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do so, are requested to send particulars to this office, when they will be furnished with the name and address of our correspendent.

## CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS.

 onvario.The feature of the lun.ber trade of the past week has been the number of en quiries for stock of all kinds. Manufac* turers and dealers alike agree that the outlook for spring business is excepionally bright, and uniess unforseen obstacles arise, there is likely to be an advatnce in lumber pices generally, but particularly in low giade pine. Storks at the mills are lower than they have been for years, and in no grades is thete a surplus. The scarcity of hatewoods has pethaps tesulted in a greater consumption of hemlock; in any case, the market for that lumber seems to be wirening, and the mill men have sut. ceeded in disposing of stocks whinch had been accumulating for years. Shangles, both pine and cedar, are scarce. The supply of the latter is scarcely equal to the demand, which is almost entirely of at local character. Hardwoods reman firm, although we would caution manufacturers aganst a poobable overproduction. With a favorable winter, there is ceriain to be taken out a large quantity of logs, and unless discretion is used, prices are likely to be affected.
gURIEC AND NBW bxusiswick.
There is a quietness in lumber circles in Quebec that is not easily understood. For some reason, contancting for stocis for spring delivery is backward, and manufacturers, some of whom are carrying heavier stocks than last winter, are not enturely saustied with the outlook. But now that the holday season has passed, we believe more life will be exhibited. The condition of the trade in New ìrunswick durng isgS is shown by the deal shipments from St. John, which wele 183.413 .913 feet, as aganst $244,160,-$ 459 feet in the previous year. Winhn the last two months, linwever, the outlook has bryhtened. Many of the manufacturers are carryin: over less stock than usual, and are also operating very moderately in the woods. This has produced a hope that prices for all classes of lumber, mcluding deals and shongles, will mprove in the spring. In Nova Scotia a light poduction of logs was contemplated, and this has been furtier reduced by unfavorable weather for logging operations.

## UNITHD STATES.

Reports from the lumber markets in the United States are devoted largely to reviewing the trade of 18 gS , which was, on the whole, a satisfactory year. The east revived late in the season to an un-
expected extent, and buyers entered the market with a great eagenness to secure stock. Wholesale dealers found that theis stocks were likely to become in adequite and sought to teplenish them but the phices asked at nothern manufacturing points were considered beyond their reach. l.ter they were compelled to buy to same extem, meetng the stua. non by advancong wholesale prices. At many of the wholesale disonbutm cities stocks are badly braken. While at Buffalo and "onawanda the freat scarcity pertains to box lumber, yet of other grades of pune the supply is not ample. The demand from the east is such as to produce the brye that the spring regure ment wall be unusual'y larke. Cousumers have light stocks, and retalets are by no means oversuppined. livery class of hardwoods is sitl enqured for, and there is no likehhood, of the shortage being telteved for some weeks at least. At Buffilo there are no stocks of basswood and eim, and ash, birch and mapie are sold as soon as they pass moto the hands of the wholesalers. Spruce seems to be gaining ground steadily at Bosion.

## foshas.

The condition of the tmber market in Great Britain at the close of the year was satisfactory: The demand has contunued active, and there is a strong hope that the spring trade will open up briskly. Some contracts have been entered into for Canadian sleals and timber for spring delwery, athough lmying has not been as active ats in some prevous years. On the east coast of England, whetc a consulerable quantity of spruce was placed in 1898, there appears to be an inclination to wat, to iscertan the turn which prices of I athic whitewood will take. At present whitewood is selling at $<6$ stamdard, and spruce at an averixge of 2. 6 15. should these prices sule for sping zoods, some believe that white. wood will be given the preference, lust there is a powsibitity that baltac white. wood will be advanced in the near futue, to the advantige of spruce There in a sood demand for red pre of good ganlity, and if carefully mamufactured, it is certan to compete successfully with Balite red wood. In pine deals the most urgent demand scems to be for 11 inch stock of first quality, which is in lixht supply at Glasgow and some other importing centres. liardwoods are not in heavy stock, and the demand is faut. Oak is quoied at 25 Sd to $2 s$ tod pee cubic foot for 651075 feet average, and ash is steady at ind to 22 d for 13 to $1 ;$ unch average.

