

**TIMBER STATEMENT.**

Following is a comparative statement for three years of the timber, etc., measured and culled at the port of Quebec up to 29th August, 1902, as reported by the Supervisor of Callers:

	Cu. ft. 1900	Cu. ft. 1901	Cu. ft. 1902
Waney white pine . . . . .	1,366,183	1,321,723	1,291,600
White pine . . . . .	505,660	555,740	298,600
Red pine . . . . .	60,795	89,151	63,080
Oak . . . . .	429,302	414,040	527,760
Hem . . . . .	526,031	911,913	561,800
Ash . . . . .	81,227	131,612	79,240
Blaswood . . . . .	241	464	—
Butternut . . . . .	242	211	—
Tamarac . . . . .	71	108	—
Birch and Maple . . . . .	397,149	107,039	104,300

**THE BOSTON MARKET.**

The demand for spruce lumber at Boston is better, with the position stronger: Ten and 12-inch dimensions, \$20 to \$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 is about steady, with the supply small and in a few hands: Boards, 12, 14 and 16 feet stock, \$14.50 to \$15.50 for good eastern; random eastern, \$13.50 to \$14.50; Pennsylvania, No. 1, \$16 to \$17.50; No. 2, \$15 to \$15.50.

The white pine position does not lose a particle of strength, even firmer conditions being mentioned: Uppers, 1 to 2 in. \$82.50 to \$85; 2 1/2 to 3 in. \$87 to \$88; 4-in. \$90; selects, 1 in. \$66; 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 in. \$70; 2-in. \$72; 2 1/2 to 3 in. \$80; 4 in. \$82; fine common, 1-in. \$62 to \$63; 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 in. \$65; 2-in. \$67.50; 2 1/2 and 3 in. \$72.50; 4-in. \$82.50; barn boards, \$23 to \$33; coffin boards, \$28 to \$32.

Hardwood lumber is well held, with a fair demand. Quartered oak is still scarce. Whitewood is steady; ash unchanged; 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, with shippers and some dealers getting 10 cents advance: Extra cedar, \$3.60; clear, \$3.10; second clear, \$2.55; extra No. 1, \$1.95 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.

Clapboards are very firm: Clear, \$40 to

\$42; second clear, \$37 to \$39; extra No. 1, \$22 to \$23.

Laths are firmer: One and five-eighths inch, \$3.15; 1 1/2 inch, \$3.

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