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CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS.

ONTARIO.

The last week of January witnessed more activity in the lumber business than the preceding weeks of the month. Some quite large sales of pine were made, particularly in the Ottawa valley, where it is said manufacturers have contracted for a considerable proportion of the coming season's production. In anticipation of a good year, wholesale dealers and exporters are buying liberally, and this fact may induce manufacturers to increase their operations in the woods beyond what was originally intended. Within the past fortnight several gangs of men have been sent to the logging districts. The conditions on the Georgian Bay are somewhat similar. Although in southern Ontario there has been a lack of snow for logging, in the Muskoka and northern districts this difficulty has not been met with.

It is yet too early to estimate the extent of building operations in 1899, but the amount of work already arranged for produces a strong hope of a busy season. There will probably be more building in country districts than last year, when it was of considerable volume.

QUEBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

Manufacturers of spruce lumber are holding quotations reasonably high, and consequently shippers have not contracted very heavily. The low prices at which stock was purchased last year are being used by buyers to secure better terms for the coming season's stock, but manufacturers seem to have resolved to make a fair margin of profit or cease business. The highest price yet paid at St. John for spruce lumber for spring delivery is \$9.75, which is about \$1.50 higher than the average price last year. In shipping circles there is not much doing; the rate on lumber to New York, from St. John, is lower, being \$3.

MANITOBA AND BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The lumbermen of Manitoba are preparing for the annual convention which takes place next week, and at which the attendance promises to be unusually large. There is some movement of lumber at the present time, although it cannot be said

that spring trade has yet commenced. As building prospects are particularly bright, retailers will no doubt increase their stocks materially in the near future. In British Columbia the lumber trade is without any special feature, although the era of low prices is probably at an end, owing largely to the scarcity of logs. The foreign trade is quite brisk, and several vessels are loading.

UNITED STATES.

The past week has been one of conventions, and consequently lumbermen have not devoted the usual attention to the getting of business. Transactions have been on a moderate scale, and have been confined largely to immediate requirements. Prospects, however, are of an encouraging character, and unless all signs should fail, there will be a brisk lumber trade in 1899. Eastern wholesale dealers report numerous inquiries for quantities of different grades for spring delivery, which would seem to indicate that consumers anticipate higher prices in the near future. There is an excessive demand for box lumber, which is in short supply and likely to further advance. Manufacturers generally are firm in their asking prices, and wholesale dealers are not inclined to contract for stock at the quotations given them. These remarks apply particularly to white pine. Hemlock lumber has made an all-round advance of 50 cents per thousand feet.

Hardwood stocks continue to be bought up close to the saw. In Michigan soft and rock elm are bringing prices from \$4 to \$6 higher than those which ruled two years ago. Even beech, which has been considered an unsaleable lumber, finds a ready market.

It is claimed that at northern mill points there is a pronounced shortage of lath, and sellers are asking \$1.65 per thousand for white pine. Shingles are demanding some attention, and show no weakening in price.

FOREIGN.

British timber importers are contracting for goods for spring delivery only in a moderate way, as they believe that shippers' asking prices are higher than the conditions warrant. It must be remembered, however, that stocks in the British market are lighter than those of one year ago, while the production of Canadian lumber is likely to be curtailed during the coming season. There is also the fact that prices of spruce, red pine, and several classes of timber are strengthening.

At London 3 x 11 and 3 x 9 3rd spruce are selling privately at £7 7s 6d per standard, although similar goods can be purchased at auction at 5s below these figures. Last year spruce found its way into new fields, and consumers are said to be willing to again contract for a supply. Looking at all the conditions surrounding the spruce market, there would seem to be reason to expect advanced prices and a good season in 1899.

The conditions of the lumber trade in France are about normal. It is expected that there will be a large consumption of wood during 1899, and that red pine will be maintained at higher prices. White pine joists, timber joists and hardwood also show signs of strengthening.

STOCKS AND PRICES.

Thomas Myles' Sons, Hamilton, Ont., want 150 pieces 12 x 12, 30 feet, sound white pine timber.

J. E. Harroun & Son, of Watertown, N.Y., want good white pine mill culls, 1 1/2 inch, resawed for large boxes.

R. & T. Ritchie, of Aylmer, Que., have contracted to supply the Metropolitan Electric Company, of Ottawa, with poles.

The Metropolitan Railway Company, of Toronto, are taking tenders for the supply of 65,000 cedar ties, 1,000 cedar telegraph poles and 300 cedar trolley poles.

