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#### SALE OF OTTAWA VALLEY TIMBER LIMITS.

The auction sale of timber limits belonging to the insolvent estate of William Mason & Sons drew a large attendance of lumbermen to the Russell House at Ottawa on November 30th. The two large parcels offered for sale were disposed of at good prices, but for the smaller ones and for the mill property of the firm there were no bidders, and consequently no sale. Mr. W. H. Lewis was the auctioneer.

Berths No. 388 and 389, on Big Lake, River Dumoine, containing 100 square miles, were purchased by Mr. E. B. Eddy, for \$35,000. The limit contains considerable spruce, and is valuable for pulp purposes. A depot, farm and provisions on the limits, valued at \$10,000, were also sold to Mr. Eddy for \$10,000, less 25 per cent.

Parcel No. 2, containing berths Nos. 343, 344, 205, 233 (or berth A) and berth 234 (or berth B) situated on River Coulonge, in the province of Quebec, containing 245 square miles, was sold to Mr. E. B. Eddy for \$29,000. The farm and depot on these limits were sold to Mr. Eddy for \$9,000, less 25 per cent. discount.

Berths in the townships of Brougham and Bagot, on the Madawaska, and in Papineau and Cameron, on the Ottawa, near Mattawa, were withdrawn, owing to low bidding.

The Mason mill at Byswater was put under the hammer, but no bids were offered, and it will therefore remain in the hands of the Bank of Ottawa, under whose auspices the sale was conducted.

The schooner Beaver has been chartered to load lumber at Shunc, N.S., for Barbados.

The bark W. W. McLaughlin has been ordered to Jordan, N.S., to load lumber for a South American port.

### CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS.

#### ONTARIO.

Lumber manufacturers and dealers in Ontario are not complaining of lack of trade. While they would welcome a greater number of orders, they are disposed to look upon the business of the season now drawing to a close as satisfactory. The volume of lumber movement during November was larger than in the corresponding month last year, and from present indications the record for December will show a similar result. Notwithstanding that navigation is closed, considerable pine lumber is moving by rail to local points and to the Eastern States, and the tendency of prices is towards an advance. It is probable, however, that the late activity in shipping has been due to the anxiety to avoid the winter freight rates, and that the closing weeks of the year will witness a falling off in trade. In the Ottawa valley negotiations are under way for the purchase of the coming season's cut of the large mills, and it is believed that several stocks will be secured by the same shippers as formerly, and at almost the same prices. In the hardwood districts efforts are being made to secure a large crop of logs. The farmers and jobbers are being offered higher prices than last year, and it is certain that, with favorable logging conditions, more than an average quantity of hardwood timber will be secured by the mills.

#### QUEBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

Navigation from the St. Lawrence has now closed, and quietness prevails in shipping circles and in the lumber trade generally. Figures of the export of lumber from Montreal show that the quantity shipped this season was, approximately, 300,000,000 feet, which is about 20,000,000 feet less than in the season of 1897. The following figures give the respective export of the various shippers: Dobell, Beckett & Co., 76,924,116 feet; W. & J. Sharples, 62,488,502 feet; Watson & Todd, 44,819,842 feet; Robert Cox & Co., 39,627,140 feet; McArthur Bros., 35,595,538 feet; J. Burstall & Co., 30,802,571 feet; E. H. Lemay, 5,122,000 feet. It is understood that contracting for next season has so far been entered into only very moderately. There is no doubt, however, but that the usual quantity will be placed on foreign account. In the maritime provinces the situation has not changed materially, the most inquiry being for cedar shingles. Limited operations are being carried on in the woods, and the produc-

tion of lumber next season is likely to be somewhat below the average quantity. Nevertheless, a number of lumbermen are carrying over logs from this season, and should the market revive they will be in a position to increase their production to some extent.

