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To Correspond with Manufacturers of Hardwood Lumber, with a view of purchasing 1904 Cut.

We also want few cars of Ash and Basswood for immediate shipment.

HURDMAN & ELMITT,
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WANTED FOR "SPOT CASH" - CAR LOTS
18,000 Pine Shingles. Address quick
"SPOT CASH," Care CANADA LUMBERMAN.

WANTED

500 M FT. B.M. ROUND SPRUCE TIMBER,
500 M FT. B.M. ROUND HEMLOCK TIMBER,
more or less, to be delivered on Ottawa River for
next June. For further particulars address Box
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Circular Saw Hammering

tight right in your mill by mail. No previous
experience necessary. Sent prepaid on trial.
Send for Canada references, who are cutting
12-in timber with my gauge and instructions.
J. H. MINER, Lumberton, Miss.

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WANTED - LARGE QUANTITIES, ABSO-
LUTELY first quality, cut octagonal size
as under. State quantity and price Liverpool,
C. I. F. Delivery during the season as early as
possible.

26"x36" 26"x36" Mostly 26"x36"
22"x36" 22"x36"
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WANTED - CEDAR POSTS AND 2" AND
3" Tamarac for next winter's delivery
Dry hardwood lumber for immediate shipment.
R. E. KINSMAN, Hamilton, Ont.

FOR SALE.

30 H. P. STATIONARY BOILER AND
Engine, in first-class running order
Apply Box 93, CANADA LUMBERMAN.

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A BOLT 100,000 FT. 2" COMMON AND
Better Birch, cut from large, sound logs in
1001. GOLD MOUNTAIN PERNITURE Co. Van
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White Pine Good Dressing:

4 1/2" x 5 1/2" x 6 1/2" x 4" up x 6 1/2" Shorts
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x 3 1/2" x 12 1/2" Strips
x 3" up x 12 1/2" Sidelings

Write for particulars, and quotations

A. E. BURY AUSTIN,
Wholesale Lumber & Timber Merchant,
Montreal.



AUCTION SALE OF TIMBER BERTHS

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT
pursuant to authority of Orders in Council,
the Red and White Pine Timber in the follow-
ing townships, berths and areas, namely:

IN THE DISTRICT OF NIPISSING - the
Townships of HUTTON, CROSSLAND, PARKIN,
AYLMER, MACKENZIE, MCCARTHY, MERRICK,
MELROCK (part of), FRENCH (part of), STEWART,
LOCKHART (part of), GARRROW (part of), OSBORNE
(part of), HAMMILL and PHELPS (part of).
IN THE DISTRICT OF ALGOMA - Berths
Nos. 159 and 201, the Townships of KITCHENER
and ROBERTS, and Block "W" near Onaping
Lake.

IN THE RAINY RIVER DISTRICT - Berths
G19, G21, G23, G29 and G33, and the following
Berths with the right to cut and remove the pine,
spruce, tamarack, cedar and poplar: - G4, G6,
G17, G18, G24, G25, G26, G27, G28, G33, G36,
G37, G39, G40, G41, G42, G43, Berths Nos. 81, 82,
83, and 84, will be offered for sale by Public
Auction at the Parliament Buildings, in the City
of Toronto, on WEDNESDAY, the NINTH day
of DECEMBER, 1903, at the hour of ONE o'clock
in the afternoon.

Sheets containing terms and conditions of Sale
and information as to Areas and Lots and Con-
cessions comprised in each Berth will be fur-
nished on application, either personal or by
letter, to the Department of Crown Lands, Tor-
onto or the Crown Timber Agencies at OTTAWA,
SAULT STE. MARIE, PORT ARTHUR, RAT PORT-
AGE and PORT FRANCES.

E. J. DAVIS,
Commissioner Crown Lands.
Department of Crown Lands,
Toronto, July 29, 1903.

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FOR SALE - TEN SETS OF HEAVY LOG
and one set of Tank Sleighs, almost new
Lumber would be taken in payment. A H
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HAVE YOU ANY STOCK WHICH YOU
wish to sell? If so, make the fact known to
probable buyers by placing an advertisement in
the Wanted and For Sale Department. Address,
CANADA LUMBERMAN, Toronto.

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GOOD CEDAR LUMBER SUITABLE FOR
boat building. PETERBORO CANOR CO.,
Ltd., Peterboro.

