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TIMBER BERTHS

No 1th Shore Lake Huron

AT THE ROTUNDA, BOARD OF TRADE, TORONTO, ON

Wednesday, December 12th, 1901, at 2 P. M.

The undersigned has been instructed to offer for sale by public auction, at the above time and place (subject to the terms and conditions which will be produced at the time of sale), the following

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TOWNSHIPS III & 117

North Shore Lake Huron,

AT THE

Board of Trade Rooms, Toronto,

—ON—

Wednesday, December 18, 1901

AT 2 P. M.

The subscriber has been instructed to offer for sale, BY AUCTION, at the above time and place, and subject to the conditions which will be announced at the time of sale, the licenses for TIMBER BERTHS III and 117, on the NORTH SHORE LAKE HURON, and known as the Townships of

GOUGH AND DUNLOP

35 square miles each.

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CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS.

ONTARIO.

Our Ottawa correspondent tells of the feeling of confidence that is exhibited by the lumbermen of that district. It can truly be said that this optimism is not confined to the Ottawa valley, as the trade generally take a hopeful view of the outlook for pine lumber. The market is strong, although, as might be expected at this season of the year, the demand is not particularly active. There has been some searching around for twelve inch boards, which have been bought up for export, partly on account of an improved demand from South America. The buying of box lumber has also been more pronounced, but this has had no effect upon prices, as in this line there is no unusual scarcity of stock. The short supply exists in the upper grades.

Hardwoods are being bought by those who have studied the situation. Prices are now very low, as no advance of consequence has been made for some time. Lower prices, therefore, are not to be looked for, while an increase in consumption would have the effect of raising values. Stocks are not heavy excepting in the lower grades.

QUEBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

Prices of square and waney timber are unchanged. It is reported that a Hamil-

ton firm have sold their coming winter's production of square pine, but prices have not transpired. The trade generally do not expect that higher prices for square and waney timber will rule in the near future. The market for spruce is quite firm, with many enquiries for the best quality. A very satisfactory trade in clapboards and other thin lumber has lately been done with the United States. The upward movement in shingles has continued during the past week, and on Boston rate of freight extra cedars are now quoted at \$3.15 to \$3.25; clears at \$2.85 to \$2.95; second clears at \$2.35 to \$2.45; saps at \$2.10 to \$2.20, and extra No. 1 at \$1.75 to \$1.80.

There were shipped from St. John up to the end of September of this year 146,166,604 feet, as compared with 214,648,565 feet for the corresponding period of 1900. This is a decrease for this year of over 68,000,000 feet. Of the above quantity 15,732,720 feet were shipped to Australia, France, Spain, Africa, Italy and Portugal, and the balance to Great Britain.

UNITED STATES.

A slight falling off in demand is reported by wholesalers of northern pine, but when it is considered that the shipments from the Lake Superior district this year will show an increase of 15 per cent. over the previous year, it is not surprising that there should be a slackening up of business. Yet the pine market continues strong, with a probability of higher values for the better grades of pine, of which there is a decided scarcity. In Chicago, New York and other large cities the activity in building operations continues. Buffalo dealers report a very active trade. Our price list this week shows an advance of \$3 on uppers and \$1 on No. 1 cutting up stock, 1 1/4 and 1 1/2 inch thick. It has been found that there is a scarcity of both No. 1 and No. 2 cuts, and it is said that as high as \$36 and \$23 respectively has been offered. Box lumber is in fair demand. The firmness of spruce lumber is the feature of the eastern trade. It is scarce at producing points and manufacturers are finding difficulty in filling orders for immediate requirements. The hardwood trade is about as it has been throughout the fall, with a fair movement of stock but no particular snap to the demand. Common and cull white ash is a little higher in Buffalo. Maple flooring is much inquired for and scarce, and present conditions would warrant an advance in price. Shingles are in excellent request.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The tone of the British timber market is distinctly better. More confidence is shown than for many months past. Although Canadian pine deals are still in heavy stock, a slight improvement in values is reported. For first quality pine deals in 9 and 11 inch, the market is quite firm, while third and fourth qualities are plentiful and somewhat easier. Considerably advanced prices are being asked for spruce deals. A cargo from Cape Tormentine, N.B., has been sold to a Liverpool firm at £7 10s, and still higher prices are looked for before the close of the season. Prices of spruce on the west coast have advanced at least 20s. per standard within the past six weeks, although in the London market and on the east coast the competition from other whitewood has kept prices from advancing in the same proportion. It is thought that next spring will find the market short of 9 and 11 inch spruce deals. In London sales of Quebec deals were made last week at £9 15s for second quality and £9 2s 6d for third quality, and £10 per standard is predicted for February and March, 1902.

The import of square and waney timber during the month of October was light, but in most classes the stock on hand is still heavy. Inferior wood is a drug on the market, while best quality is in fair demand. Birch logs and planks have strengthened of late, as deliveries have been on a moderate scale and consumption very satisfactory.

CANADIAN LUMBER SHIPMENTS.

The following shipments of lumber, etc., from Canadian ports are reported since last issue:

From Victoria, B. C.: Str. Kama Kura, for Hong Kong, rough lumber, value \$353. Str. Braemar, for Hong Kong, rough lumber, value \$350. Schr. Forester, for Santa Rosalia, mining props, value \$1,398, and rough lumber, value \$219.

From Vancouver, B. C.: Ship Benj. Sewell, for Western Australia, 1,001,555 ft. rough fir, 270,000 laths, value \$9,487, by Robert Ward & Co. Tug Fearless, for United States, 268,000 feet cedar logs, value \$1,340, by M. Moran.

From Montreal, Que.: Str. Pretorian, for Liverpool, sailed November 1st, 99 bundles shooks, 321 bundles shooks, by Canadian Atlantic Railway; 3,507 pieces lumber, by E. H. Lemay; 9,254 pieces boards and deals, by Watson & Todd; 802 pieces boards and deals, by W. and J. Sharples; 2,071 pieces boards and deals, by McArthur Export Co.; 57,267 pieces boards and deals, by Robert Cox & Co. Str. Manchester Shipper, for Havre, sailed November 4th, 12,580 pieces pine boards, 6,934 pieces pine boards, by McArthur Export Co.; 29,132 pieces pine