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Adam McDougall, a shipbuilder and lumber dealer, of Maitland, N. S., who has operated of late years, mainly in conjunction with several brothers in the building of vessels, has had to assign. His liabilities, the amount of which are not yet exactly known, are mainly due in Halifax.

CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS.

ONTARIO.

THERE is nothing new to report in the situation of the lumber market as compared with last week. We are just passing from the holiday season to the time when greater activity may be expected to prevail, but it is too soon yet to feel a revival after the "off" season. There has been no marked movement of stocks, and prices remain much the same as at last quotations. The outlook is, however, hopeful, and dealers appear to be in good spirits over the prospect, which they consider better than for several years. In some directions there is more inquiry for hardwoods, and one Toronto dealer, in reply to an inquiry, reports the demand increasing and prices better. Another firm in the country report increased inquiry for red oak and black ash. There is no sale at present to speak of for common lumber. The increased use of iron in large buildings has a tendency to curtail the demand. The recent rains have raised the water in the streams so that lumbermen have a full supply for their mills, and manufacturing will go on actively, so that the season will likely close with full stocks on hand.

QUEBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

The situation in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces is unchanged since our last report. Stocks and prices remain in much the same position as they were, and while there is a hopeful feeling as to the outlook, there is no substantial improvement which has yet made itself felt.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Activity continues among the mills, which are all busy, and shipments to foreign ports continue. A number of ships are at Vancouver loading, and prices are such as to give a fair margin for profit. There clearances are reported: The Chilean ship Republic, 1,237 tons, for Valparaiso, with 611,040 feet rough lumber, and 270,840 feet dressed, valued at \$9,506; Am. sch. R. W. Bartlett, 495 tons, for San Pedro, with 597,340 feet rough lumber, and 62,433 feet laths, valued at \$4,566, and the W. F. Witzman, 459 tons, for San Pedro, with about 550,000 feet.

UNITED STATES.

The condition of the lumber market remains as it was last week, on the whole, satisfactory. Lumbermen are hopeful and look forward to a steadily increasing trade, as a result of returning prosperity in the great business centres. New York seems to be enjoying this confidence in the most marked degree, and according to the Lumber Trade Journal, there is a

distinct advance in prices, which, however, does not prevail to the same extent at outside points. In many places the market is not quite out of the hands of the buyers, and though prices will undoubtedly stiffer, the improvement as yet is not very marked. A review of the market for the month of August does not indicate such an increase in the demand as was anticipated early in the month. Buying in the wholesale markets continues to be restricted to a moderate stocking up for the early fall trade, but does not extend to buying in large lots. Retail dealers are disposed to move cautiously, as if afraid to anticipate a demand that may yet be some distance in the future. What is purchased is wanted for immediate consumption, and as stocks in the hands of retailers become gradually reduced, they will be obliged to fill up their yards. They are looking out to see where they can do this to the best advantage. But caution on all hands is manifest, and will probably continue till the business of the country acquires a greater volume and momentum than is now prevalent. The demand for lumber of all kinds is likely to grow, values will be stronger, and there will be some advance in prices, but there will be no boom, though the splendid crops, now well harvested, must give an impetus to business. The demand upon the railways to move the large crops will require the building of more cars and a consequent demand for bill stuff. This is already being felt. Mr. S. B. Lowner, an authority on white pine, and Mr. C. N. Douglass, who possesses an intimate knowledge of hemlock and spruce, in recent interviews, have expressed themselves most positively as expecting the increasing firmness of the business in general throughout the East to result in comparatively clear sailing through the commercial sea of 1896. For the balance of this year they consider that values will increase and trade improve steadily, although it is now too late for any great boom in business to take place, nor is that desired. A noticeable feature in the consideration of things is an advance of rates for carrying lumber from Duluth and Ashland to Chicago, to the extent of 25 cents a thousand, the rate now being \$2.25. This is an advance of 50 cents over rates prevailing early in the summer. Vessels are scarce, and it is almost impossible to secure carrying facilities as fast as required. Trade at Buffalo and Tonawanda is slowly improving. The lake freight rates from Lake Superior has advanced to \$2 a thousand and affects receipts. At a meeting of manufacturers at St. Louis, a sharp advance in certain grades of yellow pine was made. The

demand in western markets is brisk. Dry stocks are scarce. Generally speaking, the outlook is assuring.