FOR SALE - CEDAR POLES, 25 TO 60 FEET,
500 cords of mixed cord wood, Maple,
Beech and Birch, delivered at the North Wake-
field Station on the C.P.R. in spring, 1904. Apply
to GILMORE BROTHERS, 38 Sparks street,
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about a mile from railway, large amount
hemlock, birch, basswood and maple. Would
take hardwood delivered at station in payment.
Apply THOS. MYLES SON, Hamilton Ont.

WANTED - TWO CAR LOADS DRY
straight or quarter cut white or red oak,
cut 1 1/2" x 2" and 1 1/2" x 3", 4, 8, and 12 ft. long,
clear stock. Address, "W," care CANADA LUM-
BERMAN.

WANTED - 10 CAR LOADS OF COMMON
Better White Winter Cut Basswood, cut
1 1/2" from the saw or good plump 1" when dry,
will take 1 1/2" wide and up, 4 ft. long and up;
can ship in car lots from any part of Ontario or
Quebec. Address Box 84, CANADA LUMBERMAN.

FOR SALE

FACTORY FLOORING

KILN DRIED BIRCH, ABOUT 60 M.
Box 442 CANADA LUMBERMAN.

TIMBER LIMIT FOR SALE

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY MILLION
feet of good sound healthy timber. About
10 million white pine, 80 million cedar; balance
hemlock. For particulars apply to P. J. GAL-
LAGHER, Rossbery, B. C.

FOR SALE

SEVERAL LARGE TIMBER LIMITS ON
the Kootenay Lakes and along Crows' Nest
line of C. P. R. Most available timber for North-
west trade. For particulars, apply to D. I.
DRWAR, Nelson, B. C.

PINE LUMBER WANTED

I desire to purchase a quantity of inch mill
culls and inch dead cull pine siding. Terms
cash when shipped. Please state quantity and
price and freight rate to Toronto. Box 43 CAN-
ADA LUMBERMAN.

Mill Machinery For Sale

CIRCULAR SAW FRAME, CARRIAGE WITH
Track Saw Edger, Slash Slasher with 5
Saws, Trimmers, Double Lath Mill, Shingle Mill,
Endless Chain and Bull-wheel, 4 Water Wheels,
Shafting Pulleys, Gears, Belting, Conveyor Chain
Giant Planer, Hashing Mill, Iron Turning Lathe
JOHN KNIGHT, Douglas, Ont.

Timber For Sale

3000 White Pine Logs near Cartier Station,
C.P.R. main line, with first class piling ground,
suitable for Portable Mill. About 3000 White
Pine Logs in Booms at mouth of Spanish River,
and about 3000 Acres of good Timber, very near-
ly all White Pine. (PINE) LUMBER COMPANY,
Cartier, Ont.

Birch Lumber

Manufactured specially for the Furniture Trade
in all sizes and grades. Write to THE HUNTS-
VILLE SYNDICATE for prices, Huntsville, Ont.

FOR SALE - 10,000,000 FEET GOOD
TIMBER, some Clear Pine, short haul, all
convenient, no dues and good Saw Mill, for
\$50,000. Address PRIVATE Box "D," Thessalon,
Ont.

FOR SALE - ABOUT 370,000 FEET DRY
White Pine Lumber 1" x 3 1/2" and 2" Cut from
good quality logs and well manufactured; also
quantity dry XXX and XX White Pine Shingles.
Apply THE HUNTSVILLE SYNDICATE, Hunts-
ville, Ont.

WANTED

AT ONCE, IN CAR LOTS, THE FOLLOW-
ING Dry Lumber:
Soft Elm, 1", 1 1/2", 2", 3"
Maple, Birch or Beech, 1 1/2", 3", 4"
Basswood, 1", 3"
This lumber will do in any lengths, from 3 ft.
up; state grade and price. Address TAYLOR &
LOUNT, Markham, Ont.

MACHINERY FOR SALE

1 Large Sided Slicker; 1 10' Buks Planer; 2
Improved Mortisers; 1 24" Surface Planer; 1
Cowan Masher; 1 Band Saw; 1 Shaper; 1 Turn-
ing Lathe; 1 Jig Saw Machine; 1 Tenon Ma-
chine for doors and windows; 1 Tenon Machine
for blinds; 1 Mortiser for blinds; 1 Staple Driver
for blinds; 2 Saw Tables. A. H. CUMMINGS &
SON, Catcook, Que.

