

of the weakness, as stocks there are larger accordingly than at the other ports. A decided tendency towards lower prices has exhibited itself during the past fortnight. This is clearly shown by the result of the auction sale held by Churchill & Sim on the 14th inst., when nearly all classes of deals sold from ten shillings to one pound per standard lower than at the previous sale. St. John spruce deals sold 20 shillings lower, and battens 10 shillings lower, but it is said that this can be partly accounted for by the quality of the lumber. In contrast to other lines planed boards and flooring are showing strength.

We are yet unable to report any purchases of next season's goods. The market is in such a position that shippers are holding back their quotations in the hope that the consumption and demand may pick up, and that they may be able to effect sales at higher prices by waiting a few weeks. In our opinion the conditions are now favorable to high prices for early spring shipments.

STOCKS AND RICES.

Thos. Wilcox, of Parry Sound, Ont., has transferred his logging contract at Henvey Inlet for Burton Bros. to John Kennedy, of Barrie.

A report comes from Great Britain that large contracts for deals have been closed with importers in Spain at prices in advance of those paid last season.

The Skillings, Whitney & Barnes Lumber Company, of Boston, Mass., are reported to have purchased the entire cut of mill run lumber sawn by the Conger Lumber Company, of Parry Sound, during the past season.

The Hawkesbury Lumber Company, of Hawkesbury, Ont., had about 40,000 logs hewn up this season in the Black river. They are now building a canal from a small lake into Black lake to permit of bringing the logs down.

The Dominion government invites tenders up to noon of December 1st for supply of timber and lumber required for the Quebec canals during 1901. Information may be obtained from Ernest Marceau, superintending engineer, 1709 Notre Dame street, Montreal.

The steamship Forest Holme sailed from Quebec last week for London, with a cargo of timber and deals. The steamer Norden sailed from St. John, N. B., for Valencia and Barcelona, with a cargo of lumber, shipped by A. Cushing & Co.

F. E. Neale, of Chatham, N. B., has made his last shipment of lumber for the season. The total quantity shipped was 33,000,000 feet, of which 22,000,000 feet was shipped from Miramichi and 11,000,000 feet from Campbellton. Mr. Neale is the largest shipper of spruce deals on the north shore of New Brunswick.

Six timber berths were sold by the New Brunswick Government last week at high prices, as follows: Rockwell Stream, three miles, to Alex Burnette, at \$4 per mile. North Branch Shikiobank river, two miles to C. E. Gallagher, at \$8 per mile; West Branch of South Branch of the Nepisiguit river, 57.9 miles, to W. T. Whitehead, at \$101 per mile; West Branch of South Branch of Nepisiguit river, 57.9 miles, to W. T. Whitehead, at \$101 per mile; Big Tracadie river, at mouth of Lord and Foy's brook, six miles, to Sumner & Co., at \$52 per mile; Big Tracadie river, at mouth of Little South Branch, six miles, to Sumner & Co., at \$51 per mile.

The McCaskill steam saw mill at Little Narrows, N. S., was destroyed by fires last week. The loss is \$2,000, and no insurance.

A saw mill at Marysville, N. B., owned by Alex Gibson & Sons, was destroyed by fire on November 26th. The mill contained gang and rotary saws, and cut about 35,000 feet of lumber per day.

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