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CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS.

ONTARIO.

THE expected improvement in trade that a month ago was billed to reach lumbermen by the middle of February has not yet come to hand. Not until the end of March, say most dealers, will business really commence moving. This delay has been helped, beyond doubt, by the heavy snow of the past few weeks, rendering it almost impossible to do any business in the yards, tending to block shipments, and to keep travellers at home, or snow bound at points along the road. A result of the same conditions is a falling off during the week in enquiries, both from the home trade, and especially from the United States. For the time being trade is, in fact, pretty much at a standstill. Across the border the disturbances in national finances continue to give an unsettledness to business, and representatives of Canadian lumber firms, who have recently been through the eastern states, tell us that they find a considerable depression in the lumber market due to this one cause. At the same time this change in the situation is not effecting prices to any material extent. These remain firm. It is a question, indeed, whether certain grades of lumber cannot be bought at lower prices in Buffalo than at the mills here. Instances of this kind have been cited. These, however, may be taken as the exception, and not the rule. Prices generally are holding their own pretty well all over, though it must be admitted that there is not the tendency to an advance that seemed manifest the early weeks of the year. A correspondent from Ottawa writes that whilst shipments there for the past two months have been extremely slow, yet among visitors to the Capital recently have been a number of lumbermen, who have given quite a little flutter to trade. Two or three well-known Albany and New York lumber dealers were in Ottawa last week, and though they did

not purchase very largely, yet they reported a much brighter outlook for the near future. And just as soon as building operations commence again, it is believed that necessity will compel a stocking up in the markets of the eastern states. With few exceptions, at nearly all points in the woods, the work is going along with unusual activity.

QUEBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

The recent organization of the North Eastern Lumbermen's Association, at Boston, Mass., is likely to have some bearing on the spruce trade of the Lower Provinces. Among those represented at the meeting were W. W. Bailey, of the Cookshire Mill Co., Quebec, and others interested in lumbering in Quebec and the Maritime provinces. The organization grew out of the conviction of eastern lumbermen, that they had been doing business of an exceedingly unprofitable character for some time and thought a combination was necessary to save them from sacrificing capital and profits. Those present at the meeting represented \$75,000,000 invested in forest lands, saw mills, wood-working manufactures, and the manufacture of lumber generally. The Association discussed the trade situation in its different phases and got down to business by adopting the following scale for spruce lumber. "House frames sawed to order, 10 inches and under in width, not less than \$15 per thousand feet. Boston delivery, with excess of freight to New England points to be added: 11 and 12 inches dimension lumber, \$16, 13 inch and up, \$18; yard random, 10 feet and up in length, 10 inches and under in width, not less than \$14; yard orders sawed to specific lengths and widths, 10 inches and under in width, not less than \$15; covering boards, planed on one side, 6 inches and up in width, 8 feet and up in length, at not less than \$13; hemlock boards, at \$11.50 to \$13." It was voted that this scale of prices take effect at once, except in cases where prices have previously been given. The general lumber trade in the Lower Provinces continues quiet, and no shipments of any importance are going forward to the United Kingdom, whilst present business with the United States is of a very moderate character. Reports that come to us from various points indicate that the winter has been one of the best for many years for work in the woods, and that hauling is being pushed with energy. When spring opens out it will be found so far as this department of lumbering is concerned, that everything will be unusually well forwarded.

BRITISH COLUMBIA AND MANITOBA.

The current trade circular of the R. P. Rithet & Co., of Victoria, B. C., tells of

the past year as one of poor demand for lumber and unremunerative prices. This fact gives hope, however, that the new year will mark a change in conditions, though such is not manifest just yet. Export trade is quiet, and there is nothing to brag about at home. Lumbermen in Manitoba are hopeful that the proposed move of Chicago capitalists will be consummated, as it is felt that if a trade in the eastern markets can be opened, up it will be of great benefit to the mills in the Lake of the Woods timber district. Logging in this district is very quiet this winter.

UNITED STATES.

There has been a light distribution of lumber in the leading lumber sections during the week, it being next to impossible to secure anything like a clear track with the heavy snow storms that have prevailed at almost every point. The same influences have proven a damper to enquiries generally, making the week one of considerable quietude. Financiers are still wrestling with the gold problem, and it is hard to say what shape it will take. It is certainly proving a deterrent to active business. Allowing for these changes in the situation, it cannot be said, that lumbermen after all look forward to a really dull season. The belief is, that the worst has been passed, and that the discouragements of 1894 will not be met this year to anything like the same extent. Several contracts of more than the average size with mill operators are reported to have been made. White pine has experienced an active season in the woods, and the cut in Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Duluth will be one of good size, and will have been brought forward with more than the average ease and facility. Large numbers of logs were, as a matter of fact, placed on the skids before the commencement of the new year. This means that logs have been banked at a comparatively low cost, a factor that will have its part in helping to better trade conditions. Wholesale trade in the eastern markets has been slow for the past fortnight, and dealers are taking things easy, but without serious worry, believing that within the month distribution will commence to take active shape.

FOREIGN.

Whether the timber trade of the United Kingdom is going to show an improvement in 1895 is a difficult question to settle, so many conflicting elements come into the situation from time to time. The opinion has been expressed by the Timber Trades Journal, that the position of the wood trade is not as good for shippers as it was a year ago. A depression in deals, has taken place, the direct result, it is said, of the false value to which they