TENDERS FOR TIMBER AND PLANKS

Tenders, sealed and endorsed "Tender for
Timber," addressed to the undersigned, will be
received up to 12 o'clock noon on MONDAY, 7TH
DECEMBER, 1903, for

TIMBER AND PLANKS FOR 1904.

Specifications and Blank Tenders may be ob-
tained upon application to Mr. John Kennedy,
Chief Engineer, at this office.

The Commissioners reserve the right to reject
any or all of the tenders received

DAVID SEA FH,
Secretary-Treasurer,
Harbor Commissioners.

57 Common Street,
Montreal, 19th Nov., 1903.

REBUILT MACHINERY

Taken in course of business
during the year, offered
cheap; thoroughly refitted.

Pony Band single cutter
2 and 3 block Heavy Carriage with offset
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Twin Circulars, will cut two thousand ties daily
10 x 16, 12 x 20 Cumulugham Peeds
Number Six Hog; Single Disc Hog; heavy
Independent Feedworks; Large Hill Nigger;
Pony Nigger

Circular Resaw; Covel Circular Planer
Sawmill Engines, 22x26, 18x24, 16x20, 12 1/2x18
Return Tubular Boilers, 2-72x16, 2-54x16
3 400 Horse Heavy Boilers
7 45x26 foot 2 Pluc Boilers
Offered cheap.

WATEROUS, BRANTFORD

WANTED — TEN THOUSAND CORDS
Hard and Soft Wood; also same quantity
of Slabs, SIMCOE WOOD AND LUMBER CO., 52
Yonge Street Arcade, Toronto.

To Timber Manufacturers and Exporters

THIS ADVERTISER, A CANADIAN, HAV-
ING had 18 years experience as salesman
and broker in the timber trade in Great Britain,
with previous experience in Boston and Bur-
lington, Vermont, is desirous of returning to
Canada and would be pleased to hear of an
opening where his experience and services
would command reasonable remuneration. Age
40, married. Can offer undeniable recommenda-
tions. Address in first instance. "Experi-
ence," care of CANADA LUMBERMAN, Toronto or
Montreal.

CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS.

ONTARIO.

The volume of the lumber business of
the month of November was, all things
considered, better than could reasonably
have been expected. The buying power
was, perhaps, not as good as that of the
previous month, but still of a very satisfac-
tory character. The past week has shown
signs of a slackening up, and it is likely
that a smaller trade will be handled from
this time forward until after the turn of the
year. Little change either in demand or
prices need be expected in the near
future.

The deadlock between the Ottawa
Valley manufacturers and the British
exporters has been broken. The 1904
deal cut of the Hull Lumber Company has
been placed with Watson & Todd, while
half of the J. R. Booth cut has been taken
by Robert Cox & Company. In both
instances an advance of ten per cent. on
last season's figures is reported to have
been obtained.

We do not think that prices of hemlock
are quite as firm as they were, but there is
no positive weakness to be observed.
Hardwoods are strong notwithstanding a
less urgent demand. Birch and elm are
among the best sellers.

QUEBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

Several shippers of spruce deals have
been endeavoring to close contracts for
next season's stock at prices correspond-
ing to those which ruled this year, but
it is understood that they have been
unsuccessful and that manufacturers are
asking an advance. Now that contract-
ing for the Ottawa Valley pine production
has commenced, it is expected to fa-
cilitate the closing of contracts for spruce
stocks. Manufacturers are asking an ad-
vance on the ground of increased cost of
production. In Nova Scotia the quantity
of spruce deals manufactured next year
will in all probability show a considerable
decrease owing to forest fires, which
swept through lands that had been logged
before. The small logs remaining on
these lands will be cut, and very few of
them will be large enough to produce
deals for the British market. The mills
in Nova Scotia have marketed practically
all the lumber cut this year. Enquiries
are being received for stock for shipment
to New York, where spruce is selling at
the highest average prices ever obtained.

