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A OWNER OF A ROTARY SAW-MILL with 40 horse-power boiler and engine; also six square miles of lumber license, timbered chiefly with pine and hardwood; near railway station in N. B. Am. desirous of entering into a partnership to turn the business into a general wood-working establishment. Address "Pine," care of this paper, for further particulars.

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WE HAVE ABOUT 1,500,000 FEET DRY PINE in 2, 3 and 4 inch common and better, prefer selling in bulk. Will quote freight rate to Buffalo, Chicago or Toronto on application. Correspondence solicited. N. J. Would like to correspond with consumers of hardwoods. ST. JOE ISLAND LUMBER CO., Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.

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BAND MILL FOR SALE ON GEORGIAN Bay, eight miles from Parry Sound. Capacity 40 M. feet per day. Modern mill of our own manufacture throughout. Ample boiler capacity fine piling grounds with tramways, 10 to 20 feet of water right up to dock; mill situated in a well sheltered harbor. This plant can be bought cheap, considerably less than its original cost. Immediate possession can be given and stock of 2 or 3 million logs can be sawn by the thousand or purchased at a reasonable price. Address WATKINS, Brantford, Canada.

TO Pine and Spruce MANUFACTURERS.

Correspondence is solicited with Canadian manufacturers of pine or spruce who wish to form a connection with a reliable British house. Advertiser will shortly visit Canada and desires to have a personal interview with mill-men now doing or seeking to do an export trade. Best of references as to reliability and standing. Box 47, CANADA LUMBERMAN.

CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS.

...ARIO.

There are no evidences that the white pine market will weaken when the mills commence sawing. On the other hand, the outlook is decidedly promising, as the volume of trade is expanding and inquiries are becoming more numerous. There has been heavy buying of dry stock as well as of the coming season's production. The strength of the market is clearly indicated by the fact that contracts have been closed for the new cut at prices about two dollars per thousand and above the current quotations for dry stock. The highest price which has come to our knowledge is \$17.25 for 13g run. This is doubtless an exceptionally high price, and one which has caused the trade to question whether buyers are justified in paying such a figure. It is argued that as many of the mills will not commence sawing until the first of June, and two months must elapse before the stock is in shipping condition, most of the lumber will actually be marketed in 1903. In the meantime unforeseen circumstances might have brought about much lower values. Nevertheless, the outlook is for higher prices for white pine in the immediate future, not to speak of later developments. The buyers at the

top prices have in most instances been United States dealers

Local trade is quite brisk, as are also shipments to the Eastern States. The lath market is somewhat uncertain, owing to the high prices ruling. Sales of No. 1 are being made in Toronto at \$3.50 wholesale, and of No. 2 at \$3. Shingles are steady. For 16 inch \$2.60 at the mill is asked, and the wholesale price in Toronto ranges from \$3 to \$3.25. Satisfactory reports come to hand of hardwoods. Buffalo dealers have recently purchased a large quantity of birch, the price of which is tending upwards.

QUEBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

While price deals for the British market are quiet, there is a considerable movement of lumber to the Eastern States. The buying of clapboards has consumed almost the entire stock, and sales are now being made as high as \$40 for best quality, Boston delivery. Square and waney pine timber is exhibiting unusual strength. Sales have taken place at the equivalent to 58 cents for waney pine, delivered at Quebec. This is an advance over the prices ruling one year ago. It is believed that prices of square and waney pine will gradually work higher, as there are few limits on which board timber can now be taken out economically and profitably. Cedar shingles are higher, some manufacturers asking \$3.40 for extras on Boston freight rates. Spruce lath are also firmer at \$3.20 for 1 1/2 inch.

UNITED STATES.