During the season of 1898 Messrs. E. I. White & Son, of Sand River, N.S., shipped to American ports 78 cargoes of piles and spars, aggregating about 55,000 pieces.

The Exploits Lumber Company, of Botwoodville, Nfld., will cut 10,000,000 feet of white pine lumber next summer, 5,000,000 feet of logs being now in the river. The manager of this company is George A. Fowler.

George Upham, of Fredericton, N.B., returned recently from the lumber camps on the Tobique river. He estimates the cut on that river this winter at 18,000,000 feet, a decrease of 7,000,000 feet as compared with last winter. Mr. Upham has contracted for all of Senator Baird's logs, about 1,500,000 feet.

At the annual meeting of the shareholders of the Rat Portage Lumber Company, it was stated by the manager that the company had over 600 men cutting logs in the woods. Some 50,000,000 feet will be taken out, which, with the stock now on hand, will give a good supply for next season's sawing.

The annual report of the Board of Trade of Montreal gives the following statement of forest products exported from that port during the year 1898. Ashes, pot and pearl, \$35,321; logs, pine, \$150; logs, all other, \$836; lumber, \$5,574,114; timber, square, \$126,599; other articles,

The lumber production at Saginaw and Bay City, Mich., in the season of 1896 \$26,723, total, \$5,763,743.

was 304,000,000 feet. This is the smallest output on the river since 1866, when it amounted to 309,000,000 feet. There were rafted to Michigan from the Georgian Bay district 238,843,624 feet, nearly all of which went to the Saginaw river.

C. Desmarais, of Hull, has secured from the Bell Telephone Company a contract to furnish 2,000 cedar poles.

The Bradley Myles Lumber Company, of Hamilton, Ont., have received an order to supply the British Admiralty with 100 car-loads of oak dimension timber, for use in the ironclads. The stock will be delivered at Liverpool early in the spring.

The Rat Portage Lumber Company have purchased the stock of lumber of the estate of Graham Horne & Company, of Fort William. This company have arranged with Graham, Horne & Co. to carry on the business in Fort William, which will be conducted under the same management as it has been for the past twenty-one years.

Henry Hibson, of the firm of Hibson, Briggs & Cooper, lumber merchants, Saginaw, Mich., is making a tour of the Ottawa valley for the purpose of buying a quantity of lumber. He states that Canadian white ash and basswood are in great demand by the lumber dealers of Michigan, chiefly for making furniture and inside finishing.

Seven timber berths were sold at the Crown Lands' office, Fredericton, N. B., last week, as follows: 3 1/2 square mile block on White's brook, Restigouche county, to Wm. Currie, at \$151 per mile; 2 1/2 mile berth on Nash's creek, Restigouche, to Nathaniel McNair, at \$18 per mile; 5/8 mile brook on Nictor lake, to T. B. Winslow, at \$1.10 per mile; two 9 mile and one 4 1/2 mile berth on White's creek, Restigouche, to Wm. Richards, at upset price; 2 mile berth on Ten Mile creek, St. John county, to J. E. Moore, at upset price.

Alliston Cushing, of St. John, N.B., returned recently from California, where he has been interested in quartz mines. It will be remembered that Mr. Cushing had the contract last year to furnish 8,000,000 feet of logs to Jerneagan & Fisher for the Electrolytic Marine Salts Company, at North Lubec. He had landed more than half of that quantity when the bubble broke, leaving him in a fair way to lose about \$20,000 by the transaction. He, however, purchased all the logs and lumber in the plant No. 2, then partly constructed, and now has a sawmill at work converting the logs into lumber.

In Northwestern Ontario the winter has been very favorable for bush work, and a good deal of work is going on. The North Shore Timber Company, of which Jas. Whalen is manager, is getting out about 25,000 cords of pulp wood at Nepigon. Vigers & Co. are taking out a good stock of logs for their Port Arthur mill; Alger, Smith & Co., who are operating extensively on limits 2 and 3, Pigeon river, are through their cutting, and hauling is progressing satisfactorily; while a large quantity of timber and ties is being taken out along the line of the new Ontario & Rainy River railway for use in the construction of that road. Graham, Horne & Co. are also getting out a large quantity of cedar culvert timber for the C.P.R. Work is plenty, and demand and wages for men are both good.

