

has been an increase in the amount of No. 3 shop lumber on hand, and it has been suggested that the specifications of this grade be made a trifle more restrictive. There has been some further increase in the cost of manufacture. Operations in the woods this winter will be considerably more expensive than ever before. Features of supply and demand may make some readjustment of prices necessary during the year. We are independent with our upper grades, but should recognize the growing competition with yellow pine, hemlock and western lumber. There is an increasing percentage of low grade stock in each season's cut of northern pine, but the shortage of upper grades increases the call for the lower, and the condition corrects itself.

**BRITISH TIMBER - ALE.**

Canadian deals, etc., realized the following prices at an auction sale held by Churchill & Sim, London, Eng., on February 12th:

**PINE.**—Ex. Everingham, from Quebec—15-16 ft. 3x11 in. third quality, £12 15s. per standard. Ex. Aquila, from Quebec—12-13 feet. 3x8 in. first quality, £18 10s.; 9-11 ft. 3x9, £19; 12-13 ft. 3x7, £18; 3-11 ft. 3x7, £18. Ex. Forest Brook, from Montreal—16-17 ft. 3x11 in. second quality, £18 10s.; 14-15 feet 3x11, £18 15s.; 14 ft. 3x11, £19 5s. Ex. Zanzibar, from Quebec—6-18 ft. 3x6 in. first quality red, £12 15s.; 6-18 ft. 3x5, £12, 10s.; 6-18 ft. 3x4, £12 15s. Ex. Belgian, from Montreal—11-20 ft. 1x9 in. third quality red, £9 5s.

**SPRUCE.**—Ex. Lobelia, from Quebec—12-13 feet. 3x6-9 in. second quality, £8 10s.; 6-8 feet. 3x9-11, £9; 6-8 ft. 3x8, £8 5s.; 6-8 ft. 3x7, £8; 6-13 ft. 2x4-11, £8. Ex. Nordhavet, from Quebec—12 ft. 3x11 in. second quality, £11; 12-14 ft. 3x7, £8. Ex. Active, from Quebec—14-16 ft. 3x11 in. fourth quality, £8 5s.; 12-16 ft. 3x10, £8; 6-13 ft. 3x9, £8 5s. Ex. Devonia, from Quebec—14-15 ft. 3x9 in. third quality, £9 15s. Ex. Fortuna, from English Bay—8-14 ft. 2x7 in. second quality, £8 10s.; 9-15 ft. 2x5, £7 5s.; 7-15 ft. 2x5, £7 15s. Ex. Minnewash, from Quebec—9-14 ft. 3x9 in. first quality, £13 5s.; 9-13 ft. 3x7, £12; 9-13 ft. 3x6, £11 15s.; 9-14 ft. 3x6-8 in. fourth quality, £7 15s.; 6-14 ft. 2x12-14, £7 10s.; 6-14 ft. 2x11, £7 5s.; 6-16 ft. 2x9, £7 10s. Ex. Milwaukee, from Quebec—12-14 ft. 3x11 in. second quality, £10 15s.

**TIMBER LIMIT TRANSACTIONS.**  
George McKeen, of St. John, N.B., is reported to have sold to a Nova Scotia syndicate his large timber property on the Nouvelle river, Quebec. The price paid was in the vicinity of \$100,000.  
James F. Kimball, a prominent lumberman of Medway, Me., Wilson Crosby, of

Bangor, and others have sold to the William Richards Company, Campbellton, extensive timber lands situated in parish of Stanley and other parts of York and Northumberland counties. The price paid for these lands was \$100,336.12.  
Peter Ryan, of Toronto, recently purchased from C. K. Eddy & Sons, of Saginaw, Mich., eighty-three square miles of timber limits on Lake Penage, on the north shore of Lake Huron. The purchase price is thought to have been in the neighborhood of \$1,000,000. It is reported that Mr. Ryan has since disposed of the limits to the Victoria Harbor Lumber Company.

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