

Saginaw Valley.

The *Lumberman's Gazette* says the market continues active and sales of good round lots at market rates are of daily occurrence. Confidence in the maintenance of present prices is unshaken, no reason appearing why there should be a decline. The supply of the finer qualities of lumber is limited and sales of coarser stock are more frequent. Among the sales reported are 1,500,000 at \$7.50, \$14 and \$35; 1,200,000 foot coarse at \$6.50, \$13 and \$32; 2,000,000 foot good stock at \$7, \$14 and \$33; 1,000,000 foot at \$8 straight; 700,000 foot at same figure; 500,000 foot at \$7.25, \$14.50 and \$35; 2,000,000 foot coarse at \$6.50, \$13 and \$30; 500,000 foot at \$7.50, \$15 and \$35; 1,230,000 foot coarse at \$9 straight. Several other sales at about the same range of prices have been reported, but these are sufficient to show the range of prices.

The slight change in prices at Chicago will have no effect on this market. The eastern and Ohio demand keeps this market steady.

Shingles are in good demand and the supply is not large. Sales have been made at \$1.95@2.10 for clear butts and \$2.95@3.10 for XXX. Some dealers give quotations at \$1.95@2.15 for clear butts and \$2.95@3.15 for XXX, but we hear of no sales at the outside figures.

Lake freights remain the same as previously quoted, namely \$2.50@2.75 to Chicago and Ohio ports; \$3.00@3.25 to Buffalo and Tonawanda, the outside figures from Saginaw, inside from Bay City.

The shipments the past week have been over 20,000,000 feet of lumber, 6,000,000 shingles, 1,473,000 hoops, 229,400 staves and 500,000 lath. The shipments are over 100,000,000 feet behind last season.

General quotations here are:—

Shipping culls.....	3 0 50 3 00
Common.....	13 00 18 00
Three uppers.....	32 00 38 00

Tonawanda.

The season is now fairly opened, the harbor being dotted with daily arrivals of incoming western craft, lumber laden. The arrivals of pine for the week have footed up: From Bay City, 3,976,000 feet; from East Saginaw, 700,000 feet; from Au Sable, 470,000 feet; total, pine, 5,146,000 feet; oak, 151,000 feet; shingles, 1,500,000. Lake freights have been \$3, as reported last week in anticipation. Several have expressed their determination to hold off a little, being sanguine of a decline, expecting to pay \$2.50, or thereabouts. The ice is now all out of the lake and river, and there are no obstructions to navigation. Wind and weather have been very favorable up to date.

Dealers report sales as only moderately brisk, corresponding in this respect with reports from all quarters, on account of spring work in all other departments, somewhat diverting the attention of consumers. Jobbers are waiting for the stocking up of Tonawanda yards, which is now preeminently in order, after a long winter's siege upon the piles. Another week will place the yards in much better shape to fill orders than they have been during the past two months. Prices still rule firm, and we hear of little if any dropping. The manufacturers having held firm, there seems to be no alternative for dealers to do otherwise than follow suit or lose. Present indications would seem to settle the outlook for the spring trade here, viz.: that prices will vary but little indeed.

We quote railroad freights as follows:—

Tonawanda to Boston or New England points, per ton.....	\$3 60
New York and Hudson river points.....	3 00
Jersey City, Newark, etc.....	3 00
Philadelphia, Baltimore, Wilmington, etc.....	3 00

CARGO LOTS—MICHIGAN INSPECTION.

Three uppers.....	\$33 00 43 00
Common.....	17 50 20 00
Culls.....	11 50 12 60

Duluth.

YARD QUOTATIONS—CAR LOTS.

Finishing lumber, 1 to 2 in.....	\$30 00 40 00
Flooring, dressed.....	16 00 30 00
Siding.....	15 00 18 00
Common boards.....	10 00 11 50
Scantling, 2x4.....	12 00
Timber and joists, according to size.....	11 50 17 00
Shingles.....	2 00 3 00
Lath.....	1 75

THE Montreal *Gazette* quotes deals to Liverpool at 60 shillings, and lumber to South America at \$13@15 per 1,000.

Liverpool.

