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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 lumber and lumber manufacturers and exporters and the purchasers of similar products at home and abroad.

WANTED AND FOR SALE

Advertisements will be inserted in this department at the rate of 15 cents per line each insertion. Where four or more consecutive insertions are ordered a discount of 25 percent will be allowed. This notice shows the width of the line and is set in Nonpareil type; 11 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—5 carloads Rock Elm Strips 2 1/2 x 2 3/4 in lengths 4 ft., 6 in., 4 ft 9 in. and 3 ft. Must be perfectly free from knots and full size. Apply OTTAWA LUMBER CO., Ottawa.

WANTED.

ONE 12x18 INCH OR 16x16 INCH SAWMILL engine, with suitable boiler, second-hand, in good condition. Apply Box 13, CANADA LUMBERMAN.

TO TRADE SEEKERS.

I am open to correspond with a first class Ontario or Quebec firm manufacturing Lumber and Building Materials to represent them in Nova Scotia or Maritime Provinces. I am well acquainted with the Building Trades and have a thorough knowledge of the business. The field is practically new and a good opportunity to work up a connection by one constantly in touch with the trade, and posted on local requirements, can give good references as to character and ability. Address, "Scotia," care CANADA LUMBERMAN.

SALE BY AUCTION OF SPRUCE AND PINE TIMBER LIMITS IN OTTAWA DISTRICT.

The undermentioned Timber Limits will be sold by public auction at the office of the undersigned, No. 114 St. James Street, Montreal, on Wednesday, 20th January, 1902, at 11 o'clock—

- 1. 200 square miles on the North East branch of the Lac Beauport River.
- 2. 100 square miles on the middle branch of the Lac Beauport River.
- 3. 200 square miles on the North West branch of the Lac Beauport River.

Full information respecting the property may be obtained from the Department of Lands, Forests and Fisheries, at Quebec, and on application to the undersigned.

JOHN FAIR,

Notary for Vendor.

114 St. James St.
Montreal, 23rd Oct., 1901.

WANTED—INCH BIRCH, STRICTLY 18 and 20, eight inches and up wide. Quote lowest price delivered on cars point of shipment. F. STROBEL, 990 Ellicott Square, Buffalo, N. Y.

WANTED—FIRST QUALITY HARD MAPLE Flooring—Out of 1 1/2", 1 3/4" and 1 7/8" x 4", 4 1/2" and 5" strips. Quote prices delivered Boston for export. Address "Maple," care of CANADA LUMBERMAN.

WANTED—An up-to-date 3- or 4 block carrying, medium weight, for mill of 18 M capacity, must be good as new. Give full particulars and price. Address "Righthand Carriage," care CANADA LUMBERMAN.

Cedar Poles Wanted

A LARGE quantity of cedar telegraph poles wanted, 25 to 65 ft. long, 7 inch top, for early spring delivery. Quote price f.o.b. cars point of shipment. Box 33, CANADA LUMBERMAN.

A FIRST CLASS BAND MILL, SITUATED on the Georgian Bay, is open to contract for sawing from two to four million feet logs during summer of 1902. Good piling ground and shipping facilities. State size and quality of logs. Apply in first instance to this office.

BOX SHOORS WANTED.

We have large export orders for Box Shoors, principally in Spruce, for butter, candle and soap boxes. Also Birch and Maple squares, chair seats, etc. Apply for particulars to GILLIBRAND, BRITWOOD & Co., Cardiff, Wales, G. B. Payment cash.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE TIMBER LIMITS AND LANDS.

There will be offered for sale by Public Auction, at the Russell House, in the city of Ottawa, on

Wednesday, the 19th day of
February, 1902,

at two o'clock in the afternoon, the Timber Berths and Properties owned by Mr. William Mackey, on the River Amable Du Fond, Province of Ontario. The limits are in one block containing 129 1/2 square miles, timbered with white and red pine of superior quality, spruce and other woods, and are well watered, making a very short average draw. Part of the block is still a virgin forest containing large board pine of the finest quality with a very short haul.

With above are included deeded lands on which are built slides and dams; and at Eau Claire station, Can. Pac. Ry., a well-equipped saw, planing and shingle mill run by water power.

The whole will be sold in one block. Maps and descriptions of limits may be obtained from

W. MACKAY.
Ottawa, 4th Dec., 1901.

LIVERPOOL TIMBER STOCKS.