#### UNITED STATES.

The reports from the lumber markets of the United States tell of increased confidence. In the Western States recent storms checked consumption, but as lumber is wanted for immediate use, a revival of demand is looked for. The Minneapolis stocks are 50,000,000 feet less than they were at the close of the sawing season last year, which feature has had the effect of maintaining higher prices. The average stocks at northern mill points are somewhat smaller than they were one year ago, and as the generally prosperous condition of the country at large is likely to result in a healthy demand for lumber next year, holders of stock are firm in their asking prices. In the east a considerable volume of lumber is moving, and dealers at Buffalo, Tonawanda and other wholesale points are convinced that their supply will be inadequate for the winter and early spring trade. The most spirited demand is for low grade stock for box-making. The stock of lumber suitable for this purpose is now greatly reduced, and it is probable that box manufacturers will be compelled to buy better grades in order to obtain sufficient material to last until the new cut is ready for the market. The hardwood market continues to attract much attention in view of the scarcity of stock. The supply of dry lumber at the mills has either been shipped or is in second hands, and a large part of the stock to be cut for months ahead has been placed under contract. The small production during the winter months will be taken as rapidly as manufactured, so that the present eagerness to secure lumber will at least extend well into the spring of 1899. Soft and rock elm, birch, maple and black ash cannot be located in any quantity, while basswood, which is in larger stock, is being purchased by box makers. The production of hardwood logs this winter in the northern districts will no doubt be large, but it is generally believed that there is no danger of an overstock. While prices may weaken slightly next spring, it is not anticipated that there will be any marked reduction. The eastern spruce market has improved to a moderate extent, frames now being quoted at \$14.

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FOREIGN.

In the British market the tendency of lumber prices generally is upwards. This is due to the steady consumption and to the fact that the import season has closed. In spruce there has been a marked improvement and a general advance at all leading centres. At Cardiff and Manchester the advance is from 10s to 15s per standard. Spruce deals are again attracting greater attention on the east coast, and it is probable that some good-sized contracts will be entered into for next year's delivery. There were received at Glasgow this year from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia ports, a total of 54,800 loads of deals and about 20,000 loads of birch logs and planks, as against 53,000 loads of deals and 10,000 loads of birch last year. At Liverpool prices are also hardening, and there is every prospect of a good demand during the winter, so that high prices are likely to be asked for early shipments next year. At London good pine is selling freely. At the late public sales the stocks offered have consisted chiefly of common and inferior qualities, which are now well cleared off. It is noteworthy that the market is so firm at this season of the year, as increased activity is not usually looked for until after the holidays. Some uncertainty exists as to the price which first-open-water shipments will command. Very little new business has so far been placed, and for some reason importers appear to be holding off. We learn of one large contract of spruce for a Lancashire firm, to be shipped from Saguenay, Que.

STOCKS AND PRICES.

The schooner *Nimbus* sailed last week from Annapolis, N. S., for Rosario, with 755,478 feet of lumber.

The M. Brennen & Sons Company, of Huntsville, Ont., are buying quantities of pine, spruce and hardwood logs.

Herbert Taylor, of Cookshire, Que., has been given a contract to furnish 6,000 cords of pulp wood to the Cookshire Mill Company.

J. D. McArthur, of Winnipeg, Man., has sent a large gang of men to his timber limit on the Bird's Tail creek. His cut of logs this winter will be 3,000,000 feet.

This winter only 2,000,000 feet of logs will be cut on West river, at Sheet Harbor, N.S., compared with 9,000,000 feet last year. No logs will be taken out on the East river.

James Harnish, of Deep Cove, N.S., has just sold 6,000 acres of timber land in Lunenburg county to W. H. Murray and John Hamilton, of St. John, N.B., for the price of \$20,000.

J. A. Christie, of Brandon, Man., has purchased from John B. McArthur, of Winnipeg, the old McLaren-Shields timber limit in north-western Manitoba. The logs will be taken to Mr. Christie's mill at Brandon for manufacture.

The C. Beck Manufacturing Company, of Penetanguishene, Ont., have five large camps in the woods this winter. They expect to secure a large stock of logs, and in all probability their mills will be kept running constantly next season.

