	40	45
1/4 to 3 three uppers, Am ins.	37	37	40	45
1/4 to 3 pickings, Am ins.	26	26	27	30
1 inch clear			40	45
1 x 10 and 12 dressing and better.	20	20	18	20
1 x 10 and 12 mill run.	16	17		
1 x 10 and 12 dressing.	20	20	18	20
1 x 10 and 12 common.	13	14	8	10
Spruce culls.	10	10	8	10
1 x 10 and 12 culls.	9	10		9
1 inch clear and pickings.	28	30	35	40
1 inch dressing and better.	20	20	18	20
1 inch siding, mill run.	14	15	10	12
1 inch siding, common.	12	13	10	11
1 inch siding, ship culls.	12	13	10	11
1 inch siding, mill culls.	9	10	8	9
Call scantling.	8	9	8	9
1/2 and thicker cutting up plank.	24	26	22	24
1 inch strips, 4 in to 8 in. mill run.	14	15	11	12
1 inch strips, common.	11	12	10	11
1/2 inch flooring.	16	17	12	15
3/4 inch flooring.	16	17	12	15
XXX shingles, sawn, per M.				
16 in.	25	23	16	26
XX shingles, sawn.	14	15	16	17
Lath.	15		15	

VAID QUOTATIONS.

Mill cull boards and scantling	10	10	12	10
Shipping cull boards, promiscuous widths.	13	13		
Shipping cull boards, stocks	16	16		
Hemlock scantling and joist up to 15 ft.	11	12	10	10
Hemlock scantling and joist up to 18 ft.	12	13	12	13
Hemlock scantling and joist up to 20 ft.	13	14	13	14
Cedar for block paving, per cord.		5	5	5
Cedar for kerbing, 4 x 14, per M.	14	14	14	14
Scantling and joist, up to 16 ft.	18	17	16	16
" " " " " " " " " "	20	19	18	18
Scantling and joist, up to 22 ft.	17	17	17	17
" " " " " " " " " "	24	19	10	10
" " " " " " " " " "	26	20	21	21
" " " " " " " " " "	28	22	23	23
" " " " " " " " " "	30	24	25	25
" " " " " " " " " "	32	27	27	27
" " " " " " " " " "	34	29	29	29
" " " " " " " " " "	36	31	31	31
" " " " " " " " " "	38	33	33	33
" " " " " " " " " "	44	31	36	36
Cutting up planks, 1 1/2 and thicker, dry.	25	28	25	30

B. M.

1 1/2 in. flooring, dressed, F.M.	26	30	28	31
1 1/2 in. flooring, rough, B.M.	18	22	18	22
1 1/2 " " " " " " " " " "	25	28	27	30
1 1/2 " " " " " " " " " "	18	20	18	19
1 1/2 " " " " " " " " " "	18	20	18	22
1 1/2 " " " " " " " " " "	12	15	12	15
Beaded sheeting, dressed.	20	25	22	25
Clapboarding, dressed.	35	38	35	38
XXX sawn shingles, per M.				
18 in.	26	27	3	3
Sawnlath.	2	3	2	3
Cedar.		2		2
Red oak.	30	40	30	40
White.	37	45	35	50
Basswood, No. 1 and 2.	28	30	18	20
Cherry, No. 1 and 2.	70	90	70	80
White ash, No. 1 and 2.	24	35	30	35
Black Ash, No. 1 and 2.	20	30	18	30
Dressing stocks.	16	22	16	22
Picks, American inspection.		30		40
Three uppers, Am. inspection.		50		50

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BRICK—M

Common Walling.	4	5		
Good Facing.	8	8	8	50
Sewer.	8	8	8	50
Pressed Brick, Per M:				
Red, No. 1, f.o.b. Beamsville	15	15		
" " " " " " " " " "	13	13		
" " " " " " " " " "	9	9		
Buff.	21	21		
Brown.	24	24		
Roman Red.	30	30		
" Buff.	35	35		
" Brown.	40	40		
Sewer.	7	7		
Hard Building.	6	6		
Roof Tiles.	22	22		
Hip Tile.	20	20		
Ridge Tile.	60	60		
1st quality, f.o.b. at Port Credit	12	12	18	00
and " " " " " " " " " "	10	10	15	00
3rd " " " " " " " " " "	8	8	12	00
Hard building brick.	6	6		
Ornamental, per 100.	1	1	100	00

SAND.

Per Load of 1 1/2 Cubic Yards	1	25	1	25
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STONE.

Common Rubble, per toise, delivered.	10	10	11	00
Large flat Rubble, per toise, delivered.	14	14	18	00
Foundation Blocks, per c. ft.	30	30	50	
Kent Freestone Quarries				
Moncton, N. B., per cu ft., f.o.b.	1	00		
River John, N. S., brown freestone, per cu. ft., f.o.b.	95			
Ballockville.	80	90	65	75
New York Blue Stone.			1	05
Granite (Stanstead) Ashlar, 6 in. to 12 in., 25 gin., per ft.			60	70
Most Freestone.			75	50
Thomson's Gateawbridge, cu. ft.				
Credit Valley Rubble, per car of 15 tons, at quarry.	7	00		
Credit Valley Brown Coursing, up to 10 inch, per sup. yard, at quarry.	1	50	1	75
Credit Valley Brown Dimension, per cu. ft., at quarry.	60	60		
Credit Valley Grey Coursing, per super. yard, at quarry.	1	00	1	00
Credit Valley Grey Dimension, per cu. ft., at quarry.	45	45		
Clark's N. B. Brown Stone, per cubic foot, f.o.b.	1	1	1	00
Brown Free Stone, Woodpoint, Sackville, N.B., per cub. ft.	1	25	1	00
Madoc Rubble, delivered, per toise.	14	14	14	50
Madoc dimension floating, f. o. b. Toronto, per cubic ft.	20	32		
Cape Bauld, N. B., Brown Freestone.	90	70		
Cocaigne, N. B., Gray Freestone (olive-green).	90	70		

OHIO FREESTONE, FROM THE GAFFTON STONE CO.'S QUARRIES.