The lumber market has been well sustained notwithstanding the near approach of the sawing season. Shipments from the Lake Superior district during the month of March were slightly less than for the same month one year ago. This was due to broken stocks and the inability of manufacturers to supply the wants of their customers. The demand has not diminished, but on the other hand dealers and consumers are showing a disposition to close contracts as early as possible and thus be assured of an ample stock. Box lumber in both pine and spruce is in large request. White pine lath could be purchased one year ago at \$16.00 now commands \$18.00. The opinion seems to be that there will be a scarcity of the better grades of lumber this year. It is probable that low grade pine boards and dimension may weaken a little about midsummer, but no person expects that there will be a general slump. Spruce lumber is exhibiting as much strength as pine and an advance of \$2.00 per thousand is talked of. It is stated that fully

one-quarter of the cut of logs on the Kennebec river, in Maine, has been left in the woods, which accounts for the buoyancy of the spruce market. There seems to be a desire on the part of dealers to prevent the price of spruce from going much higher, on the ground that it might be disastrous to building operations.

Hemlock continues to improve. Sales of cargo hemlock this spring are from \$1.50 to \$2.00 higher than at the close of navigation last fall. The demand is large, while stocks are only moderate. An advance of 50 cents was put into effect at Philadelphia last week, bringing dimension hemlock to \$15.50 and boards to \$17.00. At New York the base price is \$16.00 and at Buffalo \$14.50. Basswood and birch are leading among the hardwoods, although all kinds are selling satisfactorily. The east is buying oak at good prices. Maple is moving liberally, but it seems difficult to advance prices. A Saginaw firm last week bought 1,250,000 feet of basswood at \$20.00 for log run at shipping point.

Saginaw valley dealers report a famine in lath and are offering \$3.50 and \$4.00. White pine shingles are quoted at Saginaw at \$4.05 for 4x18 inch stocks, and \$3.00 for clear butts; 16-inch pine are worth \$3.45 for "A", and \$2.45 for clear butts; 18-inch cedars \$3.90 for XXXX, and \$2.90 for clear butts; 16-inch cedar \$2.85 for "A" and \$2.25 for clear butts. Best grade 18-inch pine shingles brings \$4.50 at Buffalo, and 16-inch \$3.60.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Importers in Great Britain have not yet become convinced of the necessity of purchasing at present prices, and are holding off in the hope that shippers will weaken. In the meantime there is a steady consumption of Canadian pine and spruce, and stocks are becoming greatly diminished. It seems probable that the delay in placing orders will in itself result in bringing about higher prices as soon as stocks reach the point where they must be replenished. In regard to spruce, it is said that while shippers have made a number of contracts for Ireland and some parts of the British coasts, very little contracting has been done by the merchants of Liverpool and other Lancashire ports. The stock now on hand is largely of inferior quality. Broad deals in all grades are in demand. Flooring boards and unassorted battens are weaker than they were one month ago.

First quality pine deals are quoted at 27 10s to £30 5s per standard for broads and £24 to £25 for 11 inch. Second quality range from £14 for undersized to £20 for broads. Quebec spruce deals are selling at £8 10s to £9 5s for regulars. Red pine is still heavy, although prices have risen materially from the lowest point. Quotations are £8 to £10 5s per standard.

STOCKS AND PRICES.

Tenders are invited up to Wednesday, 16th inst., for supply of deals, etc., required by the city of Quebec.

George Lewis, of Duncan's, B.C., has taken a logging contract for the Boyd Lumber Company at Cowichan Lake.

The mill of the Conger Lumber Company at Parry Sound, Ont., is about to commence operations, having a supply of logs in the pond.

The Saginaw Lumber and Salt Company last week sold 1,250,000 feet of low grade lumber, cut at their Crow Island mill, to Saginaw dealers.

John Fenderson & Company, of Sable, Quebec, have secured a large stock of logs and will operate their mills to full capacity this season.

The Pigeon River Lumber Company expect to have their new saw mill at Port Arthur, Ont., ready for operation May 1st. The Company have secured a full stock of logs.

H. G. March, of Tonawanda, has recently purchased 1,000,000 feet of white pine and other lumber in Ontario, to be manufactured into cooperage stock at Young.

The town council of Toronto Junction have accepted the tender of A. H. Cumber for sidewalk lumber, at the following prices: Pine, \$14.69 per thousand; cedar \$13.98; tamarack, \$15.53.

