

ALBANY.

August 2.—The *Argus* has the following:—The most important movement in the district since our last report was fully set forth in yesterday's *Argus*, in giving the action of the trade on Monday, in which every house we believe participated, advancing the quotations of pine lumber, viz., \$1.00 $\frac{1}{2}$ M. feet on common; \$2.00 $\frac{1}{2}$ M. feet on intermediate grades, and \$3.00 $\frac{1}{2}$ M. feet on uppers and inspected pickings, and pretty generally through the list. This is no sensational movement, but is taken by the trade in self-defense. Until yesterday pine lumber on dock at the Saginaw mills was, when the trade there would consent to name a price, bringing as much money as at Albany. At present writing the Saginaw holders of lumber refuse to name a price for their stocks, not for the want of any logs, nor from any lack of demand, but the largely and steadily increasing trade renders present and future values there, as here, uncertain. In Canada the lack of water has hung up so many logs on the streams that lumber is in light supply at shipping points. Whether this state of things is to continue much longer, until it will be too late to change the present aspect of things is, of course, uncertain; but throughout the Dominion, as on the Saginaw, all kinds of lumber are bringing and are held at much higher figures than were current in the winter. The sales here last week included the following round lots of common box at the then ruling prices: 1,500,000 feet, 1,700,000 feet, 1,000,000 and 500,000 feet; 600,000 feet various grades on p. t. To-day the market has a very healthy aspect; a sale was made early of 1,400,000 feet common box, we presume, at the advanced prices. We do not think there is any material addition to stock.

Hardwoods are steady and firm.

The stock of coarse lumber is getting very light; the demand is good at unchanged prices, but the trade here is cautious as to accepting orders in the present uncertainty of getting stock from the Northern mills, whence the report is dry! dry!

Shingles are in demand at quotations.

The receipts of lumber by lake at Buffalo for the week ending August 1st were 9,887,000 feet, and by rail 103 cars. The receipts by lake at Oswego for the week were 7,044,800 feet.

The receipts by canal at Albany from the opening of navigation to August 1st were:

Bds. & Scl., ft.	Shingles, m.	Timber, ft.	Staves, lbs.
1881.....171,173,000	800		2,257,000
1890.....175,020,800	974	5,400	257,000

River freights are steady:

To New York, $\frac{1}{2}$ M. ft.	\$	61 00
To Bridgeport.....	61 37	
To New Haven.....	61 37	
To Providence, Fall River and Newport.....	60 62 25	
To Pawtucket.....	2 25 50	
To Norwalk.....	1 25 50	
To Hartford.....	62 00	
To Norwich.....	62 00	
To Middletown.....	61 75	
To New London.....	61 75	
To Philadelphia.....	62 00	

Quotations at the yards are as follows:—

Pine, clear, $\frac{1}{2}$ M.	\$33 00	63 00
Pine, fourths.....	43 00	63 00
Pine, selects.....	43 00	63 00
Pine, good box.....	15 00	63 00
Pine, 10-in. plank, each.....	00 38	60 42
Pine, 10-in. plank, culls, each.....	00 00	60 22
Pine boards, 10-in.....	00 22	62 00
Pine, 10-in. boards, culls.....	00 18	60 19
Pine, 10-in. boards, 16 ft., $\frac{1}{2}$ M.	25 00	60 30
Pine, 12-in. boards, 16 ft.	25 00	60 30
Pine, 12-in. boards, 18 ft.	25 00	60 30
Pine, 12-in. siding, select.....	40 00	64 42
Pine, 12-in. siding, comm.	16 00	64 19
Pine, 12-in. siding, select.....	40 00	64 42
Pine, 12-in. siding, comm.	16 00	64 19
Spruce, boards, each.....	00 00	60 16
Spruce, plank, 11-in., each.....	00 00	60 20
Spruce, plank, 2-in., each.....	00 00	60 30
Spruce, wall strips, each.....	00 11	60 10
Hemlock, boards, each.....	00 00	60 13
Hemlock, joist, 2x6, each.....	00 00	60 51
Hemlock, joist, 2x4, each.....	00 00	60 13
Hemlock, wall strips, 2x4, each.....	00 00	60 10
Ash, good, $\frac{1}{2}$ M.	25 00	60 30
Ash, second quality, $\frac{1}{2}$ M.	25 00	60 30
Cherry, good, $\frac{1}{2}$ M.	60 00	60 30
Cherry, common, $\frac{1}{2}$ M.	25 00	60 30
Oak, good, $\frac{1}{2}$ M.	38 00	60 43
Oak, second quality, $\frac{1}{2}$ M.	20 00	60 25
Blackwood, $\frac{1}{2}$ M.	25 00	60 25
Hickory, $\frac{1}{2}$ M.	36 00	60 40
Maple, Canada, $\frac{1}{2}$ M.	26 00	60 30
Maple, American, per M.	25 00	60 25
Chestnut, $\frac{1}{2}$ M.	35 00	60 40
Shingles, shaved, pine, $\frac{1}{2}$ M.	0 00	6 25
" 2nd quality.....	0 00	5 00
" extra, shaved, pine.....	0 00	4 40
" clear.....	0 00	3 30
" cedar, mixed.....	0 00	4 40
" cedar, XXX.....	0 00	3 25
" hemlock.....	0 00	2 25
Lath, hemlock, $\frac{1}{2}$ M.	0 00	1 50
Lath, spruce, ".....	0 00	1 75
Lath, pine, ".....	0 00	2 00

