

Undoubtedly the open winter has helped to increase the consumption of building material, but there was certainly a big improvement in the volume of orders for white pine lumber and mill products in November and is still continuing. Prices, too, have been advancing, first on one item and then on another. Some kinds of white pine we find are in short supply: 12x12 No. 2 barn boards, for instance, no one seems to have. No. 3 shop has been picked up very fast and has advanced in price. The better grades of white pine have felt the impetus least. Door prices are too low. Export doors are selling for less money than for several years. Box business has increased in volume a little bit but has gone to the dogs so far as prices are concerned. The competition does not seem to be so much on account of other woods in boxes but our competitors are those using white pine and similarly situated. The cost of the raw material does not appear to cut any figure with the box man when he is bidding for business.

CANADIAN LUMBER SHIPMENTS.

From St. John, N. B.: Steamer Montcalm, for Bristol, 352,592 ft. deals, 3,847 ft. ends, 1,786 bds. shooks. Schooner Jennie C., for Boston, 120,000 ft. planks, 15,000 ft. boards. Schooner Ruth Robinson, for City Island, 2,027,800 laths. Steamer Concordia for Glasgow, 321,180 ft. deals, 8,785 ft. scantling, 7,938 ft. ends,

17,540 ft. pine deals. Steamer Corinthian, for Liverpool, 62,966 ft. deals, 8,084 ft. ends, 91,569 ft. birch plank, 1,459 ft. birch ends, 13 tons pine timber, 183 tons birch timber. Schooner J. L. Colwell, for Boston, 140,000 ft. spruce boards. Schooner Waccamaw, for City Island, 85,433 ft. scantling, 308,742 ft. deals. Schooner Harry Miller, for City Island, 344,951 ft. deals

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The shipments of lumber from Miramichi, N.B., during the season of 1904 were as follows:

	Sup. Ft.
F. E. Neale	39,000,000
Snowball Company	20,000,000
W. M. Mackay	11,000,000
D. & J. Ritchie & Company	11,000,000
E. Hutchison	8,000,000
G. Burchill & Sons	4,000,000
Damery & McDonald	1,500,000
	94,500,000

The Standard Lumber Company, Buffalo, has been succeeded by the Standard Hardwood Lumber Company, the management remaining the same.

NOTES.

The barque Lakeside has been chartered to carry lumber from Yarmouth, N. S., to Buenos Ayres at \$8.

About a month ago Sheriff Richards seized the mill and plant of the Sidney Lumber Company at Sidney, B.C., on behalf of a judgment creditor, Mr. Whitaker, of Vancouver, who had supplied the company with logs. Subsequently Mr. Beattie, of Seattle, entered a claim, whereupon the Sheriff threw the matter into court, and the mill was to have been sold on December 17th. The principal shareholders in the concern are Messrs. Moore and Cudabee, of Seattle.

The Mississippi Valley Lumberman says of hardwoods: "There is the usual amount of business current during the closing weeks of the year. The factory trade is still the predominating feature of the market. This, however, just now is slow, as the different concerns will not take on stock until after the inventories have been made and the policy of the new year decided upon. It is generally understood that the different manufacturing concerns are light in stocks. They will continue active operations close up to the holidays and the mid-winter close-down will not be of long duration. The furniture producers see an active year ahead of them. They say that production in their lines has not brought about an accumulation in any kind of stock. The present indications of business indicate that there

is to be an increased demand in all commodities, and that furniture will share in this prosperity."

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