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#### SALE OF OTTAWA VALLEY TIMBER LIMITS.

The auction sale of timber limits belonging to the insolvent estate of William Mason & Sons drew a large attendance of lumbermen to the Russell House at Ottawa on November 30th. The two large parcels offered for sale were disposed of at good prices, but for the smaller ones and for the mill property of the firm there were no bidders, and consequently no sale. Mr. W. H. Lewis was the auctioneer.

Berths No. 388 and 389, on Big Lake, River Dumoine, containing 100 square miles, were purchased by Mr. E. B. Eddy, for \$35,000. The limit contains considerable spruce, and is valuable for pulp purposes. A depot, farm and provisions on the limits, valued at \$10,000, were also sold to Mr. Eddy for \$10,000, less 25 per cent.

Parcel No. 2, containing berths Nos. 343, 344, 205, 233 (or berth A) and berth 234 (or berth B) situated on River Coulonge, in the province of Quebec, containing 245 square miles, was sold to Mr. E. B. Eddy for \$29,000. The farm and depot on these limits were sold to Mr. Eddy for \$9,000, less 25 per cent. discount.

Berths in the townships of Brougham and Bagot, on the Madawaska, and in Papineau and Cameron, on the Ottawa, near Mattawa, were withdrawn, owing to low bidding.

The Mason mill at Byswater was put under the hammer, but no bids were offered, and it will therefore remain in the hands of the Bank of Ottawa, under whose auspices the sale was conducted.

The schooner Beaver has been chartered to load lumber at Shunc, N.S., for Barbados.

The bark W. W. McLaughlin has been ordered to Jordan, N.S., to load lumber for a South American port.

### CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS.

#### ONTARIO.

Lumber manufacturers and dealers in Ontario are not complaining of lack of trade. While they would welcome a greater number of orders, they are disposed to look upon the business of the season now drawing to a close as satisfactory. The volume of lumber movement during November was larger than in the corresponding month last year, and from present indications the record for December will show a similar result. Notwithstanding that navigation is closed, considerable pine lumber is moving by rail to local points and to the Eastern States, and the tendency of prices is towards an advance. It is probable, however, that the late activity in shipping has been due to the anxiety to avoid the winter freight rates, and that the closing weeks of the year will witness a falling off in trade. In the Ottawa valley negotiations are under way for the purchase of the coming season's cut of the large mills, and it is believed that several stocks will be secured by the same shippers as formerly, and at almost the same prices. In the hardwood districts efforts are being made to secure a large crop of logs. The farmers and jobbers are being offered higher prices than last year, and it is certain that, with favorable logging conditions, more than an average quantity of hardwood timber will be secured by the mills.

#### QUEBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

Navigation from the St. Lawrence has now closed, and quietness prevails in shipping circles and in the lumber trade generally. Figures of the export of lumber from Montreal show that the quantity shipped this season was, approximately, 300,000,000 feet, which is about 20,000,000 feet less than in the season of 1897. The following figures give the respective export of the various shippers: Dobell, Beckett & Co., 76,924,116 feet; W. & J. Sharples, 62,488,502 feet; Watson & Todd, 44,819,842 feet; Robert Cox & Co., 39,627,140 feet; McArthur Bros., 35,595,538 feet; J. Burstall & Co., 30,802,571 feet; E. H. Lemay, 5,122,000 feet. It is understood that contracting for next season has so far been entered into only very moderately. There is no doubt, however, but that the usual quantity will be placed on foreign account. In the maritime provinces the situation has not changed materially, the most inquiry being for cedar shingles. Limited operations are being carried on in the woods, and the produc-

tion of lumber next season is likely to be somewhat below the average quantity. Nevertheless, a number of lumbermen are carrying over logs from this season, and should the market revive they will be in a position to increase their production to some extent.

#### UNITED STATES.

The reports from the lumber markets of the United States tell of increased confidence. In the Western States recent storms checked consumption, but as lumber is wanted for immediate use, a revival of demand is looked for. The Minneapolis stocks are 50,000,000 feet less than they were at the close of the sawing season last year, which feature has had the effect of maintaining higher prices. The average stocks at northern mill points are somewhat smaller than they were one year ago, and as the generally prosperous condition of the country at large is likely to result in a healthy demand for lumber next year, holders of stock are firm in their asking prices. In the east a considerable volume of lumber is moving, and dealers at Buffalo, Tonawanda and other wholesale points are convinced that their supply will be inadequate for the winter and early spring trade. The most spirited demand is for low grade stock for box-making. The stock of lumber suitable for this purpose is now greatly reduced, and it is probable that box manufacturers will be compelled to buy better grades in order to obtain sufficient material to last until the new cut is ready for the market. The hardwood market continues to attract much attention in view of the scarcity of stock. The supply of dry lumber at the mills has either been shipped or is in second hands, and a large part of the stock to be cut for months ahead has been placed under contract. The small production during the winter months will be taken as rapidly as manufactured, so that the present eagerness to secure lumber will at least extend well into the spring of 1899. Soft and rock elm, birch, maple and black ash cannot be located in any quantity, while basswood, which is in larger stock, is being purchased by box makers. The production of hardwood logs this winter in the northern districts will no doubt be large, but it is generally believed that there is no danger of an overstock. While prices may weaken slightly next spring, it is not anticipated that there will be any marked reduction. The eastern spruce market has improved to a moderate extent, frames now being quoted at \$14.

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