

SHINGLES.		SHINGLES.	
XXX 18 in. Climax.....	3 65	18 in. X (cull).....	1 00
XXX Saginaw.....	3 40	XXX shorts.....	2 25
XX Climax.....	2 25	XX.....	1 50
18 in. 4 in. c. b.....	1 25		
LATH.		LATH.	
Lath, No 1, white pine.....	2 25	Lath, No. 2, W. pine, Norway 1 65	

NEW YORK CITY.

NEW YORK, April 10.—Any improvement in the volume of sales over what has been made for some months past is encouraging. So it can be said that an increase in business of the past month portends better things for the future. There is, locally, evidences of a good deal of building this summer and this will mean an increased consumption of lumber. Here, as in other places, too, stocks in the yards are quite low and if building opens out any ways lively, there will have to be a good deal of buying. Quite a little panic has been created in spruce through a movement that is credited to Southern manufacturers, who are said to have instructed their agents to make sales at once and not let price stand in the way. The result has been that spruce in place of carrying \$16.50, \$17 and \$18, as was the case a few months ago, can now be had at \$14, \$15 and \$16. The demoralization of spruce prices has had its influence on hemlock. Nothing very special can be reported of white pine; all the better grades are not in it.

WHITE PINE—WESTERN GRADES.

Uppers, 1 in.....	\$44 00@45 00	Coffin boards.....	20 00 22 00
1 1/2, 1 1/2 and 2 in.....	46 00 47 00	Box, in.....	\$17 00@17 50
3 and 4 in.....	55 00 58 00	Thicker.....	17 50 18 50
Selects, 1 in.....	49 00 41 00	Ceil'g, base, fig. No. 1.....	40 00 42 00
1 in, all wide.....	47 00 43 00	No. 2.....	35 00 37 00
1 1/2, 1 1/2 and 2 in.....	43 00 44 00	No. 3.....	24 00 26 00
3 and 4 in.....	52 00 53 00	Shelving, No. 1.....	30 00 32 00
Fine common, 1 in.....	36 00 37 00	No. 2.....	25 00 27 00
1 1/2, 1 1/2 and 2 in.....	38 00 40 00	Molding, No. 1.....	36 00 37 00
3 and 4 in.....	46 00 48 00	No. 2.....	34 00 36 00
Cutting up, 1 in. No. 1.....	28 00 30 00	Bevel sid'g, clear.....	22 50 23 00
No. 2.....	21 00 23 00	No. 1.....	22 00 22 50
Thick, No. 1.....	29 00 32 00	No. 2.....	20 00 20 50
No. 2.....	24 00 26 00	No. 3.....	16 00 17 00
Common, No. 1, 10.....	22 00 23 00	Norway, c'l, and No. 1.....	23 00 25 00
and 12 in.....	22 00 23 00	No. 2.....	20 00 22 00
No. 2.....	20 00 21 00	Common.....	18 00 19 00
No. 3.....	17 00 18 00		

ALBANY, N.Y.

ALBANY, N. Y., April 10.—The opening of navigation, which has been earlier than usual this season, is giving a spurt to lumber shipments. The out-go for some months to the East by railroad had been very slow. Trade is mending, but it is not anticipated by lumbermen that any extensive purchases will be made or contracts for large quantities closed.

PINE.

2 1/2 in. and up, good.....	\$56 50@58 00	10-in. common.....	\$15 16
Fourths.....	58	12-in. dressing and better.....	28 34
Selects.....	50	Common.....	15 17
Pickings.....	45	1 1/2-in. siding, selected, 13 ft. 40 45	
1 1/2 to 2 in. good.....	52 55	Common.....	15 17
Fourths.....	47 50	1-in. siding, selected.....	38 42
Selects.....	42 45	Common.....	15 17
Pickings.....	37 40	Norway, clear.....	22 25
1-in. good.....	52 55	Dressing.....	16 18
Fourths.....	47 50	Common.....	11 15
Selects.....	42 45	10-in. plank, 13 ft., dressing c. c. 42 55	
Pickings.....	37 40	and better, each.....	23 25
Cutting-up.....	22 27	10-in. plank, 13-ft. culls, each 23 25	
Bracket plank.....	30 35	10-in. boards, 13 ft., dressing 28 32	
Shelving boards, 12-in. up 30 32		and better, each.....	17 21
Dressing boards, narrow.....	19 21	10-in. boards, 13-ft. culls.....	17 21

LATH.

