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#### CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS.

ONTARIO.

The lumber buyer is still waiting for the manufacturer to lower his figures before he enters into contract for any considerable quantity of stock. Influenced in his actions by the law of supply and demand, he does not feel that the situation at present warrants the purchase of but sufficient stock to supply his customers, while the manufacturer appears to have faith in the future of lumber prices and is offering little inducement to buyers in the way of lower prices. A quiet trade is the natural result of these conditions, and until the demand from consumers shall infuse more life into the trade, no improvement can be expected. The large pine manufacturers report a satisfactory movement of stock at good figures, but few new sales, and the same may be said of hardwoods. The supply is much more plentiful than it was at the corresponding period last year, and yards that were then entirely cleaned out are now well filled with stock. The increased cost of production, however, would seem to justify manufacturers in holding their stock at a reasonable figure, as at present there is but a fair margin of profit. High wages are being offered for men to work in the woods, and labor seems very scarce.

#### QUEBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

Throughout the lumber trade a slightly better feeling seems to prevail. Shipping to Great Britain is now quite active, and freight rates are a little easier. It is reported that a raft of square and waney pine timber was sold last week at Quebec at 50 cents per cubic foot, an advance of about ten cents on the price obtained for

similar timber last year. If the figures are correctly reported, they reflect a strong market for pine timber. Prices of elm, birch, and ash are unchanged. Apart from European shipments the spruce market is quiet. In the absence of a good demand prices are unsettled. No material improvement is looked for until about the middle of September, by which time it is expected the fall movement of stock shall have commenced. Clapboards and shingles have not recovered from their recent lethargy

#### UNITED STATES.

The lumber situation in the United States has been strengthened by the statistics collected and just made public by the Mississippi Valley Lumbermen's Association. These show the condition of white pine stocks in Wisconsin, Minnesota and at points below on the Missis sippi river. According to figures submitted by manufacturers, and which are beleived to be correct, the stock of lumber on hand on August 1st of this year was 1,625,808,373 feet, a shortage of 224,-680,048 feet as compared with August 1st, 1899. It was also shown that the cut of this year will be 485,850,000 feet less than last year. These figures have inspired confidence in the future of the lumber business, and have had a terdency to strengthen prices. At the meeting above referred to, the question of advancing the price of white pine was considered, but it was decided to reaffirm the old list. Lumber buying is still backward, but the number of enquiries have created a strong hope of an active fall trade. The reduced prices of iron and steel have stimulated building operations in the Eastern States. The manufacturing demand, however, is not so strong as last year. Such orders as have been placed indicate a broken condition of retail stock, and as soon as trade shall pick up liberal buying will no doubt result. Hemlock lumber has weakened and is now said to be selling in Buffalo at \$13. Spruce is quiet, but manufacturers are holding prices steady. At Boston, 9 inch and under is selling at \$15, 10 and 12 inch at \$16, and spruce boards, planed one side, at \$14. Hardwoods have not improved within the past few days. Maple and ash are rather dull of sale, elm is in moderate request, and oak is called for to a considerable extent.

#### GREAT BRITAIN.

The receipts of Canadian lumber at British ports have been quite heavy of late. But notwithstanding prices show a further upward tendency. F.o.b. transactions are reported at the following prices: 1st quality pine, 11 in. x 12 ft., £26; and quality, same dimensions, £18 to £19; 3rd quality, £12; 4th quality, £8. Several sales of 3rd and 4th quality have been made at the above figures. At a recent sale held by Churchill & Sim, a parcel of 1st pine, 13 ft. x 11 in., from Montreal, sold at £30, and two lots of 12 ft. to 13 ft., 3x1/s, dry, of the Hawkesbury cut, brought £21 5s per standard. There is likewise a splendid demand for spruce. The latest prices have been £9 12s 6d for and quality 3x9, and £9 for 3rd quality, 11 in. of 2nd quality bringing £10 15s c.i.f. London. The docks contain a large quantity of slating battens, and it is said that the market in this line is likely to be overdone unless the consumption in-

Square and waney timber is steady but not particularly active. Waney pine has been sold at an advance of 6d per cubic foot on the price obtained for similar stock last year, but recent sales have shown a slight decline in the price of birch. This is said to be due to the action of certain merchants in placing too much stock on the market. Maple timber has been sold at auction at 161/2d per cubic foots elm timber at 191/d, and ash timber at 19d.

#### STOCKS AND PRICES.

The "Scottish King" is about to load a cargo of lumber at Mentreal for the U.K.

R. & T. Ritchie, of Aylmer, Que., have contracted to saw 10,000 of Gillies Bros'. logs now lying in the Baillie boom.

F. E. Sayre is reported to have purchased the lumbering property of the late Hugh McLean at Salmon River, N. B.

The British bark "Brushels" has just sailed from Vancouver, B. C., for Cape Town, South Africa, with a cargo of lumber.

