

THE BOSTON MARKET.

The spruce lumber position at Boston is firm, with little that is new in the market. Orders are not plenty since it is between seasons. Neither is the supply anything but decidedly limited. When business starts in the spring, it is more than likely that there will be a shortage and stronger prices, following the course of other classes of lumber: Ten and 12 inch dimensions, \$20; 9 inch and under, \$18 to \$18.50; 10 and 12 inch random lengths, 10 feet and up, \$19 to \$19.50; 2 x 3, 2 x 4, 2 x 5, 2 x 6, 2 x 7 and 3 x 4, 10 feet and up, \$16.50; all other randoms, 9 inch and under, 10 feet and up, \$17.50; 5 inch and up merchantable boards, \$15 to \$16; matched boards, \$17.50 to \$18.50; out spruce boards, \$12.50 to \$13; bundle furring, \$16 to \$17.

Hemlock holds firm, in keeping with spruce, though trade is quiet: Boards, 12 14 and 16 feet, \$14 to 14.50 for good eastern; Pennsylvania, No. 1, \$16 to \$17; No. 2, \$14.50; random, \$13 to \$13.50.

White pine is scarce, with the position very firm and higher prices on all the best grades: Uppers, 1 inch, \$72 to \$73;

2 1/2 and 3 inch, \$77.50; 4 inch, \$82.50; selects, 1 to 1-1/2 inch, \$66 to \$67; 2 inch, \$68 to \$70; 2 1/2 to 3 inch, \$73 to \$76; 4-inch, \$75 to \$80; fine common, 1-inch, \$55; 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 inch, \$60; 2 inch, \$55; 2 1/2 and 3 inch, \$65 to \$67; 4 inch \$70; barn boards, \$23 to \$32; coffin boards, \$27 to \$32.

Shingles are firmly held, with the demand limited: Extra cedar, \$3.25 to \$3.30; clear, \$2.90 to \$2.95; second clear, \$2.35 to \$2.40; sup, \$2.10 to \$2.20; extra No. 1, \$1.75 to \$1.80; Washington and British Columbia, 16-inch, five butts to 2 inches, \$3.45 to \$3.50.

Clapboards are still very firm: Extra spruce, \$35 to \$36; clear, \$33 to \$34; second clear, \$29 to \$32; extra No. 1, \$20 to \$23; pine extra, \$50 to \$52; clear, \$45 to \$48; second clear, \$40 to \$42.

Laths are quoted at: One and five-eighths inch, \$3 to \$3.05; 1 1/2 inch, \$2.95 to \$3.

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