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FOR SALE.

48 million feet white pine timber, 12 inches and up.
7 million feet red pine timber, 12 inches and up.
1 1/2 million feet tamarac timber.
1 1/2 million feet of spruce timber.
100,000 tamarac tie timber.
50,000 cedar tie timber.
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comprising 100 square miles on a tributary of the Ottawa river, good water, Province of Quebec, at \$110,000. Terms to suit purchaser.
Apply to
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FIRES.

The lumber and saw mill of Desy & Laouture, Sorel, Que., has been destroyed by fire.

The steam saw mill of Post & Henderson, a well-known Oswego firm, near Jayville, N.Y., valued at \$20,000, and employing 100 men, has been burned. No insurance.

The sawmill of Messrs George Dutch & Sons, Black Point, Restigouche, N. S., was burned a few days ago; no insurance. The firm will rebuild on a more extensive scale.

The planing mill of S. S. Cooper, at Clinton, Ont., was completely destroyed by fire last Friday. A quantity of finished stuff was also burned. The workmen lost their tools. Loss \$6,000. Insurance \$2,000. Mr. Cooper will rebuild at once. The new building will be brick and will be ready for work about Christmas.

FOR SALE.

Planing Mill

AND

LUMBER

THE ENTIRE PLANT OF E. & B. HOLMES, on Michigan street, this city, consisting of the machinery of complete

Planing Mill and Sash, Blind and Door Factory,

everything up to date and in good running order. A very low figure will be made to a quick purchaser, in order to close out the business immediately. Also in the same connection,

6,000,000 feet of Dry Lumber,

located at Buffalo where shipping and handling facilities are of the best. Also 20 horses and a number of waggons, making a complete outfit for a live lumberman. Will sell mill and lumber together or separate, but best figures will be given to a purchaser of the whole in a lump, as this property MUST BE SOLD AT ONCE.

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WALTER P. COOKE, Assignee,

107 White Bldg., Buffalo, N. Y.

SUPERVISOR OF CULLERS' OFFICE.

Comparative statement of timber, masts, bows, spars, staves, &c., measured and culled at Quebec up to 22 Oct., 1895:

	1893.	1894.	1895
Waney White Pine	2,460,441	2,749,028	2,658,882
White Pine	1,120,697	838,68	273,771
Red Pine	303,391	52,053	103,601
Oak	1,150,687	1,256,890	1,005,906
Elm	573,079	439,201	590,137
Ash	158,285	183,626	149,077
Basewood			659
Butternut	37	275	642
Tamarac	407	393	554
Birch & Maple	140,909	133,638	240,818
Masts & Bows			
spars			
Spars	—pieces	—pieces	—pieces
Std Staves	0.5.2.21		
W. I. Staves	15.6.7.20		
Br. Staves	2.0.1.11		

The business of the Sehl-Haste-Erskine Furniture Co., Ltd., Victoria, B. C., has been placed under the management of W. E. McCormick by the mortgagees, the Bank of British Columbia.

CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS.

ONTARIO.

THE condition of the market continues quiet and there is not the movement that shippers have been looking forward to for some time. From eastern Ontario we learn that there is a fair demand for thin lumber and there have been considerable sales of deck plank at good prices, but dimension timber is very slow in moving and few inquiries. Prices for building material, such as joists, etc., show a tendency to decline, and more activity in building is wanted to bring them up. In the west there is not much doing. Pine is inactive, but for hardwood there is a little better demand. Still stocks are moving slowly and prices are unsatisfactory. The shingle market is particularly dull.

QUEBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

Lumbermen in the New England States who visit Boston are disposed to restrict their operations the coming winter, which, if carried out, will be all the better for the eastern province spruce men. A curtailment of the supply should bring up prices, and a stiffening must also result from the fact that such large quantities of logs have been hung up in the streams by the low water. Those who have stocks on hand should be able to sell to so much better advantage. Advices from Boston tell us that the spruce market is looking up. Dealers say they can get better prices than during the days of the association. Spruce clapboards are in good request, and those who hold them want \$2 more than formerly. Scantling is also looking up. The good weather is giving a stimulus to building at Boston and other eastern cities, which all means a better demand for the spruce we possess. Unfortunately the low water on the St. John, and St. Croix, especially the latter, has seriously interfered with the output. But operations promise to be fairly active the coming winter and pulp wood will be in good demand.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The prospect in British Columbia for the coming season is good. Cash sales of goods in the retail trade have increased 20 per cent. in the past three months, showing that money is plentiful. Mining is being vigorously prosecuted and capitalists are securing timber lands and arranging to build mills to manufacture the lumber. One of the most important sales recorded is that of 140,000 acres, with a water front of 65 miles, on Takush Harbor, Smith's Sound, to a London syndi-

cate, the consideration being some £90,000. This sale has been under negotiation for over two years. There is some 400,000,000 feet of lumber on it, three-fourths of which is the celebrated yellow cypress. By this deal six Vancouver citizens divide \$135,000 among them, besides retaining an interest in the limits. At last reports six vessels were loading lumber at B. C. ports for foreign. Few charters are reported and freight rates are on the decline. From B. C. or Puget Sound they are now as follows: Valparaiso 100 orders, 37s 6d; Sydney, 32s 6d; Melbourne, 40s; Port Pirie, 38s 9d; United Kingdom, calling at Cork for orders, 67s 6d to 70s; nominal, Shanghai, 45s; Tientsin 55s; South Africa, 62s 6d.

UNITED STATES.

Australia was once the best customer the Pacific coast had for its lumber, but the depression of the past few years checked business. It looks as if it was coming back. That country must import her lumber and she has nowhere to look but to Scandinavia and the Pacific coast. The latter is the more favorable point. Late shipments from San Francisco indicate that it is regarded as such. The export trade of the west coast is increasing rapidly. In the Mississippi Valley business is improving. The white pine trade promises to foot up well for October, better in fact than for any previous month this year. Grain has been selling freely and the farmers are buying lumber with the money so obtained. About Minneapolis, dealers are not pushing business, as they look forward to good demand and better prices in the spring. At the head of the lakes things are quiet. Buyers are few. High freight rates prevent shipments. In the northern pineries operations are well under way for getting out the winter's supply of logs. Yellow pine men in the west are busy. Prices are firm. At Chicago the volume of trade is good but prices are unsatisfactory. Stocks are getting down. The demand for cars to carry grain, and stormy weather on the lakes, has interfered with shipments. In Michigan, trade is fair but not large. There is likely to be a reduction in the amount of logs taken out the coming winter. A number of heavy failures in the Saginaw Valley has had a depressing effect on business. In the south there is little change to report from last week. At Buffalo a good fall trade is going on but it is thought there will not be much more stock required. High grade lumber sells well, but there is too much of the poorer qualities and it is not in demand. At Al-