

pine lumber is decidedly stronger. At Kansas City a new list took effect on October 14, which made a general advance of about \$1 a thousand over the August list. Uppers were advanced from \$1 to \$2, Nos. 1 and 2 dimensions \$1, and all common lumber 50 cents. Similar action has been taken by the manufacturers in the vicinity of St. Louis. Hardwoods have likewise improved as the result of an increased volume of business. Plain white and red oak is still in very light supply and it is predicted that there will be no surplus of this class of lumber at least before next summer. There is a larger movement of basswood, but so far prices have not improved on account of a comparatively heavy stock. Soft elm is much enquired for.

Practically all varieties of shingles are exhibiting a stronger tone. Red cedars have advanced in the eastern markets from 10 to 15 cents, and white cedars have been benefitted slightly by an increased demand. The firm tone of the lath market has not been broken. There is a scarcity of white pine at Chicago as well as in the Lake Superior district. Eastern dealers have taken advantage of the situation and have advanced prices 10 cents during the past week. Nos. 2 are now selling in the Tonawanda market at \$2.85.

GREAT BRITAIN.

It is the general opinion that the next move in the British lumber market will be upward, but whether the improvement that has recently taken place will extend further at the present time is questionable. There is, therefore, a feeling against heavy purchases of lumber lest the expense of carrying the stock should be greater than the recovery in prices. In other words, buyers feel reasonably certain that prices will not be materially higher during the winter months. The past season has been so unsatisfactory that it is likely to influence buyers in their action towards the market next season. The tone at the present time is better than one month ago. A number of transactions in pine are taking place and holders seem satisfied that they will have no difficulty in disposing of their stocks at a profit. Spruce is again reported to be firmer. A sale was recently made at £6 10s c.i.f.

Liverpool for a cargo with about 60 per cent narrows and only a small percentage of 11 inch. From the shippers' stocks 3x9 inch third spruce is selling at £8 5s c.i.f. London, and from the dock stock at £9 per standard.

STOCKS AND PRICES.

The Seaman-Kent Company, of Meaford, Ont., are reported to have purchased 2,000,000 feet of maple lumber in Michigan, to be delivered at once.

J. D. McLean, Secretary of the Department of Indian Affairs, is asking for tenders until Friday, November 11th, for 25,000 cedar railway ties and 10,000 cedar posts which the Indians of Manitoulin Island are taking out during the coming winter, to be delivered on the shore of Lake Huron, also for 5,000 cedar ties and 10,000 cedar posts to be made by the Indians of Shesheganing Band.

Messrs. S. P. Musson, Son & Company's market report of October 8th contains the following particulars of B. Bados lumber condition: "We have to report the arrival of the schooner F. B. Wade, with 24,000 feet of merchantable and 67,000 feet of second quality white pine to our neighbors, which they placed to some dealers who were very bare of this at \$26.77 for former and \$21.77 for latter, but we do not think next arrival will do so well. The brigantine Dixon Rice from Weymouth, N.S., arrived on the 6th with 176,000 feet of shipping spruce, 17,000 feet second quality and 14,000 feet hemlock, for which we obtained \$22, \$19 and \$19 respectively. This has supplied present requirements, and with two cargoes which we advised in a previous issue as expected in a few weeks, we expect next arrival will meet with lower values. The steamer Oruro brought 1,608 bundles Laying shingles, principally clears and second clears, which had been previously contracted for. These with recent arrivals by the Success have supplied dealers, and the Bravo about due will bring further supplies of both Long Gaspé and Cedar Laying."

LUMBER PRICES AT LONDON.

Messrs. Churchill & Sim, London, England, held an auction sale of lumber on October 12th, at which the following

prices were realized for Canadian pine and spruce:

PINE.—Ex. Romford, from Quebec—9-14 ft. 3x10 in. 4th quality, £8 10s. per standard; 9-16 ft. 3x9 in., £8 10s.; 9-16 ft. 3x8 in., £8 5s.; 9-16 ft. 3x7 in., £8; 9-14 ft. 3x6 in., £7 5s. Ex. Everingham, from Miramichi, N. B.—14 ft. 3x9 in. 4th quality, dry, £6 15s. Ex. Milwaukee, from Quebec—6-16 ft. 3x11 in. unassorted red, £8 5s.; 9-16 ft. 3x7-8, £7 10s.; 12-15 ft. 3x7 in., £7 10s.; 12-15 ft. 3x8 in., £7 10s. Ex. Milwaukee, from Montreal—12 ft. 3x11 in. 2nd quality, £17 10s. Ex. Mount Temple, from Montreal—10-13 ft. 3x9-10 in., 2nd quality, £15 5s.; 9-13 ft. 3x7-8 in., £13 15s. Ex. Montezuma, from Quebec, 12 ft. 3x9 in. 2nd quality, £9. Ex. Obi, from Quebec—13 ft. 3x11 in. 3rd quality, £12 5s.

SPRUCE.—Ex. Loughrigg Holme, from Quebec—9-13 ft. 3x9 in. 1st quality, £9 10s. Ex. Evangeline, from St. John, N. B.—11 ft. 3x9 in. 1st, 2nd and 3rd quality, £7 5s. Ex. Sir John Lawrence, from Baie Verte, N. B.—9-16 ft. 3x8 in. unassorted, £6 10s.; 3-18 ft. 3x7 in., £6 5s. Ex. Carisbrooke, from Quebec—12 ft. 3x9 in. 3rd quality, £8 15s. Ex. Atbara, from Saguenay—16 ft. 3x9 in. unassorted, £9; 13-17 ft. 3x9 in., £8 15s. Ex. Cunaxa, from West Bay, N. S.—3-5 ft. 3x8-13 in. 1st, 2nd and 3rd quality, £6 5s.; 3-5 ft. 3x7 in. £5 5s.; 3-5 2 1/2 x7 in., £5 5s.; 8-18 ft. 1x6-7 in., £6 5s.; 8-18 ft. 1x5 in., £5 5s.; 7-18 ft. 1x4 in., £5 10s. Ex. Bernilla, from Quebec—6-8 ft. 3x9-12 in., £6 10s.; 6-8 3x7-8 in., £6. Ex. Nordboen, from Quebec—11-14 3x7 in. 2nd quality, £7 15s. Ex. Florence, from St. John, N. B., 10-17 ft. 3x10 in. 1st, 2nd and 3rd quality, £7 5s.; 3-8 ft. 3x7-9 in., £5 15s.; 6-21 ft. 2 1/2 x7-8 in. £5. Ex. Mount Temple, from Quebec and Montreal—9-14 ft. 3x9-10 in. 1st quality, £10 15s.; 10-14 ft. 3x8 in., £9; 9-16 ft. 3x9 in., £10 10s.; 9-14 ft. 3x8 in., £8 15s. Ex. Montezuma, from Quebec—12 ft. 3x9 in. 2nd quality, £9.

The Canadian Timber & Saw Mills, whose property at Trout Lake City, B.C., was recently seized by the sheriff, has been re-organized. The head office will be removed to Revelstoke and Mr. W. Cowan will be manager.

W. J. Pulling & Company, of Windsor, Ont., have shipped 3,000,000 feet of white pine deals to Glasgow, Scotland.

The sash and door factory of Robert McLean at Nash's Creek station, Restigouche county, N. B., was destroyed by fire last week.

The following lumber charters are reported: Steamer Lord Lansdowne, West Bay, N. S., to w. c. England, deals, 40s. November loading; steamer Cunaxa, St. John, N. B., to Bristol Channel, deals, 40s; barque San Giuseppe, St. John, N. B., to Rochefort or Bordeaux, 42s 6d.

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