## STOCKS AND PRICES.

The los production on the Nashwank river, in New Brunswick, this winter .will be about $30,000,000$ fect.
The superintending enpineer of the Welland Canal desires tenders by January 17th for the annual supply of timber.
Messrs. Cockburn \& Co., of Sturgeon Falls, Ont., are cutting 4,000,000 feet of ralls, Onl., are cuting $4,000,000$ feet of
logs this winter, to be sawn next summer.
During the year 1898 there were exporteit from St. John, N. B., forest products to the value of $\$ 2,987,756$, against $\$ 3,938,379$ for the year 1897 .
Messts. E. D. Davidson $\mathbb{N}$ Sons, Limited, of Bradgewater, N. S., expect to cut during the coming season $10,000,000$ feet of pine and spruce lumber.
The shipments of lumber from Nova Scotia ports to trans-Atlantic counties in 1898 totalled $148,239,840$ feet, a decrease of 1898 totalled $148,239,840$ feet, a decrease of
about $40,000,000$ feet as compared with the previous year.
Messrs. J. T. Crawford, James Hunter and A. G. Scaman, of Wiaton, Ort., are now operating on the property recently purchased from the Barrow Bay Lumber Company, of Barrow Bay, Ont.
A Bangor, Maine, lumber dealer states that he expects the market will open next spring with a brisk demand, at prices higher than those that prevailed at the close of navigation. Random spruce
was then selling at from $\$ 13$ to $\$ 15$. was then selling at from $\$ 13$ to $\$ 15$.
Messrs. D. \& I. Hadden, of Foxmead, Ont., have been given a contract to take out and manufacture $1,00,00$ feet of pine for W. J. Lovering, of Coldwater, Ont. Messrs. Hadden have also sold 200,000 feet of soft elm, to be sawn next summer.

Two tumber berths, for which tenders were recently invited, were disposed of by the Ontario government a few days apo. Six square miles in Hanmer township, northwest of Sudbury, were sold to J. R. Booth, oi Ottawa, for $\$ 15,000$, Pogomasing, on the C. P. R., to Alexander Barnet, of Renfrew, for $\$ 33,575$.
At Fredericton, N. W3., four timber berths were sold last week as follows: $21 / 2$ miles at mouth of East Branch of Rockway river, to $P$. Momeault, at $\$ 8$ per mile ; 2 miles on Mill Creek branch of Petitcodiac rivet, to Albert Wood, at same price ; two niles on northern side of Cocaigne river, 10 Lockbart Lougher, at $\$ 9$ per mile ; $4 \frac{1}{2}$ miles at head of north fork of north branch Charlo river, to James Reid, at $\$ 156$.
Messrs. Goodwin \& Co., of Birmingham, England, desire to reccive quotations from Canadian manulacturers for 200 gross broom handles, 50 in . long, $1 / \mathrm{s}$ - th. thick, delivered at Cardiff, South Wales. A white handle, free from knots and imperfecuons, is required. UnitedStates Consul Halstead writes from Birmingham that there has been a large sale of American broom bandles. He stites that more could have been disposed of if the ends had been "turned in," the favorite style for broom handles in England.

## KINDLY REPLY.

A number of luniber manufacturers, particularly in Ontario, have not as yet responded to our request for infurmation regarding the trade
of the year 1898 . The data, to lee of service, should be received immediately; and we ask the favor of a reply.

