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EXPORTS AND IMPORTS.

The last issue of the official Gazette gives the figures of exports and imports of Canada for the month of September, among which we find the following relating to the lumber trade:

Value of manufactures of wood entered for consumption, dutiable, \$58,137.

Value of wood-cabinet makers, &c., entered for consumption, \$84,457.

Value of products of the forest exported: Produce of Canada, \$2,673,735; produce of other countries, \$12,180. Total \$2,685,915.

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A BIG TIMBER LIMIT SALE.

The sale of the timber limits of the David Moore Lumber Co. on the Kippewa and Quinze, which has been under negotiation for some weeks, was closed on the 16th of October. The limits become the property of a new firm, A. A. Buell & Co. This firm is composed of A. A. Buell, Burlington, Vt.; W. G. White, New York, and F. W. Avery and Chas. E. Reid, Ottawa. The price paid was \$400,000. The limits are eight in number, each covering fifty square miles, so the deal means a four hundred mile timber area. The firm will operate the limits during the coming winter. The logs will be sawn into lumber at Buell, Hurdman & Co.'s mills at the Chaudiere. During the last three years six rafts of square timber and 200,000 logs were taken out on these limits.

CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS.

ONTARIO.

THERE is nothing new to report in the lumber trade this week so far as this province is concerned. Business is quiet and there is no movement of any extent in stocks, but with the greater activity which is beginning to show itself in the United States, dealers look forward confidently to an improvement in the near future. It can hardly be expected that prices will advance for some time to come, but if lumbermen can get rid of their stocks they will be glad to do so, even if the margin for profit is small. The stocks now held are too large for the season.

QUEBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

The water mills have in many cases had to stop sawing on account of low water, and turn over orders to the steam mills. It is doubtful if they start again this season. A week's rain is required to restore streams to their normal condition. This state of affairs will curtail the output and perhaps help to stiffen prices. Building operations about Boston are showing great activity, so that the demand for spruce from the provinces has been good. Cargoes have about ceased arriving and prices are now nominal. Spruce plank 2x8 up are quoted at \$12 to \$12.50; random cargoes \$10 to \$11; floor boards clear \$16 to \$17; ditto seconds \$14 to \$15, ditto coarse \$11 to \$12; hemlock boards rough \$9 to \$9.50, planed \$10.50 to \$11; laths \$1.70 to \$1.80. The free entry of lumber into the United States has helped our lumbermen and the competition from the provinces will, salesmen say, cause the eastern mills to cut less the coming winter.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The situation here is much the same as at our last writing. The mills are busy and stocks are moving fairly well, but principally for export, for the rainy season is coming on and there will not be the same demand for building purposes. From Manitoba we learn that business has been considerably brisker of late. The mills are preparing for the winter log cut, which will be much larger than last year, when there was very little done in the woods. Stocks are well reduced and mill men feel encouraged by the good crops to fill up for next season. They complain, however, that there is very little money to be made at present prices.

UNITED STATES.

The week shows some improvement in the condition of trade. Grain is going to market and the money received for it is

getting into circulation, so that there is a better demand for lumber for immediate consumption. There is a larger demand reported from some of the wholesale centres, especially Buffalo, Tonawanda, Chicago, Minneapolis and along the Middle Mississippi. There has been an increase in the distribution eastward, which the Lake Erie markets have felt to a considerable extent. What has gone forward is mostly for immediate consumption. Retailers have not shown much disposition so far to stock up ahead of immediate requirements, but as prices have apparently touched bottom the demands are likely to increase in the face of considerable activity in building operations in many of the cities and towns. In the east this tendency is not quite so marked. Western pine is not moving with much celerity from Lake Superior ports restrained by the high freight rates, which are now \$2.50 to \$2.75 to Buffalo and Tonawanda and \$2.75 to \$3 to Chicago. Even at these rates vessels are scarce. But lumbermen at Lake Superior look forward to better prices in the spring, and need not therefore grumble so much at the conditions. The western yellow pine men report a falling off in demand, but in the south the mills seem to be busy. There is a good demand for spruce in the east, but the better class of wood seems to be scarce. Prices are still unsettled and dealers do not care to buy beyond what present demands require. The tendency, however, appears to be upward, favored in some degree by the drought. From Boston comes the statement that while the association was selling spruce at \$14 Canadian spruce could be had for \$9 or \$10. We presume the association was glad to suspend, but the privilege given its members to sell below the tariff does not appear to have hurt Canadian mill men, who get as much as when association prices were in force. After all, prices must be guided largely by the principle brought on by an old buyer. "What is spruce worth this fall?" he was asked, "It is worth," he replied, "just what some good buyer will pay for it. It takes two to make a trade. A paper value is one thing, the market or saleable value may be quite another." Hemlock is in considerable demand for building as it is cheaper than pine or spruce. In hardwood a fair trade is being done. Quartered oak leads, while for maple, ash, elm and birch there is fair demand, especially for maple flooring. Poplar is slow, but there is not much on hand. Good walnut sells at sight. Hickory is in some