TRADE REVIEW.

Toronto, Ont.

TORONTO, Dec. 30th, 1889.

As is usually the case at this time of the year there is nothing doing in lumber worthy of mention. Prices remain unchanged. The falling off in exports of lumber this year has been remarkable, but this was to be expected, as the railways have complete control of the traffic. The exports of the year amount to 4,284,765 feet against 8,649,868 feet in 1888, showing a decrease of 3,936,103 feet. In shingles the same decrease is noted. The exports of shingles in 1889 amount to 2,579,750 against 3,603,091 in 1888, a decrease of 1,023,341.

CAR OR CARGO LOTS.

1¾ and thicker clear picks, American inspection	$20 00@30 00
1¾ and thicker, three uppers, American inspection	37 00
1¾ and thicker, pickings, American inspection	25 00
1x10 & 12 dressing and better	18 00 20 00
1x10 & 12 mill run	13 00 14 00
1x10 & 12 dressing	14 00 15 00
1x10 & 12 common	12 00 13 00
1x10 & 12 spruce culls	10 00 11 00
1x10 & 12 mill culls	9 00
1 inch clear and picks	24 00 25 00
1 inch dressing and better	18 00 20 00
1 inch siding mill run	13 00 14 00
1 inch siding common	11 00 12 00
1 inch siding ship culls	10 00 11 00
1 inch siding mill culls	8 00 9 00
Cull scantling	8 00 9 00
1¾ and thicker cutting up plank	22 00 25 00
1 inch strips 4 in to 8 in mill run	14 00 15 00
1 inch strips, common	11 00 12 00
1¼ inch flooring	14 00 15 00
1½ inch flooring	14 00 15 00
XXX shingles, 16 in	2 20 2 25
XX shingles, 16 in	1 10 1 25
Lath, No. 1	1 70 1 90
" No. 2	1 70

YARD QUOTATIONS.

Mill cull boards & scantling	$10 00	Dressing stocks	16 00@20 00
Shipping cull boards, promiscuous widths	13 00	Picks Am. inspection	40 00
stocks	14 00	Three uppers, Am. inspect.	50 00
Scantling & joist, up to 16 ft	14 00	F. M.	
" " 18 ft	15 00	1½ in. flooring, dres'd	28 00 30 00
" " 20 ft	16 00	1½ " " rough	18 00 22 00
" " 22 ft	17 00	1¼ " " dres'd F.M.	25 00 28 00
" " 24 ft	19 00	" " undrs'd B.M.	18 00 19 00
" " 26 ft	20 00	" " dres'd	18 00 20 00
" " 28 ft	22 00	" " undres'd	12 00 15 00
" " 30 ft	24 00	Beaded sheeting, dressed	22 00 35 00
" " 32 ft	26 00	Clapboarding, dres'd	12 00
" " 34 ft	28 50	XXX sawn shingles	
	22 50	per M	2 65 2 75
" " 36 ft	30 00	Sawn Lath	2 00 2 20
" " 38 ft	32 20	Red oak	30 00 40 00
" 40 to 44 ft	35 00	White "	35 00 45 00
Cutting up planks 1¾ and thicker dry	25 00 26 00	Basswood, No. 1 & 2	18 00 20 00
" board	18 00 22 00	Cherry, No. 1 & 2	50 00 60 00
		White ash, 1 & 2	25 00 35 00
		Black ash, 1 & 2	20 00 30 00

Montreal, Que.

MONTREAL, Dec. 28th, 1889.

The lumber business is very quiet and has been for some time past, the entire business being confined to a few sales of the smallest dimensions. The season's quiet has fairly set in and prices may be regarded as nominal.

	WHOLESALE
Pine, 1st quality	$35 00@40 00
" 2nd "	22 00 25 00
" shipping Culls	14 00 16 00
" 4th quality Deals	10 00 12 00
Spruce	10 00 12 00
Hemlock	9 00 10 00
Ash, log run	15 00 18 00
Basswood, log run	20 00
Oak	40 00 100 00
Walnut (common)	
" (good)	100 00
Butternut	22 00 40 00
Cherry	60 00 80 00
Birch	15 00 25 00
Maple	20 00 21 00
Lath, 1st quality	1 80 1 90
Pine Shingles, 1st quality	1 50 3 00
" " 2nd "	1 25 1 50

Burlington, Vt.