FOREIGN.

Business in London is reported less brisk, but improved prices are on the whole realized for Canadian lumber. First pine boards, just arrived from Quebec, have been sold for £23 per standard, while 10 and 11 feet were disposed of for £2 less. In Liverpool trade is reported extremely dull, though prices show a slight advance. The fine weather has caused a greater present consumption of some classes of lumber, the larger part of which goes direct from the ship's side. In Glasgow a good volume of business is being transacted at well maintained prices, though spruce, in view of recent heavy imports, is a little weaker. At Manchester the importations are very small, and prices remain unchanged. The stock of spruce at this port is gradually diminishing, and the demand is brisk. At other foreign ports there is little to report in the way of change in stocks or prices, and on the whole, the outlook is not particularly hopeful, the Timber Trades Journal saying that "there is not much to describe of a cheerful character, just now, look in what direction we will."

HARDWOODS.

Increased sales in hardwoods are reported in most of the centres of trade, New York, Philadelphia, Boston, St. Louis, Pittsburg, Cleveland, all showing an improvement. Toronto firms which deal in this class of wood tell us of an improved demand, especially in oak and elm. Inch hardwood flooring is wanted, and the demand for hard maple to supply it makes some of the furniture men apprehend a scarcity for their use.

SHINGLES.

The market for shingles is decidedly flat. British Columbia shingles are coming into general use in the older provinces of Canada, and the result appears to be an almost wiping out of our local shingle industry. A manufacturer, whose opinion carries weight, asserts that a pine log is worth more as a log than when made into shingles, so low is the price of pine shingles.

Mechanicsville, a lumbering suburb of Ottawa, was visited by a destructive fire on Thursday, Aug. 29th. Fifteen houses were burned, chiefly occupied by employees of the mills, but as the buildings were all wood the loss does not exceed \$6,000, with about \$4,000 on contents. The Mason mill and lumber yard had a narrow escape. Piles of mill wood which the tenants had provided for fuel accelerated the progress of the flames.

THE SPRUCE SITUATION.

As a good deal of Canadian spruce, more especially from Quebec and the Maritime Provinces, finds its way to the Eastern United States market, anything relating to the situation, so far as that timber is concerned, must be of interest to our home manufacturers. In discussing the matter the Northeastern Lumberman has this to say:—

The actual consumption of spruce lumber has been much less this year than was expected in building operations, while the dealers have carried less stocks than usual, and withal the market has been dull and unsatisfactory during most of the current year. Of course this condition of affairs unsettles the market and affords an opportunity to the buyers to depress prices, especially in the case of those manufacturers who are disposed to force lumber upon the market at the best price obtainable.

There are very few instances, and none officially reported and testified to, among the association mills, of cutting the official scale of prices. Grave suspicions have settled upon two or three concerns, who seem to have had an unusual demand for their lumber product, while many of the other association mills were short of orders and were shut down; yet even these suspicions are not proven or are not sufficiently well certified to make formal and official complaints.

It is undoubtedly the fact at present that the outside mills on the lines of railroad, the numerous water mills in Maine which have never joined the association, and the enlarged production in the Provinces and in the Canadas, are fully able to supply the market independent of the association mills. The latter have made a manly struggle, and have been honorable towards their fellow members, and the recent action of the executive committee of the Northeastern Lumbermen's Association is fully justified in suspending the official price list until further notice.

From all the information we can gather there is an unusually small stock of logs at primary points at this season of the year, as compared with former seasons. In fact, the stock of logs at present on hand is not larger than the average stock that is usually carried into winter quarters. It is also true that the retailers, especially at interior yards, are not fully stocked. This is partly because trade has been dull at inland points, and partly because the dealers have not felt warranted in making purchases at association prices. Every stick of spruce which will be wanted if the retail yards carry their average stocks at the close of the season.