OUTLOOK FOR CANADIAN TIMBER.

Reviewing the lumber market, the Timber Trades Journal, of London, Eng., says:—The quantity of timber and deals which continues to be taken into consumption is somewhat surprising, considering that we are supposed to be in the middle of the most inclement month of the year. Last January similar weather conditions prevailed, and the deliveries of the first two weeks of the respective years very nearly tally, with a slight advantage to the present one, but only in goods taken from ship's side. In nearly all the districts which receive their supplies from the docks and yards of the metropolitan building operations are on the same extended scale that has marked the course of the previous year. It is something new to find spruce prices improving coincident with a declining market for Baltic whitewood.

The shippers are lamenting over the difficulty of getting the prices of Swedish and other north of Europe productions back to their former high standpoint, but they have no sympathisers on this side. The forests of Canada can supply all that our markets here require, and colonial shippers have only to adjust the lengths of the spruce cut to suit the demand to take a much larger share of the white-wood trade from their north of Europe competitors. The major portions of the arguments used in favor of the merits of Baltic white, are founded on old-fashioned prejudices, and it is plain from the stiffening of spruce prices that those who substituted spruce last year, on account of its cheapness, are ready to try the experiment again. Spruce is a most durable wood under many conditions, and now that it is being shipped in batten dimensions, if supplied in 6 to 26 feet lengths, would answer all the purposes of trade.

We have alluded before to the Canadian red pine, of which there is plenty to be had in the forests abroad. This is another building wood that seems to be unappreciated amongst the trade here, but only requires some alteration in the specification to bring it more under notice. 4, 3, 9 and 11 inch widths in good sound wood are scarce here, and likely to remain so, the tendency of the Baltic trade being toward the smaller dimensions.

The pine market is quiet, and the business done is not satisfactory as far as prices go. In wholesale lines the top price for best bright seasoned regulars is £26, but we hear that the Quebec firms are expecting to get an advance on last year's figures for the winter cut leading stocks. There does not appear to be nearly as much life now in this particular branch of the wood trade as formerly existed—at least in the London market. The enormous quantity of imported ready-made stuff, in the shape of doors and mouldings, in addition to the extension of the planed deals from the Swedish mills, may have had some exercising influence on the consumption of Canadian pine. At any rate, the prices now obtainable here, considering the high free-board cost and freight, are not sufficiently remunerative to encourage large importations in the legitimate way, and we fear all but the primest kinds of their class will be sent to market for shipper's account.

THE BARBADOS MARKET.

Of the Barbados lumber market Messrs. Claremonte, Man & Co., in their report, say:—Since last advices, we note ten arrivals with white pine and spruce, and dealers are fairly well supplied. Last sales were—white pine, \$21.26 for first, and \$15.26 for second quality; spruce, \$16.75 for first and \$11.75 for second quality. Pitch pine—we note the arrival of four ordered cargoes for dealers' account, contracted for at \$23 and \$24. The demand for Caspe cedar shingles continues good, last sales at \$5.06 to \$5.41. Last sales of spruce laying, \$2.35; cedar laying, \$2.76 1/2; cypress \$8.50 and \$6.50 for 6-inch, 'hearts' and 'saps' ex Cora. Arrivals. Brig Boston Marine, from Tuskent Wedge, 31 M feet white pine boards, \$22.07; 10 M do plank \$20.07; 41 M feet small boards \$19.37; 11 M second quality do. \$15.00; 6 M small second quality do. \$14.07; 6 M feet spruce boards \$17.60; 6 M small do. \$13; 7 M scantling \$19.07. Schr. Juanita, from Liverpool, N.S., 66 M ft. white pine boards \$21.06; 6 M planed do \$20.01; 14 M second quality do. \$15.01; 44 M second quality spruce \$12.01. Brig. Resultado, from Liverpool, N. S., 60 M white pine \$21.06; 5 M second quality do. \$15.07; 95 M feet spruce \$17.07; 13 M feet hemlock scantling \$12; 47 M spruce laying shingles \$2.48. Schr. Svanara, from St. John, N. B., with 40 feet white pine \$21.26; 32 M second quality do. \$15.26; 75 M small do. \$13.40; 3 M spruce \$17.00; 20 M second quality do. \$11.40; 10 M do. plank and scantling \$15.00; 500 M shingles on dealers' account. Schr. B. B. Hardwick, from Clemont's port, N. S., with 11 M feet white pine \$21.26; 13 M second quality do. \$15.26; 137 M spruce \$16.60; 3 M second quality do. \$11.60; 2 M do scantling \$15.00. Schr. F. A. Rice, from Weymouth, N.S., with 49 M feet white pine \$21.36; 18 M second quality do. \$15.26; 71 M feet spruce \$16.75 for first and \$11.75 for second quality. Schr. Wapiti, from Yarmouth, 18 M feet spruce, 264 M shingles; shingles sold at \$2.35. Schr. John A. McKie, from Windsor, N. S., 153 M feet white pine, 80 M second quality. Schr. Moss Glen, from Bridgewater, N. S., 73 M feet white pine, 41 M second quality, 17 M feet spruce scantling. Schr. A. S. Snare, from St. John, N. B., 97 M feet white pine, 54 M second quality.

