

TRADE REVIEW.

Office of CANADA LUMBERMAN,
March 31, 1893.

THE GENERAL SURVEY.

ANTICIPATIONS of a month ago that the demand for lumber would be manifest early in the season are being well borne out by present conditions. Lumbermen feel in good spirits; orders are coming to hand in decent size, and as a prominent dealer remarked the other day to the LUMBERMAN there is at present figures some profit in the business.

The cut of logs in the woods the past winter was heavy, and the mills will have abundance of work this summer. As a matter of fact the cut of not a few mills was contracted for before the timber had been felled. Mills in the Ottawa district have largely disposed of the entire season's cut at good prices.

Lumbermen in New Brunswick are anxious to see the treaty with France ratified as this will give an important outlet for their lumber. British Columbia looks for a good season, local trade and some improvement in export.

So far as Toronto is concerned building permits already granted are of fair size, and whilst no large trade is expected, the season will be an improvement likely on last year. Country trade is improving.

UNITED STATES.

Standing on the threshold of the spring and summer trade it must be said that not for several moons has the outlook been more cheery for lumber. Reports from the leading lumber centres in all parts of the country tell of a growing demand for stocks, and prices for many lines, and emphatically so, for white pine, hard and constantly stiffening. In the large cities of the Union building operators are likely to be beyond the average, with, so far as we can foresee, the labor market in a more contented condition than has been the case other years. In its way it is quite funny to note how the tables are turned: Sellers are as saucy as a hog on ice, whilst buyers have to do the coaxing to secure anything nearly what they want. Careful observers do not think that there is any likelihood of the supply crowding the demand, not, at least, until late in the fall.

FOREIGN.

Keeping line with conditions on this side of the Atlantic some improvement, though less marked, is discernable in the lumber market abroad. A brighter outlook is reported from South America and Canadian lumbermen, both those of the Ottawa district and in British Columbia, look forward to increased shipments this year. Opinions vary somewhat touching Australia. Anticipations a month ago pointed to an improvement in these colonies, but later reports are not just as hopeful. Yet, that financial affairs in Australia are mending, though slowly, seems pretty certain. Advices from Great Britain are more reassuring than hitherto, though the remark of Denny, Mott & Dickson, in their wood market report of March, is that "all attempts to galvanize trade this year have fallen miserably flat." The log crop in Scandinavia is believed to have come below the average of former years and this fact is having a favorable influence on pine goods in the London market.

HARDWOODS.

The hardwood market shares in the general improvement that marks the lumber market generally this spring. A correspondent in western Ontario, who operates largely in hardwoods says that trade was, perhaps, never better. Shipments to the United States are increasing most encouragingly. Dealers in the States complain of a shortage in stocks of nearly all staple hardwoods. English reports speak of mahogany and whitewoods as in active demand.

TORONTO, ONT.

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CANADA CARGO LISTS.

1 in. and up and better	11 in. 12 in.
1 in. and 12 mil. and better	12 in. 13 in.
1 in. and 12 common	13 in. 14 in.
1 in. and 12 spw. and better	14 in. 15 in.
1 in. and 12 mil. and better	15 in. 16 in.
1 in. clear and jacks	16 in. 17 in.

CAR OR CARGO LOTS - CONTINUED.	
inch dressing and better	20 in. 22 in.
inch siding mill run	14 in. 15 in.
inch siding common	11 in. 12 in.
inch siding strip calls	10 in. 11 in.
inch siding mill calls	9 in. 10 in.
Cull scantling	8 in. 9 in.
1/2 and thicker cutting up plank	24 in. 26 in.
inch strips 4 in. to 8 in. mill run	14 in. 15 in.
inch strips, common	11 in. 12 in.
1/4 inch flooring	15 in. 16 in.
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XXX shingles, 16 inch	2 30 2 40
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Lath, No. 1	2 15
Lath, No. 2	1 60 1 85

YARD QUOTATIONS.