Following is a table of the stock of Canadian timber, etc., at Liverpool, Eng., on November 30th last:

	1900.	1901.
	Cubic Feet.	
Quebec square pine	95,000	117,000
Quebec waxy pine	147,000	59,000
St. John pine	4,000	2,000
Red pine	17,000	9,000
Oak, Canadian and U.S.	418,000	67,000
Oak planks	151,000	135,000
Elm	32,000	50,000
Birch	27,000	158,000
Ash	77,000	45,000
	Per Std.	
N.B. & C. spruce and pine deals	20,810	9,770
Quebec deals	13,030	17,900

CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS.

ONTARIO.

Each week seems to add strength to the white pine situation. Speaking at a meeting last week of the Saginaw Lumber dealers' Association on the condition of the lumber trade in Ontario, Mr. R. H. Roys, of the Saginaw Lumber & Salt Company, said that he did not know of a single round lot of white pine unsold in the Georgian Bay district. Mr. Roys is familiar with the conditions and his statement may be regarded as indicating the small amount of unsold stock that is held by Georgian Bay manufacturers. Inquiries are being received quite freely for mill culls and for Canada dressing. It is almost certain that prices generally will be fully maintained throughout the winter, while an advance may be made in the price of the upper grades, owing to their scarcity. In the Ottawa valley good shorts, strips and sidings are most in demand. Export shipments from that district have ceased, but a considerable car trade is being done with the Eastern States. As in the Georgian Bay district, stocks there are light and the outlook for next season very encouraging. The scarcity of pine shingles has caused buyers to turn their attention to other varieties, particularly cedars. At Ottawa mills XXXX 18-inch cedar shingles meet with ready sale at \$2.75 per thousand. Such changes as have taken place in hardwoods is in the direction of improvement. Manufacturers believe that early in the new year a brisk demand for all kinds of hardwoods will be witnessed.

From present indications a very small stock of hardwood logs will be taken out this winter. It is estimated that in the Warton district the stock will not be more than half as great as that taken out last season.

QUEBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

The total exports of lumber from the St. Lawrence river this season were, approximately, 479,000,000 feet. This is almost as great as last year, the falling off from the port of Quebec being almost made up by increased shipments of spruce from Montreal. Prices for next season's production are firm, with no disposition on the part of manufacturers to close contracts except at a reasonable margin of profit. Locally the demand for lumber is quiet. Most of the large corporations are now taking tenders on their timber supply for next year. The city of Mon-

treau will likely require more lumber than usual, as the construction of sidewalks to the value of \$153,631 has been recommended. Shipments of clapboards and shingles continue to be made to the United States. For Boston delivery extra cedar shingles bring \$3.20; clears, \$2.90; second clears, \$2.40; saps, \$2.15, and extra No. 1, \$1.80.

UNITED STATES.

Conditions in the white pine lumber trade of the United States continue very satisfactory. The advance put in effect by the Mississippi valley manufacturers has been sustained, and apparently has not restricted the demand. The new list has been published, and shows an advance of 50 cents a thousand on No. 1, 2 and 3 dimensions, \$1 on 12-inch No. 1 and 2 boards, \$1 on selects; 50 cents on fencing, \$1 on siding in the best grades, and 50 cents on lath. This practically covers all of the advances of importance. In the Saginaw valley it is difficult to buy white pine stocks, and there seems to be a shortage of thick shop and better grades. There is some evidence of improvement in Michigan hardwoods and hemlock, while shingles have never been so scarce as at the present time, no dealer having a supply to meet the requirements of his business. Buffalo and Tonawanda yards are carrying a large quantity of pine, but if the demand keeps up stocks will be badly broken before spring. There is still a tendency on the part of good lumber to advance. Certain dealers are buying all the cutting-up grades that they can find. The cheaper class of lumber is not much asked for, while the supply is large, with barn boards particularly plentiful. A feature of the past week has been the buying for future requirements. A Chicago dealer has closed a contract for the purchase of the entire cut of lumber made next season by the Hamilton & Merryman Company, of Marinette, Wis., which is expected to aggregate 35,000,000 feet. One-half the 1902 cut of the Menominee river is said to have already been sold.

The conservative buying which has been done by consumers of hardwoods is responsible for more activity than usual at the present time. Inquiries for future delivery are becoming more numerous, and prices are reported rather strong, with an upward tendency on some of the items. Birch is selling very satisfactorily, while elm and basswood are