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## CANADIANS BLAMED.

A Sandusky paper, referring to the low price of slack-barrel cooperage stock, places the blame on Canadian dealers It says: Low prices is the cry among the slack-barrel cooperage manufacturers And why the cause? Our belice is, the Canadians are supplying the market. We know it to be the fact thitt Canadian manufacturers have asents located at Minneapolis, and if an Alncrican firm offers cooperage there, he is at once underbid by these agents. Canadian firms have in store at S.indusky probably not less than $6,000,000$ staves, and have put in here, by water, we think, wo: less than $12,00,000$ this year. From here they shipped then by rail to wherever they can find a market. All this certainly goes a long ways towand reducing prices. The tight-barrel coopers are more fortunate.

## COLONIRL TRADE,

Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, Colonal Secretar, has sent a despitth to the governors of Brutish colonies relative to the import of forcign goods, which is of interest in connection with the development of commercial relations between Great Britain and her colonies. He also asks for "a return of any products of the colony under your government which might advantageously be exported to the United Kingdom or uther parts of the British Empire, but do not at present find a sufficient market there, with any information in regard 10 quality, price or freight which may be useful to British imporiers." This has an important bearing on the lumber trade.

## CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS.

ovirario.
Thi. sale at such an early date of nex: season's cut of deals by smme of the large firms is a temarkable feature of the market. Last year the coming cut was not corifacted for till January; while this year it was sold the end of October and early in Nuember. The disposal of suh a larye amount of timber still standing insures a certain amount of work for the woods and at the mills in the spring, and gives a degree of buogancy and hope that is encournping. The prospect of a good trade in board tumber next scason is favorable, as a larse quantity of C.anadian pine will be required for ship building in England, which is revising, and for several new vessels which are to be built for the British mavy: Trade is taking on the holiday quietness, and in manufacturing craters stock-taking is in order, so that buyers do not care to talk business till they sce how they stand. It is not expected the past season wi!l turn out to have been a very profitable one. On the Lipper Ottawa the season so far hat been favorable for operations. At the campls on the Kippewa thete is about a foot of snow. In the Georgian l3ay district, especially about French river, work is said to be impeded by heavy falls of snow. There is adepthof 2 ' feet reported there The ronds are in bat order for hauling in many plares because the snow fell before the ground froze up. There is no movement of storks 10 report, and prices remain about the same.

QUEMEC ANH Nr.w hrewswich.
I.ocal demand in the province of Quebec, espechally in the castern tunaships, has diminshed the amount of spouce shipped to the United States the past scason. The local market in New Branswick and Nova Scotia his not made such demands, and shimmens have been on an enlarged scale, with the prospect of being still greater next pear. Hence operations in the woods are active and will doubtless continue so throughout the winter should the weather be fisiorable. The demand in the castern market keeps up well for this season, and good spruce, and hemlock too, sell freely. The pourer qualities are not wanted. The Neu Lingland as well as the l3ritish market is in better condition than a menth or two ago. Spruce is now quoted at linston. Frames $\$ 14.50$ to $\$ 15$; yard randoll $\$ 13.50$ to $\$ 14$; boards \$1. anit \$10: clapboards extra \$33 and $\$ 32$; clear $\$ 30$; sccond clear $\$ 25$; lath $\$ 2$ to $\$ 2.15$; shingles $\$ 2.75, \$ 2.35$ and $\$ 1.75$.

A quiet time is expected tull February; when spring urders will begin to materia lize. Eight vessels are loading for foreign ports, but no new charters are reported. Local sales ate of trifling amumnt. Following are latest quotations of Douglas fir for forcign shipment : Rough mierchantable, urdinatly suze:, in lengiths (t) tu feet inclusise, per $M$ feet $\$ 7$; deck plank, roush, a eruge lendth 35 feet, per $\$ \$ 15$, dressed T and G floormy, per M $\$ 13$; pickets, roukh, pet M\$7, laths, 4 feet 6 nch, per MI \$1.jo.

