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The number of new buildings that have bẹen commenced late this season is much larger than has been known for some years past. The result of this cannot but be beneficial to the lumbertrade. It will assist in maintaining a steady demand for lumber throughout the winter months. During the past weck the :market has shown no signs of weakness. Buyers report great difficulty in locating desirable stock, as manufacturers have very little unsold lumber in their yards, and many of them have sold far ahead. It is almost an impossibility to purchase any quantity of box lumber, and box makers who have not purchased in advance of immediate requirements will find themselves in an uncomfortable position before spring. The advance in tre price of box lumber has been followed by higher prices for boxes, the increase being about 50 per cent.

The lath situation has not heen relieved to any extent. No. lath ranges from $\$ 3.50$ to $\$ 3.7$; wholesale it Toronto, and No. 2 is quoted at $\$ 2.75$. Although no shange has been made in our quniations on shingles, we believe the prices which manufacturers are asking would warrant a still further advance in wholesale prices.
oUbBrC aND NEW nRUNSWICK.
Extensive preparations have been made in the eastern provinces to obtain a large supply of logs for next season's operations, and it is probable that the production of pine, spruce and hardwood lumber next season will be larger than in the past season. The condition of the trade at the present tume is such as to encourage an increased cut. The manufacturers, with scarcely an exception, have disposed of their season's production, and are being offered contracts for next year at very satisiactory prices. It is expected that the Briish demand will remain firm throushout next seassn, while an in.
creased market in the Eastern States may reasonably be looked for.
The shipping returns of the exports of lumber to the United Kingdom and continental ports from Montreal stow a decrease of over $41,00,000$ feet as compared whit the season of 1898 . It is possible, however, that while the exports of Montreal were smaller, this falling offmay be more than made up by increased shipments from other ports.

## UNITED STATRS.

The position of the lumber business of the United States is one which is causing buyers much concern. Prices are admittedly very high, and the question for the dealer to decide is whether he should contract for supplies for next year at present quotations or wait until the spring in the hope of being able to make more favorable terms with manufacturers. In theçase of white pine, it is believed that the letter grades will net weaken next year, but competition from the southern production may bring down the present prices of mill culls and low grade stock. This is net expected, however, untll after sawing operations have been commenced and the dry lumber comes on the market. In hardwoods the situation is a little different. Usually there is a considerable quantity in the wholesale yards and at the mills, but this year the production has gone into consumption almost as rapidly as it was ready for shipment. This will probably be the experience next year. Nor can the southern woods take the place of many of the northern hardwoods. Considering these facts, the prospect is that, with a continuance of the present activity in general manufacturing lines, the hardwood market will lose none of its strength next season.
The demand for both pine and hardwood lumber has fallen off slightiy during the past week, but short stocks are still the rulc. In the lower grades of pine and in oak, ash and basswood this shortare is most pronounced. There is a good demand for maple, bui the supply is more plentiful than that of many of the other woods. Spruce continues to strengthen as the weeks go by. and prices are being firmly maintaincd. The clapboard market is dull and lifeless, but shingles and lath are constantly enquired for and advancing in price.

## gORKIGS.

The wood market of Gicat Britain is extremely firm. Nost descriptions of
timber are from 20s to. 305 per standard higher than they were last spring. Saies of cargoes for first open water delivery have been made at advanced quotations. Finnish whitewood, $2 h \times 6 \%$, has been sold at $f 0$ iss foob. on the north. cast coast of Enuland. The reports fiom all timber producing countres are that shippers are asking prices higher than were paid one year ago, and that they were paid one year ako, and that they
show no disposition to weaken in their show
prices.
Boih spruce and pine deals in stock have lately undergone an advance, as tire seenis to be an oninion that betore next year's deliveries are to hand it will be difficult to purchase any quantity of desirable specifications.

- At Irish ports, prricularly Dublin and Belfast, the market is practically bare of spruce, and merchants are now asking \& 15 per standard of 120 pieces $12 \times 9 \times 3$. Long lengths in spruce are much enquired for.
A moderate trade is reported in waney and square timber, although this class of goous has not advanced in price to the of goous has not advanced in price to the
same extent as deals. The Timber same extent as deals. The Timber
Trades Journal reports a scarcity of ash.


