

Merchantable log run is selling in New York at \$20 to \$21 by car and \$19 to \$20 by vessel. The supply of hardwood has become more plentiful. The output in Eastern Michigan this season will be larger than usual, and it is probable that slightly lower prices will rule.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The position of the British market is reflected by the stocks on hand at the Surrey Commercial Docks, London. In comparison with the same time one year ago, the stocks show a decrease of 60,478 pieces of pine deals, 80,986 pieces of pine ends, 42,000 pieces of spruce deals, and 1,713 pieces of battens, and an increase of 32,503 pieces of pine battens, and 6,018 pieces of spruce ends. When it is remembered that the stocks of one year ago were by no means heavy, the present satisfactory condition of the supply will be understood. As the quantity of stock to be received in Great Britain this season from Canada and the Baltic is certain to be less than usual, it seems likely that still higher prices may rule. The high freight rates will also assist in maintaining the market. It is said that 60 shillings has been paid on a cargo from Miramichi, N.B., to London, which is the highest rate known for many years. The sale is reported of two cargoes of St. John spruce at £7 15s on vessel at Bristol. This is an advance upon late quotations.

For square and waney timber there is only a limited demand, although prices generally remain firm. The exception to this is birch, of which the import has been heavy, and which is selling at two shillings per cubic foot lower than one month ago.

STOCKS AND PRICES.

In New York City No. 1 barn stock is selling at \$26 to \$27.50, No. 2 at \$24 to \$27, and No. 3 at \$22 to \$23.

H. J. Crowe has loaded the ship Maren with 1,450,000 feet of lumber at Annapolis, N. S., for Buenos Ayres. Other vessels are also loading for British ports.

J. H. McMillan, of Gore Bay, Ont., has started his saw mill at Helen's Bay, and will manufacture one million feet of pine and oak lumber for the Grillia Export Lumber Co., of Orillia.

The following rafts of timber were entered at the office of the Supervisor of Cullers, Quebec, up to June 5th of this year. Charles Veilleux, St. Lawrence docks, birch, etc.; James Butler, Louise Embankment, birch, etc.; Boisvert & Gauthier, Louise Embankment, birch, etc.; Thomas Griffin, Louise Embankment, birch, etc.; Wilson & Holmes, sundry places, elm, ash, etc.; Nicholas Flood, Louise Embankment, birch, etc.; W. E. Simpson, Simpson's wharf, birch, etc.; The McArthur Bros. Co., New Liverpool Cove, pine; Alfred Auger, Louise Embankment, birch; Klock & Perley, New Liverpool Cove, pine; The Calvin Co., Ltd., Sharples Cove, elm, ash, maple, etc.; The Calvin Co., Ltd., sundry coves, oak and pine; Mickle, Dymont & Sons, Thessalon, Ont., waney pine; Archie Sharples, Quebec Warehouse, elm, hickory, etc.; Alleyn & Egan, sundry places, square birch; the McArthur Bros. Co., New Liverpool Cove, oak, pine, elm, ash; A. Sharples and N. McIntyre, Sharples Cove, elm, etc.; A. Sharples, Bridgewater Cove, elm; Buck & Raney, Bridgewater Cove, pine, elm, ash, etc.

Reports from Saginaw, Mich., state that there is no accumulation of unsold stock in Eastern Michigan, as manufacturers and dealers sold ahead during the winter. Log run is quoted at \$16 and upwards, boy lumber \$16, norway dimension \$14 to \$18, and mill culls \$13 to \$14. On the Saginaw river log run ash is quoted at \$13, basswood \$18, elm \$16, hard maple \$14, and red oak \$20 to \$24.

MEETING OF ONTARIO LUMBERMEN.

A representative meeting of the Ontario Lumbermen's Association was held at the Board of Trade Council Chamber, Toronto, on Friday, 15th inst., Mr. John Waldie, the president, in the chair.

The following members were present:—Messrs. H. Cargill M.P., R. Laidlaw, N. Dymont, M. Boyd, Geo. Thompson, R. Watt, C. Beck, John Cnarlton, M.P., W. J. Shepard, John Bertram, H. L. Lovering, A. E. Dymont M.P., R. Jackson, W. B. Tindall, Secretary.