At a recent auction sale held by Hodson, Mabbs & Co., London, Eng., Canadian goods realized the following prices: Ex Wildcroft, from Montreal, 3-11 1st bright white pine, \$17. Ex Kirriemoor, from Quebec, 12-16, 3x9, 3rd quality spruce, \$7; 10-13, 3x7 and 8, \$6 3s 6d; 11-16, 3x6, \$6 5s; 11-14, 3x7-12, 4th quality spruce, \$6 12s 7d; 9-14, 3x5-11, \$5 15s; 10-16, 3x5-12, \$5 17s 6d.

The Kirby-Carpenter Company's three mills at Menominee, Mich., closed down last week, having cut upwards of 90,000-

000 feet of lumber. The company is operating five logging camps this winter, and will put in from 12,000,000 to 15,000,000 feet of logs. Besides these camps jobbers will get out for the company about 65,000,000 feet of logs.

A rumor has been current that the Rat Portage Lumber Company intended building a new saw mill at Winnipeg. This report is now confirmed by the manager, Mr. D. C. Cameron, who makes the following statement: "If the Winnipeg and South Eastern Railway be completed next year to Rainy Lake, I will advise my company to establish a large log cutting and lumber industry in Winnipeg, and have secured an option on certain property in Point Douglas, east of Louise bridge. We will build a mill to employ at least three hundred men, and one that will cut from 20,000,000 to 30,000,000 feet each season. This will supply the city of Winnipeg and district and points along the line of the Northern Pacific Railway. Points where we do business along the Canadian Pacific Railway in the province and the Territories, as far west as we go, will be provided for by the mill at Rat Portage."

BUFFALO AND TONAWANDA.

[Correspondence of the CANADA LUMBERMAN.]

There is much improvement in the lumber trade, all branches combining in reports of better prices and a better demand than the late setting in of winter would be supposed to warrant. If the up-turn of this branch of the trade is real and continuous, it means a great deal, as lumber has the name of feeling any change last of all the industries. We are generally under the impression that the long awaited prosperity is at hand, and lumber is doing what it can to make this a certainty.

The activity in car building is one of the features of the improvement. All of the car shops have started up with such vim that the price of lumber that is used in them has gone up materially. Some of the dealers report an advance of \$3 in yellow pine car sills, and other lumber used for this manufacture has risen also.

The lake trade in lumber has continued much later than usual, and the fact that the port of Buffalo received 27,000,000 feet of lumber and 25,000,000 shingles during November, which is often a slack month in this branch of the lake trade, is sufficient proof that dealers are at last convinced that it is going to pay to buy lumber to hold. The improved demand of late will reduce the stocks of pine, both in Buffalo and Tonawanda, so that neither port will have any more than an average stock, if it does that. Tonawanda has not received nearly as much as it sometimes does, and such big firms as Smith, Fassett & Co. report sales of late heavy enough to reduce their stocks very materially. Buffalo, which is a light shipper of lumber by canal, sent east 5,200,000 feet in November, which is about a boat load a day.

But for the giving out of the big Black Rock yards of Arthur Hill & Co. and the Holland & Emery Company, there would have been more lumber stocked in Buffalo for the winter than usual, for several of the up-town firms have more than they had one year ago. The Arthur Hill yard has now practically gone out of existence, all of the lumber having been sold sometime ago, and the Holland yard has not laid in much stock. It was the severe falling-off of the custom planing mill trade of these two yards that brought the Plummer mill to extremities, and drove it into bankruptcy.

The box makers are the most active members of the wood-working trade, and most of them are reporting an increase of custom at a time when it is common to reduce force and wait for spring business. There is so much demand for boxes that some of the mills are still obliged to turn away orders, and none of them are slack or likely to be right away. But for the advance of all sorts of box lumber there would be good profit in the business, but the fact is that so many concerns have gone into the making of boxes that profits were at one time next to nothing.

I find that there is an uneasy feeling in the air on account of the expected scarcity of all sorts of pine lumber before long. It is already a fact that hardwood is so difficult to keep in stock that it is practically sold as soon as it is bought, and something of the sort is looked for in pine. Only from the south is the sentiment against the reduction of the tariff on lumber at all unanimous. Many of the northern dealers who were so eager to shut out Canadian lumber are now more than willing to see it come in again. But the south sees in it a strong competitor of the woods peculiar to that sec-

tion, and it will fight free trade with all its might.

