LONDON, ONT.

From Our Own Correspondent.

JAN. 25. Your last issue of Jan. 16th did not contain a letter from me in consequence of my absence in Montreal. Since mine dated Dec. 22nd, a marked change has taken place in the lumber market here. Some time ago the merchants held a meeting to consider the advisability of advancing prices as a necessary result of scarcity and diminishing stocks, with little prospects of replenishing, and the result of this meeting was that prices were advanced about one dollar all round. Business cannot by any means be called brisk, in fact a quiet feeling provails, but notwithstanding all this, prices are maintained firm. All stocks from the base of supplies are getting very low. Samia market has been higher for a considerable time, and Goderich has also advanced; both of these places are supply markets for much of the lumber coming here.

The lumber contract for the new wholesale block has been let to Messrs. Green, and building is proceeding.

Unless we have a good, long spell of cold weather, and an abundance of snow, such as we now have, prices are not likely to show any de-

I intended giving you a data of our lumber market for the past year in this letter, but will have to defer it, and if possible give it in my

The prices ruling at present are:-

QUOTATIONS. Mill cull boards and scantling \$11 00 Shipping cull boards, promiscuous widths. 12 00 ... 10 and 12 in. stocks. 12 50 Common boards, promiscuous widths. 14 00 Scantling and joist, up to 16 ft. 15 00 ... 18 ft. 15 50 ... 20 ft. 16 50 ... 22 ft. 17 50 ... 22 ft. 17 50 Common stocks 15 00 Common stocks 15 00 Common 2 in. plank 16 00 Cutting up plank and boards 19 00 Cutting up plank and boards 18 00 Cutting up plank and boards 18 00 Cutting up plank and boards 19 00 cound dressod and inatched flooring 21 00 inch dressod and inatched flooring 21 00 XXX sawn shingles, \$\frac{1}{2}\$ M 3 00 Lathers 1000 feet 55565 00 QUOTATIONS.

BRACEBRIDGE.

From our own Correspondent.

BRACEBRIDGE, Jan. 19th, 1882.-Since my last things have changed some; we have now about six inches of snow with plenty of frost, and the hauling could not be much better. Every one is rushing in teams, and no doubt there will be a large quantity of logs and timber hauled this month. Teams have been very scarce and wages high, \$1.75 to \$2.00 per day. and the demand is not more than half satisfied yet; but they are coming in new. David Moore, from Walkerton, went in this week to commence operations in the township of Mc-Konkey, on French River, on one of the berths sold at the recent sale. He will build a mill at the mouth of the French River in the spring. I believe that he is the only operator so far in that portion of the recent sale. I noticed an article in your last by Mr. Little. He is evidently writing about what he knows nothing. There is no fear of the lumber supply being exhausted in twenty years, nor in forty. He says that the Government three years ago sold 34 townships, the last they possessed. How does it come that last December they again sold 18 townships, and they have plenty to sell yet? The north shores of lakes Huron and Superior have been very little worked yet, and it is principally a pine country, except where the fires have destroyed it. There is no use trying to mislead; we have plenty of timber.

ST. JOHN, N. B.

From Our Own Correspondent.

making up a lumber report at a shipping port demand in the spring.

able circumstance we have to report at the present time is that we have had several snow falls recently, which were greatly needed. The snow being now of moderate depth, and having fallen very evenly, the facilities for teaming in all directions are all that can be desired, causing a very agreeable change in the movements of all winter occupations.

OUR HARBOR.

Doubtless some of the resslers of the LUMBER-MAN are not aware that the harbor of St. John is never obstructed by see in the least degree, which is more than can be said of any other harbor on the Atlantic coast, from Baltimore to the North Pole, -we do not say "both inclusive," as our knowledge of the latter place is rather too limited to enable us to speak authoritatively so far as it is concerned,—the open water extending some two miles up the river. This circumstance is a very important one as bearing upon the question of a winter port, now being agitated throughout the Dominion.

Another very important peculiarity of our harbor is the great rise and fall of tide (between twenty and thirty feet), which could be exten sively utilized in the shipment of grain cargoes, dispensing with elevators, if not altogether, at least with any such structures at all approaching the magnitude of those required in other places.

We would carnestly press these features of our harbor upon the consideration of the Gov ernment, the C. P. R. Company,-of all people in Canada, indeed,-in discussing the subject of a Canadian winter port, in connection with the trade of our great North West, which is now a burning question. Any manifestation on the part of the "nowers that be" in favor of a foreign port in this connection would cause a commotion in these Maritime Provinces not easily allayed.

PREIGHTS.

The freight market is easier, the latest transaction being at 60s. for Dublin, or a port on the west coast of England. Very few transactions in deal charters may be looked for during the next two months.

SHIPMENTS. The shipments of deals and other sawn lumber

ILO SE TOTTO M.D.	
For Europe	2,295,000 Sup. feet.
" Africa	1.188,000
" Australia	. 637,000 "
" United States	. 1,353,000 "
" West Indies	. 579,000 "
The number of sugar box s	hooks shipped for

Cuba is as follows :--

SHIPPING.

The following is a list of the vessels in port, with their tonnage and destinations:-

Etta Stewart, 787, Liverpool. Scuvenir, 828, Livernool.

