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### WANTED AND FOR SALE

Advertisements will be inserted in this department at the rate of 15 cents per line each insertion. When four or more consecutive insertions are ordered a discount of 25 per cent. will be allowed. This notice shows the width of the line and is set in Nonpareil type, 12 lines make one inch. Advertisements must be received not later than 4 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday to insure insertion in the current week's issue.



### AUCTION SALE

OF

## Timber Berths

DEPARTMENT OF CROWN LANDS  
(Woods and Forests Branch),

TORONTO, November 1st, 1899.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, UNDER authority of Order-in-Council, TIMBER BERTHS as hereunder mentioned in the ALGOMA, NIPISSING and RAINY RIVER Districts, viz., the Townships of Howell, Foy, Harty, Lumsden, Ryan, and part of Moncrieff, in the District of Algoma; the Township of Norman, part of Canrool, Berth No. 4 Davis, and the north part of the Township of Widdifield, all in the District of Nipissing, and certain small areas in the District of Rainy River, will be offered for sale by Public Auction at the Department of Crown Lands, Toronto, at the hour of one o'clock p.m. on

Wednesday, the Twentieth Day  
of December Next

Sheets containing conditions and terms of sale, with information as to Areas, Lots and Concessions comprised in each Berth, will be furnished on application personally or by letter to the Department of Crown Lands or to the Crown Timber Offices at Ottawa and Rat Portage.

E. J. DAVIS,  
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

N.B.—No unauthorized publication of this advertisement will be paid for.

WANTED—Second Hand Lumber Timber. Give particulars and price. REID PROS., Hepworth Station, Ont.

FOR SALE 40,000 FEET DRY HEMLOCK, 2x6 inches, 12 feet. Write REID PROS., Hepworth Station, Ont.

WANTED—A quantity of second growth Hickory, only the tough, sound stuff taken. Address, THE MONTREAL COTTON CO., Valleyfield, P. Q.

WE HAVE 200,000 TO 300,000 FEET OF VERY good Beach Logs which we wish to cut to order. Signed, JOHN HARRISON & SONS Co., Limited, Owen Sound, Ont.

HAVE YOU ANY STOCK WHICH YOU WISH to sell? If so, make the fact known to probable buyers by placing an advertisement in this department. Address, CANADA LUMBERMAN, Toronto.

WANTED.

FOR JUNE, 1900 - 50 M FEET CUBIC FLAT Tamarac, 50 M feet cubic Round Flat or Square Pine, for which cash will be paid on delivery at Sorel, Que. For further particulars, address JAS. SHRYFARD & SON S rel, Que.

WANTED.

AN AUTOMATIC HEAD FURRING MACHINE. Must be in good running condition and cheap. Parties having one to dispose of may find a cash purchaser by addressing Geo. M. EVEREST, Arkona Basket Factory, Arkona P. O., Ont.

WANTED.

GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT OF OUR Sash, Door, Box and other Factories. Must be a thoroughly reliable estimator, able to place prices on all inquiries for special doors and interior finish. Send copy of references, with wages required. GEORGE & CO., Trenton, Ontario, Canada.

### BOX SHOOKS

ADVERTISER DESIRES TO COMMUNICATE with Saw Mills favorably situated to Montreal, Portland or St. John, to ship Spruce and Pine Box Shooks to Scotland. Apply CANADA LUMBERMAN office for name and address.

SAW MILL FOR SALE.

THIRTY-FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS BUYS Saw mill worth double this amount, if taken at once; 2 Boilers 120 h.p., Engine 100 h.p., Iron Saw Frame, Three Block Carriage, 3 good Saws, Double Edger and Trimmer good as new, Slash Chain, all in good running order, run this season; size of Mill, 30x 100 ft.; good Boiler House, Blacksmith Shop, House, Barn, etc.; 400 acres of good Birch and Hemlock, also thousands of acres of timber near by. For particulars, address ALLEN CRESSMAN, Berlin, Ont.

VALUABLE VIRGIN

### TIMBER LIMIT

FOR SALE BY AUCTION.

The undersigned has been instructed to offer for sale by Auction at the

QUEEN'S HOTEL, TORONTO,

at 8 p. m. on WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20th, 1899, subject to the conditions which will be announced at the time of sale,

TIMBER BERTH NO. 1, MONTEITH

(Being about 16 1/2 square miles), in the Parry Sound District.

This berth is one of the best in the province, and is very handy to operate. It is within 1 mile of Seguin Falls Station, on the Parry Sound Railway. The license includes all the timber on the berth. For maps and other particulars apply to

PETER RYAN, Toronto.

WANTED.

