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TIMBER LIMITS WITHDRAWN.

The timber limits offered for sale at the Board of Trade Building, Toronto, on the 20th inst., by Mr. Feter Ryan, were not sold, there being few bids and all of them below the reserved figures.

It will pay caw mill owners and operaators who are anxious to utilize to advantage hardwood slabs and edgings, to communicate with Taylor, Scott & Company, Toronto, whose advertisement appears on back page of this paper. They are desirous of purchasing small stock in birch, beech, maple and elm.

CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS.

ONTARIO.

The volume of lumber transactions is about what might be expected at this searon of the year. The quantity of stock in first hands is now so small as to cause the refusal of orders in many instances. Dealers who usually carry large stocks are sold out of box lumber and certain grades of pine for which the demand was exceptionally large even during the winter months. At least two months must elapse before the new stock will be in shipping condition and in the meantime some inconvenience is likely to result to dealers and users of pine lumber owing to short supply. Doubtless substitution will be resorted to when it is expedient to do so. Present indications point to a late starting of the mills in the northern pine districts, as the ice is not yet out of the streams. The drives will also be delayed from this cause.

Hardwoods are holding up in price, the good demand and scarcity of dry stock being the sustaining influences. While the general demand is not heavy, the fursiture and implement factories are buying liberally of elm, ash and birch. Urgent demand for immediate shipment indicates that many retail dealers and consumers have light stocks on hand.

The disastrous fire in Toronto on the 21st inst., by which property to the value of \$12,000,000 was destroyed, will stimulate building operations in that city. The new buildings will likely be constructed of fire-proof material as far as possible, thus limiting the quantity of lumber which will be required.

QUEBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

Shippers of spruce lumber are not pressing sales but are patiently waiting the course of events in Great Britian in the hope that the lumber market will improve. Those who are in a position to do so will no doubt hold their lumber until late in the season or until next spring, as present prices show little or no profit on shipments. The quantity of last year's production still in first hands is insignificant, and by the time the new stock is ready for the market conditions may be more favorable. At Boston, New York, and all eastern points spruce is in excellent demand. The prospects for log driving are fairly good. There is still plenty of snow in Eastern Quebec and New Brunswick, and the weather continues cold. It is confidently expected that the 40,000,000 feet of logs in the ice above Grand Palls, on the St. John river, will be saved.

The outlook for higher prices for cedar shingles is favorable. The production of the best brands promises to be smaller thre last year, which will probably result

in higher prices, when this fact becomes more generally known.

UNITED STATES.

Building operations in the United States are making some headway, work having been resumed in New York. While the demand for lumber for this purpose is not brisk, it shows some improvement over the business of the previous weeks. As the production of white pine lumber is likely to show a pronounced reduction as compared with that of last year, manufacturers are inclined to hold out for very firm prices and consequently no slaughter prices are heard of, as is sometimes the case at this season of the year. Eastern dealers are not carrying heavy stocks and are therefore in a position to take advantage of any slight inducements that are offered by sellers. The statistical position of white pine is so strong that there is not likely to be any pressure of stock, while on the other hand, if the spring and summer trade should consume more lumber than is anticipated, the result will no doubt be an advance in some grades at least. The requirements of the box trade have not yet been satisfied, that grade of lumber being sought for almost as eagerly as at any time this year. The middle grades are perhaps called for to a smaller extent than mill culls, box lumber and nopers.

The percentage of dry hardwood lumber that remains in piles is exceptionally small and the demand is improving. The standard hardwoods, such as maple, ash, elm, and birch, are very firm at the advanced prices recently quoted. Basswood, quartered oak and poplar, while displaying no particular weakness, are not as firm as two weeks ago. Maple flooring continues a weak feature in the market.

GREAT BRITAIN.

It cannot be expected that the British timber trade will throw off its lethergy and become active within a week. recovery must of necessity be of slow growth. As soon as signs of an improvement are visible, however, there is certain to be considerable contracting for stock for future delivery, as buyers will then appreciate to a greater extent the low prices which are now ruling. Many small dealers have allowed their stocks to become too low and are now showing a disposition to purchase at favorable opportunities. Whether this will prove to be the foreronner of a more liberal demand is a question of much doubt. While-prices of Canadian pine continue comparatively

firm, it has been impossible to maintain spruce prices. Third quality Quebec spruce, 3x9 inch and 13 feet long, recently sold at a public sale at £8 15s. per standard, whereas for similar goods to arrive £9 2s. 6d. c.i.f. is asked. These figures reflect the difficulty of closing contracts on the basis of shippers' ideas, their quotations being so much lower than the prices asked for lumber in stock. As far as can be ascertained, the more important firms are still abstaining from placing contracts for stock, but it seems extremely doubtful that they will be able to adhere to this position much ionger.

Swedish battens have recently declined in price fully 10s. per standard, and it is reported that stock offered at 4,6 128. 6d. met with no response from buyers. For square timber there is a fair demand, good stocks of rock elm, for instance, being wanted at 3s. 6d. per cubic foot.

