

TRADE REVIEW.

TORONTO.

From Our Own Correspondent.

The retail trade is fairly active with room for improvement. Car lots are somewhat slow in moving as builders are chary of purchasing more than will supply their immediate wants. The strike of the carpenters along with that of the plasterers, lathers and plasterers' laborers, have somewhat unsettled trade. Prices remain firm and are on the whole well maintained—very little cutting being done. Dry lumber is fast disappearing. Our market is almost omnivorous, nearly every description of lumber finding a buyer.

What is badly required in this city are extensive piling ground affording every facility to the lumberman in the handling of his lumber, and to which mill men can ship stocks to be sold on commission. The growth of Toronto in the past and its present rapid strides warrant such an undertaking. In a few years the very limited piling ground now afforded by the R. R. Co.'s, will be required for other purposes than piling lumber, and unless a district be set apart for lumber, our lumber dealers will find themselves hampered in their endeavors to transact business. The present very slow handling of lumber along the Esplanade prevents the R. R. Co.'s from getting greater use of their rolling stock, as well as causing a hindrance to traffic generally. At the present time there are in Toronto over 600 cars of merchandise of all kinds under load, some of which have been standing since May. Officials from Montreal are making enquiries as to the cause of detention. They are not difficult to find. Limited space at the disposal of the R. R. and an ever increasing traffic. In the interests of the lumbermen, the railroads and the city at large, lumber must leave the Esplanade and go elsewhere.

The following are present prices:

Mill cull boards & scantling	\$10 00	Dressed stocks	16 00@18 00
Shipping cull boards, promiscuous widths	12 00	Picks Am. Inspection	30 00
Scantling and joist, up to 16 ft	13 00	Three uppers, Am. Inspection	40 00
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The following are the quotations of the yards here:

Mill cull boards and scantling	8 00 to 10 00	11 flooring, rough	16 00 to 18 00
Shipping cull boards, promiscuous widths	10 00 to 12 00	11 flooring, dressed	18 00 to 20 00
Scantling and joist, up to 16 ft	13 00	11 flooring, dressed	20 00 to 22 00
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MONTREAL LUMBER MARKET.

MONTREAL, 25th June, 1887.

Trade in Montreal since last report has generally been active, and some large lines, principally for export account have changed hands. Contractors have also been extensive buyers as a large amount of building is likely to continue all summer. Dealers here have enough to do to fill all their orders; in fact they have some difficulty in doing so on account of short stocks. Prices in this market are still steady, but advices from Ottawa are strong, and the advance that has taken place at the mills of some kinds of lumber will likely be felt here before long.

Last season of navigation opened very favorably, the arrivals from sea exceeding those of 1885, as did the exports generally. Pessimists predicted that the figures of 1886 would hardly be reached this year, but already the shewing is an excellent one, as will be seen from the following statement:—

Statement of ocean tonnage from the opening of navigation, up to and including June 1st, arriving at the port of Montreal:—

	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.
Steamships	82	139,708	61	111,105
Barks	10	6,593	7	5,759
Brigs	—	—	4	1,299
Totals	92	146,301	72	118,163

The shipments from the port of Montreal up to date include 11,000 deals, and 750,000 feet of sawn lumber, as against about 5,000 deals and 1,500,000 feet of lumber for the corresponding portion of last year, the freights on which are quoted at \$11 to \$11.50 per M. to South America, and 40s. to 47s., 6d. per standard to the United Kingdom.

The following are the quotations at the yards here:—

Pine, 1st quality, 100 00@10 00	B. st. run of log culls	10 00@20 00
Pine, 2nd quality, 100 00@9 00	Oak, 1st, 100 00@10 00	40 00@50 00
Pine, shipping culls, 100 00@8 00	Walnut, 1st, 100 00@10 00	60 00@100 00
Pine, 4th quality deals, 100 00@7 00	Cherry, 1st, 100 00@10 00	80 00@100 00
Pine, mill culls, 100 00@6 00	Butternut, 1st, 100 00@10 00	35 00@40 00
Spruce, 1st, 100 00@10 00	Birch, 1st, 100 00@10 00	30 00@40 00
Hemlock, 1st, 100 00@10 00	Hard maple, 1st, 100 00@10 00	25 00@30 00
Ash, run of log culls	Lath, 1st, 100 00@10 00	1 50@2 00
out, 1st, 100 00@25 00	Shingles, 1st, 100 00@10 00	2 00@3 00
	Shingles, 2nd, 100 00@10 00	2 50@3 00

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Three uppers	\$10 00@37 00	No. 2, 5-4	\$ 1 80
Pickings	36 00@37 00	No. 1, 4-4	1 50
Cutting up, No. 1	26 00@27 00	Cedar, 4-4	1 70
Cutting up, No. 2	18 00@20 00	Pickets, 5 4 x 5-1 4	
Dress-1	10 00@21 00	No. 1	14 00@15 00
No. 1 Culls	10 00@17 00	1x3 4, No. 1	19 00@20 00
No. 2 Culls	13 00@14 00	1x3 4, No. 2	10 00
Slidings, selected, 1 in	31 00@33 00	1st a d 2nd black ash,	
1 1/2 in	33 00@41 00	1 in	23 00@25 00
Mill run, 1x10, 13 to 16 ft	10 00@22 00	5-4 and thicker	24 00@26 00
Dressing and better	25 00@27 00	Culls	10 00
1 x 10 shipping, culs	10 00@17 00	Basswood, selected 4-4	
Mill run, 1 1/2 in. strips	15 00@18 00	and 5-4	20 00@22 00
Selected	32 00@34 00	Strips select d 4-4 and 5-4	10 00@18 00
1x6 selected for cleat boards	32 00@34 00	Culls, 4-4 and 5-4	11 00@12 00
Clear cut cedar shingles, 18 in	2 70@2 50	Birch and maple 1st and 2d	23 00@25 00
Shingles, XXX, 18 in pine	3 00@3 20	Molding strips, 8x1 1/2 x 1 1/4;	
XXX 18 in Cedar	3 00@3 25	80 per M. pieces	
XXX 18 in Cedar	2 90@2 40	Door panels, 6 in., 1 in p r doors	
		7 in h do 16c	
		Blind sats, 2x2 1/2, 6c per M. piece	