MANITOBA AND BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The active building season in the North-
West is about over, and the demand for
lumber has fallen off considerably. There

is still some call for finishing lumber, which
is likely to be in more or less demand all
winter. Prices are somewhat weaker on
account of the sharp competition ex-
perienced from American manufacturers.
There has been some buying for spring
delivery at current prices. The British
Columbia mills supplying the foreign trade
are busy, but the stock of unsold lumber
for local and eastern consumption is large
and the demand quiet. This applies also
to the shingle industry. Manufacturers
have received some encouragement from
the recent visit of two or three large
United States buyers of shingles. It is
said that they placed some orders with
Vancouver mills, being induced to do so
by the superior quality of the British
Columbia product.

UNITED STATES.

The lumber trade of the United States
is seasonably quiet. Wholesale orders
are scarce, but there is a good movement
of small lots, and in Buffalo a large de-
mand for doors and house finish. Dealers
are not stocking up to any extent, but
their policy of conservatism is causing
holders of lumber no anxiety, as they
believe there will be no break in prices.
Inventories of stocks on hand at wholesale
centres show much less than at same time
last year. At Buffalo it is stated that
there is not box lumber enough in sight to
keep the box factories running through
the winter and early spring, and there is
very little of this class of lumber held at
the mills. It is quite probable that box
lumber will advance before spring re-
gardless of the general trend of prices.
The manufacturers in Wisconsin and
Minnesota are restricting their log input,
so that they may be in a position to cope
with any falling off in the demand for
lumber next year. Spruce prices are very
strong. Both frames and random are
selling in Boston at from fifty cents to
one dollar above the list for prompt de-
livery. The hardwood trade maintains a
healthy tone. Birch, elm and basswood
are receiving a large call and the advance
in price has been well maintained. Some
dealers have been compelled to refuse
orders for elm on account of being unable
to make delivery within the specified
time. White pine and white cedar
shingles are moving rather slowly, but
there is more inquiry for red cedars.

GREAT BRITAIN.

We can learn of no important change
in the British lumber market. Business is
rather lifeless and little improvement is
expected until the new year. The stocks
at the leading importing centres are not
excessive, but it must be remembered
that the consumption this fall and winter
has been smaller than last year and
promises to continue so for a few months.
The auction sales have been about the
only guide to prices. These have develop-
ed no weakness; in fact, at the Man-
chester sale of the Lightbound, Rigby &
Company stock high prices were realized.
Third quality pine deals, 3x11 inch,
brought £12 10s per standard; 3x9 inch
£11 5s, and 3x7 inch £11. A small
quantity of 4x7 inch spruce realized £8
5s. A good line of 3-inch birch sold at
£5 17s 6d per standard, and some Que-
bec ash timber at 1s 1d per cubic foot.

TO HOLDERS OF BIRCH LIMITS.

Can you cut birch into Squares, &c. We
can also take birch cut on the sweep with
a jigger or small band saw. Large quan-
tities required. Write in first instance to
"Finance," c/o CANADA LUMBERMAN.

STOCKS AND PRICES.

F. F. Neale, of Chatham, N. B., has
shipped over 60,000,000 feet of deals this
season.

Seaman, Kent & Company, of Menford,
Ont., have just received a cargo of 250,-
000 feet of maple lumber from Bay City,
Mich.

A three and a half mile timber berth on
the North Forks Coal Branch, Kent Coun-
ty, New Brunswick, was sold by the
Government last week to C. C. Stiles at
\$50 per mile.

The John Harrison & Sons Company, of
Owen Sound, Ont., have just shipped a car-
load of numbered mile posts over the Cana-
dian Pacific Railway for use on that line.
There were 560 posts in the shipment.

The New Brunswick Government will
offer for sale on December 9th a timber
berth of two square miles on the Square
Lake, Parish of Botsford, Westmorland
County, for which James Friel has made
application.

The Hanburg Manufacturing Company,
of Brandon, Man., have 75 teams and 250
men at work on their limits in Duck Moun-
tains getting out logs. The season in that
district has opened earlier than last year
and there are prospects of a large input.

The Carrey Lumber Company, which
recently closed a deal for the purchase of
200,000,000 feet of white pine on the
Spanish River, will establish their head-
quarters at Massey, Ont. They will put
in 10,000,000 feet of logs to be sawed
under contract next year.

The Canadian Timber & Saw Mill Com-
pany, of Trout Lake City, B. C., has just
let a contract for 100,000,000 feet of logs,
involving an expenditure of half a million
dollars, to E. L. Kinnon. English capital
is backing the enterprise, and the contract
is the largest let for some time. The com-
pany owns from four to six hundred mil-
lion feet of timber along Trout Lake.