STOCKS AND PRICES.

J. P. Mosher expects to ship 700,000 feet of lumber from St. Martins, N. B., this season.

Of the 500,000,000 feet of logs taken out in the State of Maine during the past winter, it is estimated that half the quantity is destined for the pulp mills.

G. C. Gladman, of Parry Sound, has his drive of logs, consisting of 258,000 pieces, in the Georgian Bay, ready to be towed to his mill as soon as the ice is out.

The Edward Hines Lumber Company last week sold about 16,000,000 feet of lumber to go east after the opening of navigation. This will make about 60,000,000 feet sold by this firm for movement by boat.

The R. Laidlaw Lumber Company ex pect to handle a large quantity of pine lumber at their Buffalo yard this season. They have taken the adjoining yard lakeward on the Ohio Basin, which will add considerably to their facilities.

A settlement has been reached in the suit affecting the hankrupt sale of logs belonging to J. R. McConnell, which took place at Quebec recently. The workmen get 65 per cent. of their wages, and Laforest, counsel for the lumbermen, gets 10 per cent. on wages collected.

Saginaw River dealers will take in by boat about 125,000,000 feet of lumber this season, mostly from Ontario. Foss & Co. have bought the steamer Ogemaw, of 500,-000 feet capacity, and will place her in the lumber trade, the firm handling a

large quantity of lumber from Georgian Bay.

Holland, Graves, Mambert & George, of Buffalo, have just purchased from the Edward Hines Lumber Company, of Chicago, the entire season's product to October 1 of what is known as the Bigelow mill at Washburn, Wis. This is the first purchase of pine lumber the Buffalo concern has made on Lake Superior.

The Inglewood Pulp Company, of Musquash, N.B., will have about 10,000,000 feet of logs for sawing this season, the necessity of cutting all logs damaged by fire being responsible for increased operations. There is at Musquash a cargo of deals owned by J. & L. B. Knight, which will be shipped to England early in May: in addition to this cargo a couple of vessels are under charter to load here, one for the United Kingdom, and the other for Buenos Ayres.

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Messra, S. P. Musson, Son & Company submit the following report of the Barba-:does_market: "A cargo of 166,000 feet of white pine; from Liverpool, N. S., was placed at \$25 for shippers and \$20 for second quality, and we think that a similar cargo would bring about same prices from dealers who did not secure this lot. Spruce and hemlock are still in full supply and stocks are not being reduced as quickly as is usual at this season. The "Oringes" brought down 96,000 Long Gaspe shingles, which were placed at \$6.07. This class of shingles along with Dimension are badly wanted and will bring good prices. Cedar Laying, al-though not scarce, would be saleable at about \$2.15, as a lot of 350,000 were imported for a dealer's account at \$2.25, being of slightly better quality than usual."

Less than 60,000,000 feet of pine lumber ef the present season's cut remains unsold in the Duluth district, as against

400,000,000 feet which was available at the head of the lakes one year ago. The cut of the mills at the western end of ' ake Superior in 1903 was 840,000,000 feet as against 420,000,000 feet this year. Two hundred million feet of this latter an ount has already been sold and of the remain-

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der the Edward Hines Lumber Company will send 40,000,000 feet to its yards in Chicago. It is estimated that fully 120,000,000 feet will be sawed too late in the season to be available as dry lumber, so that the surplus stock at the beginning of this season is the lowest on record.

Messrs, Churchill & Sim, Landon, Eng., 34): "There has been more selling of pine deals in London than for some time past. The specifications have been miscellaneous and the prices on the whole as good as could be expected. The drop is, of course, considerable from the nominal quotations for good regular deals, but compared with other things the level of price continues high, affected doubtless by tise manifest impossibility of buying any cheaper ahead. The consumption has, however, not been on a satisfactory scale. Spruce deals and battens have also been freely sold at reductions. The consumption of these has brightened up a little, and the mardet is safeguarded by being very unattractive for further supplies. Oak has been a little more enquired for in a retail way and also white pine timber, but birch, elm and ash have been quite out of favour."

LUMBER PRICES AT LONDON.

The following prices were realized for Canadian deals, etc., at an auction sale held by Churchill & Sim, London, England, on April 13th:

PINE. - Ex. Prome, from Quebec-14-16 ft. 3 x 11 in. 4th quality, 28 5s per standard. Ex. Avona, from Quebec,-9-14 ft. 3 x 11 in. 5th quality, £4 10s.