There is a good supply of Pacific coast shingles laid in for the winter, considering the scarcity of all shingles of late, and much effort has been made to add to the supply of pine. Though the entire stock cannot be called large, it appears to be larger than it has been, and the price is fairly good.

The general all-round demand for hardwoods continues, and the opening of the south-west, though late on account of the continuation of yellow fever quarantine, will soon add to the scant stocks in that direction. There is no poplar of account to be had yet, and the demand for it is so good that it will be a long time before it is plenty again. All regular hardwoods are scarce, and will remain so right along now. The supply is too light for any of them to become really plentiful.

T. Sullivan & Co. are sticking close to ash and elm, with additions of special lots of other hardwoods that happen to come their way. They reported a month ago that they had doubled the sales of 1897.

There is a stir in the hemlock trade. Dealers are of the opinion that this lumber will be higher soon, and counsel holding off unless top prices can be obtained. The price of hemlock is so low that it has to be handled with care—that is, not handled at all between the producer and the consumer unless it is strictly necessary. There is considerable Michigan hemlock in the trade, but the Pennsylvania producers have got the handling of it down so fine, and know so well what the east wants, that western hemlock stays out of competition for the most part. Besides, the west is its own market, and is really paying more accordingly for lumber than the east is. The Atlantic seaboard has been very slow till of late. Just now there is a diversion on account of the preparation of the government to buy lumber in large quantities to ship to Cuba. It looks as though this move would alone be enough to advance the prices, especially as they are so strong to begin with.

BUFFALO, December 5th, 1898. J.C.

PACIFIC COAST LUMBERMEN IN CONFERENCE.

An important private meeting of the representative lumbermen of the Pacific coast, including the British Columbia mills, was held recently at San Francisco, the object being in connection with the contemplated alliance of interests in order to secure better prices for lumber. What brought the subject of a combination to a head again and resulted in the conference being held was the scarcity of logs. It has been recognized for a long time that the day would come when the supply of logs within easy reach of the coast must fail, but no one seemed to realize that it would come all at once; yet this is just what has happened. The logs on the coast are scarce, and now they have to be cut so far from the water that railways will have to be put in to bring things back to their normal condition of supply. The price of logs has advanced to \$6 and \$7, and they are scarce even at that figure. The result is that some of the mills have had to pay pretty heavy demurrage in some cases for vessels waiting to load. Other mills—the Chemamus, for example—have had a supply on hand from the old prices, and therefore can hold their own at the present price of lumber, which is nominally \$9. This condition of things, however, will not likely last for more than five or six months, by which time logging railways will be in operation and the price of logs will fall. Even then, however, it is confidently expected by lumbermen that the price of lumber will not drop again to the old figure, which left no profit at all to the mills, they only cutting to fill orders, so as to hold their customers till better times came to the industry. It is understood that at the conference most of the mills on the Sound and in British Columbia were represented.

Mr. Buckner's planing mill at Orrville, Ont., was totally destroyed by fire recently, at a loss of \$2,000. There was no insurance.

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BUSINESS NOTES.

J. H. Dansereau & Co., lumber dealers, Montreal, have registered partnership.

Dame E. M. Thomas has registered proprietress of the business of E. L. Keene, lumber dealer, Sherbrooke, Que.

E. F. Sasseville & Company, lumber jobbers and traders in the province of Quebec, are reported to be financially embarrassed.

The stock of lumber held by J. M. Hall, Winnipeg, Man., has been taken over by the Rat Portage Lumber Company, and the business will probably be closed out.

The assignment is reported of Lelebre, Mantha & Laperrriere, sash and door manufacturers, Montreal, with liabilities about \$40,000. A meeting of creditors will be held on 9th inst.