Gettysburg, 1,015, Adelaide, for onlers.

Templar, 778, Liverpool, Barrow or Bristol Channel.

Torryburn, 447, Jamaica.

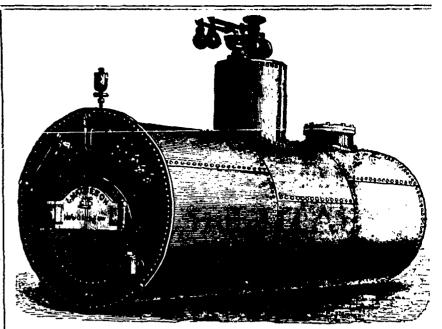
Memory, 409, Spain.

Athlow, 539, Bristol Channel.

Themis, 975, Liverpool, Barrow, Bristol Channel or Dublin.

BOSTON.

JAN. 21 .- The Journal of Commerce says the market is still a very good one, and remarkably so for this time of year. Holders of stock are masters of the situation and name their own prices in every case. Arrivals are now beginning to be less frequent, and stocks (especially of the finer grades) are getting pretty low in most of the yards. Dealers at productive points are refusing future contracts, except at advanced rates. At the west there is quite a scarcity of dimension stock in flooring strips. In Chicago it is not an uncommon occurrence for sales of 100,000 feet in one lot to be made at regular list prices. The general opinion seems to be that the price of lumber will materially advance by the coming of spring, if not before. It is a well known fact that the supply to draw from has never been lower than at present, and that the amount of stock on hand in most of the yards is small. When these facts are considered it is plain that they point pretty strongly to higher prices, and dealers are making money if Jan. 21.—From the very nature of things they hold on to their lumber. Hardwoods are we cannot expect to have much to record in as firm as ever, with indications of an improved



CANADA PINE.

ALBANY.

JAN. 20. -Quotations at the yards are as follows:—

Pine, clear, y M	55	00.363	90]
Pine, fourths	48	00@58	00
Pine, selects		00(a53	
Pine, good box	19	006421	
Pine, 10-in, plank, each		39(d00	
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Pine boards, 10-in		26(400	
Pinc. 10-in, boards, culls	00	18(400	19
Pine, 10-in. boards, 16 ft., * M	25	00@30	00
Pine, 12-in. boards, 16 ft		00(x30	
Pine, 12-In. boards, 13ft	26	00(428	00
Pine, 11 in. siding, select		00K4U	
Pine, 11-in. siding, common	15	00ut18	00
l'inc, 1-in. siding, select	40	00ct42	00
Pine, inch siding, common	16	00(419	00
Spring boards each		00000	
Spruce, plank, 11-in., each		000100	
Spruce, plank, 2-in., each		00ta00	
Spruce, wall strips, cach	Õ	11000	12
Hemlock, boards, each	00	00(100	13
Hemlock, Joist, 4x6, each		000100	
Hemlock, joist, 21x4, each		004100	
Hemlock, wall strips, 2x4, each		00/7/00	
Ash. wood. 33 M		00440	
Ash, second quality, & M		00ct30	
Cherry, good, № M		000170	
Cherry, common, & M		00cr35	
Oak, good, 30 M		00crt43	
Oak, good, & M	20	00(125	
Basewood, P.M	22	00ca 25	
Hickory, & M		C3/440	
Maple, Canada, WM		00xt30	
Manle, American, per M		00:423	
Maple, American, per M Chestnut, & M	35	00/140	
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" Colar XXX	ŏ	0020 4	
" hemlock	õ	0060 2	
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Lath, spruce,		0000 1	
Lath, pinc.		00kg 2	
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CHICAGO.

JAN. 18 .- The stiffening of the weather, and the resulting improvement of the reads in the country, has had an effect on trade, and a considerable increase in orders and movement of lumber is noticeable, the shipments for the last week exceeding those of the preceding one by about 1,000,000. This may be taken as an indication of a coming improvement of considerable proportions, if the weather continues favorable. The facts that generally stocks in country yards are low, and that country dealers report a very satisfactory trade for the time of year, go to encourage wholesale holders of lumber to hope that February will be a good month for busi-

The feeling in regard to prices was never stronger. Holders of lumber are not forcing sales, but are content to let trade take its course. The prevailing opinion is that lumber is making

a profit as it lies in the pile, and it is sufficient to sell it when it is called for, without using any urgency.

Receipts and shipments of lumber and shingles for the week ending January 19, 1882:

EBCRIPTS.

Lunder. Shingles. Lumber. Shingles.
1882...3,058,000 1,630,000 18,634,000 7,010,000
1881...4,962,000 1,405,000 13,371,000 7,512,000 Receipts and shipments of lumber and shingles from January 1 to January 19, 1882,

Inclusivo:

RECRITS.

Lumber. Shingles.

1882....10,440,000 5,615,000 40,378,000 20,815,000
1881....10,333,000 3,470,000 36,274,000 20,292,000

The receipts for the season also embraced 104,499,000 lath, 2,846,340 codar posts, 3,205,560 railroad ties, 33,055 cords of wood, 22,549 cords of slabs, 29,702 cords of tau bark, 86,993 telegrapu poles, and 25,118 piles.

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