Lee & Lentz have engaged in the lumber business at Tonawanda, N. Y.

WHITE PINE STOCKS.

Statistics were published in a recent issue of the American Lumberman showing the production of lumber in 1898 and the stock on hand at the close of the year. Commenting thereon, this journal says:

While the product of the year was 78,000,000 feet less than that of the previous year, the stock on hand at the close of the season showed a much greater decrease than this, for the total stock reported from all the white pine and hemlock mills in Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota, along the Mississippi river and on Lake Erie, was but 3,494,739,000 feet, against 3,815,558,000 feet at the close of 1897; a decrease of 321,000,000 feet. Thus the stock on hand has been decreasing in a much more rapid ratio than the product, testifying to the substantial character of the year's business and its improvement over 1897, good as the latter part of that year was.

But the figures on mill stocks do not tell the whole story. The stock on hand at wholesale points must be taken into consideration and in regard to that branch of the subject complete statistics are lacking. From some of the markets there are available and reliable reports. At Chicago there was quite a heavy decrease in stock considering the volume carried—a little less than 10 per cent. Most other markets of importance show similar figures with a decrease in some of them even greater than in Chicago. But the wholesale markets alone are not sufficient to gain an accurate view of the general situation. The stocks on hand in retail yards and in the hands of heavy consumers must be considered.

The general impression is that stocks in the hands of retailers are lighter than ordinarily at this season. While there was some retailers who last fall bought quite heavily, particularly early in the fall, or in the late summer before the September advance in prices, most of the stock was pretty well exhausted by the end of the year and it is believed that the amount available for the winter's trade is light.

DUTY ON SPRUCE LUMBER.

A cablegram has been received by the Department of Trade and Commerce at Ottawa from Commercial Agent Rennie, at Buenos Ayres, stating that on representations of the Dominion Government the duty upon spruce lumber had been reduced by the Government of Argentina by \$2.40 per thousand. Large quantities of spruce lumber are annually shipped from Canada to the Argentine Republic, the Maritime Provinces and British Columbia being the principal exporters. In September last the duty was increased by 10 per cent., but as a result of Mr. Rennie's good work the duty is now less than it was six months ago.

BUSINESS NOTES.

The Burrill Lumber Company, of Forestdale, Que., has obtained a charter of incorporation. The Sheppard Lumber Company, of Orillia, Ont., has been incorporated, with a capital stock of \$85,000. The Johnston-Ford Lumber Company, of Abmie Harbor, Ont., is reported to have assigned to J. C. Ford.

SHIPPING MATTERS.

The schooner Arthur N. Gilson has been chartered to load lumber at Apalachicola for Halifax at \$7.00. Chartering is somewhat quiet, and a weakness in the market has developed. Two vessels have been chartered for first open water from Montreal to London, at 43c 9d. From the St. John district tonnage is offering at 43s. 9d., but charterers are diffident in offering more than 42s 6d.

The planing mill of Matthew's Bros. & Company, on Dundas street, Toronto, was destroyed by fire on Thursday last. Some lumber was also burned.

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CANADA ATLANTIC RAILWAY.

