

TIMBER STATEMENT.

Following is a comparative statement for three years of the timber, etc., measured and culled at the port of Quebec up to 23rd September, 1902, as reported by the Supervisor of Cullers:

	Cu. ft.	Cu. ft.	Cu. ft.
	1900	1901	1902
Wacey white pine	1,369,423	1,351,666	1,391,600
White pine	507,535	558,975	295,600
Red pine	61,162	89,761	60,080
Oak	455,351	485,806	527,760
Elm	676,103	942,372	561,800
Ash	91,522	135,108	70,240
Basswood	241	464	
Butternut	142	944	
Tamarac	71	198	
Birch and Maple	459,333	307,039	164,500

THE BOSTON MARKET.

There is a fair demand at Boston for spruce lumber, with the supply very short, whereby the market is kept strong. The shortage of logs is felt in most of the eastern mills. Ten and 12-inch dimensions, \$21; 9-inch and under, \$19; 10 and 12 inch random lengths, 10 feet and up, \$20.50; 2x3, 2x4, 2x5, 2x6, 2x7, and 3x4,

10 feet and up, \$17 to \$17.50; all other randoms, 9-inch and under, 10 feet and up, \$18 to \$18.50; 5-inch and up, merchantable boards, \$17; matched boards, \$18 to \$20; out spruce boards, \$14; bundle furring, \$17.

Hemlock lumber is very steady and unchanged: Boards, 12, 14 and 16 feet stock, \$14.50 to \$15.50 for good eastern; Pennsylvania, No. 1, \$16 to \$17.50; No. 2, \$15 to \$15.50.

Western pine is very firm at quotations: Uppers, 1 to 2 in. \$82.50 to \$85; 2½ to 3 in. \$87.10 to \$38; 4 in. \$90; selects, 1 in. \$68; 1½ to 1¾ in. \$70; 2-in. \$72; 2½ to 3 in. \$80; 4 in. \$82; fine common, 1 in. \$62 to \$63; 1½ to 1¾ in. \$65; 2 in. \$67.50; 2½ to 3 in. \$72.50; 4 in. \$82.50; barn boards, \$23 to \$33; coffin boards, \$28 to \$32.

Hardwood lumber is in fair demand and very steady: Quartered oak, \$66 to \$68; plain oak, \$42 to \$45; common and rejects, \$20 to \$25; red oak, plain,

\$43; whitewood, \$42 to \$43; sap and common, \$30 to \$35; brown ash, \$41 to \$44; white ash, \$43 to \$46; maple, \$28 to \$30; end-dried white maple, \$38 to \$42; birch, \$27 to \$30; birch, 75 per cent. red, \$45 to \$50; elm, \$29 to \$31.

Shingles are very firm, especially for extras: Extra cedar, \$3.60 to \$3.65; clear, \$3 to \$3.10; second clear, \$2.55; extra No. 1, \$1.90 to \$2; British Columbia red cedar, 16-inch, five butts to 2 inches, \$2.75 to \$3.80; 18-inch, \$4.25 to \$4.50.

Spruce clapboards are about out of the market, and nominally very firm: Clear, \$40 to \$42; second clear, \$37 to \$39; extra No. 1, \$22 to \$32.

The still stronger position of laths in New York, with most of the cargoes going there, has made the Boston market very firm: One and five-eighths inch, \$3.15; 1½ inch, \$3.

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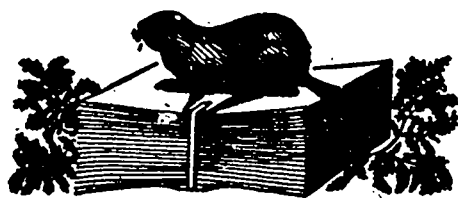
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