

Company, an English firm, in which they state that they are desirous of purchasing box shooks in Canada.

We understand that J. R. Booth, of Ottawa, will not operate this winter to any extent on the Mississippi branch of the Madawaska river.

The probable cut of logs in the Algema district during the coming winter will be about 100,000,000 feet. There is more activity in this district than last year.

A raft of timber from the Georgian Bay arrived at Saginaw last week for the Saginaw Lumber & Salt Company. It is the largest ever taken from Canada, containing 120,000 pieces, and scaling 6,360,000 feet. The logs were cut on Indian reserve lands on Whitefish river.

Hemlock has lately been selling in the Chicago market between \$8.50 and \$9. Railroad ties are bringing from 35 to 40 cents in carload lots. Eight foot posts, 4 inches in diameter, are quoted at 12 cents, 5 inch at 14 cents, 6 inch at 17 cents, 7 inch at 20 cents, and 8 inch at 35 to 40 cents.

The superintendent of the Prince Edward Island Railway at Charlottetown, P.E.I., has invited tenders for the supply of 46,000 ties, 272 pieces of sawn hemlock, 5,000 cedar posts, 200 hemlock ties, 45,000 feet perlines, and about 225,000 feet of spruce and hemlock boards and planks.

The Rat Portage Lumber Co., of Rat Portage, Ont., have 4,000,000 feet of logs in the Rainy River which they purpose shipping to Winnipeg upon the completion of the South Eastern railway to that city. Daniel Hyland, of Rainy River, who has a timber limit at Willow Creek, Minnesota, will get out 3,000,000 feet of logs this winter, which will also be shipped to Winnipeg via the South Eastern railway.

Three timber berths were sold by the New Brunswick Government last week at the upset price of \$8 per mile, as follows: Prosser Brook, branch of Coverdale River and Sherman Settlement, two miles, to A. L. Wright; between Coverdale River and Turtle Creek on Albert railway, two miles, to A. L. Wright; head of Cam's River, 4 1/2 miles, to Wm. Richards & Co., Ltd.

Following is a comparative statement of timber measured and culled at Quebec up to 30th October, as reported by the Supervisor of Cullers:

Table with 3 columns: Species, 1898, 1899, 1900. Rows include Waney White Pine, White Pine, Red Pine, Oak, Elm, Ash, Basswood, Butternut, Tamarac, Birch and Maple.

At a recent sale held by Foy, Morgan & Company, London, England, Ottawa red pine sold at the following prices: 12-18 ft. 4 x 9 in. first quality, \$19 per standard; 12-13 ft. 3 x 11, \$20 15s; 13-18 ft. 4 x 9 second quality, \$16 10s; 12-18 ft. 3 x 11, \$16 5s; 12-18 ft. 3 x 9, \$15 5s; 15-18 ft. 4 x 9 third quality, \$14 10s; 15-18 ft. 3 x 11, \$14 5s; 12-18 ft. 3 x 11, \$14; 15-18 ft. 3 x 9, \$13 5s; 12-18 ft. 3 x 9, \$13 5s. Spruce deals from Dalhousie, N.B., brought \$9 for 12 ft. 3 x 9, and \$9 5s for 15-17 ft. 3 x 9. Some first quality pine deals from Quebec sold as follows: 13 ft. 3 x 12-25 in., \$20 5s; 12 1/2 ft. 3 x 11, \$19 10s; 7-16 ft. 3 x 11-25, \$20 5s.

MONTREAL LUMBER SHIPMENTS.

The shipments of lumber from the port of Montreal for foreign countries for the week ending October 27th were as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Shippers, Quantity and Description, Value. Rows include Grand Trunk Ry., Watson & Todd, J. Bursall & Co., R. Cox & Co., Grand Trunk Ry., C. P. R.

THE BOSTON MARKET.

There is a fair demand at Boston for spruce lumber, with the supply limited. The market is strong, and there is nothing to hinder prices being advanced except that the trade had enough of advancing prices a year ago, which resulted in nearly killing the demand. Now the principal spruce men seem to be satisfied to accept of a good trade at fair prices. In some instances, however, prominent lumber concerns are actually getting \$2 per thousand above quotations for certain grades of spruce lumber. Boards continue especially firm: Ten and 12 inch, dimensions, \$17; 9 inch and under, \$15; 10 and 12 inch, random lengths, 10 feet and up, \$16.50; 2x3, 2x4, 2x5, 2x6 2x7, and 3x4, 10 feet and up, \$13.50; all other randoms, 9 inch and under, 10 feet and up, \$15.60; 5 inch and up merchantable boards, \$15; matched boards, \$17 to \$17.50; out spruce boards, \$12; bundle furring, \$12.50.

Hemlock lumber continues firm, with offerings small. Boards are very firm. Canadian and eastern, \$13 to \$15; Pennsylvania, \$16 to \$17; boards, rough, \$12 to \$12.50; planed, \$13 to \$14.

White pine is firm, with the request fairly good: Uppers, 1 inch, \$56 to \$58; 1 1/2 to 2 inch, \$58 to \$60; 3 and 4 inch, \$68 to \$72; select, 1 to 4 inch, \$52 to \$64; fine common, 1 to 3 inch, \$45 to \$60; sheathings, \$38 to \$54; barn boards, \$28 to \$30; coffin boards, \$24 to \$26.

Hardwoods are steady in prices, with a fair trade. Whitewood is firmer and is selling better: 1 inch, whitewood, \$36 to \$38; thicker, \$38 to \$42; 3/4 inch, \$30 to \$33; saps, 1 inch, \$25 to \$30; common, \$23 to \$25; quar-

tered oak, \$65 to \$75; fancy, \$85 to \$95; plain oak, \$35 to \$45; ash, \$38 to \$45; cherry, \$90 to \$130; maple, \$30 to \$40; sycamore, quartered inch, \$40 to \$50; walnut, \$100 to \$130.

Shingles are dull, and the supply coming forward has been increased of late: Extra cedar, \$2.65 to \$2.75; clear, \$2.30 to \$2.40; second clear, \$2 to \$2.10; clear white, \$1.75 to \$2; extra, No. 1, \$1.50; Oregon, 16 inch, five butts to the inch, strictly clear, \$3.15; California red wood, \$3 to \$3.50.

Clapboards are unchanged because they are scarce. The demand is also small: Extra spruce, \$28 to \$30; clear, \$26, to \$28; second clear, \$24 to \$25; pine, extra, \$36 to \$38; clear, \$33 to \$37; second clear, \$28 to \$30; California redwood, clear, \$42.50 to \$45; second grade, \$40 to \$42.

Laths are doing better, with the market well sustained: One and five-eighths, \$2.65 to \$2.75; 1 1/2 inch, \$2.35 to \$2.50.

The steamer Crewe has been chartered to load deals at St. John, N.B., for w.c. England. E. D. Brownell, lumber dealer, Amherst, N.S., is announced to have assigned to A. T. Etter.

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