

been considerable buying of building materials. At recent auction sales prices have been further depressed, especially floorings, scantlings and the lower grades of lumber generally. At a London sale 3x14-24 inch white pine from Quebec brought only £15 9s. per standard. The stock, however, was of poor quality. Spruce prices have not undergone any further advance, but dealers are optimistic that if the fall receipts are not too heavy an upward trend will set in. It is announced that Norwegian shippers contemplate carrying over their summer and autumn production until next spring. Waney board pine has of late shown strength, and Quebec oak of good quality is scarce. Specifications suitable for railway requirements meet with quick sale at firm figures. Red pine is weak, and no improvement can be reported in New Brunswick birch planks.

**STOCKS AND PRICES.**

The steamer Briarlene is about to load a cargo of deals at Tusket Wedge, N.S., for France.

The steamer Adato cleared last week from Victoria, B.C., for Taku, with a cargo of 2,698,000 ft. of lumber.

As a result of low water in the Gatineau river 150,000 saw logs were stranded along the upper reaches of the river.

The Eastern Lumber Company, of Albany, N. Y., have purchased 7,000,000 feet of lumber from the Northrop Lumber Company, of John's Island, Ont.

Vigars & Company, of Port Arthur, Ont., have finished their season's cut. They report an active trade, in addition to the large contract for supplying timber for railroad and bridge construction.

In the Saginaw Valley log run lumber is quoted at \$18 to \$21, box at \$14 to \$15, and mill culls at \$12. The Norway cut ranges from \$14 up, according to dimensions.

The steamer Daventry sailed last week from Montreal for Newcastle with a full cargo of deals. The steamer Verbeia cleared last week for Valencia via Three Rivers with deals, and the barque Poseidon sailed for Waterford with deals.

Spruce lath is selling in New York at \$2.50 to \$2.60. In Chicago white pine is quoted at \$3.25, and No. 1 mixed at \$2.75. In the Saginaw Valley 18 inch XXXX pine shingles are held at \$3.75 and clear butts at \$2.50; 16-inch at \$3.25.

N. & A. Dymont, of Thessalon, Ont., are reported to have sold timber limit No. 16S, in the Algoma district, to Moore & Macdonald, for the sum of \$105,000. The limit was purchased by Messrs

Dymont about three years ago for a sum in the neighborhood of \$20,000.

The manufacturers of hemlock in Pennsylvania put into effect a new price list on August 15th, making an advance of 50 cents a thousand. According to the new list, bill timber will range from \$15 for 12, 14 and 16 feet to \$20.50 for 38 and 40 feet; 2x4 to 3x12, 12, 14 and 16 feet, will be quoted at \$14.50.

The schooner John B. Coyle sailed last week from Yarmouth, N.S., for Rosalia, with 657,000 ft. of spruce lumber and scantling, furnished by Parker, Eakins & Company and D. A. & D. R. Saunders. The barque Eberia sailed from same port for Buenos Ayres, with 768,000 ft. of lumber and scantling. The barques Albertina and Argentina are loading at Yarmouth for Buenos Ayres, and the barque Reform at Tusket Wedge for Buenos Ayres.

**BRITISH TIMBER SALE.**

At an auction sale held by Churchill & Sim, London, England, on August 14th, Canadian deals, etc., brought the following prices:

Pine.—Ex. Huelva, from Quebec.—12-13 ft. 3x11 in. third quality white pine, £15 10s.; 16 ft. 3x11, £14 5s.; 13-16 ft. 3x12-21, £15 5s. Ex. Cumeria, from Montreal—15-16 ft. 3x12-26 in. fourth quality, £9 5s.; 12-14 ft. 3x12-24, £9 10s.; 10-11 ft. 3x11-21 £9, 10s. Ex. Wilderoff, from Bayrean, Que.—8-14 ft. 3x7-15 in. first and second quality, £11; 9-11 ft. 3x11 in. third quality, £11 15s.; 8-14 ft. 3x7-9 £10 15s.; 7-14 ft. 3x9-11 in. fourth quality, £10. Ex. Yola, from Quebec.—14-16 ft. 3x12-24 in. first quality, £15 5s.; 13 ft. 3x12-23, £15; 12 ft. 3x12-23, £15; 15-16 ft. 3x11, £14 15s.; 14-16 ft. 3x12-26 in. second quality, £13 5s.; 12-13 ft. 3x12-21, £13; 12-15 ft. 3x11, £13; Ex. Ashanti, from Quebec, 12 ft. 3x11 in. first quality, £18 5s.

