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### CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS.

ONTARIO.

There is a feeling of unrest among the lumbermen of Ontario, due to the mild weather and the absence of the necessary snow for logging operations. Reports received from different districts state that the situation is anything but encouraging. A large cut of logs has been made, but as yet no hauling of any extent has been done. If, however, sharp winter weather, accompanied by snow, should now set in and continue for the next two months, it would be possible to get most of the logs to the banks of the streams. Naturally, the possibility of a short log crop has given increased strength to the lumber market. Some of the Ottawa valley manufacturers are reported to be holding out for a price which the shippers have not as yet shown their willingness to give. Buyers from the United States can now be found in all parts of the province for the purpose of buying dry stock and contracting for their season's requirements. A quantity of the pine lumber cut in western Ontario next season will find a market in

Michigan, the production in that state now being less than is required for manufacturing purposes. This is in contrast with the conditions existing before the enactment of the manufacturing clause, when lumber sawn in Michigan from Georgian Bay logs was marketed in western Ontario. Within the past week common lumber has advanced in the Toronto market about one dollar and mill culls about fifty cents per thousand.

There is one feature of the hardwood market which differs from that of pine. While no heavy stocks of pine are held in the province by the manufacturers, dealers or consumers, there is a liberal stock of hardwood in the hands of consumers, such as furniture and implement factories, wagon factories and wood-workers generally. The result of this will be that these industries will not be in the market for supplies early in the spring.

### QUEBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

Business is opening up this year in a manner that is very satisfactory to the spruce manufacturers of the eastern provinces. The price of British deals has been advanced by from \$2 to \$4 per thousand feet. That shippers are meeting this advance is borne out by the fact that large contracts have been entered into. We do not think that manufacturers will make a mistake in adhering firmly to their asking prices, particularly in view of the fact that the production of spruce logs this winter is not likely to be as great as was anticipated at the beginning of the logging season. The weather thus far has been unfavorable and there has been a scarcity of labor and teams. It is probable that the demand will readily absorb the cut, and that present prices will be maintained, if not advanced.

### MANITоба AND BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The absence of snow is causing the lumbermen in the west some anxiety. Reports from the woods are to the effect that hauling is somewhat at a stand-still. This condition has further strengthened lumber prices, as it is quite probable that the log production this winter will be less than was contemplated. The mild weather has also permitted of out-door work being carried on almost without interruption, and thus the consumption of lumber has been increased. The Lake of the Woods mills put into effect on January 1st a new price list making certain advances. This list will be published in our next issue.

In British Columbia the local lumber market is a little quiet, but several enquiries on foreign account are receiving the attention of manufacturers, and altogether the outlook is hopeful.

### UNITED STATES.

Statistics of white pine stocks at the mills in the United States show that a shortage exists of over 750,000,000 feet as compared with one year ago. In Michigan there is very little stock that is not in the hands of dealers or consumers. The greatest shortage of stock is, of course, in the lower grades, No. 4 and No. 5 boards being especially scarce. As a result of this condition the manufacturers in the

Mississippi and Wisconsin valleys have advanced prices of common boards by from 50 cents to \$1.50 per thousand. While the demand for lumber is not particularly active, there is scarcely a weak spot in the United States market. Those who predicted that prices would weaken towards the spring now hold a different view, inasmuch as logging operations in the northern woods have been seriously retarded by lack of snow, and the log crop this winter is not likely to be any greater than it was last year. Good building weather has stimulated the consumptive demand in the east, and building promises to be brisk in the cities and larger towns during the coming summer. Spruce prices are very strong, with an upward tendency, and the supply of lumber is below the requirement. In hardwoods there is very little doing, although prices are being firmly maintained. A scarcity of basswood is reported, with prospects of a famine in that lumber before spring. White ash and maple are also enquired for to some extent, while elm is moving only very moderately.

The lath situation is somewhat uncertain. The supply is not equal to the demand, but as the unusual strength of the lath market is almost certain to stimulate production this year, there is some doubt as to how long present prices will be maintained. At Minneapolis \$4.25 is being asked by manufacturers for No. 1 white pine, and \$4 for mixed.

