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#### CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS.

ONTARIO.

The reports from the mills throughout Ontario state that trade is unusually brisk, every grade and almost every variety of pine and hardwood being in demand. One manufacturer writes that he has not experienced as good a demand for thirteen years, and that prices are more satisfactory than for a long time. This is the universal opinion or lumbermen generally. Many of the mills have shipped out their entire holdings of dry stock, and are crowded with orders for this season's production. Some manufacturers believe that prices of some grades of pine will still further advance in the near future, but on this point the trade are by no means unanimous. Manufacturers of hardwoods are holding firmly to prices, and many of them have disposed of the bulk of this season's cut at high figures. Shingles are in active demand and are being shipped as fast as manufactured.

#### OURBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

The lumbermen of the eastern provinces are hopeful of a more prosperous season than last year. Prices of square and wancy timber are quite as good, and indications point to an advance in the near future, particularly in the price of first-class waney pine. Spruce deal prices are also strengthening. About \$10 is the average quotation for deals delivered at St. John, N.B., and some large sales have is decidedly firmer. Sales of pine deals

been made at this figure. That this price is yet too low is borne out by the fact that \$8 per thousand is being paid by the manufacturers for logs, leaving only \$2 per thousand to cover the cost of manufacture and marketing. The drives are coming along well, and few logs are likely to be hung up.

MANITOBA AND BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The lumber trade in Manitoba and the Territories is not opening up as briskly as was anticipated. Country business has been interfered with by wet weather and bad roads, and in Winnipeg a strike of carpenters has caused delay in building operations. Unless an early settlement of the trouble is effected, it may lead to the postponement of some contemplated building until next season. Notwithstanding these obstables, lumber dealers and manufacturers generally look for a large consumption of lumber this year. In British Columbia all the mills are working to their full capacity, and the outlook is quite encouraging. A building boom at Vancouver and New Westminster is creating an unusually heavy demand for building material, and consequently prices are stiffening.

#### UNITED STATES.

Much speculation is indulged in as to the course which prices will take. It might be expected, at this season of the year when the mills are resuming operations, that a weakening tendency would be observable. This has not been the case as yet with respect to white pine, although it is believed that there will be a slight decline in prices of the lower grades in the near future. In hardwoods, oak and ash are likely to remain at present quotations for some time, but basswood, elm and maple are already easier, although there is no quotable change in prices. These woods are being placed on the market more freely, but still the supply is not equal to the demand. A specially favorable feature is the fact that not for many years has the future output been so generally contracted for.

At Tonawanda thick pine uppers, selects and fine common are constantly enquired for, and prices on this class of stock are said to have advanced \$2 per thousand within the past week. Shingles and lath are in good demand in all the eastern markets. The latter are selling at \$2.25 for white pine.

#### FOREIGN.

The tone of the British lumber market

have been effected in London at prices which reveal a healthier state of demand than was expected. First quality deals, particularly of broad dimensions, have realized good prices, while the market has also absorbed large quantities of undersized third and fourth quality pine without any further weakening. For second and third quality, average size, the demand is not so active, but fourth quality are selling freely, 11 inch and up being quoted it £6 17s 6d to £7 4s 4d. Red pine deals maintain their strong position, and in the absence of an adequate supply, prices show a tendency to advance. There is a noticeable improvement in the spruce trade, and a large coast and continental business is being effected at better prices than could have been obtained in the earlier months of the year. Birch timber and planks are enquired for, but elm, ash and oak continue somewhat dull. The stock of waney pine is low and prices steady. First class square pine meets with ready sale, the present stock consisting principally of small and inferior wood. Detailed particulars of the Glasgow and Liverpool markets will be found elsewhere.

A number of vesssels have been chartered to carry lumber from St. John, N. B., and other eastern ports to France, and it would appear that this market will consume a considerable quantity of the Canadian product. The South American demand is also expanding, calling for special bills and dimensions.

#### NEW BRUNSWICK CEDAR SHINGLES.

The market continues very strong, prices ruling at Boston points being the same as quoted last week, viz. Extras, \$3 to \$3.10, clears, \$2.50 to \$2.65; clear whites and 2nd clears, \$2 to \$2.15. The higher figures are being readily obtained for reasonably prompt shipment, orders at these figures being much more plentiful than a week since, showing a hardening tendency in the market. Stocks in retail hands are very low, and consumption is hardening tendency in the market. Stocks in retail hands are very low, and consumption is large. Very few manufacturers are running their mills as yet, and are all well provided with orders, so that it is safe to assume that prices will be at least no lower, and that a still further advance may shortly take effect. It is believed that the orders now in the hands of the manufacturers would, if equally divided amongst all, keep every mill in the business hard at work till after July 1st. This being the case, there ought to be no question as to prices being firmly maintained throughout the summer.

#### CANADIAN LUMBER WANTED.

By reference to our advertising pages it will be observed that Messis. C. H. Glover & Co., box and packing case manufacturers, of London, Eng., are desirous of importing Canadian spruce, pine, lox shooks, etc., direct from the manufacturers. Those wishing to extend their trade in this direction should correspond with the above named firm.