Under these circumstances it would seem hardly necessary for the association mills, or, in fact, for any mills, to make serious breaks in prevailing prices for spruce. Only selfish greed and senseless competition will cut prices to any extent. No one believes that the consumption of spruce will be increased by a resort to unremunerative prices. It is quite likely that many retailers will be induced to stock up with desirable lengths and sizes of railroad spruce, with a slight reduction in prices, and that members of association mills will still continue to secure fair prices for their product.

The most demoralizing element at Bos-

ton, Providence and other seaport markets has been the influx of Provincial spruce, which, though inferior in length, width and manufacture, yet has had a depressing influence upon market prices. Of course the large percentage of outside mills, which have kept as near association prices as possible, and yet secured orders, have been a heavy weight upon the attempt to make equitable and uniform rates for spruce lumber.

It is evident to the careful observer that if those large mills which have operated outside of the association, and which have been under the umbrella of its members since last February, had seen fit to join the association, and make a concerted movement to secure fair prices for lumber, there would have been no difficulty in making all sales on the basis of association price list. But these large manufacturers, as well as many small ones, have not been inclined to co-operate with the association, and of course have the satisfaction of knowing that they have prevented the spruce manufacturing trade from getting such profits as are their due the latter part of the season.

The English market is a trifle firmer, but not quotably higher. The South American market is in better shape than last year, with orders for occasional cargoes still in the market, some of which are unfilled. The New York market has held up well until lately, and, in fact, is not now overstocked, except in some narrow widths. The Albany market has been short of spruce throughout the whole season, and prices are comparatively higher there than at any other point.

What the effect of the suspension of the price list by the association will be upon the general market is difficult to foretell. Undoubtedly some undesirable lots may be sold at considerable discount from the official price list, while it is not likely that desirable dimension orders will be filled at any great discount from former price list. As a result of this action the market will not be controlled by a few mills outside of the association, and undoubtedly at some competing points, and for desirable orders, there will be a foolish competition between the association mills and the outsiders, to the mutual disadvantage of both.

For seven months the association mills have fought a good fight, and have certainly reduced the production of lumber, to the benefit of all concerned. It is unfortunate that the market this season for lumber is not sufficiently strong to consume the entire production of spruce as rapidly as it is manufactured and forwarded. Undoubtedly every stick will be wanted that is made during the next three months, but as it will come to market in advance of orders there will undoubtedly be some slaughter in the price of cargoes and carloads offered on a market where the retailers are disposed to take every advantage. We believe the benefits of the association, and the good which it has accomplished during the last seven months, will be such as to make it stronger than ever, with an increased membership for the coming year.

The Ontario & Western Lumber Co. are said to be making preparations to take out some fifteen million feet of logs during next winter. They are reported to have bought another limit in the Rainy Lake district.

NORTHEASTERN LUMBERMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

The following have been elected officers of the Northeastern Lumbermen's Association for 1895: President, E. J. Lawrence, Shawmut, Me.; Vice-Presidents, Geo. Van Dyke, Boston, Mass.; George R. Eaton, Lancaster, N. H.; W. A. Taft, Boston, Mass.; Secretary and Treasurer, George B. James, Boston, Mass.; Directors, George R. Eaton, Lancaster, N. H.; E. J. Lawrence, Shawmut, Me.; George Van Dyke, Lancaster, N. H.; Samuel Sterns, Bangor, Me.; William H. Gray, Boston, William Murchie, Calais, Me.; C. P. Stevens, Richford, Vt.; M. G. Shaw, Bath, Me.; John H. Henry, Lincoln, N. H.; William W. Bailey, Cookshire, Que.; W. A. Taft, Boston, Oscar C. Miller, Newport, Vt.; George M. Goodwin, Haverhill, Mass.; Melville P. Milliken, Richmond, Me.; O. H. Smith, Bartlett, N. H.; G. M. Phillips, Fairfield, Me.; and C. H. Stevens, St. Johnsbury, Vt.