## uNITRD states.

Quetness in the market is the universal report from all parts of the country. Usually there is constdenable distribution in December, thas year there has been little. The demand in the east has been better than in the west. Buffalo and Tonawanda repor: grood sales of white pine and hemlock. High grade whie pine is hard o get, in coarse lumber the market is overstocked. The demand for yellow pue has fallen off, but the mull men are well orsanized and prices keep up. Hardwood is quiet. Factory consumers have stopped buying ull stocktaking is completed. The prospect for next year is good.

## cormos.

There is little to report from the English timbel market this week. Business is curet and is not likely toterive tall after the nell year. There are some cargoes jet to arrive from the Batic and Canada, and is stocks are unusually moderate, the arrivals ate likels to command good pices. Swedish and White Sea goods are in compctition for neat jear, but prices do not appear yet to be fixed, and dealess are fecling their way rather than going in.o actual transictions. Sweden is looking towards South Africa for a market also, and so may come into com petition with the Pacific coast and other places which have already secured that trade. Already charters are being made for neat season. Inguinies, with a view to fining tonnabe tor through the season shipments are being made, and vessel owners are willing to close business on that basis at moderate rates. But such transactions are largely speculative, for there may be a considerahle advance or decline in freights as the season advances. Time chartes are being considered, a new form of freighting. It implies that the steamer is at the unrestricted disposal of the merchant within certain specified dates. This insures prompt delivery but necessitates extra responsibility on the
part of the charterer in securing outward cargo, providing coal, stevedores and other expenses, work with which he is not fumiliar. ©nme chaters of this kind have been made at a figure which means 20s to 22 s Gd from the Lower Gulf to east coast for smaller steamers, and 20 s or a trific less for those of 500 standards capacitv up. Severe frost has about closed Balic ports. Eleven vessels timber laden are reported afloat for United Kintrom ports from New Brunswick and six from the St. Lawrence. Farmworth \& Jardine, in their circular, dated ist Dec., speak thus oithe prevous months' trade: "The business during the month has been fair:", satisfactory, imports moderate, and tue deliveties about an average of the season of the year. Values generally have been maintained, in a few of the leading articles a further slight advance has taken place, still, as this improvement has been more than met by the higher rates of freight and insuranze, shippers should act with prudence, as the present improvement is caused more by the supply being limited than by any actual increase in the demand; stocks are moderate phough generally ample."

## Stocks and prices.

The Longford Lumber Company will take out $9,00,000$ feet this winter.

The Conger Lumber Co., of Parry Sound, are offering to purchase $3,000,000$ feet of hemlock logs.
Mr. Thos. Bearman, of Chesley, Ont., is in the market to purchase a quantity of maple and rock elm logs)
Only two and a half million feet of lumber was moved from the Minneapolis market during Thanksgiving week.
A report comes from the north that the Gilmnur Company, operating in the townships of Peck and Hunter, bordering on the Alyonquin Park, have decided to stop cutting on their limits for this season, and that 700 men will lose their winter employment in censequence.

A St. John, N. B., paper says there is only about one half the quantity of logs usually available at this season of the year, and this with the stiffening of the English, and the opening of the American market, has caused an advance already of $\$ 1$ per thousand in next spring's contracts.

Mr. D. B. McNabb has retumed from a business trip to Tonawanda, Buffalo and Rochester, where he arranged for the sale of the output of his mill at Ingoldsby. He reports the outlook on the other side to be much brighter than was the case some months ago. He will start his mill early in January cutting hardwood timber, for which he finds a ready sale in the Amencan market.

A syndicate represented by A. S. Dickson, of Blyth, and James Lockart, of McKillop are sad to have purchased timber limits in the latter township, county of Huron, and will build a saw mill. The property consists of 886 acres, and was sold for $\$ 40,000$. It is in the gth and toth concessions. When the timber is removed most of the land will be fit for agncuitural purposes.

