

saw, some falling off in the shipments for 1903 is looked for.

A considerable portion of Nova Scotia shipments consists of hardwoods, such as birch, beech and maple, with considerable hemlock; and without these woods the present volume of New Brunswick exports could not be maintained.

In the distribution of the lumber there was little change, Great Britain continuing to be by far the best customer for our eastern spruce. France and Australia took less lumber than in 1901, probably owing to the ruling high prices. The shipments of Canadian lumber from the consular district of St. John to the United States were greater by \$20,331.58 in value, made up of an increased export of shingles and lath. American lumber, the product of Maine forests sawn at St. John and shipped to the United States, shows a falling off in value of \$268,071.73. The United States Consul furnishes the following statement of St. John shipments:

#### LUMBER EXPORTS FROM ST. JOHN TO UNITED STATES, 1902.

##### NEW BRUNSWICK LUMBER.

	First Half	Second Half	Total
Long lumber.....	\$53,003	\$ 61,284	\$114,287
Laths.....	60,202	123,098	184,110
Shingles.....	3,920	18,608	22,528
Total.....	\$117,125	\$203,090	\$320,215
Increase over 1901.....	\$20,331.58		

##### AMERICAN LUMBER.

Lumber.....	\$336,574	\$260,585	\$597,159
Laths.....	44,057	58,595	102,652
Shingles.....	31,395	53,073	84,468
Total.....	\$411,926	\$372,253	\$784,179
Decrease from 1901.....	\$268,071.73		

The J. B. Snowball Company, of Chatham, N. B., furnish the following figures of trans-Atlantic shipments from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia:

#### SHIPMENTS FROM MIRAMICHI FOR 10 YEARS FROM 1893 TO 1902 INCLUSIVE.

1893—\$7,000,000 sup. ft.	1898—113,000,000 sup. ft.
1894—96,000,000 "	1899—129,000,000 "
1895—82,000,000 "	1900—122,000,000 "
1896—106,000,000 "	1901—120,000,000 "
1897—102,000,000 "	1902—123,000,000 "

Shippers.	No. Vessels.	Tons.	Sup. ft. deals, scantling, ends, boards, etc.
J.B. Snowball Co. Ltd.	22	25,350	28,468,708
F.E. Neale.....	20	35,034	41,100,382
D. & J. Ritchie & Co.	16	12,288	11,055,000
W. M. McKay.....	9	10,873	11,201,125
Ernest Hutchinson.....	7	7,944	9,260,147
Geo. Berchill & Sons.....	6	7,820	7,714,000
A. F. Bentley.....	4	6,414	5,578,235
Fred Dyke.....	1	1,680	3,240,805
T. Lynch.....	2	3,668	2,280,000
Thos. W. Fleet.....	2	1,344	
Damery & McDonald.....	1	883	1,033,275

Total..... 99 114,200 122,017,741

Birch—J. B. Snowball Co., 29 tons. Box and crate shooks—Thomas W. Fleet, 1,150,000 sup. feet.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF MIRAMICHI SHIPMENTS.

Country.	No. Vessels.	Tons.	Sup. ft. deals, scantling, ends, boards, etc.
England.....	53	68,373	75,780,723
Ireland.....	5	3,999	38,400,102
France.....	3	3,020	4,088,241
Spain.....	4	3,444	1,574,585
Africa.....	3	1,774	1,578,000

Total..... 68 114,200 122,017,741

Birch—England, 29 tons. Box and crate shooks—Spain, 1,150,000.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF ST. JOHN SHIPMENTS FROM 30TH NOVEMBER, 1901, TO 30TH NOVEMBER, 1902.

