# Market Reports.

#### TORONTO.

#### From Our Own Correspondent.

JUNE 9 .- Another large tow of lumber left our docks this morning, consisting of over 1,500,000 feet, via Ogdensburg for Boston, and the docks are nearly clear of lumber, and at all the mills north of here there are nearly clear mill yards leaving ample room for piling this season's cut. It is generally conceded that bill lumber must soon take a step upward. There are two potent reasons for this belief: 1st, the fact that last years cut is cleared out, or nearly so. 2nd, quite a number of mills that run on bill stuff last season, are this year cutting stocks for shipment to the American side, and trade with the western part of our province increases yearly. The small mills in the west for many years past furnished considerable lumber for home use, but that is now a thing of the past. Trade here also continues brisk, all the yards keep fully employed, but the two first reasons given are sufficient to warrant the belief that dimension stuff, cut to order; must advance before the season closes

Our wholesale lumbermen have at last com-

to the conclusion that unless they were willing to have their last dollar filched from their pockets by the railroad companies, that they must be up and doing, consequently a deputa tion of the prominent dealers left here this ovening for Montreal, to place their grievances before the heads of the G. T. and C. P. railroad companies. The universal opinion held by all our lumbermen is that lumber should be carried by the M feet and not by weight. All dealers ould then know exactly where they stood. At the present time they frequently sell cars at less than cost, after the excess freight has been deducted. In addition to this the new orders issued from day to day by the N. & N. W. R. R. are so vexatious in their character that lumbermen are fairly sick of the whole business. It really seems as if the present management was determined to strangle the ntire lumber traffic by all possible means in their power. It is true that there is a certain portion of the lumber cut that must come over their line, but there is also large cut that wil take the water routes this season that would otherwise of passed over their rails. If the present manager is satisfied that his road will have all they can do well and good; if not, he is guilty in pursuing such a suicidal policy. time will tell. Lumbermen will, however, reaist to the utmost any attempts at collecting excessive charges such as that now demanded. Railroad companies must be made to understand that they are amendable to the same laws that govern other common carriers. Where is the common sense or justice in saying, if you load on 20,000 pounds of lumber on our cars we will charge you for carrying 24,000 pounds, and if your load on 28,000 pounds we will charge you on that weight and 25 per cent, additional on 4,000 pounds. It is so absurd in its character that it will not bear one moments discussion, and if any other class of men except railroad managers were to attempt to perpetrate such a gouge, four prison walls would be thought by most people the most fitting place to enclose them, and it will be to the ultimate advantage of all roads governed by such men to remember that there is a limit to the endurance of ever lumbermen. 

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#### WOOD-WORKING PATENTS.

The following list of patents relating to the and working interests, granted by the United States Patent Office, Juno 1st, 1886, is specially reported by Franklyn II. Hough, solicitor of American and Foreign patents, 925 F. Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., who will

furnish copies of patents for 25 cents each: 312,939 - Lumber cutting machine - H. S. Smith, Brooklyn, N. Y.

343,096- Saw, drag-W. H. Yagel, Deer

342,918--Saw mills, transfer apparatus for-G. W. Loggie, Portland, Oregon. 342,057-Sawing machine feed table-D. J.

Murray, Warsaw, Wis.

PATENTS ISSUED JUNE 8.

343,411- Chuck, lathe- J. II. Westcott, Oneida, N. Y.

343,443-Lathes, beading attachment for-N. A. Dickinson, Chester, Conn.

313 217-Mortising and boring machine-H. A. Axtell, Montague, Mass.

342,457- Saw mill feed mechanism -IL I. Hipp, Columbia, S C.

313,254-Saw, hand-C. Richardson, Newark, N. J.

343,358-Saw tempering apparatus-W. B. Barry, Indianapolis. Ind.