RED PINE IN GREAT BRITAIN.
Concerning red pine, the Timber Trades Journal says: The efforts to bring Canadian red pinc into competition with Balic redwood do not applear 10 meet wilh much success. The wamt of classification and the limitation as to lengths are the chiel drawbacks. We drew the atiention of our Quebec friends to this subject at the beginning of the scason, when several consignoments of unsorted quality were shipped on London and thad to be realized at the public sales. Thete is no reason, now that Balic deals are geating scarcer cevery year, why the reals pine deals trom Quebec or ncighboring
reat ports should not supply whe want felt here of a really sound, cheap, house luilding, $3 \times 9$ and 21 inch deal.
Tinch deal.
The lismingham correspondent of same paper snys: In Birmingham an increasing
sold. They were sent over last year and again this, and there is someching to be said in their favor. At the price of nbout 610 in lifming ham they took the place of Russinn nnid Swedish deals, and were sold freely. What a
pity it is that they are not classifed. They are puty it is that they are not classified. They are
rough, have large knots, but are fairly sound. rough, have large knuts, but are fairly sound.
As joiste, where they can be used whole, they take the place of more cosily deals, but why do the shippers not classify them as mixed and thinds, and sell them accordingly? Till this is done there must be some disigpointment exmerchants.

## THE BARBADOS MARKET.

Mesors. S. I. Musson, Son \& Co. say of the 13asbados lumber market:
White lme.-The nnivals have been the Lewaniki, from St, Joln, N. 1 B., with 73 M shpping and 12 L im 2nd quality, which was placed at $\$ 22.25$ and $\$ 16.25$ respectively, and the hictona romn Clyde niver, with 47 II shipping and 29 M It. hewlock, which was
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lot of $6 M$ shippers nd $27 M$ ndi quality lot of 6 M shippers and 27 M 2 nd quality, Whach was sold at $\$ 8.03$ and $\$ 3.67$ respec. tively; and the rility had a small quantity small and narrov 2nd qualify, which we sold at $\$ 13$. Stocks are quite moderate, and unless receipts are free, or the price of 2nd quality white pine declines considerably, fair rates should rule.
Shingles. -The New Dominion arrived from Pastebiace, Que., to our address, on 15 th ultino, with 680 M long laspe cedar, 550 M of which we plazed at $\$ 5.06$, deck load and inboard; no allowance for retied; the balance $90 M$ being of $a$ limle better quality, and brighter, being all. inboard, and also being a
small quantity, brought $\$ 4.40$. The Duart small quantity, brought $\$ 4.40$. The Duart
Castle brought 190 M , which were placed at same rate, and she also bad some cedar laying for importers' account. The only other arrival of this latter description has been by the 1.ewanika, with about 400 M. previously conteacted for at $\$ 2$, but considerably moreare expected in fulfilment of coniracts. Shooks.No arrivals have taken place, but we have placed a small cargo of Portland, N. K., oak for lanuary shipment at $\$ 1.22$.

## LOGGING PROSPECTS AND PRICES.

Of logging prospects and prices of lumber in the United aStates the Anerican Lumberman says:

