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BRITISH WOOD MARKET REPORTS.

Denny, Mott & Dickson, London, Eng.: "The demand during the past month for yellow pine has been insignificant. Oak has been in fairly good demand. Very little enquiry for elm. Some of the Canadian shippers are already on this side trying to arrange contracts for next season's goods, but the price demanded gives no inducement to merchants and dealers here to buy stock, and shippers will have to appreciably reduce their demand if they expect to do much business. Business in sawn logs of pitch pine timber has been more restricted than for many months past, but the recent severe weather has been in great part responsible for diminished deliveries. Auction results show a slight tendency to hardening in values, but as stocks are still ample, any appreciable rise is not at present probable."

SHIPPING MATTERS.

Coastwise trade at St. John, N. B., is as flat as it will can be.

Two vessels are loading lumber at Portland, Me., for the West Indies.

The schooner Glendale is loading lumber at the Royal City Mills, New Westminster, B. C.

The American schooner Falcon is loading lumber for California at the Brunette Saw Mills, New Westminster, B. C.

A barque at St. John, N. B., has contracted to carry deals to the east coast of Ireland at 40s or to Londonderry at 4 1/2s 3d.

A new stern wheel steamer is being built at Tappen Siding, B. C. The craft will be 100 feet in length with 50 ft. beam. The timbers are being framed at the Royal City Planing Mills.

The British ship Olivebank has been chartered to load lumber at the Hastings Mill, Vancouver, B. C., for South Africa. She will be the largest sailing vessel that has ever been in this port, and will take away the largest lumber cargo ever loaded at British Columbia or Puget Sound.

Lumber freight rates from British Columbia or Puget Sound are quoted as follows: Valparaiso for orders, 42s 6d; Sydney, 32s 6d; Melbourne, direct, 42s 6d; Port Pirie, direct, 40s; United Kingdom, calling at Cork for orders, 65s; Shanghai 50s; Tientsin 55s, nominal; South Africa, 63s 9d nominal.

CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS

ONTARIO.

No transactions of great importance are to be recorded during the week. So far as provincial trade is concerned, travellers who have been on the road, report to us that lumber business is very dull. Stocks with dealers are light, but this fact does not prove an inducement to order more than in small assorted lots. The feeling is one of caution—a disposition to wait and see how business generally opens up in the spring. Collections are slow, money being difficult to secure. It is believed that the demand for lumber from the States will develop into something considerable a little later, but present conditions there are not much better, if any, than in Canada. This view is confirmed by the experience of a lumber representative with whom the writer talked a few days since. He had just returned from a trip through Buffalo, Albany, New York and other eastern points. His view of the situation was that trade would be better before long, but at present there, as here, everyone was disposed to buy cautiously. A report from a large manufacturing concern in Michigan, which is published elsewhere in this issue of the WEEKLY LUMBERMAN, gives strength to the remark made in these columns lately that there was a very considerable call for good lumber. As this concern remarks, there is too little good lumber for the amount of common offering. This view is endorsed by a New York firm, whose report is also published this week. The indications point to a probable advance in price towards spring for good lumber.

QUEBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

Activity in the lumber trade in Quebec rests so largely on shipments by water that as the opening of navigation approaches preparations commence to be made for the new season's trade. Bankers report that commercial paper on March 4th was well met, and this would indicate a better condition of business than exists in some parts of the country. And it is not possible for commerce generally to be helped without every individual branch of it sharing in this strength. In New Brunswick work in the woods is being cleaned up, and it will not be long before the disposal of the logs in other ways will become a feature of lumbering. It is expected that trade will show a decided improvement over that of a year ago.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The shipping record in British Columbia shows that a good deal of lumber is going forward on export orders. The record of the week includes a large ship-

ment to South Africa, and there is also being sent to other export points a number of shipments of good size. Ship building is being pushed, and we learn of a steamer now in course of construction that will eat up a good deal of lumber before it is completed. Our advices from the Coast lead us to form the opinion that within another month the lumber trade will be in full and active swing, and that more life will be manifest than for a good while past.

UNITED STATES.

Whilst lumber, to some extent, is changing hands, yet sales effected are restricted in size. At points like Buffalo it is said that the white pine market does not show many signs of improvement. It is still a case of hoping that a little later business will brighten up, but the sunshiny days are not here yet. Mill men's sales are not large. Lumbermen are still waiting to see how well they can dispose of present stocks before purchasing much that is new, and yet trade is better than it was a few weeks since, and the signs are not wanting that it will continue to improve, rounding up after all a season's trade that will put lumbermen in better heart than they have been for some time past. The sudden change from severe weather to melting snows may cause some disappointment in work in the woods, as it was hoped that the weather would keep hard enough to admit of work in that direction, so far as needed, steadily throughout March. General commercial reports point to an improvement in manufacturing lines throughout the States, and this will help lumber materially. Prices show no inclination to decline. The evidence rather points to firm prices, with a possible advance in better grades of white pine.