The Harbor Commissioners of Montreal
invite tenders in this issue for a supply of
timber and planks for 1904, including hem-
lock, white pine, red pine, elm, maple, and
spruce. There are 194,000 feet of spruce
planks and 175,000 ft. of pine planks called
for. The piles required consist of 500
pieces white pine, 300 pieces red pine and
100 pieces elm, averaging 47 feet long.

R. F. Dorfman, who represents the lum-
ber syndicate which has been buying up
small parcels of timber in the vicinity of
Nanaimo, B. C., states that the first boom
of 600,000 feet of logs will be ready early
this month. It is probable that another
camp will be started early in the spring
near Courtney, where the syndicate has
about 110,000,000 feet of timber. Some
of this represents 250,000 feet to the acre.

The Victoria Lumber & Manufacturing
Company, of Chemainus, B. C., have pur-
chased 4,000,000 feet of fir logs at Everett,
Wash., which are being towed from Puget
Sound to their mills. It is stated that the
logs were purchased under contract that
they should be delivered at the mills at
approximately \$4.10 per thousand feet.
This is one of the largest purchases of logs
made outside of British Columbia in
several years. It is reported that the
company were forced to buy on account of
interruptions to their own logging opera-
tions by inclement weather.

Preparations are well advanced for log-
ging operations on the St. Croix river, in
New Brunswick. The cut will probably
reach 30,000,000 feet, about the same as
last year. James Murchie will cut about
7,000,000 feet, H. F. Eaton & Sons 10,-

000,000 feet, F. H. Todd & Sons 8,000,-
000 feet, and the Eastern Pulp Wood
Company about 8,000,000 feet. Granville
Chase will not operate this winter, having
made arrangements with the Eastern Pulp
Wood Company for a supply of logs. Mercer
& Company have also arranged
for some logs and will cut but little this
winter.

THE OTTAWA VALLEY.

(Correspondence of the CANADA LUMBERMAN)

To-day another big sale of 1904 dea-
ls was recorded. Watson & Todd, the well
known Liverpool firm, has closed with the
Hull Lumber Company for the entire ca-
rd of red and white pine deals to be sawn
under contract next year. While the
actual figures are not obtainable, it is
understood the price shows an advance of
ten per cent. over last year's figures. The
transaction covers between fifteen and
twenty million feet.

November, always looked on as the
season for such sales, has only seen two
this year. For the past three weeks a
deadlock has existed between the English
buyers and the Ottawa district manufac-
turers of deals. The latter have been
holding out for an advance of twenty per
cent. on last season's rates, offering, of
course, as ground for such advance the
stiff price of labor and supplies. The
English buyers, however, according to one
of the number, could not pay the price
asked and expect to realize on the invest-
ment. In turn they pointed out that
British trade was dull and the market well
stocked. The question of supply and
demand, not cost of production, should,
they claimed, govern the case.

It is now believed, however, that the
deadlock has been broken, and that the
other sellers and buyers will get together
and agree on terms.

All the mills in the Ottawa district have
practically closed. To the surprise of many
it is stated that the season's cut as com-
pared with that of former years shows a
falling off of fully ten per cent. For
instance, the big Booth mill is said to be
between thirteen and fifteen million feet
behind its cut for the corresponding period
last year. As the supply of logs was a
constant one and the weather steady, the
blame for the shortage is laid on labor.

The Shepard & Morse Company, which
took over and fitted up the Mason mill in
the west end of the city, had a good
season's business. It has been decided to
install another double cutting band saw
for next season's work. The one installed
last year was the first of its kind seen in
the Ottawa district. Next season the
mill will be better equipped than ever with
two such saws.

Reports from the limits go to how

TELEGRAPH POLES WANTED

We buy all lengths. Write
us for prices and you will
see that by cutting your
Cedar into Poles it will net
you more than you can get
out of it in any other way.

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that the work of log cutting is well advanced. The present cold snap ought to freeze up the streams and thus facilitate the movement of supplies, which has been a difficult business for the past few days. Labor is easier to obtain, the close of work on the farms releasing many competent axe handlers.