The output of lumber this season in the Otlawa Valley has been brought up to something like what it was five or six years ago in the days when Eddy, Petley
\& Pattee, Grier \& Co., and others now out of the business were running their mills night and day, by the operations of the St. Anthony Lumber Co. at thei: new mill at Whitney. Without this there would have been a marked falling off.
The lumber combine entered into among the producers on the Pacific coast, while it will advance export prices, will not affect local prices in British Columbia, or prices of lumber shipped to the Northwest, Manitoba or the eastern provinces. Only foreign trade is affected, and such being the case, the new arrangement will bring no drawbacks to the general pub. lic.
Mr. F.E. Neale, representing Neale, Harrison \& Co., of Luverpool, has shipped 6,000,000 feet this season from Miramichi, N. B., and arrangements have been made for a larger amount next year. The last cargo for the season, consistung of birch and spruce, went by barque Teresa Accame, for the Bristol channel. Mr. T. B. Neale visited the Miramichi personally this year.

The Restigouche river has been deepened so that large vessels can go up to Campbellon, N. B., ani it is stated that Price Bros., of Quebec, and other outside operators, as well as the local mills, will henceforth ship in summer direct from Campbellton to Britain. The cut on the Restigouche last season was between $12,000,000$ and $14,000,000$, and it will be larger the coming season. Large quantities of shingles are also sent to the United States.
The stock of lumber of Kelsey \& Gil. lespie, insolvents, Buffalo, was sold by auction on the 4 th of December for $\$ 38$, 250. It had been almost closed out at $\$ 30,000$, but at the suggestion of one of the creditors was put up to competition, started at $\$ 30,000$, and ran up to the figure named above, at which it was knocked down to Mr. Robert L. Fryer, of Buffalo. Mr. A. A. Scott, of Toronto, who was an interested party, was a bidder. The stock consisted of pine and hardwood.

Messrs. Johnson \& Beveridge have purchased the timber on the Shamanaga Indian Reserve, says a Parry Sound exchange, through the Indian agent, Dr. Walton. The timber is to be cut and skidded by Indian labor, and Messrs. Johnson \& Beveridge are to do the drawing to the water and driving, using Indian labor as far as possible. The cut will be between half a million and a million feet.
Messes. Young Bros. \& Co., of Parrsboro, have purchased from the estate of N. L. Todd \& Co., St. Stephen, N. B., their timber property; comprising 68,000 acres and the saw inills at St. Margaret's Bay. The price paid is said to have been $\$ 00,000$. Messrs. Young Bros. \& C.o. have owned for a number of years the Hialfway River and Fiver Herbert mills and cut annually from eight to ten millions of deals besides a lot of other lumber. Mr. B. E. Young, who has been manager at Parrsboro, will leave in the spring to take charse of the new property.

The Prescott lumber firm, composed of Isalac, George and Crandall Prescott, has this year commenced lumbering operations on the North Shore at New Mills, N. B. This firm has carried on a very profitable business in Albert county for a number of years, and this season will operate still more extensively. Already
two million feet have been got out at New Mills, and it is the intention to get out two million more. A saiv mull, having a capacity of about 30,000 feet per day, and of the most modern type, will be erected next spring. The business is under the rannagement of $\mathrm{M}_{\mathrm{m}}$. Crondall Prescott.

Mr. J. A. Ellis, of Fenelon Falls, closed his mill on Dec. 7th, after a successful season's run. He states that while the price of lumber has been very low, he has succeeded i.s disposing of nearly las entire output, believing it better to sell at a small poofit rather than store in the yard, as many of the big concerns are doing, as he thinks that when prices de advance a trifte the effect of so many large stocks being rushed to the market will be to still further depress the price for a time. Mr. Ellis will not send any men into the woods this winter, as he has a large stock of logs on hand for next season, and can secure what additional logs he may need from jobbers.

## business changes.

Peter Bessette, saw mill, Sumby B. C., is dead.
Eell \& Mills have started a plaining mill at Burk's Falls, Ont.
E. F. Keene \& Co., lumber, Lake Megantic, Que., have dissclved, and a new partnership under the same style has been formed by E. F. Keene and Hector Rose.