FOREIGN.

"Business in the United Kingdom," to quote Denny, Mott & Dickson, of London, Eng., "shows little signs of improvement. The long spell of depressed trade continues to weed out weak firms, and the strain on respectable old traders, with only moderate resources, must be increasingly severe; stocks however, judiciously bought, being most difficult to sell at sufficient profits to cover establishment charges and allow for inevitable trade risks." What another month will bring forth there is no safety in predicting. It is this continued dragging trade that is the discouraging feature of the British market. The Sydney Trade Review of recent date, states that general business in Australia continues unusually quiet. The banking position is fortunately in an improved shape and money is plentiful, but there is a lack of confidence which tends to make business, on a large scale, extremely diffi-

cult. Fraser & Co., of Melbourne, Aus., report on the timber market that the new year has opened with very dull enquiries for all descriptions of imported timber. No large sales of Oregon pine have taken place and generally this line for many reasons is in a most unsatisfactory state. No quotations can be given. Red wood shares in the general dullness. Laths and pickets are in full supply and concessions demanded by buyers. A recent visitor to the New York lumber market tells us that the export trade from there with the West Indies has seldom been more depressed.

HARDWOODS.

The demand for ash, elm, basswood and birch has been satisfactory to most dealers. The difficulty is in securing stock needed. Roads are still blocked in many parts of the country, and buyers who are out looking up stocks are finding it slower work than expected to get these forward. Basswood and ash are in good demand. United States buyers, are calling in nearly all cases for firsts and seconds, and it is a hard matter to buy except on mill run from the mills. The trade in some cases would rather lose orders than buy in this manner, and have a remnant of common goods left on their hands, for which they can receive no price worth naming. Hemlock is in good demand, and in conversation with a visiting lumberman from Philadelphia, we learn that there is no trouble in disposing of all the quartered oak that can be placed on the market. Similar word comes from Buffalo, where values are said to be firm, and will go higher.

STOCKS AND PRICES.

CANADA.

Few New Brunswick contracts have as yet been made on English accounts and quotations are nominal.

About 1,000,000 feet of long lumber, 300,000 lath and 500 pieces of piling, were shipped during the week from St. John, N. B., for United States ports.

It is said that the lumber on the Miramichi, N. B., will be nearly 50 per cent. in excess of a year ago. Having little or no logs on hand the saw mills will commence at once on new stock.

Some 28½ miles of crown timber limits, on the south-east branch of the Upsalquitch N. B., have been sold to Geo. Moffat, and 32½ miles on Tague's brook and the south-west branch of the Carouquet river, to K. F. Burns, both at the upset price of \$8 a mile.

Winnipeg lumber dealers, in view of the reduction in manufacturers' prices for lumber, will likely increase their discounts from 5 per cent. as last year to 10 per cent. the coming season. This will mean an average reduction of fully \$1 per 1,000, on dimension, boards, shiplap, etc., and running up as high as \$2 on better grades.

A correspondent of the Northwestern Lumberman, writing from Muskegon, Mich., says that Georgian Bay stumpage owners have been in that district within the past week endeavoring to dispose of, to John Torrent, and other Muskegon lumbermen, 15,000,000 feet of pine in that territory. It was argued that the logs could be brought there by way of Lake Michigan at not over a 25c increase over towing to Bay City, and Muskegon as a better location with reference to Chicago will more than counter-balance that item. It

is understood that negotiations, though off now, will be resumed later on.

UNITED STATES.

At Albany, N. Y., a fair quantity of spruce lumber is sold ahead, but little pine.

W. B. Mershon & Co., of Saginaw, have contracted for 15,000,000 feet of lumber to be brought by boat from Duluth.

W. A. Woodin, of Fairhaven, Wash. Ter., has received orders from Michigan for 50 carloads of Washington red cedar lumber.

The Witbeck stocks of 40,000,000 feet at Marinette, Wis., have been bought by Holland, Graves & Montgomery, of Buffalo, N. Y.

A good deal of activity prevails in box trade at Baltimore, Md. Small lots of box lumber have sold for \$11 and \$12 and one 10-in. box has brought \$11.50—\$2.50 above the nominal quotation.