One of the principal matters up for discussion was the business outlook for the balance of the year, particularly as to the advisability of the present prices being maintained.

The following facts were presented:—

Total amount of lumber of the cut of 1899 on hand at manufacturing points on Georgian Bay 11,000,000 ft.
Total cut of 1900 as now known 470,000,000 ft.
Total 481,000,000 ft.

Of this new cut 70,000,000 feet is sold to American yards for distribution and placed for industrial uses, leaving only 411,000,000 feet available for the season's competitive trade, including last year's stock. Taking into consideration the stocks that under ordinary conditions must be carried over from one year to another at these mills to be 220,000,000 feet, (which was the quantity on hand January 1st, 1899) would determine the amount short on this season's market from Georgian Bay points to be at least 240,000,000 feet.

The meeting was unanimously of the opinion that with the limited cut and the active English demand, and with a very large shortage of logs at all manufacturing points in Wisconsin and Minnesota, as confirmed by the Trade Press of the United States, and also a great shortage occasioned by the Ottawa fire, there was no fear that a good demand at present ruling prices for all grades will soon set in. Notwithstanding this owing to the high wages of last winter, only a fair profit would remain to the mill.

THE GLASGOW MARKET

Of the Glasgow timber market Messrs. Edmiston & Michells, in their monthly timber circular, say:

Business during the past month has been—as is not unusually the case at this period of the year—somewhat quiet, the buying generally being of a retail nature. Several steamers are to hand from Montreal, which, compared with last year, bring a comparatively small amount of timber and deals, and the bulk of it is on contract. Old stocks are now reduced to a very small compass, and the statistical position of the market is favourable; but, notwithstanding this favourable feature, buyers are by no means inclined to stock themselves heavily at the high prices asked for fresh importations, nor are they likely to alter their attitude until they feel satisfied that any likelihood of prices weakening is remote. The output of Scottish shipbuilders for the month is 56,970 tons, against 52,130 tons for May, 1899. New orders unfortunately only amount to approximately 15,000 tons, but negotiations for some important contracts are still in progress, and it is hoped that some of these may come to the Clyde.

WANAY BOARDWOOD.—First-class. A few small sales are reported at from 2s 9d to 2s 10d per cubic foot on a basis of 70 feet average. There are not many enquires in the market. For second class prices have ranged from 1s 7d to 1s 9d, but the amount of business done has been trifling in extent.

RED PINE.—No sales are reported. The enquiry in the market for 250 loads has not so far been placed.

OAK.—The stock on hand is considerable and quite ample for the probable prospective requirements of the market for some time. There are no sales of importance to report.

ELM.—A few small sales are reported at from 3s to 3s 2d for prime 45-foot timber. The stock on hand is light.

QUEBEC BIRCH.—The arrivals this month are 1,256 logs, a portion of which is on contract. Of consigned parcels a few sales have been made at from 1s 9d to 2s per cubic foot on a basis of 17 to 17½-inch average. Buyers are rather inclined to hold off under the impression that prices will be easier.

LOWER PORT BIRCH.—The arrivals comprise 341 logs St. John's, and 369 logs Pictou, both of which shipments are sold "ex quay" at about 18d. on a basis of 16-inch average.

BIRCH PLANKS.—About 150 standards have been sold during the past month at 12½d per foot "ex quay."

ASH.—The stock is exhausted, and early arrivals of first-class white ash logs will find buyers without difficulty. Nominal value of 15-inch about 2s 3d per cubic foot.

DEALS, ETC.—Deliveries from public yards keep satisfactory, showing a good all-round consumption. New business, however, is hard to negotiate on account of the higher prices demanded by shippers, and while sales during the month have not been numerous, higher values have certainly been established.