Negotiations are going on for the purchase of the works of the Hamburg Manufacturing Co., with a view of organizing a stock company and enlarging the business. It is the intention of Mr. Brodrecht to go to Sarnia, whicre he has entered the saw mill business, having atready conciuded a deal for $1,000,000$ feet of long pine timber.
The Blind River Dam, Slide and Boom Co., are asking for incorporation. Cook Bros, who lumber on the same siver, are opposing the application on the ground that they have made all necessary improvements, that there is no necessity for the formation of such a company, and that the applicants have no in. terests on the river. The Ontario Commissioner of Crown Lands has the matter under consuderation.

## blisiness difficultiles.

F. Moore, lumber, Woodstock, N. B., has stopped payment.
A. Bell \& Co., lumber dealers, St. Agathe, Que, are reported in difficulty.
S. T. Chency, lumber dealer, Cheney Station, Ont., has assigned.
$M_{r}$. Martineau, Jate of the firm of Boland \& Martineau, lumber merchants, Ottawa, has been arrested on a capias, at the instance of La Banque Nationale. The amount involved is $\$ 9,431$.
A writ has been issued against the Victoria Hatbor Lumber ${ }^{\circ}$ Co., at the instance of Shepperd, Morse \& Co., lumber merchants, for alleged breach of cuntract to supply six cor loads of lumber. One thousand dollars damages is claimed.

The former difficulties of the Toronto Wood and Shingle Co., are recalled by the commencement of two suits for damages of $\$ 20,0 \infty$ each, by W. P. Keiran, former inenager of the company, and James A. Gormally, one of the former directors, against Duncan Stalker, of Neubury. Nearly two years ago the latter caused the arrest of the plaintiffs for misapplying money claimed to le due him. The case was dismissed and now the alove damages are claimed for unlawfin arrest.

## SHIPPING MATIERS.

Barkentine Frederica has londed lumber at St. John, N. B., for River Platte.
The Marion is chastered for a cargo of oak from New York to St. John, N. B.
Schr. Hazlewood has Joaded Jumber at sio John, N. B., for Moston.
Str. Charles Reitz, lumber laden, from Lud. ington to Chicago, went ashore in a snow storm on the toth. Crew all saved.
Str Turret Crowiu londed with deals, salled from St. John, N. B., Dec. 13th, for Penarth Roads for orders.
Norwegian bark Elsic was wrecked No: 23, on the islaud of Anticosti, while on the way from Chicontimi, Que., to London, with a cargo of deals. The crew escaped.
The shipping season is about over at Moneton, N. B., though the river is likely to keep open for some time jet. The schr. Walter Summer was the last vessel to leave, with a cargo of milwa; ties for the United States
Farnworth \& Jardine, of Liverpool, in their circular of 1st Dec, give the arrivals of timber vessels at that port, from British North Amence, for the previous month as 30 , of 26,715 tons, against 46 vesels, 43,935 tons during the corresponding month last jeir, and the aggregate tonnage to date from all places during the years 1893, 1894 and 1895 has been $384,494,433,297$ and 384,826 tons respectively.
The following vescels are loading lumber at British Columbia ports for foreign: At Vancouver: Nor. ship Prince Victoria, for Valparaiso; Nor. ss Mathilda, for Buenos Ayres ; Nor. bark Crown Prince, for Volgaster or Continent; Nor. ss Florida, for Port Elizabeth; Am. ship John C. Potter, for Santa Rosalia; Br. ship Nineveh, for Sydney; Chilian ship
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freights.
The lumber trade from St: John, N. B., to South America is very brisk at present. Eight vesiels have just loaded or are now doing so, all for Buenos Ayres for orders. The shippers and S. Cushing \& Co., J. R. Warner \& Co., and Stetson, Cutler \& Co. It is predict that next years trade will thow an increase o.
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