

CANADA LUMBERMAN

WEEKLY EDITION

The Lumberman Monthly Edition, 20 pages } \$1.00 PER YEAR { The Lumberman Weekly Edition, every Wednesday

THIS PAPER REACHES REGULARLY THE PRINCIPAL LUMBER MANUFACTURERS AND DEALERS THROUGHOUT CANADA, AND WHOLESALE BUYERS IN GREAT BRITAIN, THE UNITED STATES, AND OTHER FOREIGN MARKETS.

Vol. VI.

TORONTO, ONT., SEPTEMBER 12, 1900

No 34.

CANADA LUMBERMAN

PUBLISHED BY

The G. H. Mortimer Publishing Co's
of Toronto, Limited.

Confederation Life Building - TORONTO.

Branch Office:
IMPERIAL BUILDING, MONTREAL.

Weekly Lumberman, published every Wednesday. Contains reliable and up-to-date market conditions and tendencies in the principal manufacturing districts and leading domestic and foreign wholesale markets. A weekly medium of information and communication between Canadian timber and lumber manufacturers and exporters and the purchasers of timber products at home and abroad.

Lumberman, Monthly. A 20-page journal, discussing fully and impartially subjects pertinent to the lumber and wood-working industries. Contains interviews with prominent members of the trade, and character sketches and portraits of leading lumbermen. Its special articles on technical and mechanical subjects are especially valuable to saw mill and planing mill men and manufacturers of lumber products.

Subscription price for the two editions for one year, \$1.00.

WANTED AND FOR SALE

Advertisements will be inserted in this department at the rate of 15 cents per line each insertion. When four or more consecutive insertions are ordered a discount of 25 per cent. will be allowed. This notice shows the width of the line and is set in Nonpareil type; 12 lines make one inch. Advertisements must be received not later than 4 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday to insure insertion in the current week's issue.

WANTED—A lot of 1/4 15 and 25 Soft Elm, also same grade White Birch, inch and two inch. J. F. STANGEL, 999 Ellicott Square, Buffalo, N. Y.

WANTED.

THREE PLY GLEUED UP STOCK FOR Boxes; 3/16 in. thick, about 24" x 40", 40 to 50 M feet per month. Any cheap hardwood will do; clear of defects. Send sample and prices to JOHN W. HUSSEY, No. 1 Broadway, New York.

WANTED

50 M feet 1 in. Basswood.
40 M feet 1 1/2 in. Basswood.
60 M feet 1 1/2 in. "
30 M feet 2 in. "
also 1, 2 1/2, 3, 3 1/2, and 4 inch Hard Maple; 1 and 1 1/2 inch Black Ash, and 1 1/2 and 2 1/2 inch Red Birch.
THOS. MYLES SONS,
Hamilton, Ontario.

WANTED

WANTED, IN SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER, Green Hard Maple Squares, 6 1/2" x 6 1/2", 12 feet and up. Cash on delivery at any station in Ontario or Quebec. Address, Box 36, CANADA LUMBERMAN

FOR SALE

ONE 8 INCH 4 SIDED MOULDER, ONE tenon machine No. 16, one mortise machine. These machines were made by the best firms in Canada and are new and up-to-date, only used a short time, also one 38 h. p. return tubular boiler, with foot front and fittings, only used a short time; can furnish maker's guarantee. Will sell cheap for cash or exchange for a 35 h. p. portable boiler and 30 h. p. engine if as good as new. For further particulars apply to JOHN R. MCKAY, Lansdowne, Pictou Co., N. S.

STOCKS OF PINE LUMBER AND Shingles for sale, at Ravensworth, Huntsville and Longford Mills.

Also a few hundred M feet of Birch, Maple, Ash, Elm, Basswood and Spruce. Shingles are mostly 16" Pine, except 200 or 300 M of 16" Cedar.

A. McPHERSON & CO.
Longford Mills P.O., Ont.

WANTED.

1 CAR 1/2 DRY SOFT MAPLE LAMING, PAT-TERSON & Co., Hamilton, Ont.

FOR SALE

THE SAW AND PLANING MILLS KNOWN as Malloch's Mills, conveniently situated on the Ottawa between Arnprior and Braeside. One Circular, Steam Repe Feed, Edgers, Trimmers, Live Carriers, Lath Machine, &c. Connected with C.P.R. For particulars, address GEO. MALLOCH, Arnprior.

FOR SALE

VALUABLE TIMBER LIMITS COVERED with Spruce, Pine, Cedar and Hardwoods, situated at New Mills, Restigouche County, N. B., known as Benjamin River, 129 square miles, together with Driving Dams, Store and Stock, four Houses, Tug, and a lot of other property. For particulars address C. & I. PRESCOTT, Albert, Albert County, N. B.

FOR SALE

STEAM SAW MILL 200 FEET LONG, ENGINE 12 x 16 feet, boiler 4 feet by 12 feet long. Good heavy Planing Machine (Cowan & Co., Galt, make), nearly new two new 50 inch Saws, one 11 1/2 make, one Simonds make. Mill will cut from 10,000 to 12,000 feet per day. Also two good Dwelling Houses with out-houses and gardens; 13 acres of choice land and an excellent Water Power, 32 feet head, giving plenty of water in dry season, 360 feet frontage on the river, coal right to the land; good chance to run a grist mill. Good reasons for selling. For further particulars and price address the undersigned or the publishers of the CANADA LUMBERMAN.

URQUHART BROS.,
Courtenay, B. C.