OPERATIONS ON THE OTTAWA.

Ottawa lumbering firms are still sending a few gangs up the river, but as a rule they have engaged nearly all the men which are required for the present, and will hold over the greater number till fall. The Bronsons and Weston Company, and J. R. Booth, have the largest number engaged so far, the former firm having already nine shanties opened up, while Mr. Booth has over a dozen. It is said that Messrs. W. C. Edwards & Co. will not begin taking on choppers for their limits on the Upper Gatineau before the first of next month. Lower town hotels are full of shantymen waiting for employment. It seems to be agreed on all hands that the operations of the coming season in taking out logs will fall considerably short of former years.

A BIG RAFT.

One of the largest rafts of square timber ever run through Des Joachims slide, on the Ottawa, was started down stream by the tug "E. H. Bronson." The raft was that of the D. Moore Lumber Company, containing 161 cribs, and was manned by 75 men, with Mr. Valiquette as pilot. The run of this large raft through the slide was made in 21 hours, the fastest time ever made at that place. The timber is of fine quality and will doubtless command the best price in the Quebec market.

W. Mason & Sons have two lumber camps in operation on the Upper Coulonge and Bryson & Fraser three, two taking out logs and one making waney timber, which is the class likely to be most largely taken to Quebec from the Ottawa next season.

SHIPPING MATTERS.

The Royal City Mills, New Westminster, B. C., are cutting a cargo of a million feet of lumber for foreign shipments.

The schooner John S. Parker is loading lumber at St. John, N. B., for New York. Capt. Robertson takes the place of Capt. Milberry as commander for this trip.

The bark Emblem, recently arrived at Grindstone Island, N. B., is taking on a cargo of deals. She is a fine looking craft of 1,400 tons, and hails from Sardefjord, Norway. The Emblem makes nineteen square riggers that have loaded in Shepody waters this season.

BUSINESS DIFFICULTIES AND CHANGES.

W. H. McAlpine, lumber, Montreal, is giving up business.

Child & Baimbridge intend erecting a saw mill on Union Creek, Alburni.

A. Y. Avans, planing mill, Kincardine, has assigned to J. M. Stewart.

Robert B. Elgie, Toronto, box manufacturer, 19 Alice street, has met his creditors at W. A. Campbell's office, and submitted a statement of his affairs. Real estate is the cause of his embarrassment, and an extension is not improvable, or possibly a compromise at 20 cents on the dollar.

The Waterloo Wood Manufacturing Company, of Waterloo, P. Q., has been put into insolvency on petition of Mr. Harmon Butler, one of the creditors. Judge Lynch has appointed Messrs. J. H. Lefebvre, G. Stevens, and H. E. Allen, liquidators. Putting the capital stock aside, the assets nominally exceed the liabilities by nearly ten thousand dollars, a surplus that ought to enable the liquidators, with good management to pay a good dividend, if not a hundred cents on the dollar. The assets are:—Stock in process of manufacture, \$9,094.96; machinery and plant, \$10,257.11; buildings, \$7,551.38; land \$800; lumber on hand, \$6,271.55; bills receivable, \$2,013.01, forming a total of \$36,088.01. The liabilities are:—Capital stock, \$17,194; bills payable, \$18,785.20; open accounts, \$4,843.59; mortgage, \$3,000; a total of \$43,823. Counting the shareholders as creditors there is a deficiency of \$7,735 between the assets and liabilities.

FIRES.

The steam barge Burlington, Capt. Bowen, on her way from Detroit to Mississauga River, Manitoulin Island, to load lumber, was burned to the water's edge on the 24th of August.

A large fire took place in the village of Caselman, on the line of the Canadian Atlantic Railway, on the 28th, which destroyed a saw mill, about 2,000 cords of wood, a million feet of lumber and 10,000 pieces of timber. The loss is about \$35,000.

Washington territory is suffering from forest fires. Reports from there say millions of feet of standing timber have been destroyed. It is probable the press despatches indicate a destruction much more severe than there has really been.

LUMBER FREIGHT RATES.

