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### CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS.

#### ONTARIO.

The pine lumber market embodies features both of weakness and strength. The fall demand has been quite backward, and some of the smaller holders are showing anxiety to reduce their stocks. They are willing to give concessions in the matter of price rather than carry the lumber over the winter. The larger manufacturers, on the other hand, have not receded in the slightest degree from their decision, arrived at earlier in the season, to hold their lumber for fair prices. If, after the elections in the United States and Canada, the demand should not expand so as to absorb the greater portion of the stock on the market, it is the avowed policy of the manufacturers to pile their cut and carry it over the winter. It is yet too early to speak definitely regarding the log cut of the coming winter, but the indications are that it will be smaller than last season. There is a strong demand for hemlock lumber, and the cut of this timber will likely be increased this winter.

From point of demand hardwoods have not improved within the past week. The movement of stock is slow. A meeting of the hardwood manufacturers of Warton and vicinity was held at Palmerston last week, the object of which was to size up the situation in respect to the quantity of unsold stock at the mills. We are informed that the decision of the meeting was that the stock of hardwood lumber is by no means excessive, and that a few weeks of active demand would take care of the entire supply. The heaviest stocks held are of maple and elm, prices of which are somewhat irregular. The opinion of the meeting was in favor of holding firmly to present asking prices.

#### QUEBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

The shipping season from St. Lawrence will soon be over. Lumber intended to have been shipped this fall has already been purchased, and there is therefore little demand at the present time. Manufacturers who have any stocks of spruce deals are holding out for high prices; in fact, some disparity exists between the asking price of the manufacturer and the figure which the shipper claims to be able to pay. It has been pointed out that the prices of spruce deals at Quebec, published in last issue, are higher than can be obtained for an average specification. Our best information is that first quality spruce deals are worth about \$44 to \$46 per standard, second quality \$30 to \$32, third quality \$28 to \$30, and fourth quality \$24 to 26. Sales were made earlier in the season at higher prices, but the enormous rise in ocean freights during the latter part of the season has had a tendency to weaken the price of deals. Spruce lumber, on the whole, is reasonably firm throughout the eastern provinces, although the demand is not active. Cedar shingles are moving slowly at \$2.75 per thousand for extra clear, on Boston rate of freight.

#### UNITED STATES.

Within one week of the Presidential election in the United States a large movement of lumber could not be expected. The business of the past week, under the circumstances, may be regarded as satisfactory. In some classes of pine lumber, particularly low grade stock, the tendency of prices has been towards weakness, while on the other hand, piece stuff and the higher grades of pine have shown strength. Some quite important sales have lately been made at Duluth, 800,000 feet of No. 3 and better at \$14, and 1,000,000 feet of No. 4 at \$10.50. Pine lath have been sold in that market at from \$1.75 to \$2.25, according to grade. In the Saginaw valley a few million feet in log run lots changed hands within the past two weeks. Box lumber there is reported as dull. This is in contrast to the Buffalo market, where the box makers are said to be picking up everything suitable for their needs. The eastern markets are improving, and after election a brisk trade is expected. From Pittsburg comes the report that 4x6 No. 2 common lumber is scarce, and 2x12 and large timbers in white pine are difficult to find. White pine lath in that market is 30 cents per thousand higher than one month ago, with a brisk demand for No. 2.

The hardwood situation is practically unchanged. In Buffalo some price-cutting by dealers is reported, but it has been confined chiefly to the smaller operators. First and second white ash is said to be selling at \$38 to \$40, maple at \$22, beech at \$20, and plain oak at \$36 to \$37. Basswood seems to be in shorter supply than most of the hardwoods, but the demand for this lumber is limited. Ash is firm, with stocks generally light.

#### GREAT BRITAIN.

The British lumber market is inclined to be a little heavy, due to the fact that the high prices, brought about largely by excessive freight rates, are causing consumers to buy only for immediate requirements. Recent auction sales have been characterized by weakness in prices, but in most instances the low values can be partly accounted for by the inferior quality of the lumber. As yet very few contracts have been made for next season's shipments. In view of the heavy stocks at Liverpool, and the uncertainty as to freight rates, importers are not anxious to contract. There is a feeling, however, that deals will sell at about the same figure as this year, although battens are likely to go at lower prices. It is now thought that the trade with South Africa next year will be considerably less than has been reckoned on.

#### STOCKS AND PRICES.

The bark Paul Rickmers is loading a cargo of 2,800,000 feet at the Hastings mill, Vancouver, B.C., for a foreign port.

The Harbor Commissioners of Montreal want tenders by November 5th for the supply of timber and planks for the year 1901.

An advance of ten cents a thousand has been made at Buffalo on clears and stars in red cedar shingles, and a decline of 3 or 4 cents on perfections.

Messrs. C. C. Witthun & Company, of Warton, Ont., have just secured a contract to saw 2,800,000 feet of pine logs, and have commenced operations.

The Victoria Harbor Lumber Company, of Toronto, were the purchasers of the timber limits in the township of Dana sold by the Ontario Government recently and referred to in last issue. The price was \$61,275.

The milling property of the late Chas. F. Woodman, at Pleasant Point, N. B., together with the supply of lumber on hand, has been sold to Chas. Miller, of St. John. The consideration is said to have been \$100,000.

The Department of Trade and Commerce at Ottawa has received a communication from the Nickels Explosives