BURLINGTON, Dec. 31st, 1889.

Canada Pine Sidings—1x8 in. and up, 12 to 16 ft. D 2 or 4 S.

Select & shelving	$46 00	Finish	$37 00@38 00
Pickings	37 00	Dressing	27 00@28 00
Pickings & better	40 00@42 00	Common	20 00@21 00

Canada Pine Stock—1x10 in 12 to 16 ft. D 2 or 4 S.

Selects (clear)	55 00	Pickings & better	44 00
1st shelving	42 00	As run, common out	28 00@30 00
2d	39 00	No. 1 barn boards	25 00
3d	30 00@31 00	Common	21 00
Pickings	38 00		

Canada Pine Stock—1x12 in. 12 to 16 ft. D 2 or 4 S.

Selects (clear)	57 00	Pickings & better	44 00
1st shelving	47 00	As run, common out	33 00
2d	41 00	No. 1 barn boards	26 00
3d	32 00	Common	21 00@22 00
Pickings	38 00		

Canada Pine Stock—1½ in. 12 to 16 ft. D 2 or 4 S.

Pickings & better	45 00	3d shelving	33 00
As run, common out	33 00	Common	22 00

Canada Pine Short Boards—1x8 in. & up, 11 ft. & under. D 2 S or R.

Pickings & better	35 00@35 00	Dressing & common, d	
As run, common out	30 00	2 s or d 2 s & m	20 00@21 00
		Common	18 00 20 00

Canada Pine Sheathing, D. M. & B—1 in. 4 to 7 in. S in. & up C B ¾ in.

1st quality, 12 to 16 ft	46 00	1st & 2d quality, 9 to 11 ft.	33 00
2d	36 00@37 00	7 & 8 ft.	34 00
3d	2, 00	3d quality, 11 ft. & under	22 00
4th (selected common)	22 00	4th	18 00

Canada (Quebec) Spruce—1 and 1¼ in. 4 to 10 in. D 2 S and M.

Clear, 10 to 16 ft	32 00	No 2, 10 to 16 ft.	15 00@16 00
No. 1	22 00		

Above prices delivered on a rate of $30 per car load.

Ottawa, Ont.

OTTAWA, Dec. 31st, 1889.

Pine, 1st qual., ℔ M.	$35 00@40 00	Oak	$40 00@100 00
" 2nd "	22 00 25 00	Walnut	60 00 100 00
" shipping culls	14 00 16 00	Cherry	60 00 80 00
" 4th qual. deals	18 00 12 00	Butternut	22 00 40 00
" mill culls	8 00 10 00	Birch	15 00 25 00
Spruce, ℔ M.	10 00 12 00	Maple, hard	20 00 21 00
Hemlock	9 00 17 00	Laths	1 80 1 90
Ash	13 00 18 00	Shingles	1 50 3 00
Bass	12 00 20 00	" cedar	1 50 3 00

Hamilton, Ont.

HAMILTON, Dec. 31st, 1889.

Mill cull boards and scantlings	$ 9 00@10 00	Dressing stocks	$16 00 18 00
Shipping cull boards promiscuous widths	10 00 12 00	1¼ flooring, rough	16 00 18 00
Shipping cull stocks	14 00	1½ flooring, rough	16 00 18 00
Scantling and joist up to 16 feet	14 00	1¼ flooring, dressed	25 00
do up to 18 feet	15 50	1½ flooring, dressed	32 00
do up to 20 feet	16 00	1 " dressed	21 50 23 00
do up to 22 feet	17 00	Beaded sheeting 1	25 00 30 00
do up to 24 feet	18 00	Picks, Am inspection	32 00 34 00
do up to 26 feet	19 00	Three uppers Am. In.	40 00
do up to 28 feet	20 00	XXX sawn shingles	2 60 2 70
do up to 30 feet	21 00	Sawn Lath	2 25
Cutting up plank 1¼ and thicker dry	20 00 25 00	Red Oak	20 00 25 00
Cutting up boards	20 00	White Oak	25 00 30 00
		Basswood No. 1 & 2	16 00 20 00
		Cherry No. 1 & 2	60 00 70 00
		White Ash No. 1 & 2	25 00 35 00
		Black Ash No. 1 & 2	20 00 30 00