## STOCKS AND PRICES.

Parker \& Howe, of Dixville, Que., are gerting iu a good supply of hardwood gerting in a go
logs this winter.
F. E. Neale, of Chatham, N. B., shipped this season $62,000,000$ feet of lumber, chiefly to Great Britain.
In Chicago white pine lath is quoted out of the yards at $\$ 4.50$ and $\$ 4.75$, and mixed hemlock about 25 cents a thousand iower.
A recent min enabled the St. John SulA recent min enabled the St. John Sulphite lulp Co. to net to their mills at Miss-
per, N. B., $3,000,000$ feet of logs which pen, N. B., 3,000,0
had been hung up.
Wm. O'Neill, of St. Martins, N.B., will operate lour rotary mills during thewinter, and expects to cut between four and five million feet of deals. At the crown lands office, Fredericton,
N. B., a berth of $21 / 2$ miles, located at N. B., a berth of $21 / 2$ miles, located at
Clarendon, Charlote county: was sold to Clarendon, Charlotte county
Smuli Bros. at $\$ 151$ per mile.
D. Bailey, who operates a saw mill near Columbia, B. C., has been given a contract to saw $1,500,000$ feet of lumber for a flume to be built in connection with the Granby smelier.
J. L. McKay, of Golden, B. C., is taking out $4,000,000$ feet of frrst-class larch and fir. Next year he will operate a shingle mill in connection with the Athalmer saw mill.
Alexander Fraser, of Uttawa, is reported to have sold his timber limits on the Coulonge rwer to Gillies Bros., of Breaside, Ont. The transier involves 200 sq. side, Ont. The transier invol
miles of first-class pine limits.
Hemlock shingles are selling in the Boston market at $\$ 2.50$ for 16 inch. White cedars are quoted at 35 cents less than pine shingles. In Boston Washing. ton red cedars seil at $\$ 3.10$ to $\$ 3.25$ and Calitornia red cedar shingles at $\$ 3.40$.
The saw mills of the Rat Portage Lum. ber Co. have closed down, after cutting $50,000,000$ fee: of lumber. Last winter the company took out $55,000,000$ feet of loss, and it is expected that the cut this winter will exceed this amount by twenty. five per cent.
The Montreal Star gives the following figures as showing the slipments of lumber from Montreal to the Unuted Kingdom and continental ports by the chief shippers: W.ason \& Todd, $55.779,-$ 706 feel; Dohell, Beckelt \& Co, 53. 72r,275 feet ; W. N. J. Sharples, 52,180 ,
 J. Burstalls Co.n $26,5 S 7 . j 15$

## agency wanted for spruce deals.

Mr. A. Couspette, 5 Kiuc Dround, l'ans, Prance, diesitios to cerceresent some Canadian
 manufacturers for the sile of spruce deals
France. Jle wishes to olnain an agency for a Qurlece firm and ako for onc or two Niew
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bupfalo and tonawanda.
(Corespondence of the Cavaba lumaikanax)
There is no letting up in the firm condition of the lumber masket, as notroty should know letter than the Canadian lunberman. Every repon fom that sille of the line is to the effect that the nsking price there is stiffer than our most inflexible mill mand dares to put on his cut, and, mareover, the position is backed up hy a dork that is bare of any lumher but lle greenest nal in some cases so nuech of even hat sold that no more sales will be booked. It louks as though the $\$ 2$ tariff not did kill the lumber trade of Canada after all.
There is a great scarcity of hox lumber yet, and from all reports it is not Canncla that is likely to help us out on that line, for the Standard Oil Company, which runs its big box factory in Osswero mainly on Canadian box lumber, is said to lee very short and obliged to huy of is local competitors.
This is not to say that our trox companies are short, for such is nut generally the case. They looked out for themselves, and the result is that they are alout the only ones who are
well fixed in that drection. Still, even the well fixed in that drection. Still, eyen they are not feling so wery ensp over the situation,
for it is not disclosed where they are to get the next supply, nur hou much they are to pay fur it. Another source of uneasiness is the fact that they have made most of their season's profits on lumber that did not cost nearly as much as it would now, so there must bea very material pushing up of the price of boxes before there can be a continuation of this sea. son's profits.
We are looking in Canada anxiously, for
shingles, but the supply of then is not what it shingles, but the supply of them is not what it ought to be anywhere, and Canada is not ap. parently any letter off on them than we are. So many shingle nulls are idle or have been set to sawing out straight lumber, as being mure profitable, that it is impossibic to keep the stock of shingles up. All sorts are short. There is still a more easy state of things in the hardwood yards than in pine, and all le. cause the hardwood dealer became alarmed over the condtuons and was oblaged to go to buying his own timber. He was willing to go to Canada for harduood and pay the duty, and did so just as long as there was any to be had, but the hardwrod men have all left that section now and, for a wonder, the pine men, who were
driven out by the tarif, are hack there again, deviven out by the tariff, are back there again, cager for anything in the shape of lumber.
Consideting the anount of condescension this Consideriug the amount of condescension this indicales, there really ought to be less surff. neckedness on prices. We were awfully sorry, two, to note that the Canadian mill man was anare of the adtance in prices as soon as
we were, so that there was no clance for we were, so that there was no clance for any neighbo:ly buyng on the quaet over there efore the situation got out.
Well, there is no more tariff talk. That is some consolation, and if some of the people who went out of the business here because their interests all happened to be in Canadian imber are not sorry they gave it up, then nost folks are mistaken. One thing is sure, sone nithose who did very little for a time, the Mulland \& Enicry Company, for instance, are hard at work now, developng ther uriber and apparently dong well.
There is some talk of a decline in pine lumber, but it all mmes cither from the consumer or the dealer, who holds that prices are higher han they should be and thinks that he could do better if they had not gone so high. It is a icar ampossibility 13 cone doun now, or a fows down matter, unless busness generally soous down a kood deal. There is demand cnough to kerp lunalier moving and it will continue unal other branches of business are injured in some way. And this is not ooked for
This market is going into winter with a fuil slock, except that it is likely to turn out that seme sonts and grates are not up to the ave age. Ncarly all the Nrra.y is in a few hands and the low grade pine is not plentiful. Sling les cannct be made to carsy us more than barely through the winter, and in hardwood The shat great scarcily in asth and bassu cond The shoutnge is made up somewhere, for Tonait looks now is though Buffalo would have quite as much as last winter.
There is nothing very novel in the situation here. The retivement of the Supctior lamiker Compary makis the only clange of late. So
 conplanj"s yard off its hands.
At Tonawanda the consolddatuon of Swan \& Donogh and Calhins \& Co. into the Swan. Donegh Lamaler Comprany has been followed by the setting up of a box fartory by lice com-
pany in the Calkins mill, which was for some gany in the Cakins min., Which was or some
 sance business, the lates having not long ago
anoved into a box factory of his own.

