#### SHIPPING MATTERS,

The burque Bundelier is loading lumber at Hastings Mill, Vancouver, B. C., for Santa Roalia.

Freights in the United Kingdom have reached a very low level. This fact, however, it is thought, may impart some slight stimulus to lumber busi-

The following list of ships are on their way from St. John, N. R., to the United Kingdom loaded with lumber: Amazenth for Dublin: Hornet for Bidport : Marietta Bradley for Mum-

Vessels seeking lumber charters at Vancouver. B. C., are scarce at present and freights have gone up in consequence. As a result of these conditions, the mill men say that it will probably he a month in face any more lumber vessels load at this port.

#### BUSINESS DIFFICULTIES AND CHANGES.

- W. H. Wooden, calanet maker, Burford, Ont., has assigned.
- A J. Augur & Co., lumber, Quebec, Que., have dissolved.
- W L. Hibbard's null at Farnham, Que, was destroyed by fire a week ago.
- H. C. R-es' lumber and stave mill at Woodslec. Ont., has been destroyed by fire,

Belanger & Prefontaine, sash and door makers, Valleyfield, Que., have dissolved, T. Prefontaine

The saw and shingle mill of A. T. Mack, on Rifle river, Mich., recently destr yell by fire, is being rebuilt.

W. I. Davidson, lumber, St. John, N. B., is offering to compromise at 33% per cent, cash on liabilities of \$7,000.

C. H. Foster has retired from the wood-working factory of Strang, Foster & Mills, Strang & Mills continuing the business.

The Blind River Lumber Co., composed of W. R. Roll, R. Fader, W. Hanes, and R. Wigle, all formerly of Essex county, correct the rumor that had been given circulation that they had sold out. They sold certain limits, but the new company purchased two limits and the mill property and have put 50 men at work.

#### LUMBER FREIGHT RATES.

LUMBER freight rates for pine on the Grand Trunk Railway have been made a fixture, until, at least, April 30th, 895. Of any intended change after that date due notice will be given the lumbermen at a conference to be held in February.

General instructions in shipping by Grand Tounk are embodied in these words in the tariff schedule: On lumber in carloads, minimum weight, 30,000 lbs. per car, unless the marked canacity of the car be less, in which case the marked capacity (but not less than 24,000 lbs.) will be charged, and must not be exceeded. Should it e impracticable to load certain descriptions of light lumber up to 20,000 lbs, to the car, then the actual weight only will be charged for, but not less than 24,one lbs. The rates on lumber in the tariff will not be higher from an intermediate point on the straight run than from the first named point beyond, to the same destination. For instance, the rates from Tara or Hep-worth to Guelph, Brampton, Weston or Toronto, would not be higher than the specific rates named from Wiarton to the same points. The rates from Cargill and Southampton to points east of Listowel and south and west of Stratford will be the same as from Kincardine, but in no case are higher rates to be

charged than as per mileage table published on page 9

Rates from leading lumber points on pine and other ioftwood lumber, shingles, etc., are as follows: From Glencairn, Creemore, Aurora, Barrie and oth in group B to Toronto, 61/2c.; Collingwood, Penetang, Coldwater, Waubaushene. Sturgeon Bay, Victoria Harbor, Midland, Fenelon Falls, Longford, Gravenhurst other points in group C, to Toronto, 65c.; Brace beidge to Toronto, 7c.; Utterson, Huntsville, Navor, Emsdale, Katrine to Toronto, 75c.; llurk's Falls, Berrisdale and Sundridge, to Toronto, Sc.: South River. Powassen and Callender to Toronto, 9c.; Nipissing Junction and North Bay, 10c. Rate from Goderich, Kincardine and Wiarton to Toronto, 61/4c. These rates are per 100 lbs. Rates from Toronto east to Helleville 1/2 per 10p lles; to Deseronto, 90.; to Brockville and Prescott, 10c.: to Montreal and Ottawa, 11c. The rates on hardwoods average about from 10, to 20, per 100 llis, higher than on softwoods. For ra son railway ties, mahogany, rosewood, walnut, cherry, and other valuablewoods, application must be made to the district

On the Canadian Pacific the rates on pine and softwoods may be illustrated as follows: Cache Hay, North Bay, Sturgeon Falls and Warren, to Toronto, toc; Algonia, Cook's Mills, Massey, Spanish River and White-fish to Toronto, 130.; Ottawa to Toronto, 100. From Ottawa, Hull. Aviner and Duchespe. Mills to station on the Lake Eric and Detroit River, Eric and Huron.
Toronto, Hamilton and Buffalo, and Michigan Central Railways, the rate is 14½c. per 100 lbs. Regulations apply as to minimum size of carload of 30,000 lbs., and an advanced rate is charged for hardwoods

Lumber freight rates on the Canadian Atlantic Railway are as follows: Ottawa to Toronto, to cents per too line; Ottaw: to Oswego, \$1.90 per M ft., (3,000 lbs. and under per M ft.); Ottawa to Montreal, \$1.25 per M ft., (1,000 lbs. and under per M ft.); Amprior to Montreal, \$1.75 per M ft., (3,000 lbs and under per M ft.); Ottawa to Quebec, to cents per too lbs.; Amprior to Quebec, 12 cents per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to Buffalo, 12 cents per 100 lbs.: Ottawa to Port Huron and Detroit.

14 cents per 100 lbs. Ottawa to New York, track delivered to cents.: lightered 17 cents.: Arnurior to New York, track delivery 17 cents; lightered 19 cents.; Ottawa to Boston, Portland and common points, local 15 cents; exports 13c. per 100 lbs.; Amprior to Boston, Portland and common points, local 17 cents: export 15 cents per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to Burlington, 5 cents per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to Albany, 10 cents per 100 lbs.; Amprior to Albany, 12 cents per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to St. John, N. B. and common points, 20 cents per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to Halifax, N. S. and common points, 221/2 cents per 100 lbs. Minimum carlosa weight for shipment of lumber, lath, shingles, etc., is 20,000 lbs., and rates quoted above are in cents per tooll when quoted per M ft. the minimum carload charged is

MODIFICATION OF L. ROWOOD RATES

THE Grand Trunk Railway and Canadian Pacific have receded in part from their arrangement of a few weeks since when they combined and made the rates on hardwood from certain points to Toronto and Hamilton 84c. per 100 lls. John Earls, W.D.F.A., of the Grand Trunk, has written the hardwood men as follows: "After careful consideration we have come to the onclusion that, on and after Jan. 1st, 1895, a modification will be made in the present arrangements for hardwood lumber, to the effect that the rate will be 7½c, per 100 lbs, from our Northern and Northwestern branches to Toronto and Hamilton. This rate, however, will not apply from main line points and the straight run between Toronto, Sarnia and Windsor; also that so far as rates on common lumber to points like Guelph, Galt, London, Woodstock, Ingersoll, etc., from all lumber shipping stations the rate will be the same on hardwood as on pin." On the old principle, we suppose, that half the load is better than none, hardwood nsen have something, possibly, to be thankful for, though there is no good reason why the rates generally on hardwood should not be as low as on pine. It is understood that the C. P. R. rate will be made uniform at 7½c. from same points. apply from main line points and the straight run be-

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