FOR SALE

VALUABLE STEAM SAW MILL, CAPACITY thirty thousand feet per day, well equipped with Boilers, Engines and first-class machinery for manufacturing Lumber and Shingles situated at Pine Tree Harbor, Bruce County. With the mill property there are twenty Houses, Blacksmith Shop, Store with good stock of General Merchandise, doing a profitable business. This is one of the best mill sites in Western Ontario, having a first-class dock, with tram, where lumber can be loaded very cheap, and the harbor is one of the best on Lake Huron. In connection with the mill offered for sale, large blocks of timbered lands, covered with choice Hardwood, Hemlock and Cedar, sufficient to stock the mill for 15 years. One of the best opportunities for profitable investment offering to-day. Reason for selling, owners largely engaged in other lines. For particulars apply to SOUTHAMPTON LUMBER CO., LTD., Southampton, Ont.

CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS.

ONTARIO.

A problem which is now confronting lumbermen, and particularly white pine manufacturers, is the question of obtaining men for logging operations. It is said to be very difficult to secure good men for work in the woods, and as a result the standard of wages has advanced. Higher wages are being offered this fall than for many years past. Partly for this reason the production of logs during the coming winter will likely be smaller than last year, but as a considerable quantity of logs was this season hung up in the streams in the Georgian bay district, there will likely be a full stock for next year's operations.

Pine lumber is moving in moderate

volume, although trade is much less active than in the fall of last year. Considerable shipments are being made from the Georgian bay district to wholesale distributing yards in the Eastern States. The freight rate to Buffalo, which has been \$1.40 for some time, is now ten cents higher. In the Ottawa valley the trade shows signs of more activity. There has been a further decline in the price of pine lath, No. 1 now being quoted at \$2 to \$2.50, and No. 2 at \$1 to \$1.25.

There is much irregularity in hardwood prices, the larger mills holding firmly to recent lists, and the smaller mills being willing to accept considerably lower prices in order to effect sales. The demand has not shown any visible improvement.

QUEBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

Spruce lumber is feeling the effects of the excessive freight rates which have prevailed during the season. Manufacturers have been unable to effect sales, not on account of any lack of demand for export stock, but for the reason that shippers have not been able to make sales excepting for delivered stock. This condition has caused a slight weakening of the market, and will likely result in considerable stock intended for export being carried over until next spring. The Eastern States trade has been a little more active since the 1st of September, but is not taking any great quantity of stock. Cedar shingles are dull at about \$2.95 for No. 1 on Boston rate of freight. Local trade is being benefitted by the harbor improvement work at Montreal.

UNITED STATES.

The lumber trade of the United States is improving, but slowly. The volume of business is much less than at the corresponding period one year ago. In the east a stronger disposition is shown to buy for stocking up purposes, but the opinion seems to be gaining ground that there will be no important advance in prices, and consequently dealers are in no hurry to place orders. Prices on some grades seem to have weakened. At Saginaw, for instance, uppers and selects are reported to be selling about one dollar lower, A and B strips \$2 lower, and shaly clear stock from \$2 to \$3 lower than two weeks ago. It is probable, however, that in this particular market the stock of these grades is comparatively large. The situation at Buffalo has not changed. Lumber is believed to be selling at slightly lower figures than those quoted in our last list, but a determined effort is being made to prevent a general break. The high

prices asked at producing points offer little inducement for eastern wholesalers to sacrifice their stock. In Chicago pine piece stuff is firmer, selling at \$13 in cargo lots. Pine shingles are in short supply, selling at \$2.30 to \$2.40. No. 1 white pine lath brings from \$2.50 to \$3, and No. 2 mixed \$1.75, the demand being chiefly for lower grades.

A larger demand for hardwood is reported. Prices are firmer, and a good fall demand would likely bring about a slight advance. Hemlock prices are weak. The base price at Buffalo is about \$13.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Somewhat unsettled conditions characterize the British lumber market. Importers are not disposed to entertain free-on-board quotations owing to the difficulty of chartering vessels, but are quite willing to pay current prices for stock delivered at a British port. It is yet too early to speak definitely of next season's trade, but an early termination of the South African war would be certain to greatly improve the outlook. In the face of rather unfavorable conditions, the market is holding steady. For spruce deals it is predicted that an advance of at least ten shillings per standard will be made before the end of the year, owing to the high rates of freight. A few sales of 1st quality pine have been made at £30 per standard in docks. At recent auction sales pine and spruce have sold well considering the quality of the stock offered. Some first pine, 13 feet x 3 x 9 inches, sold at London, brought £25 15s per standard, and 3 x 9 in. third quality spruce, from Quebec, £10. Spruce battens have sold at £8 15s for 3 x 7/8 in. second quality, and £8 for third quality, c. i. f. London. There is a good demand for waney pine timber and the stock is light. Birch timber is dull and about two cents per cubic foot lower than one month ago.

STOCKS AND PRICES.

The bark "Culdoon," from St. John, N. B., with 330,000 feet of pine lumber, is reported ashore about 35 miles south of Miami.

The barks "Angelica" and "Florida" sailed from St. John, N. B., last week, with cargoes of deals, for Cardiff and Newport respectively.

The steamship "Vera" is loading a cargo of lumber at Hochelaga, Montreal, for the United Kingdom, on account of Dobell, Beckett & Company.

Pouppore & Malone, contractors for harbor improvements at Montreal, have given a contract to the Empire Lumber Company, of Buffalo, for 1,250,000 feet of