No square timber will be manufactured in the Kippewa district this year, for the reason that there is little or none left to manufacture. The following firms that manufactured last season will leave square timber alone this year: Sheppard & Morse, Hull Lumber Company and Rideau Lumber Company. On the other hand Edward Moore, Klock Bros. and Robert Hurdman will continue in the square timber line.

Reports differ as to market conditions, but prices show no change. Dealers report local business and trade with the States slow, while the manufacturers state they have no trouble placing any standing stock they have on hand. With the close of navigation shipments are always slow from Ottawa, so that the present slackness is causing no uneasiness.

It is expected the log cut in the Ottawa river district will be nearer an average than will be that of the Georgian Bay district, where a shortage running all the way from twenty to thirty per cent. is predicted.

Ottawa manufacturers have not so much to fear from the threatening hard times in the States as have their fellows in the Georgian Bay district, for the reason that while the latter are almost wholly dependent on the American market, the Ottawa district mills cut largely for the English trade as well.

With the predicted shortage of logs in the Georgian Bay district, the chances of overstocking the American market will be greatly reduced and the prospects of a continuance of high prices brightened.

Ottawa, November 25th, 1903.

BRITISH COLUMBIA LUMBERMEN IN SESSION

A meeting of the Mountain Lumber Manufacturers' Association was held at the Board of Trade rooms at Nelson, B. C., on the 26th and 27th of October last. There was present a strong delegation from the British Columbia Lumber & Shingle Manufacturers' Association, and also from the Western Retail Lumbermen's Association. The meeting was a particularly interesting one, and the attendance was large, on account of the importance of the matters to be brought up for discussion.

A committee to prepare statistics as to the condition of the lumber trade and estimates as to the quantity of available lumber and the probable output and consumption next year, was appointed, and at a later session the committee reported that there were eighty million feet of lumber ready for shipment in the yards in British Columbia; that the demand was not strong, as the yards in the North-West Territories were pretty well stocked; that the probable output for next year would be seven hundred million feet or at least one hundred million feet above the estimated consumption, even taking into consideration

the present very large increase in immigration in the North-West Territories.

The lumber manufacturing trade has certainly been booming; a large number of mills have been built and are under construction, and if there was a shortage last winter and spring, the reverse is now the case, and the members of the Lumber Associations were themselves surprised to find that they were face to face with a condition of things which will probably mean a shutting down of the mills for a time to prevent over-production.

During the period last winter in which there was an apparent shortage (we say "apparent" because it was largely attributable to insufficient transportation facilities at the time when the demand was greatest), American lumber was introduced to a very considerable extent into the North-West, the excuse being that Canadian lumber was not to be had, and this market having been once opened up to American mills, they are succeeding in holding the market, to the exclusion of Canadian lumber. A considerable advantage in freight rates over the Canadian mills helps them to do this.

This and many other subjects were dealt with by the members of both Associations in a joint meeting, and strong resolutions were prepared, both to the Canadian Pacific Railway Company pointing out the injustice that the members suffer in certain quarters on account of the comparatively heavy freight rates, and to the Dominion Government pointing out the necessity of a duty to protect this very important Canadian industry.

It was pointed out that on account of the somewhat demoralized condition of American trade at present, partly through over-production, the Canadian North-West was being used as a dumping ground for the surplus stock of common lumber of the American mills, and that such competition under the circumstances was not fair and

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A satisfactory arrangement was arrived at between the shingles members and the branch of the B. C. Lumber and Shingle Manufacturers at the coast.

The foregoing covers only a small part of the work done in the session, which

lasted two full days. The meeting was productive of a great deal of good, and many questions of importance affecting the interests of the members, as between each other, were discussed and satisfactorily dealt with.

The Mountain Association, which is now two years in existence, was felt to be in a much healthier condition and the enthusiasm of the members very much greater than heretofore.

Regret was expressed that the commission which had been appointed by the Dominion Government to investigate the alleged combine had not had the opportunity of going into the question, as the members felt satisfied that a thorough investigation would have resulted in showing that these Associations were not in any sense responsible for the alleged unsatisfactory condition of things in the North-West.

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1-inch	\$40.00	\$28.00	\$15.00	1-inch	\$30.00	\$22.00	\$15.00	\$11.00	1-inch	\$25.00	\$18.00	\$13.00	\$9.00	1-inch	\$20.00	\$15.00	\$10.00	\$7.00
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