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

Rates from leading lumber points on pine and other softwood lumber, shingles, etc., are as follows: From Glenora, Greenore, Aurouin, Barrie and other points in group B to Toronto, 6 1/2 cts.; Collingwood, Penetang, Coldwater, Waubaushene, Sturgeon Bay, Victoria Harbor, Midland, Fenelon Falls, Longford, Gravenhurst and other points in group C, to Toronto, 6 1/2 cts.; Bracebridge to Toronto, 7c.; Utterson, Huntsville, Navar, Enisdale, Katrine to Toronto, 7 1/2 cts.; Hurk's Falls, Herriehale Sundridge and South River, to Toronto, 8c.; Trout Creek, Powassen and Callender to Toronto, 9c.; Nipissing Junction and North Bay, 10c.; Rate from Goderich, Kincardine, Owen Sound and Warton to Toronto, 6 1/2 cts. These rates are per 100 lbs. Rates from Toronto east to Belleville are 7 1/2 cts. per 100 lbs., to Deseronto, 9c., to Brockville and Prescott, 10c., to Montreal and Ottawa, 10c. The rates on hardwoods average about from 1c. per 100 lbs. higher than on pine and softwoods. For rates on railway ties, mahogany, rosewood, walnut, cherry, and other valuable woods, application must be made to the district freight agent.

On spruce and balsam (partly seasoned) for pulp manufacture, the rate from Longford, Warton, Penetang, Coldwater, Waubaushene, Victoria Harbor, Haliburton, Kinnouit, etc., to Toronto, is \$2.20 per cord, and to Merriton and Thurlow, \$2.60. Katrine, Callender, North Bay, etc., to same points, \$2.45 and \$2.60 respectively. Breceton, Allandale, Orillia, etc., \$2.20 and \$2.60. On green spruce and balsam the rate is 25 per cent. higher.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY

Mr. George A. Fowler, lumber agent C.P.R., writes as follows under date of February 14th 1898: "The rates at present in effect to Toronto and Hamilton are as follows: Pine and soft woods from Klusk, Mattawa, Bonfield, North Bay, Sturgeon Falls, Cache Bay and Warren, 9 cents, from Srdbury Jct., Rayside and Chelmsford, 10 cents, from Carter and Genesee Lake, 10 1/2 cents, from Biscotasing, White Fish, Massey, Cutler, Sprague and Algoma, 12 cents per 100 lbs. The rates on hardwood are one cent per 100 lbs. higher than those on pine. From Ottawa, Hull, Aylmer and Deschenes Mills, also Ampror, Bradeside and Pembroke, to Toronto the rate is 1c. cents both on pine and hardwood. From Ottawa, Hull, Aylmer and Deschenes Mills to station on the Lake Erie and Detroit River, Erie and Huron and Michigan Central railways, special rates in special lumber tariff, the rate is 1 1/2 cents on both pine and hardwood. The above rates are based on a minimum of 30,000 lbs. per car.

Taking effect March 21st, 1898, the rates in seasoned lumber to New York, Brooklyn, Jersey City, etc., via Albany, thence via water, will be as follows: From Ottawa, Ont., Aylmer and Deschenes Mills, Que. - pine and shorts, in lots 50 M feet and over, \$2.50, under 50 M feet, \$2.25, lath, 250 M pieces and over, 50c. per M pieces, 60c. per M pieces, 70c. per M pieces. From Carleton Junction - pine and shorts, lots 50 M feet and over, \$2.75, under 50 M feet, \$2.50, lath, 250 M pieces and over, 55c. per M pieces, 65c. per M pieces, 75c. per M pieces. The minimum carload of lumber is 10,000 feet and lath 50,000 pieces.

The summer rates to Montreal go into effect April 1st, and will be as follows: From Ottawa - softwood lumber, \$1 per M feet. Hardwood and dimension lumber, 41 per 100 lbs. lath 20c. per M pieces. From Carleton Junction, seasoned softwood lumber, \$1.25 per M feet. Hardwood lumber and dimension timber, 5c. per 100 lbs. lath 25c. per M pieces. From Ampror and Bradeside softwood lumber, \$1.50 per M feet; hardwood lumber and dimension timber, 6c. per 100 lbs. lath, 30c. per M pieces.

From Ottawa to Three Rivers and Quebec softwood lumber, \$2 per M feet. Hardwood lumber and dimension timber, 8c. per 100 lbs. lath, 40c. per M pieces. From Carleton Junction softwood lumber, \$2.25, hardwood lumber and dimension timber, 9c. per 100 lbs. lath, 45c. per M pieces. From Ampror and Bradeside softwood lumber, \$2.50 per M feet, hardwood lumber and dimension timber, 10c. per 100 lbs. lath, 50c. per M pie etc.