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St. John, N. B. and common points, 20 cents per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to Halifax, N. S. and common points, 21 cents per 100 lbs. Minimum carload weight for shipment of lumber, lath, shingles, etc., is 30,000 lbs., and rates quoted above are in cents per 100 lbs., except when quoted per M ft., the minimum carload charged is 30 M ft., lumber not exceeding 3,000 lbs. to the M feet Ottawa rates apply on shipments from Rockland and Hawkesbury.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

Lumber freight rates for pine on the Grand Trunk Railway, according to the tariff issued 15th February, 1897, will be found below. General instructions in shipping by Grand Trunk are embodied in these words in the schedule: Minimum weight 30,000 lbs. per car, unless the marked capacity of the car be less, in which case the marked capacity (but not less than 24,000 lbs.) will be the minimum weight. Exceptions—Cedar posts in box cars, dry basswood and light pine or cedar lumber, dry cedar shingles, charcoal and sawdust, which cannot be loaded up to 30,000 lbs. or up to the marked capacity of car, will be carried at actual weight, minimum 24,000 lbs. The rates on lumber in the tariff will not be higher from an intermediate point on the straight run than from the first named point beyond to the same destination. For instance, the rates from Orillia to Guelph, Brampton, Weston or Toronto, would not be higher than the specific rates named from Gravenhurst to the same points. The rates from Carleton Place and Southampton to points east of Listowel and south and west of Stratford will be the same as from Kincardine, and the rates from Hanover or Hepworth would not be higher than from Warton to the same destination, but in no case are higher rates to be charged than as per mileage table published on page 15 of tariff.

Rates from leading lumber points on pine and other softwood lumber, shingles, etc., are as follows: From Glencairn, Creemore, Aurora, Harrie and other points in group B to Toronto, 6 1/2c.; Collingwood, Penetang, Coldwater, Waubushene, Sturgeon Bay, Victoria Har-

bor, Midland, Fenelon Falls, Langford, Gravenhurst and other points in group C, to Toronto, 6 1/2c.; Bracebridge to Toronto 7c.; Utterson, Huntsville, Navorimdale, Katrine to Toronto, 7 1/2c.; Burk's Falls, Herriestale Sundridge and South River, to Toronto, 8c.; Trout Creek, Powassan and Callender to Toronto, 9c.; Nipissing Junction and North Bay, 10c. Rate from Goderich, Kincardine, Owen Sound and Warton to Toronto, 6 1/2c. These rates are per 100 lbs. Rates from Toronto east to Belleville are 7 1/2c. per 100 lbs., to Deseronto, 9c.; to Brockville and Prescott, 10c.; to Montreal and Ottawa, 10c. The rates on hardwoods average about from 1c. per 100 lbs. higher than on pine and softwoods. For rates on railway ties, mabogany, rosewood, walnut, cherry, and other valuable woods, application must be made to the district freight agent.

On spruce and balsam (partly seasoned) for pulp manufacture, the rate from Langford, Warton, Penetang, Coldwater, Waubushene, Victoria Harbor, Haliburton, Kinnmount, etc., to Toronto, is \$2.20 per cord, and to Merriton and Thorold, \$2.60. Katrine, Callendar, North Bay, etc., to same points, \$2.45 and \$2.60 respectively. Beeton, Allandale, Orillia, etc., \$2.20 and \$2.60. On green spruce and balsam the rate is 25 per cent. higher.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

The rates at present in effect on the Canadian Pacific Railway to Toronto and Hamilton are as follows: Pine and soft woods from Klock, Mattawa, Bonfield, North Bay, Sturgeon Falls, Cache Bay and Warren, 9 cents, from Sudbury Jet, Rayside and Chelmsford, 10 cents, from Carleton and Geneva Lake, 10 1/2 cents, from Biscuiting, White Fish, Massey, Cutler, Spragge and Algoma, 12 cents per 100 lbs. The rates on hardwood are one cent per 100 lbs. higher than those on pine. From Ottawa, Hull, Aylmer and Deschenes Mills, also Arnprior, Brasseide and Pembroke, to Toronto the rate is 10 cents both on pine and hardwood. The rates are based on a minimum of 30,000 lbs. per car.