SPRUCE .-- Ex. Atbera, from Saguenay, -9-16 ft. 3 x 11 in. unassorted, £9 7s; 13 ft. 3 x 7, £7 10s. Ex. Drot, from Montreal -9-16 ft. 3 x 11 in. 2nd quality, £8 105; 10-16 ft. 3 x 7-11, £8 105; 10-16 ft. 3 x 7-11 in. 3rd quality, £8. Ex. King David, from Montical -6-12 ft. 3 x 11 in. 2nd quality, £8; 12-13 ft. 3 x 10-13, £8 101; 6-12 ft. 3 x 11 in. 3rd quality, £8; 12-16 ft. 3 x 8, £7 158; 12-13 it. 3 x 7, £7 58; 12-13 ft. 3 x 10-14, £8 58; 12-13 ft. 3 x 7-8, £7 102. Ex. Milwaukee, for Quebec- 14-16 ft. 3 x 9 in. 2nd quality, £8 15s. Ex. Lake Michigan, from Quebec -13 ft. 3 x 9 in. 3rd quality, £8 15s and

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HOO-HOO CONCATENATION AT CHATHAM.

Mr. Walter C. Laidlaw, Vicegerent Snark for Eastern Canada, has made arrangements to hold a Hoo-Hoo Concatenation at Chatham, Ont., or the evening of Friday, April 29th. Mr. Charles Hedley is chairman of the local committee. A large contingent from Toronto will go west to participate in the proceedings, and as the hospitality of the "Maple City" is well-known, an enjoyable time may be expected.

THE WHITE PINE TRADE.

A good share of the pine trade being received by wholesalers indicates that dealers are only sending in for stock to fill orders secured from their customers. For the last two years the retail lumber-men have been letting their stocks run down and to-day there is less lumber piled in their yards than at any time during the last ten years. The fact is generally admitted that if all the retail lumbermen in the northwest would put in a stock equal to the amount they carried two years ago, says the Mississippi Valley Lumberman, there would not be sufficient left in the wholesale market to take care of the local retail trade. While all the wholesale companies are desirous of increasing their business none of them seem disposed to make any undue concessions in order to stimulate trade. An air of confident security seems to pervade this branch of the lumber industry. Even those with comparatively large stocks apparently feel no uneasiness as to their ability to market it all at present values. Thev insist that stocks are light and no more than sufficient to take care of trade certain to develop in the next few months. The amount to be manufactured this coming year is going to be very much less than any former season, which still further convinces them of the advisability of holding on to what stock they have on hand. The majority of manufacturers are in easy circumstances financially and others have no difficulty in getting what accommodation they need.

So far the low price made on yellow pine has not materially affected either the sale or value of dimension, although it may do so later. The demand is principally for No. 1, 2 and 3 boards and their products. Few wholesalers have any considerable amount of No. 4 and 5 boards on hand and No. 3 is not plenti-Some buyers are negotiating with the mills with a view to contracting for a the mills with a view to contracting for a supply of low grade boards to be sawn and delivered later. The high price demanded by the mill men has resulted in few sales being made. There is considerable demand for odd sizes in timber for immediate delivery. There is comparatively little long timber on the market and as the mills have not generally resumed sensing this class of stock is different. sumed sawing, this class of stock is difficult to secure. The urgent demand for immediate shipment specified in some of the orders being received is quite encouraging. Occasionally some dealer will send in orders of this character without first getting quotations and asking to be given a fair chance price, but to be sure to hurry the lumber along. When such

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VANCOUVER, April 13th, 1904.-Lumbermen are joyous this week, sa the most glorious of summer-weather has burst upon the coast, and operations in the woods will soon be begun. Winter has hung on ng, in fact so much so in the interior that it is believed there will be a shortage in the supply of lumber required, for use in the Territories and Manitoba. In Fernie and other of the towns on the eastern boundary the frost is still delaying things, and a number of the mills have not yet started. At present there is only about 10,000,000 feetioflimber cut in the whole of the interior, but when spring operations begin, things should be active. The Fernic Lumber Company and the Crow's Nest Pass lumber Company seach has 6,000,000 feet of logs ready, and there are 29 or 30

miles in the Kootesays, some of them of large capacity.

Conditions are firm this week, prices remaining the same as two weeks ago, with all kinds of building materials in good demand.

Although an announcement was made by the C. P. R. that a reduction in the fraight rate on lumber to the Territories was to be put into effect, it was semewhat mis-"levillage" Hitherto the shipments from the coast were subject to a tariff of 40 cents per hundred pounds upon it striker, and upon codar and other lumber so could per too pounds. The tariff has now been changed upon cedar and other lumber to 40 cents per too, poinds upon dimension and the lower grades up to that of shiplap, being the same rate as that of fir, but upon grades of cedar and other lumber better than the ship-lap grade the former

rite of so cents per 100, pounds: colitinues in force. The coast manufacturers and those in the Kootenay are coming into competition, for the reduction in prices succed by the mill men on the coast on ship-lap and the common grades of jumber, which will compete with the white pine and aprace lumber saws in the interior. The Mountain manufacturers were offered, a reduction of two cents per 100 pounds between Swift Current and Broadview, if they would reduce the price of lumber \$1 per thousand feet to all customers east of McLeod. The proposal was declined by the lumbermen, who agreed to reduce the price as requested if the 'C. P. R. would reduce its rates two cents over the whole of the territory east of Mc-Leod. There the matter stands at present.

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