Mill cull boards and scantling \$10.00	per ft.
Shipping cull boards, prima	1 1/2 in. flooring, dressed
Common widths	26 in. rough 28 in. 22 in.
Stocks	25 in. dressed 25 in. 28 in.
Scantling and joist, up to 16 ft.	1 1/4 in. flooring, un-
"	dressed, 16 in. 18 in.
"	20 ft. 15 in. 14 in. flooring, dressed
"	22 ft. 17 in. undressed 12 in. 15 in.
"	24 ft. 19 in. Beaded sheeting, dressed
"	26 ft. 20 in. 20 in. 25 in.
"	28 ft. 22 in. Clapboarding, dressed
"	30 ft. 24 in. XXX sawn shingles
"	32 ft. 27 in. per M. 2 60 2 70
"	34 ft. 29 30. Sawn lath
"	35 30. Red Oak
"	36 ft. 31 in. White
"	38 ft. 33 in. Basswood, No. 1 and 2
Cutting up planks, 1 and thicker, dry	28 in. 30 in. Cherry, No. 1 and 2
and thicker, dry	25 in. 24 in. White ash, 1 and 2
Board, 18 in. 24 in.	20 in. 22 in. Black ash, 1 and 2
Dressing blocks	16 in. 20 in.
Picks and inspection	30 in.

HARDWOODS PER M. FEET CAR LOTS.	
Ash, white, 1 to 2 in.	5 1/2 to 5 20 in.
" black,	5 1/2 to 4 1/2 in.
Birch, sap.	4 1/2 to 17 in.
" red	5 1/2 to 20 in.
Basswood	1 1/2 to 15 in.
Bitternut	1 1/2 to 23 in.
Chestnut	2 1/2 to 23 in.
Cherry	2 1/2 to 20 in.
Elm, soft	1 1/2 to 5 11 in.
" rock	1 1/2 to 13 in.
Hickory	1 1/2 to 25 in.
Maple	1 1/2 to 16 in.
Oak, red, jin	1 1/2 to 22 in.
" yellow	1 1/2 to 14 in.
Pine, white	1 1/2 to 28 in.
Walnut	2 1/2 to 30 in.
White oak	2 1/2 to 35 in.
Walnutt	3 1/2 to 35 in.
Whitewood	2 1/2 to 30 in.

OTTAWA, ONT.

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Pine, good sidings, per M feet, lath.	\$32.00 40.00
Pine, good strips	27.00 35.00
Pine, good shorts	20.00 27.00
Pine, 2nd quality sidings, per M feet, lath.	20.00 25.00
Pine, 2nd quality strips	18.00 22.00
Pine, 2nd quality shorts	15.00 18.00
Pine, clipping cull stock	14.00 16.00
Pine, box call stock	11.00 13.00
Pine, sec. strips and sidings	11.00 14.00
Pine, mill call	8.00 10.00
Lath, per M.	1.60 1.90

QUEBEC, QUE.

QUEBEC, March 31, 1893.

WHITE PINE - IN THE RAFT.

For inferior and ordinary according to average, quality etc., measured off.	14 1/2 18
For fair average quality, according to average, etc., measured off.	16 20
For good and good fair average,	23 27
For superior	23 30
In shipping order	29 35
Waney board, 18 to 19 inch	30 32
Waney board, 19 to 21 inch	37 40

WHITE PINE - IN THE RAFT.

Measured off, according to average and quality.	14 22
In shipping order, 35 to 45 feet	22 30

ONE MIL. MICHIGAN AND OTHER.

By the dram, according to average and quality	45 51
PEAK.	51

By the dram, according to average and quality, 45 to 50 feet	30 32
ASH.	30 32

14 inches and up, according to average and quality	30 31
RIBBLE.	30 31

16 inch average, according to average and quality	20 23
TAMARAC.	20 23

Square, according to size and quality	17 19
Flatted.	17 19

STAVES.	15 18
MERCHANTABLE PIPE, according to qual. and size set in nominal.	\$320. \$350.

W. O. PUNCHERY, Merchantable, according to quality	90 120
TRAILER.	90 120

Bright, according to mill specification, \$123 to \$125 for 1st, \$23 to \$25 for 2nd, and \$32 to \$35 for 3rd quality.	
Bright spruce, according to mill specification, \$20 to \$22 for 1st, \$22 to \$25 for 2nd, \$25 to \$28 for 3rd quality.	

BOSTON, MASS.

BOSTON, MASS., March 31.-Considerable lumber is moving and prospects are good for the early spring and summer trade.

ESTATE TRADE - CARLOADS OR LOADS.