LUMBER freight rates for pine on the Grand Trunk Railway have been made a fixture, as below. Of any intended change due notice will be given lumbermen.

General instructions in shipping by Grand Trunk are embodied in these words in the tariff schedule: On lumber in carloads, 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 charged, and must not be exceeded. Should it be impracticable to load certain descriptions of light lumber up to 30,000 lbs. to the car, then the actual weight only will be charged for, but not less than 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 Tara or Hepworth to Guelph, Brampton, Weston or Toronto, would not be higher than the specific rates named from Winton to the same points. The rates from Cargill and Southampton to points east of Listowel and south and west of Stratford will be the same as from Kincardine, but in no case are higher rates to be charged than as per mileage table published on page 9 of tariff.

Rates from leading lumber points on pine and other softwood lumber, shingles, etc., are as follows: From Glencairn, Creemore, Aurora, Barrie and other points in group B to Toronto, 6½¢; Collingwood, Penetang, Coldwater, Waubushene, Sturgeon Bay, Victoria Harbor, Midland, Fenelon Falls, Longford, Gravenhurst and other points in group C, to Toronto, 6½¢; Brace, bridge to Toronto 7¢; Utterson, Huntsville, Navar-Emsdale, Katrine to Toronto, 7½¢; Burk's Falls, Berriedale and Sundridge, to Toronto, 8¢; South River, Powassan and Callender to Toronto, 9¢; Nipissing Junction and North Bay, 10¢. Rate from Goderich, Kincardine and Winton to Toronto, 6½¢. These rates are per 100 lbs. Rates from Toronto east to Belleville are 7½¢ per 100 lbs.; to Deseronto, 9¢; to Brockville and Prescott, 10¢; to Montreal and Ottawa, 11¢. The

rates on hardwoods average about from 10. to 20. per 100 lbs. higher than on softwoods. For rates on railway ties, mahogany, rosewood, walnut, cherry, and other valuable woods, application must be made to the district freight agent.

On the Canadian Pacific the rates on pine and softwoods may be illustrated as follows: Cache Bay, North Bay, Sturgeon Falls and Warren, to Toronto, 10c; Algoma, Cook's Mills, Massey, Spanish River and Whitefish to Toronto, 13c; Ottawa to Toronto, 10c From Ottawa, Hull, Aymer and Duchesne Mills to station on the Lake Erie and Detroit River, Erie and Huron, Toronto, Hamilton and Buffalo, and Michigan Central Railways, the rate is 14 1/2c. per 100 lbs. Regulations apply as to minimum size of carload of 30,000 lbs., and an advanced rate is charged for hardwoods.

Lumber freight rates on the Canada Atlantic Railway are as follows: Ottawa to Toronto, 10 cents per 100 lbs; Ottawa to Oswego, \$1.90 per M ft., (3,000 lbs. and under per M ft.), Ottawa to Montreal, \$1.00 per M ft., (3,000 lbs. and under per M ft.); Amprior to

Montreal, \$1.50 per M ft., (3,000 lbs. and under per M ft.); Ottawa to Quebec, \$2.00 per M ft.; Amprior to Quebec, \$2.50 per M ft.; Ottawa to Buffalo, 12 cents per 100 lbs., Ottawa to Port Huron and Detroit, 14 cents per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to New York, five carloads or over \$3.00 per M ft.; Amprior to New York, \$3.50 per M ft.; Ottawa to Boston, Portland and common points, local 15 cents; exports 13c. per 100 lbs.; Amprior to Boston, Portland and common points, local 17 cents, export 15 cents per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to Burlington, 6 cents per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to Albany, 10 cents per 100 lbs.; Amprior to Albany, 12 cents per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to St. John, N. B. and common points, 20 cents per 100 lbs., Ottawa to Halifax, N. S. and common points, 22 1/2 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 10 M ft., lumber not exceeding 300 lbs. to the M feet. Ottawa rates apply on shipments from Rockland and Hawkesbury.