20 M FEET 3x10-16 NORWAY PINE—THOS. MYLES SONS, Hamilton, Ont.

WANTED 10 MILLION FEET OF SPRUCE or Red Pine Laths, 2 to 3 feet long, one inch wide by 3/8-inch thick. "GAMA," c/o CANADA LUMBERMAN

CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS.  
ONTARIO.

Navigation on the lakes is now practically closed, and the movement of lumber is confined to rail shipments. There is a steady trade doing in this way, as manufacturers and dealers have not yet caught up with orders placed in the fall, but which could not then be filled owing to an insufficient supply of cars. The open weather has also encouraged the demand. If any change in the situation should be reported, it is in the direction of higher prices and greater scarcity of low grade pine. The manufacturers are unable to meet the demand for box lumber, the supply of which has passed into the hands of wholesale dealers and box manufacturers, and by the latter the better grades are being purchased. There is a more plentiful stock of the upper grades, but on the whole it is many years since the yards have been so nearly cleaned out. These remarks apply alike to pine, hardwoods, shingles and lath. In the latter there is almost a famine, and in the Georgian Bay district those who have any stock are asking \$3.25 at mill for No. 1. Dealers in Toronto report numerous inquiries for basswood and ash lumber for shipment to the Eastern States.

QUEBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

Several transactions in spruce are reported to have taken place which show the strength of that lumber. It is understood that Messrs. H. R. Goodday & Co., of Quebec, have contracted for the cut of several mills, including the well-known Breakey stock, which represents about 15,000,000 feet. Messrs. Dobell, Beckett & Co., Burstall & Co. and W. & J. Sharples are also believed to have purchased several Quebec cuts, and on the whole business is progressing favorably. While the prices have been kept quiet, those who pretend to know state that they are considerably higher than last year's prices. This is probably true, as spruce has improved wonderfully of late in the British market. The Maritime province production has also been contracted for to some extent, according to reports, and at prices from three to four dollars higher than were paid for the past season's cut. The mill men are in unusually good spirits, and look forward to a busy year in 1900. Most of the shingle mills are closed down, and there are very few shingles to move. For cedar, the price for No. 1 quality is \$3.15 to \$3.25, taking Boston rate of freight.

UNITED STATES.

Although there has been a visible falling off in the demand for lumber throughout the Eastern States, the market does not seem to have weakened in the slightest degree. Retail dealers and consumers are acting on the theory that

prices will not advance during the winter months, and that in the spring there is a probability that values will be lower. The manufacturers and wholesalers, on the other hand, contend that, while there is no expectation of a further general advance, it is quite probable that some grades will be marked higher before spring. One point in favor of the maintenance of present prices is the fact that contracts are being placed for next season's cut at current quotations, which indicates a good deal of confidence in the future of the market.

Buffalo and Tonawanda wholesale yards are fairly well stocked with pine, though some grades, such as box, No. 2 and No. 3 cuts and uppers, are in lighter supply than usual, as the box makers have been buying very heavily. Cutting-up stock is very scarce in the Tonawanda market. Throughout the New England States pine is rather quiet, but there is a steady movement of spruce, which is unusually firm. In New York city the demand exceeds the available supply. Of 9 and 10-inch, 13 foot lengths, very little is to be had, and almost any price can be obtained. Spruce clapboards show little life.

In the hardwood market there has arisen an extraordinary demand for basswood, due to some extent to the scarcity of poplar and cottonwood. There is an easier feeling in elm and less complaint of scarcity of oak, but no prospect of lower prices.

FOREIGN.

The tone of the British wood market is very firm. For stocks on hand high prices are being asked, and most buyers are accepting them without a murmur, as indications point to still higher prices before next spring. Business for next year is promising. Some sales of spruce are recorded, but in pine there seems to be a disposition to wait in the hope that importers will weaken in their prices. But this can scarcely be expected except in the case of lumber for late summer or fall delivery, when there is a possibility that lower values will rule.

At London 1st quality spruce is selling at £10 10s., 2nd quality at £9 5s. to £9 10s., and 3x9 3rd at £9. At Glasgow Quebec white pine deals of first quality, broad dimensions, now sell at £26 2s. 6d. to £27 3s., which is an advance of about 10s. as compared with one month ago. Nearly every kind of square and waney timber has also advanced, as will be seen by the prices published in another column. Birch timber is wanted, and brings 1s. 7d. to 1s. 9d. per cubic foot for 14 and 15-inch average, and 1s. 11d. to 2s. for 16-inch.

PERSONAL.

Mr. F. B. Budgett, of the firm of Budgett Bros., timber importers, London, England, expects to arrive at the Queen's Hotel, Toronto, about the 14th inst., where he will remain for a few days for the purpose of giving lumber manufacturers and exporters an opportunity to call upon him. His firm acts as agents for, and also buy outright, all kinds of wood goods, both rough and manufactured.