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FIRES.

Dunn's saw mill at Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., has been burned. The dry kiln and lumber in the yard were saved. The loss is estimated at \$4,000.

The saw null at Pine River, owned by T. A. Burrows, M.P.P., of Winnipeg, was destroyed by fire a few days ago. The plant was a valuable one.

Charles Hershey & Co. have engaged in the commission lumber business in New York.

LUMBERMAN, Toronto, Canada Marshall N. Smith, planing mill operator, Buffalo, has filed a petition in bankruptcy. Liabilities, \$34,715.87; assets, \$30.065.84.

CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS. ONTARIO.

The severe weather of the past week has prevented an expansion of the lumber trade which might otherwise have occurred. Only lumber for immediate requirements has been moved, but this has been sufficient to represent a fair volume of trade. That a good spring business is anticipated by retail dealers is shown by the number of enquiries for stock for early delivery. This is evidence also that retailers are carrying very light stocks, and fear that these will not be sufficient to supply the demand. A feature of the year, judging from present indications, will be the large number of farm buildings erected. From all parts of the province comes the report that farmers are preparing for the building of dwellings, barns and other outbuildings, and that there is a liberal demand for the common and coarse grades of lumber. In the cities and towns considerable building is also being arranged for. Lumber of all kinds is showing more strength. The lower grades of pine are advancing in price, and hardwoods are particularly firm. Buyers are more numerous than for several years past at this season.

MANITOBA AND BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Many of the lumbermen of Manitoba have, within the past week, taken part in "bonspeil" at Winnipeg, and have the not given the usual attention to business. The annual meeting of the Western Retail Lumbermen's Association was held on the 8th inst., at which some important questions affecting the trade were discussed. It was decided to take no action looking to the adoption of a telegraphic cude and to the formation of a mutual lumber insurance association. The honorary members, who comprise the largest firms manufacturing for this market, pointed out that about 30,000,000 feet of lumber was brought in last year from the United States by the retailers of the province. This was looked upon as an injustice to the honorary members of the association.

The miles in British Columbia are busy with orders, and look forward to the season of 1899 as likely to witness a marked improvement both in demand and prices. It is reported that an order for 160,000,-000 feet has been placed with a provincial mill for timber for Chinese railways and naval posts occupied by Russia. The company are said to have been given six years in which to complete the contract.

Indications point to an unusually active demand for lumber in the United States as soon as the weathe shall permit of building operations and other outside work being proceeded with. Such industries as are not affected by weather conditions are operating to their full capacity, and are consuming no small quantity of pine and hardwood lumber. Stocks in all quarters are lower than for several years past, and consequently there are numerous enquiries in the market. Eastern wholesale dealers have purchased to some extent at northern manufacturing points, notwithstanding the high prices asked by holders. The seller is now in a position to dictate to the buyer, a condition which is in strong contrast with that which prevailed one year ago. Not only in pine and hardwood is the improvement noticed, but spruce, hemlock. and cedar are also showing more strength. Reports from the hardwood trade are a reiteration of what has been said in previous issues. Demand is in excess of supply, and buyers are willing to contract for almost any kind of stock.

UNITED STATES.

FOREIGN.

So far as can be learned, importers of Canadian lumber have not as yet met with much success in disposing of stock in the British market. For some reason, contracting has not been entered into as early as usual, although there is no reason to expect that the average quantity will not be marketed there. The consuming industries are in a prosperous condition, and stocks are gradually becoming reduced. There is a good demand for elm and ash timber, and prices are firm. Birch is improving, and the stock is light. Since the first of the year pine deals have shown more strength, and particularly first quality.

The Barbados market is heavily stocked with both spruce and pine, resulting in a weakening of prices. Supplies in the Australian market are also ample, and until the present stock is reduced, there will be little demand.

BUSINESS NOTES.

Victor Langis has established a sash and door factory at St. Luce Station, Que. Wm. L. Lawson, a lumber dealer of Philadelphia, is reported to have assigned.

A sash, door and planning factory at Ahmic Harbor, Ont , is offered for sale by the assignce, Geo. H. Clarke, of Orillia,

The balance of the assets of the estate of W. I. Storey, planing mill, Ottawa, have been sold.