### FOREIGN.

The Board of Trade returns show that in the season of 1899 there were imported into the United Kingdom 6,429,019 loads of timber and lumber, against \$,334,250 loads in 1898 and 9,972,733 loads in 1897. The import was, therefore, about 600,000 loads more than 1898 and 500,000 less than in 1897. The condition of stocks is favorable to a satisfactory trade during the coming year, while prices are at the highest point which has been reached for many years. Spruce is being offered in the London market at £8 17s. 6d. for 3 x 9 second quality and £8 7s. 6d. for third quality. There is a great scarcity of 3 x 11, which commands a high figure. Importers have been forced, by the high prices ruling in producing countries, to advance their asking prices considerably. Quebec spruce deals of poor quality are announced to have been sold on the basis of £8 per standard delivered on dock at Liverpool, and New Brunswick spruce is understood to have been purchased at £7 17s. 6d. delivered on dock at same port. These prices, although high, are not regarded as representing the highest values that will be reached during the year. The South African war has strengthened the value of deals, particularly 3 x 11 and 3 x 9 pine and spruce.

The steamer Segun has been chartered to carry lumber from a Georgian Bay port to Montreal, two trips, at a reported rate of \$3.50.

The schooner Eric has been chartered to load lumber at Annapolis, N. S., for New York at \$4. The barque Cudoon will load lumber at Weymouth, N. S., for Buenos Ayres, at \$11, or Rosario at \$12.

**NEW BRUNSWICK CEDAR SHINGLES.**

There are very few eastern shingles moving at present writing. The retail dealers are largely busy in stock-taking and figuring out last year's business, and, of course, actual consumption is light. On the other hand, the average crop of small winter mill operators are busily at work and as usual are anxious to sell each carload produced just as soon as they can get it to the railroad. Their usual course of procedure when ready to sell is to write a dozen different commission houses, offering the same shingles to all and accepting the first orders they get. Meantime, each commission dealer is offering these same shingles to the trade, and the net result of so many offering the same little lot of shingles is that the impression is created that shingles are in most abundant supply. The facts in the case are different, for at the close of last season the manufacturers were thoroughly well cleaned out, and all the small winter mills in the business running full blast for the next ten weeks, and piling up their product, cannot produce as many shingles as will be wanted for actual consumption during April and May next.

There is, therefore, absolutely no reason for any weakening of prices by standard mills; they are sure to get last season's closing figures or better if they stand firm during the next six weeks. If, on the other hand, they once commence to make any material cut in prices, they will only accelerate the downward tendency, and by giving the retailers the idea that prices have reached the top and are going down, will actually get less business than if they hold firmly to their price. People are never so ready to buy on a falling as on a rising or steady market. The best course of procedure, therefore, is for the larger operators to stand firm and allow the more irresponsible and smaller mills to market their production, after which a firm market and steady prices will rule. The indications for business along general, and more especially house building lines, the coming season, are most excellent, and after the shingle trade really starts, which is usually about April 1st, the consumption ought to keep even pace with the production. Boston quotations are about as follows for strictly standard brands: Extras, \$3.10 to \$3.15; clears, \$2.70 to \$2.75; 2nd clears, \$2.15 to \$2.25. Unknown brands are quoted probably 10 cents less on two best grades.

**WHITE PINE PRODUCTION AND STOCKS.**

Valuable statistics of the white pine lumber production and stocks are furnished by the last issue of the American Lumberman. The statement covers the states of Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota, and includes reports from nearly 900 mills. The total output for 1899 was 6,056,508,000 feet; 1898, 6,155,300,000; 1897, 6,233,454,000; 1896, 725,763,035. Last year, therefore, the production was about 100,000,000 feet less than the output of 1898. The decrease as compared with 1897 is 177,240,000 feet, but the figures for last year show an increase over 1896. In 1895, however, the output was 1,000,000,000 feet greater than in 1899, and for the latter year the total is 2,000,000,000 feet less than the average output for the prosperous years previous to 1892.