Pine.....	\$2 40	Spruce.....	\$2 30 \$2 40
SHINGLES.		SHINGLES.	
Sawed Pine, ex. xxxx.....	\$4 40 \$4 50	Bound butts, 6 x 18.....	\$5 90 \$6 00
Clear butts.....	3 15 3 25	Hemlock.....	2 15 2 30
Smooth, 6 x 18.....	5 50 5 60	Spruce.....	2 20 2 30

BUFFALO AND TONAWANDA, N.Y.

TONAWANDA, N. Y., April 10.—An improvement is to be noted in trade during the past month. At the same time caution marks the operations of buyers. The dullness of winter seems to have educated many into a hand-to-mouth policy of buying, and as yet they have not got over the habit. The feeling is here, that present prices for lumber will not prevail the season through.

WHITE PINE.

Uppers, 1, 1 1/2, 1 1/2 and 2 in.....	\$47 00 50 00	Shelving, No. 1, 13 in and up, 1 in.....	31 00@33 00
2 1/2 and 3 in.....	57 00 57 00	Dressing, 1 1/2 in.....	26 00 28 00
4 in.....	58 00 60 00	1 1/2 x 10 and 12.....	24 00 25 00
Selects, 1 in.....	38 00 40 00	2 in.....	26 50 28 00
1 1/2 to 2 in.....	40 00 42 00	Mold st'ps, 1 to 2 in.....	33 00 35 00
2 1/2 and 3 in.....	50 00 52 00	Barn, No. 1, 10 and 12 in.....	23 00 24 00
Fine common, 1 in.....	35 00 38 00	6 and 8 in.....	22 00 23 00
1 1/2 and 1 1/2 in.....	37 00 38 00	No. 2, 10 and 12 in.....	18 00 19 00
2 in.....	39 00 40 00	6 and 8 in.....	18 00 19 00
3 in.....	45 00 45 00	No. 3, 10 and 12 in.....	14 50 15 50
Cut'g up, No. 1, 1 in.....	28 00 30 00	6 and 8 in.....	16 00 18 00
1 1/2 to 2 in.....	34 00 36 00	Common, 1 in.....	16 00 18 00
No. 2, 1 in.....	18 00 20 00	1 1/2 and 1 1/2 in.....	18 00 20 00
No. 2, 1 1/2 to 2 in.....	24 00 26 00	2 in.....	20 00 22 00
No. 3, 1 1/2 to 2 in.....	18 00 19 00		

BOX.

1 x 10 and 12 in. (No 3 out).....	14 00	Narrow.....	13 00@14 00
1 x 6 and 8 in. (No. 3 out).....	13 50	1 1/2 in.....	15 00 18 00
1 x 13 and wider.....	15 00	1 1/2 in.....	15 00 18 00
		2 in.....	15 00 18 00

		SHINGLES.			
18 in. XXX, clear...	3 85	4 00	16 in., *A extra.....	2 60	2 70
18 in. XX, 6 in. clear.		2 85	16 in. clear butts.....		2 10
		LATH.			
No. 1, 4 ft.	2 50	2 60	No. 1, 3 ft.		1 10
No. 2, 4 ft.		1 95			

OSWEGO, N.Y.

OSWEGO, N. Y., April 10.—A better feeling prevails in trade here and orders are coming in quite freely.

WHITE PINE.

Three uppers, 1 1/2, 1 1/2 and 2 in.....	\$47 00@48 00
Pickings,.....	39 00 40 00
No. 1, cutting up,.....	34 00 35 00
No. 2, cutting up,.....	24 00 25 00
In strips, 4 to 8 wide, selected for moulding strips, 14 to 16 ft.	32 00 34 00

SIDING.

1 in siding, cutting up.....	32 00@39 00	1 1/2 in selected.....	38 00@43 00
1 in dressing.....	19 00 21 00	1 1/2 in dressing.....	20 00 22 00
1 in No. 1 culls.....	14 00 15 00	1 1/2 in No. 1 culls.....	15 00 17 00
1 in No. 2 culls.....	13 00 14 00	1 1/2 in No. 2 culls.....	14 00 15 00
		1 in. No 3 culls.....	11 00 12 00

1 X 12 INCH.

12 and 16 feet, mill run, mill culls out.....	21 00 24 00
12 and 16 feet, No. 1 and 2, barn boards.....	19 00 20 00
12 and 16 feet, dressing and better.....	27 00 31 00
12 and 16 feet, No. 2 culls.....	15 00 16 00

1 X 10 INCH.

12 and 13 feet, mill run, mill culls out.....	21 00 23 00
12 and 13 feet, dressing and better.....	26 00 28 00
12 x 10, 14 to 16 barn boards.....	16 00 17 00
12 and 13 feet, No. 1 culls.....	15 00 16 00
12 and 13 feet, No. 2 culls.....	15 00 16 00
14 to 16 feet, mill run mill culls out.....	21 00 23 00
14 to 16 feet, dressing and better.....	26 00 28 00
14 to 16 feet, No. 1 culls.....	17 00 18 00
14 to 16 feet, No. 2 culls.....	15 00 16 00
10 to 13 feet, No. 3 culls.....	11 00 12 00

1 1/2 X 10 INCHES.