No. 1 Buff Promiscuous.	90	1	10	
No. 1 Buff Dimension.	95	1	05	
No. 1 Blue Promiscuous.	60	70		
No. 1 Blue Dimension.	65	75		
Sawed Ashlar, No. 1 Buff, any thickness, per cub. ft.	1	10	1	20
Sawed Ashlar, No. 1 Blue, any thickness, per cub. ft.	80	90		
Sawed Flaggings, per sq. ft., for each inch in thickness.	06	1/2	07	1/2
Above prices cover cost freight and duty paid. For small lots add 5 to 10 cents per cubic foot.				
Quebec and Vermont rough granite for building purposes, per c. ft. f.o.b. quarry.	33	1	50	
For ornamental work, cu. ft.	35	2	0	
Granite paving blocks, 8 in. to 12 in. x 6 in. x 4 1/2 in., per M	50	00		
Granite curbing stone, 6 in x 20 in., per lineal foot.	70			

SLATE.

Roofing (square).				
" red.	18	00	20	00
" purple.	00	00	10	00
" untinting green.	9	00	6	00
" black.	8	00	5	50
Terra Cotta Tile, per sq.	25	00		
Ornamental Black Slate Roofing.	8	50		

PAINTS. (In oil, per lb.)

White lead, Can., per 100 lbs.	5	25	5	50	5	50	6	00
" zinc, Can., " "	6	50	7	50	6	50	7	50
Red lead, Eng.	4	00	5	00	4	50	5	00
" venetian, per 100 lbs.	1	60	1	75	1	60	1	75
" vermilion.	90	1	00	90	1	00	1	00
" Indian, Eng.	10	12	10	12	10	12	10	12
Yellow ochre.	5	10	5	10	5	10	5	10
Yellow chrome.	15	20	15	20	15	20	15	20
Green, chrome.	7	12	7	12	7	12	7	12
" Paris.	20	25	14	20	20	25	14	20
Black lamp.	15	25	12	25	15	25	12	25
Blue, ultramarine.	15	20	12	18	15	20	12	18
Oil, linseed, raw, by bbl. @ Imp. gal.	43	48	58	59	43	48	58	59
Oil, linseed, b'd, by bbl. @ Imp. gal.	51	51	62	63	51	51	62	63
Oil, linseed, refined, @ Imp. gal.	78	85	75	75	78	85	75	75
(Ls than bbl. 5c. per gal. advance.)								
Putty.	2	1/2	2	1/2	2	1/2	2	1/2
Whiting, dry, per 100 lbs.	60	80	60	75	60	80	60	75
Paris white, Eng., dry.	90	1	25	90	1	25	90	1
Litharge, Eng.	4	0	4	50	4	0	4	50
Sienna, burnt.	10	15	12	15	10	15	12	15
Umber.	8	1/2	17	12	8	1/2	17	12
Turpentine.	43				43			

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CEMENT, LIMB, etc.

Portland Cements.—				
German, per bbl.	3	50	2	55
London " "	7	50	1	98
Newcastle " "	2	75	1	85
Belgian, Josson, artificial.	2	65	2	65
North's " Condo."	2	65	2	65
English, artificial, per bbl.	2	85	3	15
Belgian, natural, per bbl.	2	55	2	65
Canadian " "	2	55	2	75
Roman " "			2	00
Parian " "	4	75	5	00
Superfine " "	7	75	8	00
Hydraulic Cements.—				
Thorold, per bbl.	1	75	1	85
Queenston, " "	1	75	1	50
Napanee, " "	1	75	1	50
Hull, " "	1	75	1	50
Ontario, " "	1	50		
Keene's Coarse " Whites"	4	50	4	50
Fire Bricks, Newcastle, per M	27	00	35	00
" " " " " " " " " "	27	00	35	00
Lime, Per Barrel, Grey.	40			
" " " " " " " " " "	50			
Plaster, Calcined, N. B.	2	00		
" " " " " " " " " "	2	00		
Hair, Plasterers', per bag.	80	1	00	

HARDWARE.

Cut nails, 50d & 60d, per keg	2	75	2	75
Steel " " " "	2	85	2	85
CUT NAILS, FENCE AND CUT SPIKES.				
40d, hot cut, per 100 lbs.	2	35	2	35
30d, " " " "	2	40	2	40
20d, 16d and 12d, hot cut, per 100 lbs.	2	45	2	45
10d, hot cut, per 100 lbs.	2	50	2	50
8d, 9d, " " " "	2	55	2	55
6d, 7d, " " " "	2	70	2	70
4d to 5d, " " " "	2	90	2	90
3d, " " " "	2	30	2	30
2d, " " " "	2	40	2	40
4d to 5d cold cut, not polished or blued, per 100 lbs.	3	00	3	00
3d to 5d cold cut, not polished or blued, per 100 lbs.	3	25	3	25

FINE BLUED NAILS.

3d, per 100 lbs.	4	25	4	25
2d, " " " "	4	75	4	75