On Friday, April 29th, Messrs. Farnworth & Jardine offered by auction one cargo of St. John, N.B., spruce deals, about 20,000 Quebec pine deals, about 4,000 pieces of St. John, N.B., and Richibucto pine deals, with spruce boards, &c.

The attendance was limited to the local dealers, the country buyers, who usually form a good proportion, being conspicuous by their absence, and the competition for the spruce was of the most languid kind.

The auctioneer went through the catalogue twice, but £6 15s. being the highest bid for any lot, the entire cargo of spruce was withdrawn. A parcel of 2-in. Quebec pine deals, 1st quality, was likewise withdrawn, £15 15s. being the highest offer, but at that price two lots of 2nd quality, 3 in. wide, 9 to 12 ft. long, found buyers. For 3rd quality there was more competition, and one consignment sold readily.

	Per standard.	£ s. d.
16 ft. 3x11	9 17 0	
13 " 3x11	6 11 0	
12 " 3x11	7 6 0	9 10 0
9 to 12 " 3x7 to 10	8 10 0	
13 " 16 " 3x12 " 22	10 2 0	

The St. John, N.B., pine deals were withdrawn, only £6 12s. 6d. being offered for them, and £6 2s. 6d. for the spruce boards, which also were taken in again.

A cargo of Halifax spruce deals, just arrived, sold at an average of £6 15s., and 800 to 900 logs of birch from same vessel at an average of 13½d.

Glasgow.

On the 3rd of May, Messrs. Allison, Cousland & Hamilton, brokers:—

Halifax, N.S., birch timber, 600 logs, 14 to 15 in. average, sold at 1s. 2d. to 1s. 3½d. per cub. ft., string measure.

Halifax, N.S., spruce deals—	per c. ft.
16 to 23 ft. 15 to 19x3 1s.	
15 " 25 " 12 " 14x3 11½d.	
9 " 21 " 12x3 11½d.	
9 " 20 " 11x3 11d. to 1s.	
12 " 23 " 10x3 11½d. & 11½d.	
9 " 11 " 10x3 10½d.	
12 " 20 " 9x3 11½d. to 11½d.	
9 " 11 " 9x3 10½d.	
12 & 16 " 18 " 8x3 10½d.	

Halifax, N.S., spruce deals—

Do. spruce battens—	per c. ft.
10 to 16 " 7x2 9½d.	
Do. scantlings, 10 " 13 " 6x3 9½d.	
Do. deal ends, 5 to 8 ft. long, 8½d.	
Do. " 3 and 4 ft. long, 8½d.	

Quebec pine, described as having got somewhat discoloured on board the vessel—

Doals, 2nd—	per c. ft.
9 to 19 ft. 3x3 1s. 2½d.	
Do. 3rd 0 " 12 " 9x3 1s. 1d.	
Planks—12 " 13 " 6x6 1s. 0½d.	
0 " 11 " 6x6 11d.	
0 " 8 " 6x6 9d.	
Board—12 " 10x1 1s. 1d.	
12 " 4 to 10x1 11d.	

THE TRENTON FIRE.

TRENTON, May 19.—Gilmour's mill, which was burned yesterday, was built in 1852, and has consequently stood for 29 years and during that time not a single conflagration of any magnitude occurred until yesterday. At one time no one had the slightest hope that any part of the mill could be saved, as the woodwork beneath the tin roof was all in a blaze, and the fire was raging among the machinery on the second floor, but the large force of men present, and several gentlemen from West Trenton, including the Mayor and firemen, determined to get control of the fiery element and worked with unflagging energy, some of them standing on the second floor in the very midst of the fire, doing their best to subdue it with buckets and hose.

On account of the tin roof no sparks flew, and consequently no damage was done to the lumber piles, although some of them were within 60 feet of the mill.

After the fire it was ascertained that not nearly as much damage was done as was at first anticipated, and it is now thought that the loss will be covered by the insurance, \$75,000. All the boilers are intact, and only one of the engines damaged slightly by the roof falling in on it.

Mr. Gilmour left town yesterday for Quebec, it is said to confer with the other members of the firm with regard to the immediate rebuilding of the mill. In the meantime the new mill will be run night and day and employment will be given to a large number of hands preparing to rebuild.

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