Col. A. T. Bliss, of Saginaw, Mich., is negotiating with Canadian parties for the manufacture of 4,000,000 feet of lumber for the export trade. The deals will be cut from logs brought from the lands of Col. Bliss in Midland County.

Log run at Saginaw, Mich., has sold during the week at from \$14 to \$18; box \$10 to \$10.50 and Norway pine at \$8 to \$8.50 for ordinary lengths. Shingles are dull, and prices run from \$1.35 to \$1.75 for clear butts to \$2.40 to \$2.75 for No. 1.

THE SITUATION.

REFLECTED THROUGH CORRESPONDENCE OF "WEEKLY LUMBERMAN."

N. Wenger & Bros., Ayton, Ont.: A good demand exists at the present time for hemlock, though stocks generally are not moving actively. In maple especially stocks are large.

John M. Beyers, Germania, Ont.: Birch and black ash in most demand, though no stocks moving actively. Have fair stocks of birch and ash, and prices are firm. Good sized stocks of hardwoods and shingles are held in this district. Shingles are declining in price.

Geo. Thomson, Wingham, Ont.: Stocks moving slowly. Hemlock is in fair demand. No sales of any importance in this locality concluded lately. Stocks on hand are small, and weather so stormy that it has been difficult to get logs out. Prices are firm. I think as spring opens out trade will be good.

Millard Lumber Co., New York, N. Y.: There has been a better movement of stocks during the past two weeks, good grades of pine and spruce being in most demand. Our impression is that good stocks of spruce and pine are to be found on the market here. Prices are firm, with a tendency to stiffen still more.

Seaman & Newman, Warton, Ont.: Stocks are moving very slowly, the chief call being for birch. We are just shipping about 200,000 feet inch maple, 1st and 2nd, at \$11.50. Hardwood stocks in this district are better grade than a year ago. Not so much taken out. Large stocks of hemlock and cedar. Prices about same as last season, with prospects of an advance with opening of navigation.

J. A. Shaver, Ancaster, Ont.: As far as there is any active movement of stocks, though much cannot be said on this point, pine, common bill, inch basswood and

inch red oak are in most demand. Recent sales include 400,000 red oak, inch and two inch, at \$18—1sts, 2nds and common. Stocks here are exceedingly light, and consist chiefly of red oak, basswood, soft elm, cherry and walnut. Not much immediate prospects for large trade.

W. B. Mershon & Co., Saginaw, E. S., Mich.: Stocks are far from moving actively. Lumber in most demand at present time consists of 2½", 3" and 4" Sh and better, 4/4, 5/4, 6/4 and 8/4 F. com., selects and uppers—in other words good lumber. Stocks are large for the demand. Think there is too little good lumber for the amount of common offering. Prices are firm; good lumber will advance towards spring. All orders received are wanted quick. Box shoo trade is picking up.

CANADIAN WOODS IN LIVERPOOL AND GLASGOW.

THE Timber Trades Journal, of London, Eng., in a very complete special issue giving a review of lumber conditions the world over, furnishes some interesting figures of the trade at Liverpool in Canadian woods. There has been no such heavy arrivals of spruce at Liverpool since 1889, when the import was 72,339 standards; that of the past year being 69,031 standards, but the business has been, on the whole, a disappointing one. The importation of pine timber in the form of square or waney board logs has again shown a diminution in quantity, the import being the least that has occurred since 1891, which was an exceptionally small one. The causes for this steady decrease in what was once the chief output of the Canadian lumbermen are not far to seek. In the first place all the commoner qualities of Quebec pine logs have had to give away to the importations of pitch pine from the Southern States of America where the free-on-board cost is infinitely less than that of the Canadian woods. The better qualities, such as were imported for prime deck plank, and similar work, now find but a small place in the markets of Great Britain owing to the substitution of iron for wooden vessels. And even now the finest shipments of waney board pine are in danger of being ousted from its high position by the adoption of other descriptions of timber amongst machinists, but perhaps in the greatest degree by the numerous handy and economical forms in which we receive the sawn products of the mills of Ottawa and its neighborhood. What we have received during the past season consisted principally of the choicest logs of large average girth imported under contract for special purposes, such as will fill the high requirements of first-class machine makers. This tendency is likely to develop rather than decrease, and will be intensified by the ever increasing prices demanded for prime waney board wood at the port of shipment. We observe, however, that the stock in Liverpool is only 94,000 ft. The importation of Canadian pine deals, pine boards, red pine deals shipped from Montreal, Quebec, etc., to the United Kingdom, considerably exceeds the previous year's shipments, the increase being in boards of all qualities, which may be accounted for, chiefly from the fact consumers of pine timber in the log in many instances have set aside their prejudice against Canadian sawn boards, after finding their substitution to be vastly more economical, and to