The Moulthrop Lumber Company, of John's Island, Ont., have bought 10,000,000 feet of logs in the Georgian Bay district from J. W. Munro & Sons. They will be cut at the John's Island mill.

The Montgomery Door and Box Company have recently purchased the Clark, Swan and Jackson stock at Tonawanda, comprising about 8,000,000 feet of white pine. The price is not made public.

Hicks Company, lumber merchants, of Peterborough, Ont., have secured the contract for supplying 100,000 feet of maple flooring for the American Cereal Company's new building in that town.

W. & A. McArthur & Company, of Little Current, Ont., are reported to have put in about 15,000,000 feet of logs. Owing to the early break up they are said to have about 1,400 pieces left on the skids.

The E. S. Hartwell Lumber Company, of Chicago, is reported to have purchased the 1902 cut of the mill of Pitts & Charlton at Victoria Harbor, Ont. The price is believed to be in the neighborhood of \$17.00 for log run.

James Duncan, of Montreal, and his brother, have recently returned from New York, where they disposed of a portion of this season's cut of lumber. This is the first year that they have sold direct to the New York market.

The International Lumber Company, of Sault St. Marie, Ont., recently sold 40,000 cubic feet of waney pine timber to Quebec parties at 50 cents per foot on cars at the Soo. This is equivalent to 58 or 60 cents delivered at Quebec.

The mill of the Michigan Land and Lumber Company at Blind River, Ont., has been cutting hardwood stocks since February, but will change to pine as soon as the logs reach the mill. About 25,000,000 feet of logs were taken out by the company last winter.

Mershon, Schuette, Parker & Company, of Saginaw, Mich., have about 15,000,000 feet of last year's cut in the Georgian Bay District to move to Saginaw. The firm has a stock of 120,000,000 feet in sight, and expects to handle at least 100,000,000 feet during the year. Practically all of this stock has been purchased in Ontario. Owing to the scarcity of pine shingles, they are bringing 4,000,000 red cedar shingles from the Pacific coast.

The Cook, Lumms Lumber Company, of Toronto, has been incorporated, with a capital of \$600,000. The members are W. D. Lumms and H. W. Welsh, of Toronto; G. W. Cook, of Morrisburg; Hon. J. P. B. Casgrain, of Montreal; and C. E. Smith, of Spragge.

THE BOSTON MARKET.

The spruce lumber outlook at Boston is even stronger as the season begins to open. The sudden shutting off of winter has certainly left a large percentage of the cut of logs in the woods till another year. Then, there is not a particle of snow in the woods, and, though some of the streams are open, they are very low, while the lakes and other "dead water" are still encased in ice. Such conditions are retarding driving, and promise to continue to do so. Still, the lumber people are rushing all the men possible forward to the drives, and they will be armed with dynamite and every means for breaking up the ice and starting the logs forward. But, at the very best, it looks as though the driving must be slow and very difficult, hence still further shortening the crop of logs.

Quotations on spruce are very firm, and are likely to be advanced right away: Ten and 12 inch dimensions, \$20; 9 inch and under, \$18; 10 and 12 inch random lengths, 10 feet and up, \$19.50; 2x3, 2x4, 2x5, 2x6, 2x7 and 3x4, 10 feet and up, \$16.50; all other randoms, 9 in. and under, 10 feet and up, \$17.50; 5-inch and up, merchantable boards, \$16; matched boards, \$18 to \$19; out spruce boards, \$13; bundle furring, \$16 to \$17.

Hemlock is in a position of absolute scarcity. Few of the mills have any to offer, and stronger prices are asked by the few holders. The logs promise to be short and delayed, along with spruce: Boards, 12, 14 and 16 feet stock, \$15 to \$15.50 for good eastern; Pennsylvania, No. 1, \$16 to \$17.50; No. 2, \$15 to \$15.50.