Current values are as follows:—Broad First Pine Deals—have been sold at £27 to £28 15s; 11-inch, £23 to £25; ends and non-dimensions, £17 to £22. Second Pine Deals—11-inch and up, £20 to £21 10s; non-dimensions, £14 to £16. Third Pine Deals—11-inch and up, £12 7s 6d to £14; narrows, £9 15s to £10 10s; ends, £8 10s to £9. Fourth Pine Deals—11-inch and up, £9 to £9 10s; narrows, £8 to £8 10s. Red Pine Deals—9 to 11-inch by 3 and 4-inch, £12 10s to £14 10s; narrows, £10 to £12 10s. First Quality Pine Sidnigs—8 to 9-inch average, £18 to £19; 10 to 11-inch average, £20 10s to £21 10s; 12 to 13-inch average, £22 to £24. Spruce Deals—7 and 8-inch by 3-inch, £8 to £8 10s; 9 to 11-inch by 3-inch, £8 15s to £9 10s.

TIMBER MARKET REPORT.

The following reference to Canadian timber is found in the monthly report of Messrs Alfred Dobell & Company, of Liverpool:

WANAY BOARD AND SQUARE PINE.—Prices of waney are very strong. A large shipment has arrived, and is going direct into consumption. Several parcels now due have been sold on contract. Of square the stock is sufficient for the languid demand.

OAK.—There has been fair enquiry and prices are steady.

ELM.—One parcel has arrived, which is going into consumption at high prices.

BIRCH.—Logs have arrived freely; prices are slightly easier. Planks—The import has been very heavy, and prices have a downward tendency.

PINE DEALS AND BOARDS.—Owing to the fire at Ottawa prices have advanced materially. The stock, especially of the higher grades, is very light.

NEW BRUNSWICK AND NOVA SCOTIA SPRUCE DEALS.—The import has been small, with a good demand, and prices are very firm. A number of special sizes are out of stock. Following are current quotations:

	Per Foot.
White pine, Quebec square wood.....	1s 4d to 2s 4d
" " Waney board.....	2s 3d to 2s 10d
" " St. John, 18-in. average.....	1s 6d to 1s 9d
Red pine.....	1s 5d to 1s 9d
Oak, 1st quality.....	2s 8d to 3s 0d
" and quality.....	1s 6d to 1s 10d
Elm.....	2s 6d to 2s 10d
Ash.....	1s 6d to 1s 10d
Hickory.....	1s 9d to 2s 6d
Birch, St. John.....	1s 5d to 1s 8d
" Quebec.....	1s 5d to 1s 8d
" planks.....	1s 6d to 1s 10d

	Per Sid.
Deals, Quebec, white, 1st quality.....	20 0 to 24 00
" " " and quality.....	16 0 to 17 10
" " " 3rd quality.....	10 00 to 10 10
Spruce deals, St. John, Miramichi, &c.....	7 15 to 8 00
" Nova Scotia, etc.....	7 10 to 7 15
boards, etc.....	6 15 to 7 00

BRITISH COLUMBIA LUMBER SHIPMENTS.

The following vessels were loaded by the British Columbia Mills, Timber & Trading Company at Vancouver, B. C., from January 18th to June 6th inclusive:

American barque Guy C. Goss, for Philadelphia, cargo 1,030,625 feet; British ship Errol, for Plymouth, cargo 1,069,195 feet; Hawaiian ship Star of France, for Sydney, cargo 1,177,557 feet; German ship Caesarea,

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At the Moodyville, B. C., mills the following vessels were loaded from January 1 to June 1 of this year.

British ship Adderley, for Sydney, cargo 1,021,995 feet; Italian ship Altcar, for Callao, cargo 992,565 feet; British ship Falls of Garry, for Sydney, cargo 1,523,953 feet; Norwegian S. S. Guernsey, for Shanghai, cargo 3,057,756 feet; British S. S. Tartar, for Kobe, cargo 124,722 feet; Chilean ship Latona, for Valparaiso, cargo 768,814 feet; British S. S. Oakbranch, for Shanghai, cargo 2,799,317 feet; British, Australian and China steamers for Sydney and Melbourne, cargo 366,892 feet. Total 10,456,014 feet; value \$132,994.

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