Ports.	Sup. ft. deals, etc.	Tons Timber.
Liverpool.....	4,704,299	54 2,076
Birkenhead.....	2,002,742	
Manchester.....	34,754,779	
Barrow.....	5,118,753	
Preston.....	3,420,000	
Cardiff.....	2,130,100	
Sharpness.....	14,324,389	
Bristol.....	3,471,095	
Barry.....	1,550,871	
Avonmouth.....	2,037,118	
Newport.....	3,035,104	
Swansea.....	2,476,251	

Ports.	Sup. ft. deals, etc.	Tons Timber.
Glasgow.....	15,860,385	
Ayr.....	609,332	
London.....	10,203,428	125
Sutton Bridge Dock.....	755,216	
Limerick.....	3,518,190	
Londonderry.....	1,800,856	
Belfast.....	3,620,546	
Dublin.....	11,595,324	
Cork.....	1,872,574	
Youghall.....	506,043	
Drogheda.....	454,060	
Bantry.....	801,035	
Malaga.....	830,501	
Lisbon.....	508,378	
Bilboa.....	551,684	
Valencia.....	842,368	
Cora Blanc.....	96,572	
Santa Cruz.....	1,197,206	
Melbourne (Australia).....	1,192,195	

Total..... 200,662,534 54 2,201

#### THE SHIPPERS FROM THE PORT OF SAINT JOHN WERE:

Shippers.	Sup. ft. deals, etc.	Tons Timber.
W. Malcolm Mackay.....	106,793,354	54 2,076
Alex. Gibson Co.....	37,628,836	
Geo. McKean.....	27,076,486	
Other shippers.....	28,263,858	125

Total..... 200,662,534 54 2,201

#### SHIPMENTS FROM ST. JOHN TO TRANS-ATLANTIC PORTS FOR THE PAST 10 YEARS.

	Total sup. ft. deals, etc.	Timber (tons) Birch. Pine.
1893.....	150,653,334	5,194
1894.....	153,473,076	5,015
1895.....	126,449,706	9,374 574
1896.....	167,249,707	9,802 128
1897.....	244,309,660	9,454 92
1898.....	184,954,343	6,036 95
1899.....	184,192,435	5,850 131
1900.....	236,459,838	5,851 71
1901.....	176,295,257	6,206 50
1902.....	200,662,534	2,201 54

#### SHIPMENTS FROM OTHER NEW BRUNSWICK PORTS.

Shippers.	Sup. ft. deals, scantling, boards, etc.
Geo. Moffat & Co.....	8,327,760 sup. ft.
King Bros.....	8,555,454 "
Prescott Lumber Co.....	2,853,481 "
W. S. Montgomery.....	2,140,233 "
N. McNair.....	1,035,805 "
Geo. McKean.....	1,418,800 "
Geo. J. Vaughan.....	581,000 "
Geo. Dutch.....	471,573 "

Total..... 26,344,112 "

Shippers.	Sup. ft. deals, etc.
Kilgour Shives.....	7,318,205 sup. ft.
F. E. Neale.....	16,103,030 "
T. W. Purves.....	653,883 "

Total..... 24,142,117 "

Shippers.	Sup. ft. deals, etc.
S. G. Mahoney.....	2,180,615 sup. ft.
W. M. McKay.....	18,684,663 "

Total..... 20,865,278 "

Shippers.	Sup. ft. deals, etc.
Geo. McKean.....	7,465,250 sup. ft.
M. Wood & Son.....	1,051,001 "
P. J. Mahoney.....	4,725,610 "
J. & C. Hickman.....	5,384,283 "

Total..... 18,646,150 "

Shippers.	Sup. ft. deals, etc.
J. Nelson Smith.....	4,082,773 sup. ft.
W. M. McKay.....	9,064,678 "

Total..... 13,754,451 "

Shippers.	Sup. ft. deals, etc.
W. M. McKay.....	2,654,323 sup. ft.
Geo. McKean.....	4,671,050 "
J. Nelson Smith.....	1,352,153 "
M. Wood & Son.....	1,127,614 "

Total..... 9,805,040 "