The total stocks of white pine at the mills on December 1, 1899, amounted to 2,728,271,000 feet, as against a total on the same date a year previous of 3,494,739,000 feet. On December 1, 1897, the total stocks at the mills amounted to 3,915,558,000 feet, or larger than the stock last year by 1,187,287,000 feet. In 1895 the total stock was 4,180,360,000 feet. Going on back through previous years, it appears that the stock on hand December 1st last was the lightest known in any year since 1890. Of the total stock, the west holds by far the greater portion, the amount of stock on hand in the Chicago district and in Michigan being only 477,000,000 feet.

The shingle cut at the mills in the same district was 2,899,310,000 in 1899, 3,030,815,000 in 1898, and 2,360,771,000 in 1897. The stock on December 1 last was 694,302,000, against 762,698,000 in 1898 and 461,734,000 in 1897.

The figures regarding lath show a curious condition. While the output has been steadily increasing for the last three years, the stock on hand on December 1 of each year shows a steady decline. The cut was 1,062,837,000 last year, 949,666,000 in 1898, and 924,047,000 in 1897. The stock on hand on December 1 last was 226,780,000, against 353,731,000 in 1898 and 412,311,000 in 1897.

The Pasco Lumber Co. has been incorporated in New York city, with a capital of \$250,000.

The Post & Emerson Co. have been incorporated, to carry on a lumber business at Oswego, N. Y.

**STOCKS AND PRICES.**

From Buffalo comes the report of the sale of 1,000,000 feet of box lumber, 8-inch and wider, 4-4 and 5-4, at \$20, also a large lot of log run shorts, 4 to 8 feet, at \$17.

Graham, Horne & Co., of Fort William, Ont., are understood to have been given a contract to supply 4,000,000 feet of lumber for the Ogilvie flour mill and elevator to be built at that place.

The corporation of Winnipeg desires tenders by Wednesday, February 7th, for the supply of 1,000 cords of cedar paving wood. Particulars may be obtained from C. J. Brown, city clerk.

The Saginaw Lumber & Salt Company recently purchased 5,000,000 feet of logs cut on deeded land in the Georgian Bay district. These will be taken to the company's mill at Saginaw.

In Chicago trade in flour barrel stock is quieter than it has been, but prices remain about the same. Elm staves sell at \$7 to \$8, and heading at 5 to 5 1/2 cents. Coiled elm hoops are a trifle weaker.

Wm. Schuette & Co., of Saginaw, have contracted with Joseph Turner for 5,000,000 feet of lumber to be cut early next spring at Midland, Ont. The above firm have 12,000,000 feet of lumber in the yard at Saginaw, 10,000,000 feet on the mill docks on the Saginaw river, and 2,000,000 (Continued on page 3.)

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The lumber surveyed at the port of Bangor, Maine, in 1899 totalled 171,482,489 feet, as compared with 144,324,743 feet in 1898.

The Moulthrop Lumber Co., of Bay City, Mich., has been incorporated, and has purchased the old Moiles mill at Johns

Island, on the northern shore of the Georgian Bay. The mill will be operated next season.

The Ogden & Hicks mill property at Midgie, N.B., is reported to have been purchased by Pelton & Beharell, of Am-

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The schooner Orona sailed for Trinidad with 150,000 feet of lumber.

The Goderich Lumber Co., of Goderich, Ont., are reported to have purchased a saw mill at Owen Sound and a timber limit near Lion's Head, comprising 1,950 acres, and containing a large quantity of hemlock, basswood and maple timber.

The prices for common boards fixed by the Mississippi and Wisconsin valley manufacturers are as follows: 10-13-in. and wider, 12 ft., \$20.50; 12-in., 10 ft., \$21; 12 ft., \$20; 10-in., 10 ft., \$19; 12 ft., \$18; 8-in., 10 ft., \$15; 12 ft., \$17.

While hardwood stocks generally are light, we learn that D. Knetchel, of Hanover, Ont., has obtained a supply of lumber considerably greater than one year ago.

The Knetchel Furniture Co., in which he is a large shareholder, have on hand at present over 3,000,000 feet of hardwood lumber, while at the same period last year their stock was less than 1,000,000 feet.

Last summer this company bought over 2,000 acres of hardwood timber lands on the Bruce peninsula and a saw mill near Stokes Bay, which they are now operating.

