

ticularly strong. The oak is light and it has been found comparatively easy to advance prices, which now stand at 35 6d to 38 7d per cubic foot. Birch planks have also stiffened on account of diminished stocks.

**STOCKS AND PRICES.**

M. Lublin Bros., of Annapolis, recently received the first boom of logs from their new Petawawa limits.

At Buffalo No. 1 pine lath is held at \$1.75 and No. 2 at \$1.75. Red cedar shingles are quoted at \$1.90 for Perfections, \$1.60 for Pureks, \$1.25 for Extra Clears, and \$2.85 for Stars.

About half a million logs will remain unsawn at Three Rivers. One, when the mills close down shortly. This is due to the lateness of the drive this season and to the unsatisfactory arrangement of the Upper St. Maurice booms.

A. F. & D. Mackay, of Liverpool, England, sold a quantity of spruce and hemlock deals, boards and ends by auction on November 7, which realized the following prices: 3x11 0 ft. and up, £7 12s 6d; 3x9 12 ft. £7 2s 6d; 3x9 12 ft., £7 5s; 3x9 0/11 ft., £6 15s; 3x7 15 ft. and up, £6 5s; 3x7 12/14 ft., £6; 3x7 0/11 ft., £6 5s; 2 1/2 x 7 0 ft. and up, £6 2s 6d; 3x7 and up, 0 ft. and up £6 10s; 3x12 and up, 0 ft. and up, £6 7s 6d; 3x10 0 ft. and up, £6 7s 6d; 3x8 0 ft. and up, £6; 6 in. scantlings, £5 5s; 5 in. scantlings, £5; 4 in. and under scantlings, £4 15s; spruce boards, £5 10s; spruce ends, £4 17s 6d; hemlock deals and scantlings, £5 5s; pine, £5 15s.

**BRITISH COLUMBIA LETTER.**

(Correspondence of the CANADA LUMBERMAN.)

VANCOUVER, B.C., November 7th, 1904.—Lumbermen in British Columbia have gained a point by the decision of the Railway Commission in regard to the rate on cedar. There is a forty cent rate on fir, hemlock and spruce to points as far east as the eastern boundary of Manitoba, but it was fifty cents for cedar. The contention of the company was that cedar is lighter, but the commission does not, evidently, consider this argument good, for it has ordered that the rates shall be identical.

tical. It should be the means of stimulating trade to the Northwest.

Trade generally does not show any features, and there has been nothing happening locally of particular interest in a commercial way. The cut price of lumber forced a month or so ago by the opposition of dealers has remained, and it is likely that lumber will be much cheaper all winter than it has been during the summer. Generally 10 per cent. is allowed off the list price, but this is being increased to 25 per cent.

The export trade is quiet. Were it better the E. K. Wood Company, of San Francisco, which has large timber limits on Vancouver island, and which is waiting its chance to build, would erect mills. F. J. Wood, the vice-president, was over last week from Bellingham, and stated that the company will build when conditions warrant. The British ship Halewood cleared with 1,737,472 feet of lumber last week for Callao, having loaded at the Hastings mill. The American schooner Balboa, 651 tons, is now loading for Chili, and the German Torque Pallas, 1,351 tons, for Callao.

To further show how people with money to invest view the situation, the directors of the Ontario-Slocan Company, who were out here from Orillia, Ont., have decided that the present is an inopportune time to enlarge their facilities, and have postponed the improvement indefinitely. E. F. Ferris, of Traverse City, says he represents people of Michigan who will spend half a million dollars in an enterprise at Kamloops if the Government will reserve the limited Canadian market for Canadian timber. He has located 10,000 acres of limits in the valley of the North Thompson river, which will be developed when conditions improve.

Depression was the cause of the shareholders taking charge of the property of the Canadian Timber and Sawmills, Limited, Trout Lake, and last week the same official seized the assets of the Cascades Lumber Company, of this city. They were put up at auction on Saturday last, but the amount of the indebtedness could not be realized, so the sale was left over for a week. Two other small companies are also reported to be in financial difficulties.

S. C. Smith, of Vernon, finds business

good for his sash and door factory. He has made extensions and improvements of late, and for a week or so has been working the plant night and day to fill orders for the Territories.

Mills in the eastern portion of the province are getting along fairly well. Some have shut down for the season. There is considerable home demand for lumber, and the surplus is being shipped to the Northwest. It was feared in the beginning of the year when so many mills were starting up that there would be an over-production, but this was prevented by the shutting down of large mills at the coast.

Messrs. Bryden & Johnstone, whose mill at Salmon Arm, near Kamloops, was burned some time ago, will rebuild. The new plant will have a daily capacity of between 15,000 and 20,000 feet.

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From St. John, N.B.: Barque Dione, for Buenos Ayres, 511,756 ft. spruce boards, 51,447 ft. spruce scantling. Schooner Annie Maud, for Boston, 1,578,000 cedar shingles. Barquentine Hettie G. Dixon, for New York, 2,011,700 ft. laths. Schooner Tay, for Boston, 159,059 ft. boards. Schooner Frank and Ira, for Westerly, R. I., 40,964 ft. boards, 880,000 cedar shingles. Schooner Abana, for Boston, 7,546 ft. boards, 43,226 ft. scantling.

From Halifax, N. S.: Barque Emilie Marie, for Greenock, C. B., 140,000 ft. hardwood plank, value \$1,680; 381,000 ft. spruce deals, value \$3,429. Steamer Damara, for Liverpool, 89,884 ft. birch deals, value \$999; 260,830 ft. spruce deals, value \$2,702; 86,267 ft. hemlock deals, value \$836, by Furness, Withy & Co., agents. Schooner Ambition, for Bridgeport, Conn., 139,969 ft. pine lumber,

value \$1,700, by Black Bros. & Co., agents. Schooner Vinita, for New York, 1,009,000 ft. laths, value \$2,018.

From Montreal: Steamer F. emona, for London, 8,970 pcs. deals and boards, by R. Cox & Co. Steamer Manchester City, for Manchester, 7,263 pcs. deals, by Imperial Lumber Co.; 6,653 pcs. deals, 28 pcs. ends, 802 pcs. boards, by Charlemange Lumber Co.; 2,531 pcs. deals, by McArthur Export Co.; 7,002 pcs. deals and ends, 13,619 pcs. boards, by Watson & Todd; 10,359 pcs. deals, 2,370 pcs. ends, by J. Burstall & Co.; 13,127 pcs. deals and ends, by W. & J. Sharples. Steamer Dominion, for Liverpool, 2,891 pcs. deals, by J. Burstall & Co.; 16,656 pcs. deals, boards, and ends, by R. Cox & Co.; 7,351 pcs. deals, 6,919 pcs. boards, 556 pcs. ends, by Watson & Todd. Steamer Ionian, for Liverpool, 8,889 pcs. deals, by R. Cox & Co.; 6,966 pcs. deals, by Watson & Todd; 2,630 pcs. deals, by W. & J. Sharples. Steamer Marina, for Glasgow, via Liverpool, 1,755 pcs. deals, by J. Burstall & Co.; 226 pcs. deals, by McArthur Export Co., 4,150 pcs. deals,

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