Boston, Mass.

BOSTON, Dec. 27th, 1889.

Trade is better than we had any reason to hope for at this time of the year; orders keep coming in, and with most dealers business is fairly good. Spruce and coarse building stock are exceptionally active and prices are firm, with a prospect of an advance. There is no surplus stock on the market, and whatever comes in is readily sold. Pine box boards are abundant, with a very meagre demand. In western pine the trade is regular, and fairly satisfactory in the city, but not active. Prices are fully maintained. Clapboards are very saleable at full prices, and the demand for shingles has been fairly good.

Walnut is scarce and in good demand. Good inch brings $90 to $100. Walnut culls are in fair demand at $38 to $40. Quartered oak is very saleable, and good lots bring readily $50 to $52. Common grade boards are selling at $30 to $34.

Western Pine—by car load.

Uppers, 1 in	$48 00@50 00	Fine com., 3 & 4 in	42 00@46 00
1¼, 1½ & 2 in	48 00 50 00	No 2, 1 in. Fine com.	28 00 30 00
3 & 4 in	55 00 60 00	1¼, 1½ & 2 in	29 00 31 00
Selects, 1 in	43 00 43 00	No. 1 strips, 4 to 6 in	40 00 43 00
1¼, 1½ & 2 in	43 00 44 00	No. 2	35 00 37 00
3 & 4 in	45 00 50 00	No. 3	24 00 26 00
Moulding boards, 7 to 11 inch clear	36 00 38 00	Cut ups, 1 to 2 in.	24 00 30 00
60 per cent clear	34 00 36 00	Coffin boards	19 00 22 00
Fine common 1 inch	37 00 42 00	Common all widths	22 00 26 00
1¼, 1½ & 2 inch	38 00 40 00	Shipping culls	15 00 15 50

Eastern Pine—Cargo or Car Load.

Nos. 1, 2 & 3	40 00@43 00	Clapboards, 4 ft., sap	
4	28 00 30 00	clear	40 00 45 00
5	23 00 26 00	Sap. 2nd clear	33 00 35 00
Ship'g bds & coarse	16 00 16 50	Heart extra	50 00 55 00
Refuse	12 00 13 50	Heart clear	45 00 50 00
West'rn pine clapbds 4 ft. sap extra	45 00 50 00	Bevel siding 6in, clear	23 00 34 00

Spruce—by Cargo.

Scantling and plank, random cargoes	13 00@14 50	Coarse, rough	10 00 11 50
Yard orders, ordinary sizes	14 50 15 00	Hemlock bds., rough	10 00 11 00
Yard orders, extra sizes	15 00 16 00	" dressed	12 00 12 50
Clear floor boards	19 00 20 00	Clapbds., extra, 4 ft.	34 00
No. 2	16 00 17 00	Clear, 4 ft.	30 00
		Second clear	25 00
		No. 1	10 00 14 00

Lath.

Spruce by cargo	2 00@2 15

Shingles.

Spruce	1 25@1 50	Cedar, sawed, extra	3 25 3 50
Pine, 18 in. extra	4 00 4 25	Clear	3 00
Pine, No 1	3 00 3 15	Extra, No. 1	2 50
		Cypress, No. 1, 18 in.	5 00

Vancouver and New Westminster, B.C.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Dec. 31st, 1889.

Car load and ship rates according to assortment. Bridge and Wharf Plank and Timber.