Spruce.—Ex. Montauk, from Montreal. 12-13 ft. 2½x7 in. unassorted, £7 15s.

Birch Planks.—Ex. Loyalist, from Halifax, N. S.—6-7 ft. 4x6-7 in. 7d. per cubic foot; 9-18 ft. 3x11, 8d.; 6-18 ft. 3x9, 8½d.; 7-19 ft. 3x8, 8d.; 5-18 ft. 3x7, 7½d.; 7-16 ft. 3x7-7, 7½d.; 6-16 ft. 2½x10-14 1s. 2d.

Oak Timber.—Ex. Highfield, from Quebec.—4 logs 3-7 cubic ft., 87s. 6d. per load of 50 cubic feet; 7 logs, 600 ft., 85s.; 13 logs, 725 ft. 75s.

Birch Planks.—Ex. Vreta Holme, from Quebec.—6-15 ft. 3x9-10 in. 1s. 1d. per cubic foot; 6-16 ft. 2x8-9 in. 1s. 4d.

Elm Timber.—Ex. Carisbrook, from Quebec 32-48 ft. 11-16 in., 90s. per load.

A meeting of the creditors of E. Spraggett, saw miller, Grand Forks, B.C., was called for August 23rd. Mrs. B. Traversy has registered propositress of the lumber business of E. Traversy, Montreal.

**FIRES.**

The box factory of Holmes & Aspin and the sash and door factory of D. Gagne & Co. in Montreal, were destroyed by fire last week. The loss in each case is about \$4,000.

The saw mill of the Northern Lumber Company at Garland, Man., which was burned last week, was valued at \$8,000, three-quarters of which is covered by insurance. T. A. Burrows, M.P.P., of Winnipeg, is president of the company.

The Harrison River Timber & Trading Co.'s saw mill at Harrison River, B.C., was burned recently at a loss of \$12,000. Fulbrook & McKim's mill at same place suffered a small loss.

The planing mill of Robert Stewart at Guelph, Ont., was damaged by fire on August 17th to the extent of \$4,000.

The saw mill of E. Esilets at Three Rivers, Que., has been burned, loss \$10,000.

**BUSINESS NOTES.**

Chestnut & Son and Tabor & O'Neill, wood-working factory and sash and door factory, have amalgamated.

A receiver is announced to have been appointed for the Muskoka Lumber Company, of North Tonawanda, N. Y.

Malone's Three Rivers Hay, Produce and Lumber Company, of Three Rivers, Que., has been dissolved.

**CANADIAN LUMBER SHIPMENTS.**

The following shipments of lumber, etc., from Canadian ports are reported since last issue:

From Halifax, N. S.: Schr. J. W. Hill, for New York, 100,000 ft. lumber, value \$900; Barque Broughton, for Wales, England, 495,414 ft. deals, etc., value \$5,149; Barque Padra, for Barcelona, Spain, 502,955 ft. lumber, value \$6,059; Barque Actaeon, for Antwerp, 426,086 ft. lumber, value \$4,341; Barque Lennatin, for La Rochelle, France, 634,676 ft. lumber, value \$5,672.

From Victoria, B. C.: Schr. Luzon, for Santa Rosalia, Mexico, 160,000 ft. 9-inch mining props, 22,000 ft. rough lumber, value \$3,070.

From Chatham, N.B.: Str. Marisbrook, for Sharpness, England, 2,190,544 ft. deals, etc., by F. Dyke; Str. Lysaker, for Fleetwood, 902,736 ft. deals, by Malcolm Mackay; 1,068,692 ft. deals, by F. E. Neale; Barque Vemoria, for Londonderry, Ireland, 772,090 ft. deals, by J. B. Snowball Co.; Barque Beanne, for Nazaire, 398,000 ft. deals by J. B. Snowball Co.; Str. Rorsdalen, for Manchester, England, 2,177,644 ft. deals, by

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