Mill run, mill culls out.....	\$22 00@25 00	No. 1 culls.....	17 00 18 00
Dressing and better.....	27 00 35 00	No. 2 culls.....	15 00 16 00

1 X 4 INCHES.

Mill run, mill culls out.....	17 00 21 00	No. 1 culls.....	14 00 15 00
Dressing and better.....	24 00 30 00	No. 2 culls.....	13 00 14 00

1 X 5 INCHES.

6, 7 or 8, mill run, mill culls out.....	20 00 25 00	6, 7 or 8, No. 1 culls.....	16 00 17 00
6, 7 or 8, drsg and better.....	25 00 30 00	6, 7 or 8, No. 2 culls.....	14 00 15 00

SHINGLES.

XXX, 18 in. pine.....	3 70	3 90	XXX, 18 in. cedar.....	3 50	3 70
Clear butts, pine, 18 in.....	2 70	2 90	Clear butt, 18 in. cedar.....	2 50	2 70
XXX, 16 in. pine.....	3 30	3 50	XX, 18 in. cedar.....	1 90	2 00
Boxed cedars, 5 or 6 in.....	4 50	5 00			

LATH.

No. 1, 1 1/2.....	2 30	No. 2, 1 1/2.....	2 25
No. 1, 1 in.....	1 80		

BOSTON MASS.

BOSTON, Mass., April 10.—At this point, we have yet to learn that there is a boom in lumber. The winter has been a dull one and it is quite uncertain how soon things are going to waken up. The opening of spring as yet, has not given us any encouragement.

EASTERN PINE—CARGO OR CAR LOAD.

Ordinary planed boards.....	\$12 00	1 1/2 inch.....	\$9 25	9 75
Coarse No. 5.....	16 00	1 1/2-16 inch.....		9 00
Refuse.....	11 00	1 1/2 inch.....		8 50
Outs.....	9 00	Clapboards, sap ext.....	52 50	55 00
Boxboards, 1 inch.....	10 75	Sap clear.....	47 00	50 00
1/2 inch.....	9 75	Sap, 2nd clear.....	38 00	40 00
		No. 1.....		25 00

WESTERN PINE—BY CAR LOAD.

Uppers, 1 in.....	\$52 00@54 00	Fine com., 3 and 4 in.....	42 00 46 00
1 1/2, 1 1/2 and 2 in.....	52 00 55 00	No. 2, 1 in. Fine com.....	28 00 30 00
3 and 4 in.....	60 00	1 1/2, 1 1/2 and 2 in.....	29 00 31 00
Selects, 1 in.....	45 00 46 00	No. 1 strips, 4 to 6 in.....	43 00 44 00
1 1/2, 1 1/2 and 2 in.....	48 00 50 00	No. 2.....	36 00 37 00
3 and 4 in.....	51 00	No. 3.....	28 00 30 00
Moulding boards, 7 to 11 in. clear.....	36 00 38 00	Cut ups, 1 to 2 in.....	24 00 32 00
60 per cent. clear.....	34 00 36 00	Coffin boards.....	21 00 23 00
Fine common, 1 in.....	40 00 41 00	Common all widths.....	22 00 26 00
1 1/2, 1 1/2 and 2 in.....	41 00 43 00	Shipping culls, 1 in.....	15 00 15 50
		do 1 1/2 in.....	15 50 16 50

SPRUCE—BY CARGO.

Scantling and plank, random cargoes.....	14 00@15 00	Coarse, rough.....	12 00@14 00
Yard orders, ordinary sizes.....	15 00 16 00	Hemlock bds., rough.....	12 00 13 00
Yard orders, extra sizes.....	16 00 18 00	" " dressed.....	12 00 14 00
Clear floor boards.....	19 00 20 00	Clapbds., extra, 4 ft.....	29 00 30 00
No. 2.....	16 00 17 00	Clear, 4 ft.....	30 00 31 00
		Second clear.....	23 00 24 00
		No. 1.....	12 00 16 00

LATH.

Spruce by cargo.....	2 50@2 75
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SHINGLES.