White pine is still very firm, with the tendency upward. Western shippers talk of higher prices, under still smaller supplies: Uppers, 1-in. \$75 to \$80; 2x and 3 in. \$80 to \$85; 4-in. \$85 to \$88; selects, 1 to 1 1/2 in. \$68; 2-in. \$69 to \$70; 2 1/2 to 3 in. \$74 to \$76; 4-in. \$79 to \$80; fine common, 1-in. \$56 to \$58; 1 1/2 to 1 3/4 in. \$62 to \$66; 2-in. \$68 to \$70; 2 1/2 and 3 in. \$69 to \$71; 4-in. \$80; barn boards, \$23 to \$33; coffin boards, \$27 to \$32.

Hardwoods are very steady with a fair demand: One-inch, whitewood, \$38 to \$40; thicker, \$39 to \$42; 3/4 inch, \$30 to \$35; sap, inch, \$25 to \$30; common, \$23 to \$25; quartered oak, \$56 to \$65; fancy, \$70 to \$75; plain oak, \$40 to \$47; black ash, \$40 to \$50; white ash, \$45 to \$55; cherry, \$90 to \$130; maple, \$32 to \$40.

Shingles are in small supply and firm, while reports from the Aroostock mills at least say that the crop of cedar logs will be reduced by the same causes as will reduce the supply of spruce. Firmer prices are being quoted: Extra cedar, \$3.30 to \$3.40; clear, \$2.90 to \$3; second clear, \$2.25 to \$2.40; extra No. 1, \$1.75 to \$1.90; Washington and British Columbia red cedar, 16-inch, five butts to 2 inches, \$3.75 to \$3.80; 18-inch, \$4.25 to \$4.50.

Clapboards are in remarkably small supply, with the demand also small. But for those that must be had fancy prices are paid: Extra spruce, \$38 to \$40; clear, \$36 to \$38; second clear, \$33 to \$35; extra No. 1, \$24 to \$26.

Laths are firmer and higher at \$3.15 to \$3.20 for 1 1/4 inch; 1 1/2 inch, \$3.

The National Lumber Company, of Toronto, has been incorporated, with a capital of \$100,000.

CANADIAN LUMBER SHIPMENTS.

The following shipments of lumber, etc., from Canadian ports are reported since last issue:

From Vancouver, B.C.: Sir. Renee, for Sydney, Aus., 1,251,013 feet rough fir, value \$12,510, by British Columbia Mills, Timber & Trading Company.

From Halifax, N. S.: Sir. Ionian, for Liverpool, 271,592 feet lumber, value \$2,693. Sir Ulunda, for Liverpool, 177,817 feet, value \$1,778. Sir. Aquila for Penarth Roads, for orders, 1,775,443 feet lumber, value \$18,717. Sir Indrani, for Glasgow, 217,242 feet, value \$2,872.

From St. John, N.B.: Sir Indrani, for Glasgow, 1,615 maple blocks, 486,683 feet deals, by Schofield and Co.; 320 bundles flooring by J. S. Findlay, Owen Sound; 50,250 feet deals, 2,400 bundles shooks, by A. Cushing & Co. Sir Dinmoor Head, for Belfast, 332 pieces elm lumber, by John Harrison & Son, Owen Sound; 115,110 feet deals, by George McKean; 746,720 feet deals, 4,243 feet ends, by W. M. Mackay. Sir Parthenia, for Cape Town, South Africa, 124 bundles doors, by Gilmour & Co., Trenton; 204 pcs chair stock, by North American Bent Chair Co., Owen Sound. Sir Manchester Commerce, for Manchester, 291,677 feet deals, 51,131 feet scantling, 7,149 feet ends, by George McKean; 755,766 feet deals, 56,486 feet scantling, 22,956 feet ends, by W. M. Mackay. Sir Parisian, for Liverpool, 1,532,280 feet deals, 1,335 feet scantling, 5,517 feet ends, by George McKean. Sir Ina, for Boston, 70,051 feet boards, 59,723 feet plank, by A. Cushing and Co. Sir Myra B., for Boston, 32,164 feet boards, 60,809 feet plank, 202,000 cedar shingles, by A. Cushing and Co. Sir Luta Price, for Milton, 135,019 ft. boards, by N. H. Murchie. Sir W. H. Waters, for City Island, 151,128 feet plank, 1,347 feet deals, by Stetson, Cutler and Co. Sir Ida May, for City Island, 11,000 laths, by A. Cushing and Co. Sir Hattie Muriel, for Boston, 29,300 feet spruce boards, 35,619 feet pine boards, 29,267 ft. scantling, by A. Cushing and Co.

