TIMBER STATEMENT.

Following is a comparative statement for three years of the timber, etc., measured and culled at the port of Quebec up to 10th June, 1902, as reported by the Supervisor of Cullers:

	Cu. II.	Cu. It.	Cu. It.
	1900	1901	1902
Waney white pine	457,074	278,537	1,1 6,417
White pine	165,312	58,153	199,834
Red pine	6,020	301	41,565
Oak	210,181	170,421	169,529
Rim	330,458	371,412	359,465
Astronomic	55.749	77,923	33,858
Basswood		332	
Hutternut	92		
Tamarac		22	
Birch and Maple	284,065	285,322	83,898

WHITE PINE IN LAKE SUPERIOR DISTRICT.

Reviewing the lumber situation on the upper lakes the Mississippi Valley Lumberman says:

"The past week has seen an increase in the demand for white pine lumber and if the succeeding weeks show like gains a substantial volume of business will characterize the July market. All the manufacturers report that the number of inquiries has grown greatly, doubtless caused by the curtailed stocks in retail hands and the knowledge that lumber is becoming more plentiful on this market. The present demand is of normal proportions, but a shortage in many items prevents its total volume being shown in the local shipments. Crop conditions in the country are most promising and visiting retailers on this market in most cases predict a large trade. The last government summary of crop conditions states that corn has made rapid growth and in most sections a good crop is promised. Winter wheat has made generally favorable progress. Spring wheat has been damaged in flooded valleys of Iowa, but in the dry portions of the state and through the rest of the wheat region, is in excellent shape. The oat crop has advanced favorably and with the excep. tion of a few localities, promises good returns.

"With the current normal demand and the exc. Ment prospects for a large trade the remainder of the year, added to the short stocks, it is not surprising that white pine prices should remain firm with no prospects for a decline soon. Not not rumors of concessions have been heard of, which in itself would indicate

great strength. Buyers admit the situation could hardly be stronger and are more concerned in getting orders filled than in prices. The higher grades, as finsh, siding, etc., are in small supply, as are also long dimension."

THE BOSTON MARKET.

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