MODIFICATION OF HARDWOOD RATES. THE Grand Trunk Railway and Canadian Pacific have made the rates on hardwoods from certain points to Toronto and Hamilton as follows. The regulations are over the signature of Mr. John Earls, W.D.F.A., of the G. T. R., and given in reply to a letter from Toronto hardwood men:

"After careful consideration we have come to the conclusion that, on and after Jan. 1st, 1895, a modification will be made in the present arrangements for hardwood lumber, to the effect that the rate will be 7 1/2c. per 100 lbs. from our Northern and Northwestern branches to Toronto and Hamilton. This rate, however, will not apply from main line points and the straight run between Toronto, Sarnia and Windsor; also that so far as rates on common lumber to points like Guelph, Galt, London, Woodstock, Ingersoll, etc., from all lumber shipping stations the rate will be the same on hardwood as on pine." On the old principle, we suppose, that half the loaf is better than none, hardwood men have something, possibly, to be thankful for, though there

is no good reason why the rates generally on hardwood should not be as low as on pine. It is understood that the C. P. R. rate will be made uniform at 7 1/2c. from same points.

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PRICES CURRENT.

TORONTO, ONT.

TORONTO, Sept. 4, 1895.

CAR OR CARGO LOTS.

Table listing lumber prices for Toronto, Ontario, including items like 1 1/4 in. cut up and better, 1x10 and 12 dressing and better, etc.

HARDWOODS—PER M. FEET CAR LOTS.

Table listing hardwood prices per M. feet car lots, including Ash, white, 1 to 2 in., Cherry, Elm, soft, etc.

OTTAWA, ONT.

OTTAWA, Sept. 4, 1895.

Table listing lumber prices for Ottawa, Ontario, including Pine, good sidings, per M feet, b.m., Pine, good strips, etc.

QUEBEC, QUE.

QUEBEC, Sept. 4, 1895.

Table listing lumber prices for Quebec, Quebec, including For inferior and ordinary according to average, quality etc., For fair average quality, etc.

Table listing lumber prices for Quebec, Quebec, including Measured off, according to average and quality, In shipping order, 35 to 45 feet.

OAK—MICHIGAN AND OHIO.

Table listing lumber prices for Oak—Michigan and Ohio, including By the dram, according to average and quality.

ELM.

Table listing lumber prices for Elm, including By the dram, according to average and quality, 45 to 50 feet.

ASH.

Table listing lumber prices for Ash, including 14 inches and up, according to average and quality.

BIRCH.

Table listing lumber prices for Birch, including 16 inch average, according to average and quality.

TAMARAC.

Table listing lumber prices for Tamarac, including Square, according to size and quality.

STAVES.

Table listing lumber prices for Staves, including Merchantable Pipe, according to qual. and spec'n—nominal.

DEALS.

Table listing lumber prices for Deals, including Bright spruce, according to mill specification.

SAGINAW, MICH.

SAGINAW, Mich., Sept. 4, 1895.

Table listing lumber prices for Saginaw, Michigan, including Uppers and selects, Uppers, 1 in., 10 in. and up.

FINE COMMON.

Table listing lumber prices for Fine Common, including 1 in., 8 in. and up wide.

B FINE COMMON OR NO. 1 CUTTING.

Table listing lumber prices for B Fine Common or No. 1 Cutting, including 1 in., 7 in. and up wide.

STRIPS, A AND B (CLEAR AND SELECTS).

Table listing lumber prices for Strips, A and B (Clear and Selects), including 1 1/2 in., 4, 5 and 7 in. wide.

FINE COMMON OR C.

Table listing lumber prices for Fine Common or C, including 1 1/2 in., 4, 5, 6 in. wide.

SELECTED NO. 1 SHELVING OR FENCING STRIPS.

Table listing lumber prices for Selected No. 1 Shelving or Fencing Strips, including 1 1/2 in., 4, 5, 6 in. wide.

NO. 1 FENCING OR NO. 3 FLOORING.

Table listing lumber prices for No. 1 Fencing or No. 3 Flooring, including 1 in., 4, 5 and 7 in.

