NEW YORK DRY GOODS MARKET

THE same inactivity and languor which have been the characteristic feature of trade for some weeks past still continued undisturbed, although the weather has become much cooler during the week, but mobody could expect much animation at this advanced period of the season, and consequently there is no anxiety to force goods to sale at any material concesson. The market however, is far from being buoyant, notwithstanding the firmness of all raw materials, and certain classes of unbleached and bleached cottons have been selling at reduced rates, but this is the exception not the raie, prices generally being already as low as they can be well made to pay the manufacturers any sufficient remuneration for their involuments. the characteristic feature of trade for some weeks

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The culet now existing in the dry goods market, is but the forerunner, we believe, of that claim which is ever sure to procede a storm; and therefore we have no delent apprehensions regarding the future, if the trade will only act cautiously and not burden or crowd the market with goods during the intervening period of languer between new and the new year. We have already clear evidence of preparations of great changes in business towards the close of the waning year, and, consequently, all seem alike intent on reducting infer stocks as much as possible, in order to be more fully prepared to take a fresh start with only the exilicat mount of ballast necessary.

Trade at proceas it is true, is languid and depressed enough, but it is nevertheless in a healthy condition found seems to be the ruiling power, and nowhere are buyers anticipating tode and the rail, the sections are coming nearer and nearer to each other every day, so that buyers in the distant sections are not necessarily obliged to lay in their stocks as early in the seasons as formerly, because they can at any moment order shipmants by rail at short notice, and so soon as the Pacific Railroads is completed, why, then, goods can be shipped from the Atlantic to the Fac fin ness time than it would take to send them to Buffaton many years ago. This road is now progressing rapidly, as we learn that 50 miles of it west of Umaha is aiready feaced in, and it is the intention of the Company, we understand, have decided apon making St. Louis the Fastern termination the route, on account of that city having special advantages in its favor by way of grading, than its North-western rival, Chicago, beside having direct water communication by rail is now progressing very rapidity, and when completed, it is likely to create a revointion in the commercial world,—N. Y. Economist.

LUMBER CIRCULAR FOR 1868.

QUEBEC, 2nd Dec., 1868.

I AVING made up the returns of the supply, export and stock of timber and deals for the past season, we forward them for your perusal, together with a comparative statement for the past five years, and an average of five years preceding, with prices current annexed. The season just closed has been one of great activity in the timber trade, and our staple of white pine has maintained a higher price throughout the season than we have ever known. Notwithstanding an over-abundance of money, and bountiful harvests both here and in the United Kingdom, capitalis.s have again shown an unwillingness to employ their means in the ordinary channels of trade, and until this gene-

agan shown an unwillingness to employ their means in the ordinary channels of trade, and until this general distrast gives place to confidence, and our Dominion Government is thoroughly established, we need not look for a marked improvement.

Whith Pink.—The stock on hand of this article is of square 7,637,638 feet, against 1,906,422. The demand in the first part of the season was without marked activity, owing to the lateness of the spring fieet, but an improvement took place in July, when from a scartly arrival of rafts, caused by scarcity of water, together with low stocks, holders were enabled to realize full prices, which they maintained, for good timber, during the remainder of the season. The stock wintering is of good fair average quality, one-third of which is only a medium article, the remainder is with little exception, timber of only moderate averages, but of good, healthy character. It is also worthy of note that we remember no season to have closed with such a small proportion of white plue timber wintering in first hands nearly all being in the hands of shippers. It is a subject for general ratifaction that the stock of this article has at length been reduced to within a manageable compass, and that arrangements entered into for another year's manufacture are on such a scale as to preclude the danger of an over-stock next year was also romark that timber of supering and average is now procured only by recoding into districts where a few years ago it world have been thought impracticable to make the attempt, and important the procured only by recoding into districts where a few years ago it world have been thought impracticable to make the attempt, and important the procured only by recoding into districts where a few years ago it world have been thought impracticable to make the attempt, and importance of the procured only by recoding into districts where a few years ago it world have been thought impracticable and constructing artificial "elides," in order to got out their manufactured lumber to

and interior, including some three to five years' old What is got out this winter should be large and good and limited in quantity.

Tammano—The stock on hand is small, being only 223,410 feet, against 423,572 last year, for large stress there appears sufficient encouragement provided the supply is not excessive.

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If an interior is not a stress of the stress of oak is 1,610.874 feet, against 1,457,986, and of elm 676 539 feet against 884,943 last year. Oak has been dult all the season and difficult to dispose of, and we would recommend a decreased supply and improvement in quality as compared with receipts of this year. Elm has been in good demand throughout the season and ready sales may be expected should next year's make equal that of the season just olesed.

STAVES.—The stock of W O W. India has increased, and standards have decreased, the domand for the latter languished all throughout the season, the for mer has been in good demand all the year. There being more than average stock on hand, it is needless for us to caution our friends against an over-supply.

DEALE—Have been in great request, especially pino, the stock on hand of both have much decreased as well as the stock of sawn-jumborg. "Ity Thore is every prospect for a large supply of logs this winter.

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We remain,

We remain, Your obedient servants, WOOD, PETRY, POITRAS & CO

Prices Current on the 1st December, for the years 1864 1865, 1866, 1867 and 1868.

White Pine in the Raft for inferior and ordinary, according to average, &c. measured off.

For Superior.

In Shipping order, according to average and quality Beard 18 to 21 toch
Red Pine in the Raft, measured oil according to average and quality.

In Shipping order 40 to 65 feet.

Lake St Clair. measured off by the Dram.

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Comparative Statement of the Supply, Export, and Stock of Lumber, to the let of December, for the years 1864, 1865, 1866, 1867 and 1869, recpectively -with averages for the same period, and five years proceding .-

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