The 12. Laidlaw Company has now made definite arrangements to move from the Litie hasin to the Oho basin, where there will be more rovin, turning the old yaud over to Montgomery bros. © Co., who had a very muct: smanler yand than they meeded. The laid lave yard is not so full of lumber as it was hast fan. hough the amount is liereral. The prospect of moving and the hagh freights in. duced the company to leave quite
Haines co nke sams tring
Maines se Co. nre congratulating thenselves on the big lot of shingles they bought in the carco of aistrict lale in the seasinn, the last, a that snumedistrict held for $\$ 325$ at the mils, a prec that setis people to wonde-ing how houses can the built риери niore.
Quite a latge delegation of our hardwood dealers went to the National convention at Memphis, Messes. Scatcherd, Veter and timber and milts beyond that city.
RuFpal.o, Dec. 4, 1999.
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## THE BOSTON MARKET.

[Corre-pondence of the Casabia Lumurasan.]
Spruce - The market for spruce lumber hulds frim, Wilh very hulte change in prices which makes the car lumber in better demand and we lonk for a brisk demand through the wirter for all grades of spruce. The conbing tion prices are being adhered io as the demand is larger than the supply. We quote:
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Ciaproarlis. - The market for clapboards is not as good as it has been, as few are being at better prices in the spring : Pine, exto
Pine, extra, 6 in
Pine, clear 6 in
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per thousand lower than above prices.



Sunscl.es.-Shingles hold prices well, as they have teen scarce all the season, and no quantities of them have accumulated, but there has been a good many of the California reci. haod shingles shipped to this market, and that has kept the prices on cedars from going very much higher:
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ind clenr cedar.
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Lath.-laths are firm, with good demand $\$ 2.40$ to $\$ 2.55$ for 14 inch for $1 \$ / 3$ inch, and Bosion Dec 1 th inch.

## SHIPPING MATTERS.

The lunbler irceight rate from St . John, N. B., to New York is now $\$ 3.25$. The rate on laths has dropped to $\$ 3$.
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There is much feeling expressed wer the ad. verse decision of the Canadian court in the sult brought to test the constitutionality of the On-
ario log embargo act. It is understood the matter is to be arpealed to the I'roys Council. It is also likely that a strong effort will be made to influence the Joint lligh Commission to reach an ailjustment of the matler. It wall who heave started Sabinan river lumbermen
on Canada and are putting in log's in the expectation that here would be some arrangenient reached which Unless this is brought atont in sume winy, the only logs that wall come over next senson wall be stuck cat un Indian reserve lands and from deeded lands wer which the Untato guvernment has no jurisiliction. This genr thete has been unls almsut 75,000,000 feet rafteal across, and some of these were old log's cut tefure the law prohilhiting rafting was operalove.

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