Summer rates to New York, via Albany and barge

line, expired on November 28th, owing to closing of navigation on the Hudson river, and the usual all rail rates became effective, as follows: To New York, fee track delivery, and all points on the Hudson river, on the New York Central and West Shore railways, from Ottawa, Hull, Aylmer, Deschenes Mills 15c. per 100 lbs.; from Carleton Junction, 16c. from Arnprior, Brasseide and Renfrew, 17c.; from Eganville and Pembroke, 18c. The rates to New York, including lighthouse within the free lighthouse limits of New York harbor, are 2 cents per 100 lbs. additional.

Summer rates to Montreal expired on November 15th, and the usual winter rates became effective: as follows: From Ottawa, Hull, Aylmer and Deschenes Mills, 5c.; Carleton Junction, 6c.; Arnprior and Brasseide, 7c.; Renfrew, Eganville and Pembroke, 8c. The rate to Three Rivers is 4c. and to Quebec 5c. over the rate to Montreal. The minimum car load in all cases where rates are computed on a weight basis is 30,000 lbs., when on a measurement basis 10,000 feet B. M.

The C. P. R. also make the following rates on seasoned pine lumber to West St. John, N. B. for export: From Ottawa, Hull, Aylmer, Deschenes Mills, East Templeton and Luckingham, \$3.75 per M feet; Carleton Junction, Brasseide and Arnprior, \$4.00 per M feet; Renfrew, Douglas, Eganville and Pembroke, \$4.50 per M feet. On lumber for local consumption at St. John, N. B. and common points the rate is 20 cents from Ottawa, Hull and Aylmer, and to Halifax 21 cents from same points. On seasoned pine lumber the rate from Ottawa to Oswego, N. Y., is \$1.90 per M feet, and to Syracuse, N. Y., \$2.20 per M feet, from Ottawa to Buffalo, 12 cents and to Detroit 14 cents per 100 lbs.; to Boston, Mass., and common points, 15 cents from Ottawa, Hull, Deschenes Mills and all points east thereof, 16 cents from Carleton Junction, 17 cents from Arnprior, Brasseide and Renfrew, and 13 cents from Eganville and Pembroke, and proportionate rates from points further west on lumber of consumption in the United States. The export lumber rate is 13 cents from Ottawa and Hull, 14 cents from Deschenes Mills, Aylmer and Carleton Junction, and 15 cents from Arnprior and Brasseide to Boston.

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TORONTO, ONT.

TORONTO, February 1, 1899.

Table with columns for 'CAR OR CARGO LOTS' and 'HARDWOODS-FOR M. PKET CAR LOTS'. Lists various lumber types and their prices.

OTTAWA, ONT.

OTTAWA, February, 1899

Table listing lumber prices in Ottawa, Ontario, including items like Pine, goods sidings, and Pine, 8 s.c. and bet-ter stock.

QUEBEC, QUE.

QUEBEC, February 1, 1899.

WHITE PINE-IN THE RAFT.

Table listing lumber prices in Quebec, Quebec, including items like Common and railroad, for interior and ordinary according to average, quality, etc.

RED PINK-IN THE RAFT.

Table listing lumber prices in Quebec, Quebec, including items like Measured off, according to average and quality.

OAK-MICHIGAN AND OHIO.

Table listing lumber prices in Quebec, Quebec, including items like By the dram, according to average and quality.

ASH.

Table listing lumber prices in Quebec, Quebec, including items like 14 inches and up, according to average and quality.

BIRCH.

Table listing lumber prices in Quebec, Quebec, including items like 14 inch average.

DEALS.

Table listing lumber prices in Quebec, Quebec, including items like Bright spruce, according to mill specification.

NEW YORK CITY.

NEW YORK, N. Y., February 1, 1899.

WHITE PINE TIMBER.

Table listing lumber prices in New York City, including items like Bridge timber and Decking.

SPRUCE.

Table listing lumber prices in New York City, including items like 6 to 9 in. and 10 to 12 in.

HARDWOOD.

Table listing lumber prices in New York City, including items like 1 inch, No. 1 and 2 Black Ash, 10 to 16.

ALBANY, N.Y.

ALBANY, N.Y., February 1, 1899.

PINE.

Table listing lumber prices in Albany, New York, including items like Uppers, 3 in. up and Dressing boards, narrow.

LATH.

Table listing lumber prices in Albany, New York, including items like Pine and Spruce.

SHINGLES.