MINNEAPOLIS.

The *Mississippi Valley Lumberman* of the 5th instant says:—The weather of the past three weeks has been particularly favorable for drying lumber, and a very large part of the early sawing is now ready for shipment and is being sent away as fast as cars can be had upon which to load it. There is no cessation to the demand, and all manufacturers are burdened with orders. The recent advance has had no perceptible influence on trade anywhere. The fact that the wheat harvests are now almost beyond the reach of blight or damage of any kind inspires confidence and gives a firmness to prices. The want of cars is becoming an exciting topic with all classes of business men in the north-west, as the volume of traffic has passed entirely beyond all the railroad capacity for handling. There has been a regular blockade in the shipping yards of Minneapolis during the last few weeks, owing to want of room and cars, to which trouble the railway employees added a strike, which practically suspended business last week and led to a general public movement for relief. We estimate that Minneapolis is 15,000,000 feet behind in shipments.

News from all western markets indicate a perfect willingness to follow Chicago up on prices as often as she chooses to move, and all agree that the demand is beyond precedent and present facilities for doing business. The notable event in the north-west is the apparent success of the movement to organize the lumbermen's association, as we consider this an assurance of harmony which will secure steady uniform prices for lumber throughout the north-west.

DULUTH.

August 1.—Prices remain unchanged, but with an upward tendency. The advance in manufacturers' prices has apparently not affected the retailers, who have put up their own as much, and in some cases more, than has been done in this market. Along the Northern Pacific railway building continues brisk, and the demand for lumber good.

Treatment for Ringbone.

Ringbone consists of inflammation of the joint of the foot and deposit of bony matter just above the coronet and above or below (or both) the pastern joint. In the end the bony matter covers the joint and renders it immovable. The treatment of a newly-formed ringbone consists in giving the animal rest; use a high or low-heeled shoe, as the case may need, and as the horse walks on the toe or heel. To reduce the heat and inflammation, apply cold water with wet bandages, and when this has been effected, apply a blister made of 20 grains of corrosive sublimate and camphor, 10 drops of muriatic acid, and one ounce of oil of turpentine. When the blister is formed the part is washed and greased with lard. If this is of no avail, firing may be used with benefit, especially with a young horse. One ounce of hypo-sulphite of soda may be given daily for two weeks to remove any rheumatic tendency.

As the result of observation, and from the testimony of trustworthy men, the following is about the average growth in twelve years of the leading desirable varieties of timber when planted in belts or groves and cultivated:—White maple, one foot in diameter and thirty feet high; ashleaf maple or box-elder, one foot in diameter, and twenty feet high; white willow, one and one-half feet in diameter and fifty feet high; yellow willow, one and one-half feet in diameter and thirty-five feet high; Lombardy poplar, ten inches in diameter and forty feet high; blue and white ash, ten inches in diameter and twenty-five feet high; black walnut and butternut, ten inches in diameter and twenty feet high.

At Taylor's mill, Gravenhurst, on Tuesday Mr. Wm. Clute, who was engaged at the trimming saw, by some means had his hand thrown against one of the saws, lacerating the back of the hand to some extent.

No Good Preaching.

No man can do a good job of work, preach a good sermon, try a law suit well, doctor a patient, or write a good article when he feels miserable and dull, with sluggish brain and unsteady nerves, and none should make the attempt in such a condition when it can be so easily and cheaply removed by a little Hop Bitters. —*Albany Times.*

Mr. Tait's new mill, Gravenhurst, is now in thorough working order, and is turning out about 30,000 feet of lumber per day. We noticed this week a new shingle machine on its way to the mill. Mr. Tait intends to manufacture shingles and lath as well as lumber.

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