Eastern sawed cedar, extra.....	\$3 00	\$3 25	Eastern shaved sawed cedar, 1st quality.....	5 00
clear.....	2 30	2 75	2nd quality.....	4 75
2nd's.....	2 00	2 35	3rd.....	3 85
extra No. 1.....	1 50	1 75	4th.....	3 00
			Spruce No. 1.....	1 50

TRADE NOTES.

Following is a copy of a letter recently received by the Magnolia Metal Co., New York:

FAIRBANKS' STANDARD SCALES.

THE FAIRBANKS COMPANY, 83 Milk Street, Boston.

CABLE ADDRESS—"FAIRBANKS."

Magnolia Metal Company, New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:—We are compiling a new catalogue, comprising all the articles which we are now selling in our department of Railway and Manu factory Supplies. We desire to take this opportunity to add to the line of goods which we are handling, and would like to make arrangements with you to take up the sale of your goods and illustrate the same in our catalogue. The book we intend to issue will consist of 300 pages of the size of 8 x 11 1/2 outside measure, and will be placed in the hands of every customer of ours, both at home and abroad. We handle only the highest grade of goods, and believing that your manufactures are strictly first-class in every respect, we wish to give you an opportunity to have them listed in our catalogue to the extent of one or more pages, provided you are willing to bear the expense, which will not be great. The cost of distribution will be borne by us.

Please favor us with an early reply, as we are making this offer only to a limited number of manufacturers, and our book will shortly be ready for the press.

Yours truly,

THE FAIRBANKS COMPANY.
(Signed) R. L. T. Evans.

BY THE WAY.

AT certain seasons of the year lumbermen study with as much anxiety weather probabilities as does the farmer and market gardener. The harvest of grain, or it may be of new-grown potatoes or early green stuffs, over which we smack our lips in the opening spring days, depend for their growth on the needed supply of rain and sunshine. The same elements control the size of the log crop from season to season. Shanty men may have put in a heavy season's work in the woods, and felled with all their well-known strength and energy an almost countless number of trees. But whether the trees, after they have been felled and cut into logs, are to get beyond the forests where they first saw light is something no "fellar" can tell until he draws near to the end of the winter's logging. Let spring weather come on with a rush and the snow disappear, as is said to have been the case at certain points in the Ottawa and Georgian Bay territories this season, and the crop will be a short one. A considerable quantity of logs will be left, it is said, on the skids in the Georgian Bay district because of the sudden thaw that came along early in March. Colonel Bliss, an American lumberman, who has been cutting in this district the past winter, says he had only about 600,000 feet left on the skids, but he is more lucky than some others.

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The buzz of the saw mill is welcome music to thousands of men, women and children in scores of towns and villages in different parts of our beautiful Dominion. It tells of commercial activity, and of bread and butter in more generous quantity to many families that have had to subsist on small rations during the winter term. As nearly April Fool's day as can be the mills strive to get going, but here again old Father Probs must be consulted. A general opening of the mills depends upon the ice going out. Take the Ottawa section at the present time. If the ice goes out from the upper lakes within a few days, as expected, the mills in that great lumber district hope to be running about the middle of the present month, but should the weather continue cold the opening will be delayed. The quantity of logs that will come to the Chaudiere mills this season will be less than a year ago. Mr. G. B. Green, manager of the Upper Ottawa Improvement Co., does not expect his company to tow within 25 per cent. of the logs this summer they did last year. He explains the expected shortage to the fact that during the winter the deep snow retarded the cutting of logs, and now the sudden break up in the weather had stopped drawing. So it looks at other points, the word we have from Michigan being quite as discouraging in this respect.

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What is to be the fate of the Wilson tariff bill is just one of the most difficult things to predict. So long as it was being discussed from the commercial point of view it could be followed with some measure of intelligence. But Senator Hill, of New York, and his friends are now after it, and their anxiety is to down Cleveland, regardless of the business considerations of the country. Lumber interests in the United States are no doubt being affected by the present situation, for the reason that it cannot now be said whether or not it is safe to make investments on the basis of lumber from Canada coming in free. On the other hand, if by any turn of the political kalediscopes, increased restrictions should be placed on Canadian lumber going into the States, we have already had an intimation from the Minister of Finance that the government will consider seriously the question of putting an export duty on logs now going across the border free. Our own impression is that when the Wilson bill has eventually been disposed of lumber will be found on the free list, but the movement may be delayed long enough to restrict business both in Canada and the States for the present season.

Four million feet of logs were cut on Salmon river, N. B., last winter.

Alpena, Mich., will receive about 40,000,000 feet of logs from Canada this season.

The saw and planing mill of Jesse Cook, at Zeph, Ont., was destroyed by fire on 30th ult. Loss \$10,000; no insurance.