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NEW BRUNSWICK CEDAR SHINGLES.

The cedar shingle market is firm at last quotations, viz., extras \$3.10; clear \$2.60 to \$2.65; 2nd clears and clear whites \$2.15. Only very few of the mills are running as yet, and these are full of orders. Stocks in sight on dealers' yards are very light, and the demand for actual consumption is certainly more than normal. There are, therefore, absolutely no signs of any weakening in prices, and all manufacturers can have full confidence as to their ability to get their price, and should not allow their representatives to name lower figures than those quoted above.

The steam saw mill of David Galbraith, in Stoke township, near Sherbrooke, Que., was destroyed by fire on the 20th inst., no insurance.

CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS. ONTARIO.

A review of the lumber trade of the past week must necessarily be much of a repetition of what was said in last issue. Conditions have not changed, excepting that the movement of lumber has increased. Wherever any dry stocks of pine are to be found, they are being shipped out as rapidly as possible to supply the requirements of dealers and consumers. There is, in fact, very little stock offering, but some manufacturers are known to be holding their lumber for higher prices, which they believe they will be able to realize later in the season. Whether prices will advance beyond the present basis is a question on which opinions differ greatly, but this much may be safely said, that all indications point to a continuation of the present brisk demand and to the maintenance of existing prices. There is a steadily increasing local demand, to which the lumbermen are giving more than the usual attention. In addition to this and to the customary British demand, Canadian trade in the United States is reviving. Representatives of Eastern States houses are touring the Ottawa and Georgian Bay districts in search of lumber, lath and shingles, the prices at Duluth and upper lake points having advanced to such a point as to turn their attention to Canada. Considerable lumber is being shipped by rail from Ontario points to Albany and Oswego. A good trade is doing in hardwoods, some of the mills making shipments of the new cut. Prices remain firm in every class and grade.

QUEBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

The Quebec timber market is strengthening. Prices of waney pine show signs of advancing, and it is learned that merchants fear a scarcity of square white oak, as much of the western production has been contracted for. Shipments of deals from St. Lawrence ports to Great Britain are made almost daily, and the harbors present a scene of activity. There has been a marked improvement in the demand for New Brunswick and Nova Scotia deals, and particularly for South American cargoes. Many of the manufacturers have sold all their summer's cut at prices which are considered very satisfactory, and which are believed to average about \$9.50 per thousand at the mill. As old stocks have practically passed out of the hands of manufacturers, and the cut for several months having been very largely contracted for, it is almost certain that fall orders will bring higher prices.

The drives are reaching the mills in good time, and very few logs are likely to be hung up.

Laths and clapboards are now finding a market in the Eastern States, where prices have advanced considerably of late.

MANITOBA AND BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Lumber is moving only moderately in Manitoba and the Territories, but trade is expected to become more active in the near future. The strike of carpenters at Winnipeg has not yet been amicably adjusted, and consequently building operations are almost at a standstill. There is no material change in the British Columbia trade. Foreign business is good, and over a dozen vessels are taking on lumber at the different ports.

UNITED STATES.

The position of the lumber trade of the United States continues to be one of great strength. Instead of the new cut relieving the situation to any extent, the demand has continued to expand in such a degree that the scarcity of stock has even become intensified. From the new England and New York states come reports that retail prices are steadily advancing, and consequently wholesale dealers are more inclined to purchase lumber at the high prices asked by manufacturers. Buyers have scoured the lake shipping ports in search of lumber with which to fill out depleted stocks, but purchases have not been numerous owing to the meagre supply available. The Tonawanda market is practically cleaned out of box lumber and No. 2 barn, and orders for this stock are being turned down constantly. The demand for the better grades is on the increase, and dealers have no difficulty in turning over their holdings at a fair margin of profit.

The hardwood trade is still restricted on account of scarcity of supply. Only in basswood has the new cut provided any relief, as it will be the several weeks yet before dry stock of the other woods can be marketed. In ash and hickory prices are likely to remain at the present standard throughout the year, but towards the fall prices of maple, elm, birch and basswood may weaken slightly. There is not likely, however, to be any serious break in prices, as the consuming industries throughout the country are certain to continue in active operation.

FOREIGN.