10 to 40 ft. long, per M, net	$11 00
41 to 70 ft. " " "	$12 00@15 00
Rough lumber, building material	11 00
" " Sized	12 50
" " Fir, Clear	17 50
" " Cedar, Bench or Selects	25 00
" " " " D D	30 00

1 in, 1¼ 1½x6 in.

T. & G. Edge, Grain and Dry	27 50
" " " Green	25 00
No. 1, Dry	22 50
" 1, Green	20 00
" 2, Dry	20 00
" 2, Green	17 50
Cut to length, extra per M	2 50
D. Dressed	2 50

1 in, 1¼ 1½x4 in.

Edge Grain, Dry	27 50
" " Green	25 00
T. & G. Edge Grain, Dry	25 00
No. 1, Dry	25 00
" 1, Green	22 50
" 2, Dry	20 00
" 2, Green	17 50
S. S. Planks for scows	17 50
D. D. cedar, verandah cover, any length	45 00
" " " cut to length	50 00
Shingles	2 50
Lath	2 25
D. D. clear Cedar	40 00@60 00
Pickets, rough	11 00

Five per cent. off above prices for cash with the order.

Delivery on scow to mouth of river.

20 M ft. and over	75c. per M. ft
10 to 20 M ft.	$1.00 " "
Under 10 M ft.	1.25 " "

Albany, N. Y.

ALBANY, N.Y., Dec. 28th, 1889.

The stock on hand at this point, consisting of all grades of pine, spruce, hemlock, and the different varieties of hardwoods, is in splendid assortment. Prices have not changed any since the close of navigation, and in all probability they will remain as they are for several months. The spruce and hemlock dealers are not crowded with orders for future shipment, but an increased demand is expected in January, not only for spruce and hemlock but also for pine.

The tidewater receipts at Albany for the month ending November 30th are as follows: Boards and scantlings, 41,096,441 feet; shingles, 360,000. This makes a total in round numbers, of 300,000,000 feet of lumber received in this market by water alone during the season of navigation on the canals.

Hemlock.

Boards, 10 in each	13½	Joist, 2½x4, each	13
Joist, 4x6	33	Wall strips, 2x4	10

Pine.

2½ in. and up, good	$54 00@56 00	10 in boards dressing and better	$28 00@34 00
4ths	49 00 51 00	Common	15 00 20 00
Selects	44 00 46 00	12 in. boards dressing and better	29 00 36 00
Pickings	39 00 41 00	Common	15 00 22 00
1 to 2 in., good	48 00 50 00	1¼ in. siding, selected 13 ft	40 00 45 00
4ths	43 00 45 00	Common	15 00 20 00
Selects	38 00 40 00	1 in. siding selected	38 00 42 00
Pickings	33 00 35 00	Common	13 00 18 00
1 in. good	50 00 55 00	Norway, selected	22 00 25 00
4ths	45 00 48 00	Common	12 00 15 00
Selects	40 00 43 00	10 in. plk. 13 ft. dressing and better, each	42@50
Pickings	35 00 38 00	Culls	22 25
Cutting up, 1 to 2 in.	00 28 00	10 in. boards, 13 ft., dress, & better each	28 33
Bracket plank	32 00 36 00	Culls	17 21
Shelving boards, 12 in. and up	26 00 32 00		
Dressing bds. narrow	20 00 22 00		
Sapping boards	16 00 18 00		
Box boards	14 00 16 00		

Shingles and Lath.

Shingles, shaved pine	6 50	Shingles, cedar mixed	2 75 3 00
2d quality	5 00	Hemlock	
Sawed, extra	4 30 4 40	Lath, pine	2 00
Sawed, clear butts	3 00 3 30	Spruce	2 00
Cedar, XXX	4 00 4 20	Hemlock	1 75

St. John, N. B.

ST. JOHN, Dec. 31st, 1889.

Deals, Boards, Scantling, etc.