It is a fortunate thing for the lumber trade, and indicative of the strong position oecupied by white pine, hat prospects ofa heavy log input during this winter cause no apprebenstons as to the strength of the lumber marhet during the year. In this phase of the case there probably has been no parallel to the present sttua. tion, for in uther years when prospects were as bright as now the log crop and the lumber product were loth much larger than now. The white pine industy has come to the point
where the product will permanently be smaller where the product will permanently be smaller
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to be had there is sto apparent reasno why the dequirememt for 1899 should not be as harge as for 1892 , but there is not the supply there was then and cannot be ; consequently the produce should all be mateeted at tirm prices
There is no question about the activity in log. ging circles. Every jobther who can raise the money to pay for supplics is at work, and every manafacturing concern that does its own logging is crowding things to the utmost. But with all that can be done the crop will fall far short of the banner years of the white pine industry-is almost certain to lack $2,000,000$. ooo feet of the record. Morcover, logying is being conducted at a somewhat higher cost than in a num.ber of previous years. Early in the season, before the mills closed down and the latworers were entircly ouz of the harvest fields, the precliminary woods work was done at an extremely high price: but wages have conie down recently, until they are only a
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plies are ligher than ihey have been for years. plies are higher than they have been for years. ecptible amount to the cost of logs, while there is agenerally higher range of prices on logging is a generall
equipnent.
These things mean that new logs rill cos more at the mills in 1899 than for a number of years past, and will necessilate a higher aver age range market eyen in lack of other streng tain the market even in lack of other strengthcning influences, but such influences are not lacking Fery prospect is favorable for a large, stcady, and even insistent demand, which, failing to be satisfied with light stocks
of lumber, will absorb the new crop practically of lumber, will absorb the new crop practically
as fast as it shall lye produced and ready for shipment.
clasgow trade conditions.
In reviewing the timber trade of Glaygow for the year 1 Sgos, Messis. Calder, Henderson \$ Livingston, in their annual circular, say :
The year just closed has withessed continued activity in the timber trade $1 t$ opened with heavy stocks on hand, and prices were in. clined to weaken, but they firmed un in the early summer, and have continued firm until now, with the exception of a short time about the month of August, when the impons were exceptionally heavy: There has heen on excellent dematid, and the amoum of stock that has gone into consumption is very salisfactory: It seeniss impossible now to have a year go past without sume interruption to business, and the bratich to suffer this year has been bial dealing with furniture woods. here the deof mad has bech muchrestriced hrougha sirike for about nate months and still cominues. One of the outstanding leatures of muerest during the year was the large mpont of Amertcin spruce battens, which got a footing owing to lie high price of Balic whitenood, and these, having turned out very salusfactonly to importeis, are likely in the future to be strong compectiors with the latter, provided the price be pechtors The rapidly increasing demand lor boards in place of log timber, especially in white pine and Canary whisen ond, is such as ough to command the allention of shippers. What is required in the former is an inctease in the average width, for which a corresponding increase in value would be recognized.
The shipping industry has had an exceptional period of activity, and the amount of work on hand is such as to ensure a prosperous condition of things throughout the coming year. During
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however, bave already been made for shipment during the coming spring by Quebee shippers.

## BUSINESS NOTES.

John Coops \& Sons, lumber dealars, BrookIyn, N.S., have dissolved partnership.
The lumbering firm of Joeph Martin \& Sons, at Ilarrison River, 13. C., has been dissolved.
The Sutherland-Innes Compang; of Chatham, Ont., have leased a saumill property at Exter, Ont, and intend ananufacturing slaves, heading and lumber there.
Mr. Charles Neck lias retired from the firm of Churchill \& Sim, nood agents, London, Eng. The business will be continued by the remaining partners under the former name.
The creduors of Joseph Mathew, lumber dealer and general merchant, Sprucedale, Ont, have accepted on offer of 80 cents on the dollar. The liabilities amcunt to $\$ 7,000$.
The Bay State Lumber Company has been incorporated at Boston, Mass, with a capital stock of $\$ 10,000$. The W. II. Sawyer Lum-
ber Company has been incorporated at Worber Company has been incorporated at Wor-
cester, in same state, with a capital stock of cester, in
$\$ 50,000$.

At Chicayo there is much interest manifest in northern hardwoods. Several good sales of basswood and birch were made during the holidags Birch has a strong and urgent call, and all the dry lumber of that kind that can be scraped up in northern Wisconsin and Michigan can readily be sold. The farmiure manufacturers are calling for birch as never before,
and all that can be turned out duing the winter and all that can be turned out duing the winter can be sold at prices bether than ever before were realized. Firsts and seconds by the carload are seling at $\$ 23$ to $\$ 24$ a thousand, and common at about $\$ 16$. Suci prices are $\$ 2$ to \$3 a thousand higher than a fell months ago. All northern hardwoods are selling well, and prices at the mills are held so hight that dealers in this city hesitate to pay they. Ilat they may find that he who hesitates is lost. Should
the factory demand this year hold up to the recond of the last half of iS98, lumber w. 1 have to be had at almost any price. Substitutes will be sought, mixing of grades will be resorter? to, and all the devices of local consumers will be employed for the purpose of keeping down prices; bint a stendy and harge consumption will force them up a degree in spite of all attempts to hold them down.

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