We are advised by Mr. Gain Robinson, wholesale lumber dealer, of Springfield, Mass., that he has secured the services of Mr. C. H. Bracken, of Boston, so long and favorably known to the trade in the territory covered by eastern Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Vermont, New Hampshire, Maine, and the eastern provinces of Canada. The acquisition of Mr. Brecken's experience and services, added to those of Mr. Carlos Ruggles, who will continue as representative in the territory he has covered for the past ten years in the interest of Mr. Robinson, represents one of the most substantial and intelligent lumber distributing organizations in the east.

TO THE LUMBER TRADE

We will be represented in South Western Ontario by Mr. Frederick Shaw, of Forest, Ont., who comes with us as travelling salesman on May 1st, and who will call on the trade regularly. We are running our mills day and night and offer to the trade a well manufactured stock of band sawed lumber put up in grades under Michigan inspection rules. We solicit your inquiries, and all correspondence given prompt attention.

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SARNIA, ONT.

THE OTTAWA VALLEY.

(Correspondence of the CANADA LUMBERMAN.)

Continued firmness in the lumber market may be safely predicted for the summer months, although it is claimed in some quarters that the replenishing of standing stocks with the coming season's mill cut will have a tendency to lower prices. Mr. Hiram Robinson, of the Hawkesbury Lumber Company, states that prices are bound to remain firm, with good prospects of an advance. The advance already registered has not, according to Mr. Robinson, been in keeping with the advance in the cost of producing the stock. Lumber operators were compelled to pay high figures for labor, provisions and fodder. The prevalence of smallpox had a depressing effect, and incidentally increased the cost of actual production. The increased demand from the American side furnishes another argument in favor of the predicted increase. The advance already established has been greater on the high grade lumber, which furnishes but a small proportion of the whole cut. For this reason the mill owners have not been reimbursed in the degree that was generally supposed, and hence a marked advance in lower grades may be looked for. The Hawkesbury Company is furnishing large quantities of lath to dealers in the States at prices ranging from \$2.00 to \$2.40 per 1000 pieces f.o.b. at Hawkesbury. The early break-up of winter interfered with the operations on several limits and the supply of logs will be smaller than last year, another argument in favor of higher prices.

While lumbermen in general agree that prices will be maintained and perhaps advanced, a letter received from an American dealer points to a break in white pine prices. There is little of this stock moving, according to this party. Spruce has picked up in the States, and it is just possible that Canadian white pine may relax a degree. A feature of the Ottawa Valley operations is the large cut of square timber. Part has been sold at a slight advance on last year's prices. Last week the Munro Lumber Company, of Pembroke, had 7,600 pieces of timber drawn to the Ottawa river from their Mattawa limits. The raft will be ready to leave Seven League Lake this week. The company expects to have two more rafts

ready by the middle of the month, making 400,000 cubic feet of board timber taken off the Mattawa limit this season. Another raft of 150,000 cub. ft. will be floated on the Opeongo river about the end of the month. Other rafts will follow later on. About 2,500 men will be employed on the drive.

The spring and summer rates on the railways went into effect on April 1st. The rates from Ottawa to New York and vicinity by barge lines from Albany are as follows:—On soft wood in lots of 50,000 feet and upwards \$3.00 per M, but on lots under that figure \$3.50 per M. The rate on hardwoods in quantities over 50,000 ft. is \$4.50 per M, and on quantities below that figure \$4.75 per M. The rate on laths of 250,000 pieces and over is 60 cents per thousand pieces and on lots below those figures 70 cents; on shingles in lots of 100,000 shingles the rate is 45 cents per thousand shingles. Lumber in lots under 50,000 feet, lath in lots under 250,000 pieces, and shingles in lots less than 500,000, are subject to extra tonnage. The summer rates to Montreal went into effect on the same date. On lumber for export the rate is \$1.10 per M, and on lumber for local delivery 4 cents per hundred pounds.