answer their purposes. Beyond this, great inducement for large shipments was held out to buyers by the low freights to Liverpool, Avonmouth, London and other places where lines of steamers regularly trade, competition forcing rates down 25 per cent. from which they did not recover until late in the season. There was a spirited demand for Canadian red pine deals during the early part of the season which seemed to fall off as the year progressed, and ended sluggishly with heavy stocks. Pine deals on the whole were remunerative during the year, especially 2nds and 3rds of good manufacture, whilst 1sts declined under excessive stocks. Pine boards and sidings were disposed of with difficulty under the heavy importation, the shipments being chiefly to Liverpool. We have now a stock in this market of 14,015 standards, being the heaviest on record, and more than will fill any probable demand that may arise before the next import season commences. But at the same time we must not forget the demand for pine in its cut up forms of deals, boards, sidings, strips and similar shapes is steadily increasing, though not so rapidly as to make that impression upon this stock before next season's arrivals come to hand which holders would wish to see.

Of trade at Glasgow, Scotland, this journal says: During the past year an active state of trade has been experienced here, notwithstanding some checks it received, and the figures representing the volume of business compare favorably with previous years. The imports show a marked increase as regards consumption; while in log timber the aggregate deliveries have equalled 1893, there has been in sawn goods an expansion compared with that year. Quebec log timber as has been the case for some years past, tends to fall off in quantities used, the total for the past year being 21,000 loads, and hardwood about 10,000 loads, which are somewhat under the figures for the previous year. Causes assigned for this shrinkage are advancing rates required for shippers, competition of logs from other quarters, and the increased trade in sawn wood, which has greatly developed within recent years. The consumption or deliveries of pitch pine for the year have been about 48,000 loads: of teak about 13,000 loads (which is 4,500 more than preceding years). Quebec deals about 20,500 St. Petersburg standards, and Lower Port, 11,000 St. Petersburg standards. Canary white-wood logs show a consumption of about 3,000 loads, or nearly double that of preceding year; also in planks and boards this wood is taking considerable place in the imports. Arrivals of mahogany show a larger total compared with recent years, and this trade is capable of further increase by suitably varied cargoes (with small wood in moderate proportions) being directed to this market from time to time.

The Oxford Furniture Co., Ltd., planing mills, Oxford, N. S., are asking for an extension of three months.

The Canadian Copper Co., who operate extensively nickel mines in the township of McKim use annually about 22,000 cords of wood for fuel. D. O'Connor, of Sudbury, Ont., has just closed a large contract with them for wood for this purpose.

BUSINESS DIFFICULTIES AND CHANGES.

Lundy & Harriman, planing mills, Niagara Falls, Ont., have assigned.

William Ry. n. formerly of Brown & Ryan, Saginaw, Mich., will open a retail lumber yard in Toledo, O.

Wm. H. and Hector Ross have been registered proprietors of W. H. Ross & Co., pulp wood, Sherbrooke, Que.

H. W. James and Archibald Sharpless, two Canadian lumbermen, have been arrested at Marquette, Mich., for trespass upon government timber lands, to the value of \$3,000.

The firm of J. S. H. Clark & Co., who carried on a wholesale lumber business at Tonawanda, N. Y., and more recently at New York, Newark, N. J., and Saginaw, have struck financial troubles. The difficulty is attributed to depression in business. It is believed that a satisfactory settlement will be reached. Turner & Fisher have purchased the yard at Bay City established by Clark & Co. a year ago.

The schedules of Scammell Bros., ship brokers, New York and St. John, N. B., show total liabilities of \$222,392, of which \$156,193 are direct, and \$66,099 contingent, being indorsements of notes; nominal assets \$140,681; actual assets \$23,341. The principal creditors are the Bank of New Brunswick, St. John, \$27,394; Canadian Bank of Commerce, \$16,000; Merchants' Bank of Canada, \$5,307; Manhattan Company, \$8,653; estate of Geo. B. Cushing, St. John, \$9,757; McBride & Stafford, \$7,200.

LUMBER FREIGHT RATES.

LUMBER freight rates for pine on the Grand Trunk Railway have been made a fixture, until, at least, April 30th, 1895. Of any intended change after that date due notice will be given the lumbermen at a conference to be held in February.