Table listing lumber prices in Albany, New York, including items like Sawn Pine, ex. XXXX.

BOSTON, MASS.

BOSTON, February 1, 1899.

EASTERN PINK-CARGO OR CAR LOAD.

Table listing lumber prices in Boston, Massachusetts, including items like Ordinary planed boards and Coarse No. 5.

WESTERN PINK-BY CAR LOAD.

Table listing lumber prices in Boston, Massachusetts, including items like Uppers, 1 in. and Fine com., 3 and 4 in.

SHINGLES.

Table listing lumber prices in Boston, Massachusetts, including items like Spruce and Cedar, extra.

LATH.

Table listing lumber prices in Boston, Massachusetts, including items like Spruce and Cedar.

BUFFALO AND TONAWANDA, N.Y.

TONAWANDA, N. Y., February 1, 1899.

WHITE PINE.

Table listing lumber prices in Buffalo and Tonawanda, New York, including items like Uppers, 1, 1 1/2, 2 and 3 in.

WHITE ASH.

Table listing lumber prices in Buffalo and Tonawanda, New York, including items like 1st & 2nd, 1 inch and 1 1/2 to 2 in.

BLACK AND BROWN ASH.

Table listing lumber prices in Buffalo and Tonawanda, New York, including items like 1st & 2nd, 6 inch up.

UICKI.

Table listing lumber prices in Buffalo and Tonawanda, New York, including items like 1st & 2nd, 6 inch & up, red.

MAPLE.

Table listing lumber prices in Buffalo and Tonawanda, New York, including items like 1st & 2nd, hard, 6 in. & up.

BAY CITY AND SAGINAW, MICH.

BAY CITY, Mich., February 1, 1899.

UPPERS AND SELKCTS.

Table listing lumber prices in Bay City and Saginaw, Michigan, including items like Uppers, 1 in., 10 in. and up.

PINK COMMON.

Table listing lumber prices in Bay City and Saginaw, Michigan, including items like 1 in., 8 in. and up wide.

B PINK COMMON OR NO. 1 CUTTING.

Table listing lumber prices in Bay City and Saginaw, Michigan, including items like 1 in., 7 in. and up wide.

STRIPS, A AND B (CLEAR AND SELKCT).

Table listing lumber prices in Bay City and Saginaw, Michigan, including items like 1 1/2 in., 4, 5 and 7 in. wide.

FINE COMMON OR C.

Table listing lumber prices in Bay City and Saginaw, Michigan, including items like 1 in., 4, 5 in. wide.

SELECTED NO. 1 SHELVEING OR FENCING STRIPS.

Table listing lumber prices in Bay City and Saginaw, Michigan, including items like 1 1/2 in., 4, 5, 6 in. wide.

NO. 1 FENCING OR NO. 3 FLOORING.

Table listing lumber prices in Bay City and Saginaw, Michigan, including items like 1 in., 4, 5 and 7 in.

SHELVEING.

Table listing lumber prices in Bay City and Saginaw, Michigan, including items like No. 1, 1 in., 10 in. stocks.

BARN BOARDS OR STOCKS.

Table listing lumber prices in Bay City and Saginaw, Michigan, including items like No. 1, 12 in. and No. 2, 9 in.

SHIPPING CULLS OR BOX.

Table listing lumber prices in Bay City and Saginaw, Michigan, including items like 1 in., 4 and 5 in. wide.

SHAKY CIKAR.

Table listing lumber prices in Bay City and Saginaw, Michigan, including items like 1 in., 3, 4, 5, 7, 8 and 9 in. wide.

COFFIN BOARDS.

Table listing lumber prices in Bay City and Saginaw, Michigan, including items like No. 1, 1 in., 13 in. and up.

TIMBER, JOIST AND SCANTLING.

Table listing lumber prices in Bay City and Saginaw, Michigan, including items like Norway, 2x4 to 10, 12 to 16 ft.

SHINGLES, 18-IN.

Table listing lumber prices in Bay City and Saginaw, Michigan, including items like Country brands, XXXX.

WHITE PINK LATH.

Table listing lumber prices in Bay City and Saginaw, Michigan, including items like No. 1 and No. 2.

PRICES OF COOPERAGE STOCK.

Table listing prices of cooperage stock, including items like No. 1, 2 1/2 inch jointed elm staves, per net 1,000.