The "Manchester Shipper" sailed from Parrsborro, N. S., on August 21st for Manchester, with a cargo of 3,494,632 feet of lumber, shipped by George McKean.

A large quantity of lumber will be required for the proposed harbor improvements at Port Colborne, Ont. The contractors estimate that they will use 4,000, ooo feet this year.

Thos. E. Stewart, of Upper Musquodoboit, N. S., owns 900 acres of timber limits on the headwaters on the Musquodoboit and Moose river, and wishes to let the contract for logging same.

During the month of July of this year there was received at Buffalo 15,552,000 ft. of lumber, against 34,574,000 feet in the corresponding month last year. In shingles there was a decrease of 6,981,000.

Peter Wallace, of Midland, Ont., has secured the contract from the Georgian Bay Lumber Co. to take out 10,000,000 feet of logs during the coming winter. is estimated that the company will make a large cut on the Blind River.

The German ship "Marie" sailed last week from the Moodyville, B. C., mills, for London. She carried \$12,000 feet of lumber below decks. The "Wilhelmina" is to load lumber at the Hastings mill, Vancouver for Delagoa Bay. The "Lou-iana" and the "Lindfield" are both loadiana ing at the same mill for foreign destinations.

The following is a comparison of the cargo shipments of lumber and lath from British Columbia during the first seven months of the years 1899 and 1900:

| Lui                 | nber       | Laths     |         |  |  |
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| 1020                | 1899       | 1900      | 1899    |  |  |
| January 2,792,002   | 1,097,776  | 117,277   | 183,000 |  |  |
| February 5,090, 454 | 2,374,055  | 131,(70   | *****   |  |  |
| March 5,048,064     | 3,112,573  | 543,430   |         |  |  |
| April 4.022,033     | 4.811,0-4  | 29S .co   |         |  |  |
| May 6,130,380       | 6.200.117  | 708,000   |         |  |  |
| June 7.165,890      | 3,650.577  |           | •       |  |  |
| July 3,813,067      | 3,590,262  | *****     | 172,620 |  |  |
| Total 33,071,590    | 75.785,519 | 1,799,670 | 355,620 |  |  |

A.F. & D. Mackay, of Liverpool, Eng., recently held an auction sale of birch timber from St. John. The sale was moderately well attended by local buyers, but bidding was dull, and prices ranged from 15½d to 26d, the whole averaging 17½d for 15½ in. deep foreign. Early last month a parcel of the same average depth was disposed of at an average price of 201/2d per foot. This shows a decline of 2014d per foot. This shows a decline of about 3d per foot, which is ascribed to the forced sales of timber.

Following is a comparative statement of timber measured and culled at Quebec up to 27th August, as reported by the Supervisor of Cullers:

| •                | :809      | 1800.          | 1900      |
|------------------|-----------|----------------|-----------|
| Waney White Pine | 1,606,278 | 1,598,665      | 1,366,183 |
|                  |           | 543,889        | 505,000   |
| White Pine       | 216,516   | 159.541        | 62,796    |
| Red Pine         | 844,206   |                | 479,302   |
| Oak              |           | 446,468        | 486,041   |
| Elm              | 471,077   |                |           |
| Ash              | 34,532    | 56,514         | 81,227    |
| Basswood         | 51.00     |                | 241       |
|                  | 955       | 60             | 142       |
| Buttternut       | 422       |                | - 71      |
| Tamarac          |           | 415<br>231,946 |           |
| Birch and Maple  | 106,592   | 231,940        | 392,149   |
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On Friday, August 10th, Alfred Dobell & Co., Liverpool, held an auction sale of Halifax spruce deals ex Ailsa Craig. The specification was only fair, the bulk being specification was only fair, the bulk being of short lengths. The 16 ft. and up were well competed for, the 3 by 11 realizing £9 17s 6d, the 3 by 10 £8 7s 6d, the 3 by 9 £8 6s 6d, and the 3 by 8 £7 15s. The shorter lengths, 9 ft. to 15 ft., sold at from £7 to £8 15s per std, the whole cargo realizing an average price of £7 10s per std. The scantlings brought £6 12s 6d and £6 15s, the deal ends £6 12s 6d, and about 25 stds. of boards £6 7s 6d per std.

