

STAVES—The stocks of Standard and Punccheon are, the former M. 984 and the latter M. 1226, being a considerable reduction from last year; our markets have not experienced any great activity, notwithstanding a considerable quantity having been diverted to the Montreal market, but in view of only a moderate production during the ensuing winter, fair prospects seem to open themselves for the spring.

DEALS.—The almost total cessation of trade in sawn lumber between Canada and the United States, although it may be only temporary, has contributed unexpectedly to our supply this year; and a corresponding effect has been produced in our market; the stocks have however not increased as much as was at first thought, being of Pine 1,577,469 standard, and Spruce 569,210 standard, and from the fact of the attention of parties being now diverted from the production of saw logs until a more permanently satisfactory state of things may be re-established with our neighbors, no more than an average supply may be expected next season. A portion of the shipment in broad deals has been decidedly superior to any hitherto exported; Spruce has been dull of sale throughout.

FREIGHTS—Opened at 30s. to Liverpool, and £4 15s. for London, for deals, and continued much the same until midsummer, when a downward tendency set in, and at the close 27s. 6d. was paid to Liverpool, 28s. to Greenock, and £4 7s. 6d. for deals to London.

Referring you to the prices current and tables annexed,

We remain, your obedient serv'ts.

WOOD, PETRY, POITRAS & Co.

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