NO. 2 FENCING OR NO. 4 FLOORING.

Table listing lumber prices for No. 2 Fencing or No. 4 Flooring, including 1 in., 4, 5 and 7 in.

SHELVING.

Table listing lumber prices for Shelving, including No. 1, 1 in., 10 in. stocks.

BARN BOARDS OR S. OCKS.

Table listing lumber prices for Barn Boards or S. Ocks, including No. 1, 12 in.

SHIPPING CULLS OR BOX.

Table listing lumber prices for Shipping Culls or Box, including 1 in., 4 and 5 in. wide.

SHAKY CLEAR.

Table listing lumber prices for Shaky Clear, including 1 in., 3, 4, 5, 7, 8 and 9 in. wide.

COFFIN BOARDS.

Table listing lumber prices for Coffin Boards, including No. 1, 1 in., 13 in. and up.

REVELED SIDING—DRESSED.

Table listing lumber prices for Reveled Siding—Dressed, including Extra clear (perfect).

TIMBER, JOIST AND SCANTLING.

Table listing lumber prices for Timber, Joist and Scantling, including Norway, 2x4 to 10, 12 to 16 ft.

SHINGLES, 18-IN.

Table listing lumber prices for Shingles, 18-in., including Fancy brands, XXXX.

WHITE PINE LATH.

Table listing lumber prices for White Pine Lath, including No. 1, 1 in.

BUFFALO AND TONAWANDA, N.Y.

TONAWANDA N. Y., Sept 4, 1895.

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

NEW YORK CITY.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Sept. 4, 1895.

Prices for white pine lumber are governed entirely by source of supply rendering it useless to give prices for local market.

Table listing lumber prices for New York City, including Bridge timber, \$28 00 @ 40 00, Decking, 44 00 @ 50 00.

Table listing lumber prices for New York City, including Spruce, 6 to 9 in., 13 00 @ 14 00, 10 to 12 in., 15 50 @ 16 00.

BOSTON, MASS.

BOSTON, Sept. 4, 1895.

Table listing lumber prices for Boston, Massachusetts, including Eastern Pine—Cargo or Car Load, Ordinary planed boards.

WESTERN PINE—BY CAR LOAD.

Table listing lumber prices for Western Pine—By Car Load, including Uppers, 1 in., \$50 00 @ 52 00.

SHINGLES.

Table listing lumber prices for Shingles, including Spruce, 1 30 @ 1 50, Cedar, extra, 2 50 @ 2 75.

HEMLOCK.

Table listing lumber prices for Hemlock, including Boards, rough, 10 00 @ 11 00, Planed, 11 50 @ 12 00.

LATH.

Table listing lumber prices for Lath, including Spruce, 1 80 @ 2 00, By car, 1 80 @ 1 90.

ALBANY, N.Y.

ALBANY, N. Y., Sept. 4, 1895.

PINE.

Table listing lumber prices for Albany, New York, Pine, including Uppers, 3 in. up, \$50 52 @ 52 52.

SHINGLES.

Table listing lumber prices for Albany, New York, Shingles, including Sawed Pine, ex. XXXX, \$4 25 @ 4 30.

OSWEGO, N.Y.

OSWEGO, N. Y., Sept. 4, 1895.

WHITE PINE.

Table listing lumber prices for Oswego, New York, White Pine, including Three uppers, 1 1/2, 2 1/2 and 3 in.

SIDING.

Table listing lumber prices for Oswego, New York, Siding, including 1 in siding, cutting up.

SHINGLES.

Table listing lumber prices for Oswego, New York, Shingles, including 12 and 16 feet, mill run.

SHINGLES.

Table listing lumber prices for Oswego, New York, Shingles, including Mill run, mill cull out.

SHINGLES.

Table listing lumber prices for Oswego, New York, Shingles, including 6, 7 or 8, mill run, mill cull out.

SHINGLES.

Table listing lumber prices for Oswego, New York, Shingles, including XXX, 18 in. pine.

LATH.

Table listing lumber prices for Oswego, New York, Lath, including No. 1, 1 1/2.