The Hawkesbury Lumber Company's mills at Hawkesbury are now running full capacity, employing 700 men. The water power is naturally greater in the earlier months of the year, and full advantage of the fact is taken. The company will run two mills night and day and two in the day time alone. The McLaren mills at Buckingham are also in operation nearly a month earlier than last year.

Daily large gangs of men are being forwarded from Ottawa for the drives, and daily large numbers are returning from the shanties; the latter are all treated to a specially prepared bath on arrival at the depot, to prevent any possibility of a spread of smallpox in the Capital through their presence. Men for the drives are receiving \$40 a month as against \$45 a year ago. J. & P. Burke, hiring agents, this week sent 75 forward for the South River Lumber Company, 100 for the Morgan Company at Chelmsford, 75 for the Michigan Land and Lumber Company, Nairn Center, and 50 for the McLeod McCormick Company at Spanish River.

In the presence of a distinguished gathering and also 300 employees of the Company, Mr. W. C. Edwards, M. P., on Monday evening opened the Working Man's Club fitted up by him for the men employed at his Ottawa mills. The men

greeted with applause the announcement that there is a prospect of their sharing in the profits of the firm. Mr. Edwards also announced his intention of establishing a similar club at his Rockland mills. The Ottawa Club is housed in cozy apartments near the mill. During their spare time the men will be able to enjoy themselves with games, books and papers interesting and instructive.

A settlement out of court has been effected in the celebrated case of Dezouche vs. Fraser, by which defendant agrees to pay \$100,000. The legal battle was fought on one issue, the legality of the sale of certain valuable limits operated by the firm of Fraser & McCosham. In 1885, after the death of the latter, the limits were sold in order to close up the partnership affairs. At public auction they realized \$165,000. A few years after Mr. J. R. Booth purchased the limits, on which considerable quantities of valuable timber have since been secured. McCosham was plaintiff's first husband. She alleged that in the sale in 1885 the interests of the

McCosham children, the minor heirs, had suffered. She asked through the court that Mr. Fraser be ordered to account for the value of the timber taken off since the sale in 1885, as well as the price then procured. Judge Lavergne ruled that under the Quebec law governing the rights of minors, the sale of the Buck River limit in that province was illegal. He, however, ruled that the sale of the Ontario limits on the Opeongo and St. Mary rivers was legal. From this judgment both plaintiff and defendant appealed, but the appeals have not yet been argued. It is understood the \$100,000 or thereabouts to be paid over by Mr. Fraser includes \$50,000 held by him in trust as the share of the McCoshams, in profits of business transactions carried on under the firm's name after the death of McCosham. Although the report on the value of the limits and timber removed has never been made, it is estimated that the share claimed by plaintiff for herself and children was about half a million dollars.

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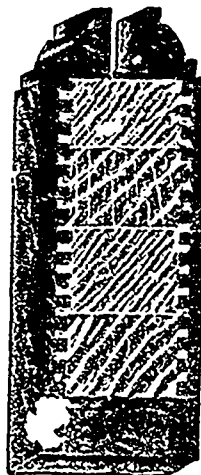
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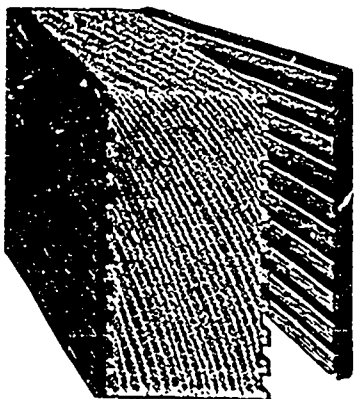
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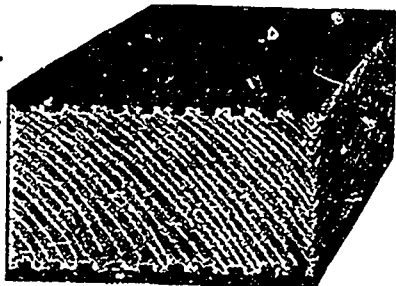


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