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 Warrington 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, 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, 65c.; Collingwood, Penetang, Coldwater, Waubushene, Sturgeon Bay, Victoria Harbor, Midland, Fenelon Falls, Langford, Gravenhurst and other points in group C, to Toronto, 65c.; Bracebridge to Toronto 7c.; Utterson, Huntsville, Navor, Ensdale, Katrine to Toronto, 75c.; Burk's Falls, Berriedale and Sundridge, to Toronto, 8c.; South River, Powassan and Callender to Toronto, 9c.; Nipissing

Junction and North Bay, 10c. Rate from Goderich, Kincardine and Warrington to Toronto, 65c. These rates are per 100 lbs. Rates from Toronto east to Belleville and Prescott, 10c.; to Deseronto, 9c.; to Brockville and Prescott, 10c.; to Montreal and Ottawa, 11c. The rates on hardwoods average about from 1c. to 2c. 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, Aylmer and Duclene Mills to station on the Lake Erie and Detroit River, Erie and Huron, Toronto, Hamilton and Buffalo, and Michigan Central Railway, 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., (4,000 lbs. and under per M ft.); Ottawa to Montreal, \$1.25 per M ft., (4,000 lbs. and under per M ft.); Arnprior to Montreal, \$1.75 per M ft., (3,000 lbs. and under per M ft.); Ottawa to Quebec, 10 cents per 100 lbs.; Arnprior to Quebec, 12 cents per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to Buffalo, 12 cents per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to Port Huron and Detroit, 14 cents per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to New York, track delivered 15 cents, lightered 17 cents; Arnprior to New York, track delivery 17 cents; lightered 19 cents; Ottawa to Boston, Portland and common points, local 15 cents, exports 10c. per 100 lbs.; Arnprior to Boston, Portland and common points, local 17 cents; export 15 cents per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to Burlington, 5 cents per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to Albany, 10 cents per 100 lbs.; Arnprior 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 cts per 100 lbs. Minimum carload weight for shipment of lumber, lath, shingles, etc., is 20,000 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.

MODIFICATION OF HARDWOOD RATES.
THE Grand Trunk Railway and Canadian Pacific have receded in part from their arrangement of a few weeks since when they combined and made the rates on hardwood from certain points to Toronto and Hamilton 8 1/2c. per 100 lbs. John Earls, W. D. F. A., of the Grand Trunk, has written the hardwood men as follows: "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 at so far as rates on common lumber to points like Guelph, Galt, London, W. Stock, 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 load 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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The Price Lists that here follow will be revised each week up to the hour of going to press, and in connection with these we would draw attention to the week's trade review under the heading of "Current Trade Conditions" on the first page, immediately followed with matter marked "Stocks and Prices," which presents the lumber situation of the week, together with a record of the week's sales and transactions.

PRICES CURRENT.

TORONTO, ONT.

TORONTO, March 13, 1895.

Table of lumber prices for Toronto, Ontario, including categories like CAR OR CARGO LOTS, HANDWOODS-PER M. PERK CAR LOTS, and various wood types like Ash, Birch, Basswood, Elm, Hickory, Maple, Oak, Pine, Spruce, and Walnut.

OTTAWA, ONT.

OTTAWA, March 13, 1895.

Table of lumber prices for Ottawa, Ontario, listing items like Pine, good sidings, Pine, good strips, Pine, good shorts, etc.

QUEBEC, QUE.

QUEBEC, March 13, 1895.

Table of lumber prices for Quebec, Quebec, including categories like WHITE PINE - IN THE RAFT, RED PINE - IN THE RAFT, OAK - MICHIGAN AND OHIO, etc.

BUFFALO AND TONAWANDA, N.Y.

TONAWANDA, N. Y., March 13, 1895.

Table of lumber prices for Buffalo and Tonawanda, New York, listing items like Shelving, Dressing, Selects, etc.

ALBANY, N.Y.

ALBANY, N. Y., March 13, 1895.

Table of lumber prices for Albany, New York, including categories like Uppers, Selects, Fine common, etc.

BOSTON, MASS.

BOSTON, March 13, 1895.

Table of lumber prices for Boston, Massachusetts, including categories like EASTERN PINE - CARGO OR CAR LOAD, WESTERN PINE - BY CAR LOAD, SHINGLES, etc.

NEW YORK CITY.

NEW YORK, N. Y., March 13, 1895.

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

Table of lumber prices for New York City, including categories like WHITE PINE LUMBER, WHITE PINE TIMBER, SPRUCE, etc.

SAGINAW, MICH.

SAGINAW, Mich., March 13, 1895.

Table of lumber prices for Saginaw, Michigan, including categories like UPPERS AND SELECTS, FINE COMMON, STRIPS, A AND B, etc.

OSWEGO, N.Y.

OSWEGO, N. Y., March 13, 1895.

Table of lumber prices for Oswego, New York, including categories like WHITE PINE, SHINGLES, etc.