They expect to get out this winter for this mill 1,500,000 feet of logs. Mr. Knetchel is also largely interested in the Southampton Manufacturing Co., of Southampton, and the Sieling Furniture Co., of Walkerton, and informs us that both these factories have more than double the quantity of lumber on hand that they had one year ago.

He estimates that about 1,000,000 feet of logs will be obtained this winter for each of these mills. In Mr. Knetchel's opinion, there is a probability that prices of hardwood lumber will weaken towards the spring.

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THE BOSTON MARKET.

(Correspondence of the CANADA LUMBERMAN) SPRUCE.—Spruce lumber is in fair winter demand, but there is still a good deal of trouble about filling orders, by reason of low water at the mills and on account of a lack of snow for moving logs.

Table listing prices for Spruce lumber: Frames, 9 inch and under; 10 and 12 in. dimensions; 10 and 12 in random, 10 ft and up long; etc.

HEMLOCK.—Hemlock is very firm, with little offering. Full agreement prices, or even above, are the rule:

Table listing prices for Hemlock lumber: Matched hemlock boards; Pennsylvania; Eastern; etc.

PINE.—Western pine is in good shape, with a fair winter demand:

Table listing prices for Pine lumber: Uppers, 1 in; 1 1/2 to 2 in; 3 and 4 in; etc.

CLAPBOARDS.—Clapboards are firm, though trade is seasonably dull:

Table listing prices for Clapboards: Spruce, extra; Spruce, clear; Spruce, 2nd clear; etc.

LATHS.—Laths are a little easier. 1 1/2 inch, \$3 to \$3.15; 1 1/4 inch, \$2.90 to \$3.

BOSTON, Jan. 15th, 1900.

COMPARISON OF GLASGOW PRICES.

The following figures, compiled from Alison, Cousland & Co.'s annual timber market reports, will be interesting as showing a comparison of the prices ruling in the Glasgow market on December 31st, 1898 and 1899:

WANEY WHITE PINE.—Prime wood, 1898,

25 4d to 25 7d, 1899, 25 2d to 25 9d, second class, 1898, 15d to 2s; 1899, 19d to 2s 2d per cubic foot.

SQUARE PINE.—First class large average, 1898; 25 3d to 25 6d; 1899, 25 6d to 25 8d.

RED PINE.—35 foot average, 1898, 14 1/2d to 15d; 1899, 18d to 20d.

ELM.—First class, 1898, 2s 2d to 2s 3d; 1899, 2s 9d to 3s.

OAK.—Prime wood, 1898, 2s 6d to 3s; 1899, 2s 8d to 2s 10d.

BIRCH.—16 inch average, 1898, 18d to 20d; 1899, 20 to 23d.

ASH.—16 inch average, 1898, 21d to 23d; 1899, 2s to 2s 3d.

PINE DEALS.—First quality broad, 1898, £22 to £24 15 3d per standard; regulars, £20 12s 6d to £21 6s 3d; 1899, £26 16s 3d to £28 3s 9d; regulars, £24 15s to £26 6s 6d.

Second quality broad, 1898, £16 10s to £18 11s 3d; 1899, £18 11s 3d to £20 12s 6d.

Third quality broad, 1898, £9 5s 7d to £10 13s 1d; 1899, £11 to £12 7s 6d.

QUEBEC SPRUCE DEALS.—Third quality, 1898, £6 3s 9d to £7 11s 3d; 1899, £7 4s 4d to £8 11s 10d.

NEW BRUNSWICK SPRUCE.—Second quality, 1898, £6 3s 9d to £7 11s 3d; 1899, £8 5s to £9 12s 6d.

There is some enquiry for deal and timber tonnage from Quebec and Montreal at 45s for deals and 65s for timber. A steamer has been chartered for first-open-water to carry 1,150 standards from Montreal to east coast Great Britain, at 45s.

There has been considerable chartering of sail tonnage from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia ports at 45s to 48s 9d for spring shipment. The steamship Marian has been fixed to load deals at Cape Tormentine, N.B., for west coast England at 47s 6d, and another has been fixed to load at Pugwash for same destination at 48s.

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Table listing prices for Albany lumber: Uppers, 3 in. up; 2 1/2 in. up; 3 to 2 in. up; etc.

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