#### BRITISH AUCTION SALE.

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The following prices were obtained for Canadian lumber at a sale held by Churchill & Sim, London, England, on August 16th: PINE—Ex. Devona, from Montreal—12-16 ft. 1x10 in. dry, £11; 12-16 ft. 1x10 in., £10; 15s. Ex. Oceano—12-13 ft. 2x8-17 in., £17; 12-13 ft. 2x7 in., £16; 12-13 ft. 2x8-17 in., £16; 10s; 5-11 ft. 2x4-14 in., £14. Ex. Arnage, from Montreal—16 ft. 2x11 in. second quality, £13; 13 ft. 2x11 in., £12 10s; 12-15 ft. 2x11, £13; 12-16 ft. 2x12-20 in., £12; 12-15 ft. 2x10 in:, £11; 15-16 ft. 2x9 in., £11; 12-24 ft. 2x9 in., £11 ins; 15-16 ft. 1x8 in., £9 15s; 12x14 ft. 2x8 in., £10; 12-16 ft. 2x7 in., £9 10s; 12-16 ft. 1x8 in., £11; 12-13 ft. 1x9 in., £10; 12-16 ft. 1x8 in., £9 15s.

SPRUCE—Ex. Cheronea, from Hopewell Cape, N. B.—15-18 ft. 3x6 in., first, second and third quality, £7 15s; 12-15 ft. 3x6 in., £7 10s; 9-11 ft. 3x6 in., £7 15s. Ex. Greta Holme, from Quebec—9-16 ft. 3x6 in., first quality, £10 5s; 6-8 ft. 3x6 in., £9 15s. Ex. Hildawell, from Quebec—13 ft. 3x9 in., second quality. £10 10s; 6-8 ft. 3x6 in., £8 10s; 6-8 ft. 3x7 in., £8: 6-8 ft. 3x6 in., £7 15s: 6-8 ft. 3x7 in., £7: 15s: 6-8 ft. 3x6 in., £7: 15s: 6-8 ft. 3x7 in., £8: 6-8 ft. 3x6 in., £7: 15s: 6-8 ft. 3x7 in., £7: 15s: 6-8 ft. 3x6 in., £7: 15s: 6-8 ft. 3x7 in., £7: 15s: 6-8 ft. 3x6 in., £7: 15s: 6-8 ft. 3x7 in., £7: 15s: 6-8 ft.

Hildawell, from Quebec—13 ft. 3x9 in., second quality. £10 10s; 6.8 ft. 3x9 in., £8 10s; 6.8 ft. 3x7 in., £8; 6.8 ft. 3x6 in., £7 15s; 6.8 ft. 3x9 in., thi.d quality, £8 5s; 6.8 ft. 3x7 in., £8; 6.8 ft. 3x10 in., £9; 8 ft. 3x9 in., fifth quality, £7; 6.8 ft. 3x7 in.-5, £6.

Eight pieces of elm timber, 11 to 14 inches average and 36 feet in length, sold at £5 per load.

#### THE BARBADOS MARKET.

The following review of the lumber marke

The following review of the lumber marke of Barbados is given by Messrs. S.P. Musson, Son & Co., in their circular of August 4th:

There is still a fair demand for both white pine and spuce lumber. We note one arrival with white pine during the fortnight, which has been placed as follows—\$23.08 for first quality, and 18.08 for second quality. Last sale of spruce \$20.29 for first and \$16.29 for second quality boards, and \$18.00 for planks.

Gaspe cedar shingles have arrived freely. We placed 187 M. large, ex Success, at \$5.07 per M; other sales ex same vessel have been made at \$4.50 for large, and \$3.03 for small; cedar

at \$4.50 for large, and \$3.03 for small; cedar laying at \$2.03 for a cargo of 485 M. ex New Dominion; spruce layings at \$.00.

#### FIRES.

Fire recently destroyed Livingston's saw mill and hoop and handle factory at Blythe, Opt.

Doolittle's saw mill on the fourth concession of Malshide, near Centreville, Ont., was burned last week.

The sash and door factory of Geo. Brad-shaw on St. James street, Montreal, has been damaged by fire to the extent of \$5,000.

The saw mill of Logan & Sutherland, at Musquodoboit Harbor, N. S., was destroyed by fire last week. The loss is about \$20,000 and insurance small.

The saw mill of R. B. Miller on the Red

Mountain railroad, six miles below Rossland, B. C., was burned recently, together with 500,000 feet of lumber. The loss is estimated at \$22,000, and there is no insurance.

#### SHIPPING MATTERS.

The current rates of freight to Buffalo are \$2.25 from Duluth, \$1.621 from Menominee, and \$1.40 from Georgian Bay.

The German ship Wilhelminn, which is loading lumber at Vancouver, B.C., for South Africa, gets 928 6d, which is said to be the highest freight rate yet paid on lumber from the coast to South Africa.

#### BUSINESS NOTES.

P. J. McGuire & Company, timber jobbers, of Whitney, Ont., are said to be asking for an extension of time for three years.

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