Ottawa rates apply from Hull, Aylmer and Deschenes Mills, Que. Montreal rates also apply to Mile End, Montreal Junction, Westmont, St. Luc Junction, St. Anne de Beloeil, and Vaudreuil. The rates on softwood lumber as above are intended to apply on lumber which will not exceed three thousand pounds per thousand feet, and on lath which will not exceed 200 lbs. per M pieces, excess over these weights will be charged for at rates in effect on dimension timber.

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(The quotations given below are, unless otherwise specified, the average selling prices quoted by wholesale dealers at the different markets named.)

TORONTO, ONT.

TORONTO, December 7, 1898.

CAR OR CARGO LOTS.

Table listing lumber prices for car or cargo lots in Toronto, including items like 1 1/2 inch dressing and up and better, 2 inch picks and uppers, etc.

HARDWOODS—PER M. FEET CAR LOTS.

Table listing hardwood prices per m. feet car lots in Toronto, including items like Ash, white, 1 to 2 in., Elm, soft, etc.

OTTAWA, ONT.

OTTAWA, December 7, 1898.

Table listing lumber prices in Ottawa, including items like Pine, good sidings, per M feet, b.m., Pine, good strips, etc.

QUEBEC, QUE.

QUEBEC, December 7, 1898.

WHITE PINE—IN THE RAFT.

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

RED PINE—IN THE RAFT.

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

OAK—MICHIGAN AND OHIO.

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

ELM.

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

ASH.

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

BIRCH.

Table listing lumber prices in Quebec, including items like 12 inch average.

DEALS.

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

NEW YORK CITY.

NEW YORK, N. Y., December 7, 1898.

WHITE PINE TIMBER.

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

SPRUCE.

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

HARDWOOD.

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

ALBANY, N.Y.

ALBANY, N. Y., December 7, 1898.

PINE.

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

LATH.

Table listing lumber prices in Albany, including items like Pine, \$1 75 | Spruce.

SHINGLES.

Table listing lumber prices in Albany, including items like Sawed Pine, ex. XXXX, Clear butts, etc.

BOSTON, MASS.

BOSTON, December 7, 1898.

EASTERN PINE—CARGO OR CAR LOAD.

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

WESTERN PINE—BY CAR LOAD.

Table listing lumber prices in Boston, including items like Uppers, 1 in., 1 1/2 and 2 in., etc.

SHINGLES.

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

LATH.

Table listing lumber prices in Boston, including items like Spruce, By car.

BUFFALO AND TONAWANDA, N.Y.

TONAWANDA, N. Y., December 7, 1898.

WHITE PINE.

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

WHITE ASH.

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

BLACK AND BROWN ASH.

Table listing lumber prices in Buffalo and Tonawanda, including items like 1st and 2nd, 6 inch up, 25 00.

BIRCH.

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

MAPLE.

Table listing lumber prices in Buffalo and Tonawanda, including items like 1st and 2d, rock, 8 in. & up.

BAY CITY AND SAGINAW, MICH.

BAY CITY, Mich., December 7, 1898.

UPPERS AND SELECTS.

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

PINE COMMON.

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

B PINE COMMON OR NO. 1 CUTTING.

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

STRIPS, A AND B (CLEAR AND SELECTS).

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

PINE COMMON OR C.

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

SELECTED NO. 1 SHALVING OR FENCING STRIPS.

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

NO. 1 FENCING OR NO. 3 FLOORING.

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

NO. 2 FENCING OR NO. 5 FLOORING.

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

SHALVING.

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

BARN BOARDS OR STOCKS.

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

SHIPPING CULLS OR BOX.

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

SHAKY CLEAR.

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

COFFIN BOARDS.

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

TIMBER, JOIST AND SCANTLING.

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

SHINGLES, 18-IN.

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

WHITE PINE LATH.

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

PRICES OF COOPERAGE STOCK.

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