Spruce deals	$12 00	Spruce boards	12 00
Pine "	15 00	Pine "	12 00@40 00
Deal ends	6 00	Oak "	40 00
Scantling	10 00	Ash "	15 00@25 00
		Hemlock "	7 50

Shingles.

Spruce, extra	$3 50	No. 1	1 25
" clear	3 00	Pine	1 25
" No 1 extra	2 25		

Clapboards.

Pine, extra	35 00	Spruce, extra	24 00
" clears	45 00	" clears	23 00
" 2d clears	35 00	" No. 1	15 00
		" No. 2	10 00

Flooring, Dressed.

6 in. No. 1	12 00	4 in., No. 1	12 00
" No. 2	10 00	" No. 2	10 00

Miscellaneous.

Staves	3 00@4 50	Laths	1 80
Heading 17 in. per pr.	04	Pickets	6 50@15 00
" 18 in.	04½	Railway ties	
" 22 in.	05½		
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Oswego, N. Y.

OSWEGO, Dec, 31st, 1889.

Three uppers, 1¼, 1½ & 2 inch	$45 00@46 00
Pickings, 1¼, 1½ & 2 in	35 00 30 00
No 1 cutting up, 1¼, 1½ & 2in	31 00 32 00
No. 2 cutting up, 1¼, 1½ & 2in	22 00 22 00
1 in strips, 4 to 8 wide, selected for moulding strips, 14 to 16 ft	31 00 33 00
1x6 selected for clapboards	32 00 34 00

Sidig.

1 in siding, cutting up piks & uppers	32 00@39 00	1¼ in selected	35 00@12 00
1 in dressing	19 00@21 00	1¼ in dressing	17 00 19 00
1 in No. 1 culls	15 00@16 00	1¼ in No. 1 culls	15 00 16 00
1 in No. 2 culls	13 00@14 00	1¼ in No. 2 culls	13 00 14 00
		1¼ in No. 3 culls	9 50 10 00

1x12 Inch.

12 & 16 ft, mill run	20 00 23 00
10 & 16 ft, No. 1 &2, barn boards	17 00 18 00
12 & 16 ft, dressing and better	26 00 30 00
12 & 16 ft, No 2 culls	15 00

1x10 Inch.

12 & 13 ft, mill run, mill culls out	20 00 22 00
12 & 13 ft, dressing and better	25 00 27 00
12 & 13 ft, No 1 culls	16 00 17 00
12 & 13 ft, No 2 culls	14 00 15 00
14 to 16 ft, mill run mill culls out	20 00 22 00
14 to 16 ft, dressing and better	25 00 27 00
14 to 16 ft, No. 1 culls	16 00 17 00
14 to 16 ft, No. 2 culls	14 00 15 00
10 to 13 ft, No. 3 culls	9 50 10 00

1 x 10 Inches.

Mill run, mill culls out	20 00@23 00	No. 1 culls	16 00@17 00
Dressing and better	25 00 30 00	No. 2 culls	14 00 15 00

1x4 Inches.

Mill run, mill culls out	19 00@21 00	No. 1 culls	13 00@14 00
Dressing and better	23 00 27 00	No. 2 culls	11 00 12 00

1x5 Inches.

6 7 or 8, mill run, mill culls out	19 00@21 00	6, 7 or 8, No. 1 culls	15 00@16 00
6, 7 or 8, drsg & better	24 00 28 00	6, 7 or 8, No. 2 culls	13 00 14 00

Shingles.

XXX, 18 in pine	3 80@ 4 00	XXX, 18 in cedar	3 40@3 75
Clear butts, pine, 18 in.	2 80 3 00	Clear butt, 18 in cedar	2 40 2 75
XXX, 16 in pine	3 10 3 20	XX, 18 in cedar	2 10 2 40
Stocks cedars, 5 or 6 in	5 50		

Pickets.

No. 1, 1¼x1¼	14 00 15 00	No. 2, 1x3	9 00 10 00
No. 1, 1x3	18 00 20 00		

Lath.

No. 1, 1¼	1 90	No. 2, 1 1-4	1 80
No. 1 4	1 90		