

**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 Cullers:

	Cu. ft. 1900	Cu. ft. 1901	Cu. ft. 1902
Waney white pine . . . . .	1,366,183	984,375	1,591,600
White pine . . . . .	58,666	417,131	298,600
Red pine . . . . .	60,795	77,799	62,080
Oak . . . . .	429,302	385,433	527,760
Hem . . . . .	586,031	910,032	911,800
Ash . . . . .	81,227	131,430	77,240
Basswood . . . . .	241	464	
Butternut . . . . .	142	914	
Tamarac . . . . .	71	198	
Birch and Maple . . . . .	392,149	306,842	164,500

**THE BOSTON MARKET.**

The tone of the spruce lumber market at Boston is firmer, especially on vessel stock, which was especially low only a few weeks ago. Danger of a strike among the sawmill operative in the Bangor section gives a firmer tone to the spruce market. Here trade shows some improvement: Ten and 12-inch dimensions,

\$20 to \$21; 9-inch and under, \$18.50 to \$19; 10 and 12 inch, random lengths, 10 feet and up, \$20 to \$20.50; 2x3, 2x4, 2x5, 2x6, 2x7, and 3x4, 10 feet and up, \$18 to \$18.50; all other randoms, 9-inch and under, 10 feet and up, \$16.50 to \$18; 5-inch and up, merchantable boards, \$17; matched boards, \$18 to \$20; out spruce boards, \$13 to \$14; bundle furring, \$17.

Hemlock lumber is about steady, with offerings small: Boards, 12, 14 and 16 feet stock, \$1.45 to \$1.50 for good eastern; Vermont, \$1.30 to \$1.40; random eastern, \$1.30 to \$1.40; Pennsylvania, No. 1, \$1.60 to \$1.70; No. 2, \$1.50 to \$1.55.

The white pine position is very strong, with prices high: Uppers, 1 to 2 in. \$82.50 to \$85; 2 1/2 to 3 in. \$87 to \$88, 4-in. \$90, selects, 1 in. \$68; 1 1/2 to 1 3/4 in. \$70; 2 in. \$72; 2 1/2 to 3 in. \$80; 4 in. \$82; fine common, 1-in. \$62 to \$63; 1 1/2 to 1 3/4 in. \$65; 2-in. \$67.50; 2 1/2 and 3 in. \$72.00; 4-in. \$82.50; barn boards, \$23 to \$33; coffin boards, \$28 to \$32.

Hardwood lumber is steady and unchanged: Quartered oak, \$63 to \$66; plain oak, \$41 to \$45; common and rejects, \$20 to \$25; red oak, no market; 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 firmer, with most shippers asking 10 cents advance: Extra cedar, \$3.60; clear, \$3.10; second clear, \$2.55; extra No. 1, \$1.95 to \$2; Washington and 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 and have just been advanced \$2: Clear, \$40 to \$42; second clear, \$37 to \$39; extra No. 1, \$22 to \$32.

Laths are firmer: One and five-eighths inch, to \$3.15; 1 1/2 inch, \$3.00.

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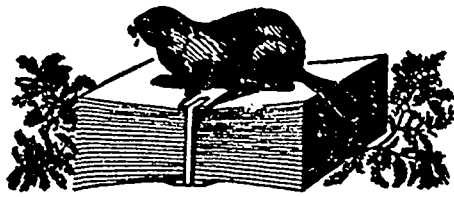
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