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PRODUCTION OF SQUARE TIMBER.

From information in our possession we are led to the conclusion that, if present arrangements are carried out, the production of square and waney timber the coming season will be equal to, or exceed, that of last winter. Owing to the uncertainty of the lumber market, we learn that some manufacturers who have heretofore confined their operations to lumber are this year turning their attention to square timber. We fear that this may result in a very heavy production and consequent overstocking of the market, as was the case last season. Already the Quebec merchants have lowered their quotations on small average waney pine, while ash and birch timber have all season been dull of sale in the British markets. The outlook for the timber trade is by no means sufficiently bright to warrant a heavy output, and we venture to predict that manufacturers will act in their own interests by curtailing production. Better to make a fair profit on a small output than to operate extensively and be compelled to dispose of your timber at a figure which barely covers the cost of production.

CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS.

ONTARIO

General satisfaction is expressed at the volume of the local lumber demand, and prices have strengthened considerably within the past few weeks. There are indications, also, that this demand will continue until quite late in the fall, as there are several works of construction that will be carried on until weather conditions shall cause operations to cease. Retail dealers in the smaller towns report a fair trade with the farmers and for local building operations. But unfortunately there is little activity in the United States trade. Some purchases of lumber are being made at good prices, but there is no volume to the business. In hardwood special stock is selling to American houses, and inquiries for elm and basswood are increasing. The one dollar duty on the latter wood seems to have had little effect in preventing importations. There is also more doing in shingles, prices on the other side having advanced to a point where the duty is little hindrance to trade.

QUEBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

Quietness rules in the Quebec timber market at the present time. Owing to the high freight rates and the weakening of the British market the stock of waney pine wintering at Quebec will be heavy, and in other classes of timber there will also be a considerable quantity carried over. Small average waney pine is in little demand, and a slight fall in wholesale prices has taken place, as will be observed by the quotations given on the fourth page. This is attributable to the heavy production of that wood last winter, resulting in overstocking the market. Birch and ash timber are also drugs in the English markets, the quantity manufactured for some years past being greatly in excess of the demand, and the only way to remedy this is for operators to keep down their production to the lowest possible point this winter. No new features of importance have developed in the spruce trade. The purchase by a Quebec firm of the 1897 cut of a Three Rivers manufacturer is recorded in another column. In New Brunswick and Nova Scotia it is difficult to give quotations, as there is practically no buying to report. Light shipments are being made to Boston, consisting chiefly of the larger sizes. Last week one cargo sailed from St. John for a British port, one for France and one for Buenos Ayres, and two vessels have just completed loading for Australia. From

information at hand we are still of the opinion that the cut of logs this winter will be greatly reduced as compared with last year.

MANITOBA AND BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The report of a healthy demand for lumber comes from Manitoba. The farmers are busy marketing their grain and making repairs to buildings. In British Columbia the lumbermen view with disfavor the winding up of the Pacific Pine Lumber Company, of San Francisco, which fixed the price of lumber on the coast. It is feared that unhealthy competition will follow, as the organization has done much to extend trade with foreign countries. Of local conditions there is little new to report. Most of the mills are running, and have large orders for building materials. The planing mills are particularly busy.

UNITED STATES.

The lumber trade of the east is still backward. Depending as it does upon a general improvement in manufacturing, and being but little benefited by the abundant crops in the west, the return to more prosperous business has been slow. The past week has shown some progress towards larger demand and better prices, but for some unaccountable reason retail dealers are not purchasing white pine lumber as liberally as might be expected. There is an apparent disposition to purchase only for immediate requirements, a policy which became very general during the late depression in the trade. The New England demand is growing, and some heavy purchases have been made by wholesalers in anticipation of good business. Buffalo has been anticipating better prices for some time, but it cannot be said that anything in that direction has been accomplished. General satisfaction at the outlook is expressed, and there are many dealers ready to buy. It is probable that Buffalo and Tonawanda will go into the winter with light stocks. Reports from Michigan tell of an improved market. In New York there is a better feeling, but dealers are of the opinion that it will be next spring before the full benefit of the improved conditions will be realized. The Boston market, so far as spruce is concerned, is quiet, and all efforts to advance prices have been without result. The furniture factories are busy, resulting in an active consumption of hardwoods. The distribution of hardwoods has shown a gradual expansion throughout the month, enquiries being for all classes of stock. Basswood

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