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CANADIANS BLAMED.

A Sandusky paper, referring to the low price of slack-barrel cooperage stock, places the blame on Canadian dealers. It says: Low prices is the cry among the slack-barrel cooperage manufacturers. And why the cause? Our belief is, the Canadians are supplying the market. We know it to be the fact that Canadian manufacturers have agents located at Minneapolis, and if an American firm offers cooperage there, he is at once underbid by these agents. Canadian firms have in store at Sandusky probably not less than 6,000,000 staves, and have put in here, by water, we think, not less than 12,000,000 this year. From here they shipped them by rail to wherever they can find a market. All this certainly goes a long way toward reducing prices. The tight-barrel coopers are more fortunate.

COLONIAL TRADE.

Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, Colonial Secretary, has sent a despatch to the governors of British colonies relative to the import of foreign goods, which is of interest in connection with the development of commercial relations between Great Britain and her colonies. He also asks for "a return of any products of the colony under your government which might advantageously be exported to the United Kingdom or other parts of the British Empire, but do not at present find a sufficient market there, with any information in regard to quality, price or freight which may be useful to British importers." This has an important bearing on the lumber trade.

CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS.

ONTARIO.

THE sale at such an early date of next season's cut of deals by some of the large firms is a remarkable feature of the market. Last year the coming cut was not contracted for till January, while this year it was sold the end of October and early in November. The disposal of such a large amount of timber still standing insures a certain amount of work for the woods and at the mills in the spring, and gives a degree of buoyancy and hope that is encouraging. The prospect of a good trade in board timber next season is favorable, as a large quantity of Canadian pine will be required for ship building in England, which is reviving, and for several new vessels which are to be built for the British navy. Trade is taking on the holiday quietness, and in manufacturing centers stock-taking is in order, so that buyers do not care to talk business till they see how they stand. It is not expected the past season will turn out to have been a very profitable one. On the Upper Ottawa the season so far has been favorable for operations. At the camps on the Kippewa there is about a foot of snow. In the Georgian Bay district, especially about French river, work is said to be impeded by heavy falls of snow. There is a depth of 2½ feet reported there. The roads are in bad order for hauling in many places because the snow fell before the ground froze up. There is no movement of stocks to report, and prices remain about the same.

QUEBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

Local demand in the province of Quebec, especially in the eastern townships, has diminished the amount of spruce shipped to the United States the past season. The local market in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia has not made such demands, and shipments have been on an enlarged scale, with the prospect of being still greater next year. Hence operations in the woods are active and will doubtless continue so throughout the winter should the weather be favorable. The demand in the eastern market keeps up well for this season, and good spruce, and hemlock too, sell freely. The poorer qualities are not wanted. The New England as well as the British market is in better condition than a month or two ago. Spruce is now quoted at Boston. Frames \$14.50 to \$15; yard random \$13.50 to \$14; boards \$1. and \$10; clapboards extra \$33 and \$32; clear \$30; second clear \$25; lath \$2 to \$2.15; shingles \$2.75, \$2.35 and \$1.75.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

A quiet time is expected till February, when spring orders will begin to materialize. Eight vessels are loading for foreign ports, but no new charters are reported. Local sales are of trifling amount. Following are latest quotations of Douglas fir for foreign shipment: Rough merchantable, ordinary sizes, in lengths to 40 feet inclusive, per M feet \$7; deck plank, rough, average length 35 feet, per M \$15; dressed T and G flooring, per M \$13; pickets, rough, per M \$7, laths, 4 feet 6 inch, per M \$1.50.

UNITED STATES.

Quietness in the market is the universal report from all parts of the country. Usually there is considerable distribution in December, this year there has been little. The demand in the east has been better than in the west. Buffalo and Tonawanda report good sales of white pine and hemlock. High grade white pine is hard to get, in coarse lumber the market is overstocked. The demand for yellow pine has fallen off, but the mill men are well organized and prices keep up. Hardwood is quiet. Factory consumers have stopped buying till stocktaking is completed. The prospect for next year is good.

FOREIGN.

There is little to report from the English timber market this week. Business is quiet and is not likely to revive till after the new year. There are some cargoes yet to arrive from the Baltic and Canada, and as stocks are unusually moderate, the arrivals are likely to command good prices. Swedish and White Sea goods are in competition for next year, but prices do not appear yet to be fixed, and dealers are feeling their way rather than going into actual transactions. Sweden is looking towards South Africa for a market also, and so may come into competition with the Pacific coast and other places which have already secured that trade. Already charters are being made for next season. Inquiries, with a view to fixing tonnage for through the season shipments are being made, and vessel owners are willing to close business on that basis at moderate rates. But such transactions are largely speculative, for there may be a considerable advance or decline in freights as the season advances. Time charters are being considered, a new form of freighting. It implies that the steamer is at the unrestricted disposal of the merchant within certain specified dates. This insures prompt delivery but necessitates extra responsibility on the

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