

Association shows that the shipments of pine lumber by rail within the territory of the Mississippi Valleys and the Wisconsin Valley Associations, from January 1 to August 31, 1901, were 1,428,105,756 feet, as compared with 1,313,219,479 feet for the first eight months of last year. This is an increase of 24 per cent., and proves that the season has been an exceptionally good one for the manufacturer of white pine. The sawing season is drawing to a close with mills carrying a comparatively light stock. At Ashland, Wis., the market is very active, and stocks are being sold as fast as they can be produced. A short supply of No. 1 fencing and dimension is reported. Saginaw valley manufacturers are expected to go into the winter with the smallest stocks of unsold lumber in thirty years. Log run there is quoted at \$18 to \$24, box at \$14 to \$15, and mill culls at \$12. While the demand is mostly for cutting-up stocks, there is no lack of call for the cheaper grades. A Buffalo dealer has just sold 500,000 feet of box. Stocks of spruce are getting scarce, and a stiffening in price is to be noted. Boston prices are \$19 to \$20 for 10 and 12 inch dimension; \$18 to \$19 for 9 inch and under; and \$17.50 to \$19 for 10 and 12 inch random lengths 10 feet and up.

Conditions are favorable to a further improvement in hardwoods, although opinions differ as to whether this will be realized. Advices from mill districts are to the effect that stocks are not heavy and that the output is small. In New York city hardwoods are said to be in splendid shape, all things considered, and in Buffalo there is an excellent demand for maple flooring, and maple and birch lumber is becoming more active. Hemlock is steady, prices ranging from \$7 to \$11.50 in the Saginaw valley. Shingles are showing further strength. A Michigan firm state that they have manufactured 12,000,000 shingles this year and are now 60 days behind with orders.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The situation in the timber trade of Great Britain is still one of uncertainty. Baltic shippers hold large stocks which they have been endeavoring to sell all season; but even the sharp reduction in

price has not been sufficient to tempt buyers to load up to any extent. On the smaller sizes the decline has been quite marked. While in respect to Canadian goods the outlook is more hopeful, prices have been sympathetically affected by the low quotations for deals and battens put forward by the Riga shippers. Were it not for this aspect it is believed that there would be a sharp recovery in prices, as stocks are not excessive and importers are showing a disposition to replenish their supplies. The Timber Trades Journal in referring to the spruce and pine market says: "The improvement in the spruce market has been well maintained, and a distinct advance must be recorded. Agents have very few cargoes unsold and for these full prices are being asked. For a seven hundred standard cargo of unfloat spruce from St. Margaret's Bay, of very poor specification, consisting chiefly of 7-inch, £9, 10s. is being asked, while for a similar cargo of Halifax deals to the west coast, we are told that over £7 is demanded. There are also indications in London of firmness in the better quality of Quebec pine, and there is no doubt that the present stock is inadequate. The mere fact of shippers offering merchants very considerable sums to cancel unfulfilled contracts shows the healthy position. A considerable portion of the stock on hand is composed of red pine, which by no means take the place of white pine from the St. Lawrence." On the other hand, we read in the Timber News that Canadian spruce prices are a shade easier. Third quality deals are procurable at £9 5s per standard in the docks, with seconds at 5s advance, whilst the Quebec and Montreal shippers are accepting £8 5s for October-November shipping.

STOCKS AND PRICES.

The S. Hadley Lumber Company, of Chatham, Ont., recently purchased 400,000 feet of lumber from J. & T. Conlon, of Little Current.

The steamer Kingstonian sailed from Quebec last week for the United Kingdom, with 500 standards of deals and 4,270 bales of wood pulp.

Timber berths were sold at the Crown Lands office, Fredericton, N.B., last week as follows: Two miles on Little River,

Sunbury county, to Andro Cushing & Company, at \$51 a mile; two miles in the parishes of Simonds and Wilmot, Carleton county, to the applicant, James K. Fleming, at upset price of \$8 a mile.

The Manchester City last week took on 1,000 loads of timber, 150 standards of deals, and 100 tons of pulp, and completed loading at Montreal.

The barque Loreto is loading lumber at St. John, N.B., for Buenos Ayres. The barque Dilbur is taking in deals at same port for the Mediterranean.

Cochran & Soley have secured an option on the Hatfield and Smith timber property at Fox River, N.S. It consists of about 5,000 acres of timber land, for which \$50,000 is asked.

The Bangor Commercial says that there is little chance that the West log drive will reach the booms in time to be rafted this fall. It is feared that 30,000,000 feet will be hung up.

The steamer Glen Head arrived a fortnight ago at Cork, Ireland, with a cargo of lumber from the mills of the Gravel Lumber Company, of Etchemin, Que. It consisted of 500 standards of planed boards and 150 standards of deals.

It is reported that James Playfair, of Midland, Ont., purchased the township of

Levack at the recent Ontario timber limit sale for the Saginaw Lumber & Salt Company. The township is estimated to contain about 45,000,000 feet of timber.

A correspondent at Albany, N. Y., writes: All thicknesses of good lumber are very scarce and prices have been advanced from \$3 to \$5 per thousand. Summer lumber remains about the same. At a meeting of the pine dealers on the 23rd, 1 to 1 1/2-inch uppers were put up to \$70 and \$5 down, and thick uppers to \$75 and

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