Ordinary planed boards	1/2 in. 1 1/2 in. 2 in. 3 in. 4 in. 5 in. 6 in. 7 in. 8 in. 9 in. 10 in. 11 in. 12 in. 13 in. 14 in. 15 in. 16 in. 17 in. 18 in. 19 in. 20 in. 21 in. 22 in. 23 in. 24 in. 25 in. 26 in. 27 in. 28 in. 29 in. 30 in. 31 in. 32 in. 33 in. 34 in. 35 in. 36 in. 37 in. 38 in. 39 in. 40 in. 41 in. 42 in. 43 in. 44 in. 45 in. 46 in. 47 in. 48 in. 49 in. 50 in. 51 in. 52 in. 53 in. 54 in. 55 in. 56 in. 57 in. 58 in. 59 in. 60 in. 61 in. 62 in. 63 in. 64 in. 65 in. 66 in. 67 in. 68 in. 69 in. 70 in. 71 in. 72 in. 73 in. 74 in. 75 in. 76 in. 77 in. 78 in. 79 in. 80 in. 81 in. 82 in. 83 in. 84 in. 85 in. 86 in. 87 in. 88 in. 89 in. 90 in. 91 in. 92 in. 93 in. 94 in. 95 in. 96 in. 97 in. 98 in. 99 in. 100 in. 101 in. 102 in. 103 in. 104 in. 105 in. 106 in. 107 in. 108 in. 109 in. 110 in. 111 in. 112 in. 113 in. 114 in. 115 in. 116 in. 117 in. 118 in. 119 in. 120 in. 121 in. 122 in. 123 in. 124 in. 125 in. 126 in. 127 in. 128 in. 129 in. 130 in. 131 in. 132 in. 133 in. 134 in. 135 in. 136 in. 137 in. 138 in. 139 in. 140 in. 141 in. 142 in. 143 in. 144 in. 145 in. 146 in. 147 in. 148 in. 149 in. 150 in. 151 in. 152 in. 153 in. 154 in. 155 in. 156 in. 157 in. 158 in. 159 in. 160 in. 161 in. 162 in. 163 in. 164 in. 165 in. 166 in. 167 in. 168 in. 169 in. 170 in. 171 in. 172 in. 173 in. 174 in. 175 in. 176 in. 177 in. 178 in. 179 in. 180 in. 181 in. 182 in. 183 in. 184 in. 185 in. 186 in. 187 in. 188 in. 189 in. 190 in. 191 in. 192 in. 193 in. 194 in. 195 in. 196 in. 197 in. 198 in. 199 in. 200 in. 201 in. 202 in. 203 in. 204 in. 205 in. 206 in. 207 in. 208 in. 209 in. 210 in. 211 in. 212 in. 213 in. 214 in. 215 in. 216 in. 217 in. 218 in. 219 in. 220 in. 221 in. 222 in. 223 in. 224 in. 225 in. 226 in. 227 in. 228 in. 229 in. 230 in. 231 in. 232 in. 233 in. 234 in. 235 in. 236 in. 237 in. 238 in. 239 in. 240 in. 241 in. 242 in. 243 in. 244 in. 245 in. 246 in. 247 in. 248 in. 249 in. 250 in. 251 in. 252 in. 253 in. 254 in. 255 in. 256 in. 257 in. 258 in. 259 in. 260 in. 261 in. 262 in. 263 in. 264 in. 265 in. 266 in. 267 in. 268 in. 269 in. 270 in. 271 in. 272 in. 273 in. 274 in. 275 in. 276 in. 277 in. 278 in. 279 in. 280 in. 281 in. 282 in. 283 in. 284 in. 285 in. 286 in. 287 in. 288 in. 289 in. 290 in. 291 in. 292 in. 293 in. 294 in. 295 in. 296 in. 297 in. 298 in. 299 in. 300 in. 301 in. 302 in. 303 in. 304 in. 305 in. 306 in. 307 in. 308 in. 309 in. 310 in. 311 in. 312 in. 313 in. 314 in. 315 in. 316 in. 317 in. 318 in. 319 in. 320 in. 321 in. 322 in. 323 in. 324 in. 325 in. 326 in. 327 in. 328 in. 329 in. 330 in. 331 in. 332 in