# TRADE REVIEW.

#### Toronto, Ont.

TORONTO, April 27th, 1889.

The spring trade is opening up briskly. Although yard men complain of orders coming in slowly and a number of large ! contractors have not yet obtained work, yet a great deal of local business is being done and many contracts are already under way. There is every prospect that there will be no falling off in trade this year as compared with former years.

Wholesale dealers are very bury, though a lively demand from Western Ontario has contributed with the local trade to produce this result.

A statement published in the city papers shows that the contracts for buildings and works, public and private, now in progress or to be started this year, amount to about 12 million The expenditure of this amount of money, to which is to be added the large outlay on residence building, will certainly keep business from stagnation for a few years at least.

Prices generally remain unchanged but tirm. The demand for clear pickings, 15, 13 and 2, from the United States is still slow and prices have a downward tendency in consequence. The export demand for dressing and better grades is fair and prices are firm

There is quite a boom in West Toronto Junction property and a large amount of building may be expected in that town this year. A number of contracts for stores and mills have already been closed, and there is every prospect that the new town will make substantial progress.

A new firm, Jas. Trennant & Co., has entered the wholesale trade, taking the place of Christie, Kerr & Co It is not known as yet what will be the final outcome of the failure of the latter firm.

On April the 6th a deputation representing the lumber trade visited Montreal and had a lengthy interview with General Manager Hickson of the G. T. R.

The deputation consisted of John Donogh, A. K. McIntosh, James Tennant, J. G. Scott and Geo. Gall, of Toronto; Robert Thomson and H. S. Brennen, of Hamilton, and Secretary E. A. Wills of the Toronto Board of Trade. A for! statement of the lumbermen's grievances was presented and the General Manager was convinced that they were not without foundation. He promised early consideration of excess weights with the understanding that as speedily as pos sible weigh scales would be put in at the principal shipping points. He also promised immediate relief in the matter of car supply, and this has been realized during the past ten days. The lumber manufacturers and dealers have reason to be well satisfied with the result of this interview and it shows what can be done by united action, a lesson which lumber dealers have been slow to learn.

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One result of the increased supply of cars has been to show the utter inadequacy of the G. T. R. shunting facilities in Toronto. The accumulation of only four or five days shipping has so completely congested the Toronto railway yards that orders have been issued cutting off the supply of cars for Toronto. It seems to be impossible to have cars placed for unloading in less than a week or ten days no matter how urgent may be the demand for the material. It is strange the Grand Trunk Company does not remedy promptly a state of affairs which must cause serious loss to the company as well as to all its customers.

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#### Ottawa, Ont.

OTTAWA, April 29th, 1889.

The whiz Nearly all the mills have got down to business. The prosand hum of machinery is heard in every direction. pects for a good season's cut is good. Manufacturers are somewhat apart in their views as to prices, but the general | opinion is that if an advance is not had present prices may possibly be sustained. Much depends upon the export demand.

Dimensions, Inches	Per M.
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Difference in planed lumber, in waste and planing	5.00
Ditto, on average good stock	20.00 to 25.00

#### Hamilton, Ont.

HAMILTON, April 29th, 1889.

Prospects for this season can only be considered fair. Prices are stronger than they were last year. The demand for lumber only fair -not above the average. No building of great importance is going on-only ordinary building and improvements.

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do up to 24 feet	18 oo Sawn Lath	2 25
do up to 25 feet	19 00 Red Oak 20 00	2500
do up to 25 feet	25 00 White Oak 25 00	3000
do up to 30 feet	21 05 Basswood No. 1. & 2. 16 05	ຂັ້ວ ດວ
Cutting up plank 1%	Cherry No. 1 & 2 to co	70 00
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Cutting up boards	23 33 Black Ash No. 1 & 2, 20 00	25 00
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### St. John, N. B.

ST. JOHN, April 29th, 1889.

The cut of logs will be much smaller than expected. impossible to make any safe predictions as to future prices. All reports point to a very large amount of building the present season, and we hope to see a firm and active market. Deals, Boards, Scantling, etc.

Spruce deals	\$12 00 \$pruce boards 12 00 15 00 Pine
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## Detroit, Mich.

Detroit, April 29th, 1889.					
Uppers, Scients, Stocks, etc.					
Uppers 2-1 \$43 of Shop, 5-2, 6-4 & 5-4 \$25 50 5x1, 6x4 & 5x1   3					
Ceiling, select common 23 65 B					
Bill Stuff and Culis.					
Bill stuff, ordinary sizes: 26 to 25 ft. 14 00 12 to 16 ft. 12 00 00 23 ft. 16 00 15 to 20 ft. 12 5. Sl.ip culls 12 00 22 to 24 ft. 13 00 Mill culls 10 00  Shingles and Lath.					
Shingles, clear, 15 in. Ex 3 25 6 in. stocks clear, Ex 4 co 10 in. clear, 15 in 3 co 5 in. stocks clear, Ex 4 co 6 in. clear, 15 in 2 co Lath 2 16 Add for surfacing one or two sides, §1.					

## Boston, Mass.

BOSTON, April 28th, 1889. There is greater activity in most all the different lines. But little spruce by cargo has arrived, although the river mills are all sawing. The eastern men want \$1 advance over fall prices, and in many instances they are obtaining it Clapboards are still in small supply and high. Both pine and spruce are scarce. The hardwood trade is only fair.

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3 & 4 ln 45 00 50 00 No. 3	21 00	20 00				
3 & 4 in 45 00 56 00 No. 3	21 03	30 00				
11 inch clear 35 oo 35 oo Coffin boards	19 00					
60 per cent clear 20 00 36 00 Common all widths.	20 07	25 00				
Fine common 1 such 37 on 38 on Shipping culls	1500	15 50				
11/4, 11/4 & 2 inch 38 00 40 00	•	• •				
Eastern Pine-Cargo or Car Load.						
Nos. 1, 2 & 3 40 00 £43 00 Clapboards, 4 ft , sap 4 28 00 33 00 clear						
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### Saginaw, Mich.

Shingles

Pine, 18 in. extra Pine, No 1

SAGINAW, April 28th, 1889.

Extra, No. 1 . . . 2 00 2 25 Cypress, No. 1, 18 in. 5 00 5 25

There is not much activity in the cargo market Manufacurers adhere to quotations a little in advance of last season. The car trade is moderately active. Yard dealers, with a few exceptions, report a fairly good trade. Nearly all the shingle mills are now in motion.

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Plank and timber, 12 inches wide. St ext.	
C (No. 1 co.n.) 13in. and up 25 to D (common) 14 in.	and up . 16 00
Lath, Shingles and Pickets.	•
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Oswego, N. Y.	
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Oswego, Apri	il 30th, 1889.

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and lumber is coming in quite freely.

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