

THE GLASGOW MARKET.

The following particulars of the Glasgow timber trade are given in the monthly market report of Allison, Cousland & Co., dated September 2nd :

There has been a marked improvement in business during the past month. Imports have been very moderate. Buyers are now practically convinced that the market is steadily rising ; good sales have been made ex quay, and yarded stocks are now being rapidly reduced. Prices are very firm, and there is no inclination on the part of sellers to force any class of goods. Provided trade continues in the satisfactory condition it is at present, the prospects of higher prices are very bright, as there will be a decided scarcity in some items.

WANKY WHITE PINE.—There has been a better inquiry, and prices for 1st class wood are firm. 2nd class wood is gradually being worked off, although prices are still low. Quotations—1st class, 19 to 20 inches average, 25 6d to 25 9d. 2nd class, 15d to 25 per cu. ft.

SQUARE PINE.—Very little business is reported, the demand being limited, and the stock consisting mostly of wood of small average.

RED PINE.—There is little enquiry except for wood of large average girth.

ELM.—The demand has been exceptionally brisk, and prices are very firm. 1st class wood, 45 to 50 ft. average, is quoted at 25 4d to 25 6d ; 2nd class at 25 per c. ft.

OAK.—The import has been considerable, and very little business has been done outside of railway requirements.

ASH.—Stocks are light, and prices for fair sized wood are very firm at 23d to 25 per c. ft.

BIRCH.—The stock is normal, and for the most part in consumers' hands.

QUEBEC DEALS, BATTENS AND BOARDS.—Imports, with the exception of spruce, are considerably lighter than last year, and prices are advancing all round.

PINE.—Firsts.—There has been a good demand for 1st deals of all sizes, and prices are firmer. Broad are quoted at £24 15s to £25 8s 9d. Undersized, £17 3s 9d to £19 5s per St. Pet. std. Seconds are seldom enquired for. Broad deals are quoted at £17 17s 6d to £19 5s. Undersized, £13 15s to £14 8s 9d per St. Pet. std. Thirds.—Regulars continue in good demand, but undersized are seemingly not wanted. Quotations Regulars, £9 12s 6d to £10 6s 3d. Undersized, £7 11s 3d to £8 5s per St. Pet. std. Fourth.—Prices have improved, and are now firmly held at £7 7s 9d to £7 11s 3d for regulars. Undersized, £6 10s 7d to £6 17s 6d per St. Pet. std.

RED PINE.—Stocks are very low, and shipments are readily disposed of at good prices.

QUEBEC SPRUCE.—Business continues in a satisfactory condition, and prices have an upward tendency. Quotations.—£6 10s 7d to £7 11s 3d per St. Pet. std.

N. B. BIRCH.—Prices are firm. 15 to 16 inch wood is quoted at 17d to 18d. Planks, 10d to 15 per c. ft.

N. B. DEALS, BATTENS AND BOARDS.—There is a fair demand, and prices have im-

proved considerably. Quotations.—£6 10s 7d to £8 11s 10d per St. Pet. std.

N. B. SPRUCE.—Business is active, and prices firm. Long lengths of 9 and 11 inch are scarce, and would fetch good prices. Quotations.—£6 10s 7d to £8 18s 9d per St. Pet. std. for 2nd quality average.

The following figures show the imports to the Clyde from America from 1st January to 31st August, for four years :

Year.	White Pine Logs.	Red Pine Logs.	Quebec Oak Logs.	Elm Logs.	Birch Ash Logs.	Deals, Battens & Boards.
1895	13,000	1,705	1,390	2,514	6,354	3,300
1897	6,662	551	1,343	1,590	7,198	1,165
1898	4,765	653	1,251	1,565	2,479	1,759
1899	8,743	1,347	2,392	1,557	7,282	1,463

FIRES.

A shingle mill at Merrickville, Ont., owned by Mills Bros., was burned recently.

The planing mill of John Monkhouse at Markham, Ont., together with a quantity of lumber, was destroyed by fire on the 6th inst. Loss is about \$3,000 and insurance \$1,000.

Two pulp mills at Riviere au Pierre, on the line of the Quebec and Lake St. John Railway, controlled by the International Paper Co., of New York, are reported to have been destroyed by fire a few days ago.

The assignment is announced of Wm. Allen, saw mill owner, Farewell, Ont.

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