Shippers.	Sup. ft. deals, etc.
E. J. Smith.....	1,600,243 sup. ft.
Geo. McKean.....	318,571 "
I. L. Black & Sons.....	4,080,323 "
M. Wood & Son.....	730,500 "

Total..... 6,855,637 "

Shippers.	Sup. ft. deals, etc.
I. & T. Jardine.....	5,557,570 sup. ft.
Edward Walker.....	1,015,821 "
J. D. Irving.....	807,177 "

Total..... 7,380,568 "

Shippers.	Sup. ft. deals, etc.
John T. Peck.....	618,013 sup. ft.
J. Nelson Smith.....	1,280,025 "
Total.....	1,898,038 "

#### TOTAL TRANS-ATLANTIC SHIPMENTS OF NEW BRUNSWICK, 1902 COMPARED WITH 1901.

	1902	Sup. ft. deals, etc.
Saint John.....	200,662,534	
Miramichi.....	123,176,806	
Moncton.....	1,898,038	
Shediac.....	13,754,451	
Dalhousie.....	9,816,040	
Campbellton.....	6,855,637	
Richibucto and Buctouche.....	26,344,112	
Sackville.....	24,142,117	
Bathurst.....	7,468,528	
Bathurst.....	16,526,150	
Bathurst.....	20,874,278	
Total.....	451,518,691	

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	1901	Sup. ft. deals, etc.
Saint John.....	176,295,257	
Miramichi.....	128,827,450	
Moncton.....	25,478,403	
Shediac.....	4,774,000	
Dalhousie.....	18,966,080	
Campbellton.....	19,661,270	
Richibucto and Buctouche.....	3,943,143	
Sackville.....	4,566,278	
Bathurst.....	16,361,944	
Total.....	398,874,725	

The trans-Atlantic shipments from the Province of New Brunswick for the past ten years were:

	Sup. feet.	Sup. feet.
1893.....	312,000,000	1898..... 412,000,000
1894.....	326,000,000	1899..... 426,000,000
1895.....	291,000,000	1900..... 439,000,000
1896.....	380,000,000	1901..... 399,000,000
1897.....	494,000,000	1902..... 452,000,000

#### SHIPMENTS FROM NOVA SCOTIA, 1902.

Ports.	Sup. ft. deals, etc.
Halifax.....	97,101,000
Ship Harbor.....	
Musquodoboit.....	
Tusket.....	
Pugwash.....	19,714,051
Parrboro.....	15,870,255
Liscomb.....	11,260,816
Yarmouth.....	6,521,000
Pictou.....	4,133,346
Totals.....	153,700,468

The shipments of deals, etc., from Nova Scotia to trans-Atlantic ports for the past ten years were:

	1893	1898
1893.....	100,252,000	148,239,804
1894.....	106,327,250	128,009,504
1895.....	100,324,393	146,294,110
1896.....	123,116,380	182,000,336
1897.....	185,362,502	153,700,468

#### BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The lumber and shingle industry of British Columbia witnessed a remarkable expansion in the year under review. The benefit of the law prohibiting the export of timber was illustrated by the erection of many new mills and the creation of new lumber centres. While export trade in lumber shows a falling off, there was a vast improvement in local business and in shipments to Eastern Canada, as well as in prices of timber products generally. No. 1 flooring which in 1901 sold at \$21 was marketed last year at \$24; common dimension advanced from \$10 to \$11, and rough culls from \$6 to \$9. In other grades there was an advance ranging from \$1 to \$5. At the close of the year shingles showed an appreciation of 30 cents, selling at \$1.85 at the mill as compared with \$1.55. Many manufacturers, however, did not profit by the increased price, having placed much of their output under contract early in the year before the upward movement had begun.

Great difficulty was experienced in obtaining labor, and the prices paid for logs and shingle bolts were much in excess of any previous year. The scarcity of labor became so pronounced that in the fall some of the manufacturers were compelled to close down for a time. A shortage in the car supply was another worry with which manufacturers had to contend.