343,203-Saws, device for jointing circular-Shives, Dunsinane, New Brunswick,

## CHICAGO.

The Northwestern Lumberman of June 5th saya:-Receipts this week were quite liberal. The Monday morning fleet was thought to have been the largest that had been seen on the market this season. Every day since Monday there has been a fair number of offerings While the market has not shown great activity, the cargoes for sale have gone off with reasonable celerity. The yard men still hold a little aloof, and purchase only after considerable talk and hammering, an attitude that prevents a quick market. Yet prices have been fairly maintained at about former figures. If short, green 1 ecce stuff has been sold below \$9,25 for decent cargoes, nobody will acknowledge it. Dry dimension is worth from \$10 to \$10.50, according to composition of cargo as to quality and length. The greatest inquiry is for green dimension. Boards and strips are not so urgently required, as prices are thought now to be too high to warrant heavy purchases.

Shingles are quoted five cents a thousand lower than they were last week, though commission men deny that there has been any decline. The yard dealers, however, assert to the contrary. Since the market is described as more active than last week, it is likely that sufficient concession has been made to stimulate

The market as a whole may be described as moderately alive, with prices held up by main strength on the part of the commission men. Even this would not suffice if the manufacturer should load the market with a rush of cargoos But the policy this season will probably be like that of last year-shipments will be gauged by the urgency of demand.

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margin between cargo and yard prices. The chief interest now centres in cargo and millyard values. Nothing more than a steady summer trade is expected from now until August. All realize that the late labor disturbanco gave a stunning blow to the spring and early summer trade, and have given up the idea that there can be an extraordinary trade this What concerns the dealers now is to know how to put in such stock as they require for the fall trade without danger of losing money. They insist that cargo prices must go down, or they will buy but sparingly. Prices have weakened within the past few days, but they screw down hard, with little indication of a break. It is likely that the experience of last year will be repeated.

Prices will be yielded just enough to work off the offerings, and no more. In this way the yards will be gradually stocked up, and in the fall it will be found that the cargo market has been held steadily all the season, while the yard men have gained no great advantages in

These has been no marked change in yard prices within the week. Individual yards are making prices to suit the stocks and financial conditions of each. The price list is little regarded in making sales of lumber above the common grades. Dimension that is dry enough to ship is held with tolerable firmness. inch lumber is also fair property, at steady But strips, from C upward, and the most of high grade lumber, is selling slowly, and prices are made to the customer that will induce him to take the lumber.

The trade in good lumber has taken a peculiar turn this year. The large relative inquiry for it last season, and the apparent short supply of it, induced nearly every dealer to search for and procure an unusual supply. Yards that had been in the habit of carrying but little good lumber, laid in all that could be bought last season. The result was that the trade was loaded down with good lumber, though probably much of it was not well graded, and was less saleable on that account. Every holder imbibed the idea that he must realize larger profits on his choice stock, in order to make up for his losses on the cheaper classes. But to his chagrin he has found that the demand has not been equal to the supply. Manufacturers and housebuilders have called for cheaper lumber than ever. Sash and door makers have been forced to buy cheaper lumber to meet the competition of low prices. It has thus been found that there is a limit to the demand.

Some yards, the business of which is largely ocal, report a good trade. Yards that supply the builders of the maller class of structures in the city and subures, are having a better trade than the yards that look for heavy contracts. The reason for this is obvious. The labor troubles checked the building of large structures, while the building and repair of small houses was not seriously affected. Within the past week there has been a marked increase in the number of building permits issued. Permits for several large buildings have been issued within the past three days, showing that confidence among investors and contractors is be-

Receipts of lumber and shingles for the week ending June 3rd, as reported by the Lumberman's Exchange :-

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Lath	66,467,255
Pickets	3,300,648
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Buffalo and Pittaburgh	150.
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Wheeling	15c.
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## TONAWANDA.

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## LONDON.

The Timber Trades Journal of May 29th says:—We cannot chronicle any change whatever either in the London or coast markets, and business continues unusually restricted even for the present time of year, which is generally one of the quietest seasons as far as f.o.b. sales are concorned. A few contracts have certainly been made, but buyers as a whole emain quite indifferent, while many selled, finding no good results from forcing sales, seem inclined to abstain from pressing their makes. We think ourselves that the inland trade would brisker were not that the fear of an impending dissolution of Parliament leads buyers to confine their dealings within the narrowest possible limits. It is generally thought that we shall, before long, find ourselves in the midst of 'her election, with all its accompanying disorganizing influences on trade