In the British market lumber continues to go actively into consumption, and spot prices are strengthening. The market for spruce deals at Liverpool, Manchester and other ports is remarkably strong, and stocks have become depleted of favorite dimensions. Pine is also being purchased freely at fair prices. As to hardwoods, it is stated that there never was a time when dry oak stocks were so scarce at London, and early arrivals should meet with a ready sale.

The French market exhibits a firm tone, and a considerable quantity of Canadian lumber is likely to be marketed there this year. These conditions also apply to the South American trade, which is in a particularly prosperous condition.

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STOCKS AND PRICES.

In our weekly edition of May 3rd, the price of British Columbia red cedar No. 1 shingles, 6 butts to 2 inches, was given as \$2.25 per M. This should have read \$2.55

The barque Brunel is loading 1,500,000 of lumber at the Royal City Planing Mills, New Westminster, for South America. She will return to same port for another cargo.

T. Sullivan & Co., of Buffalo, have rented the Hestel ave. and dock end of the Holland & Emery yard, and are filling it up with hardwood lumber from Michigan, chiefly maple, elm, ash and basswood.

The town of Orillia, Ont., have accepted the tender of A. Macpherson & Co., of Longford Mills, for the supply of pine plank at \$12 and tamarac plank at \$10, and that of Drinkwater Bros. for cedar at \$9.50.

Alger, Smith & Co's. log drive of about 100,000 pieces has been successfully brought down the Arrow and Pigeon rivers. These logs were cut on exempted limits, and will be towed to Michigan to be manufactured.

The Harbor Commissioners of Montreal have divided the contract for timber and planks as follows: W. H. Kelly Lumber Co., \$11,860; H. Dupre, \$8,214.70; Robert Acker, \$3,750; Shearer & Brown Co., \$2,528.

There is a great scarcity of clear butt pine shingles at Buffalo, some yards having closed out their entire stock at \$2.75 for 18-inch, and \$2.25 to \$2.35 for 16-inch. The higher grades of shingles are in better stock, as there is plenty of red cedar to help out.

The Rathbun Company are said to have a larger number of logs in the streams this spring than ever before. Mr. Wm. Madill states that the company have 1000 men employed on the drives, the largest of which is on the Black river, and amounts to 16,500,000 feet.

It is reported that the Gibson Railway & Manufacturing Co., at the head of which is Mr. Wm. Gibson, of Marysville, have purchased all of the lands in New Brunswick owned by the New Brunswick and Nova Scotia Land Company. The lands comprise about 26,500 acres.

Prices of lumber in the Boston market are strong, the spruce men holding firmly to their agreement. The increased sawings have a tendency to ease the situation somewhat, but no surplus of stock is in sight, and prospects are good for a continuation of profitable prices on all the spruce to be marketed this season.

Of the Barbados market, Messrs. Clairmonte, Man & Co., in their report of May 13th, say. Since last advices there have been two arrivals with white pine to a comparatively bare market. The cargo per Fauna was placed at \$22.30 for first and \$16.30 for second quality. The spruce demand continues good, the cargo of the Herbert Rice, reported in our last, being sold as follows: 126 M. ft. boards, \$15 (\$15.25 for a portion landed in Speightstown); 16 M. ft. scoots, \$11. The damage done to houses by the hurricane in September last has now been repaired, and should shingles now arrive in any large quantity, we look for a sharp break in prices. Last sales of long Gaspé cedar: Ex Duart Castle, at \$5.35 per M.; Halifax cedar, \$3.16; cedar laying, \$2.07; spruce laying, \$2.27½; cypress, last sale 6-inch hearts, \$9.11; saps, \$6.50.

It is reported that Tonawanda dealers will issue a new price list shortly making an advance of about one dollar per thousand on nearly all grades of lumber. The situation at Buffalo and Tonawanda is peculiar. Every grade of pine lumber is selling at better figures than last year, and yet it is a fact that the lumber cannot be replaced to day at the prices at which it is being sold. Mill culls have sold for months past at better prices than box was offered at one year ago, and it is claimed that box lumber is selling now in Menominee at as high a price as it was sold for in Buffalo. A Buffalo dealer recently received an enquiry for spruce, a lumber that is worth about \$2 more than hem-

lock, but which seldom makes its way further west than Syracuse, on account of the general use of hemlock for nearly everything that spruce would answer for.

The Albany correspondent to the New York Lumber Trades Journal says: One effect of the rise in values here has been to open up a market with us for Canadian lumber, notwithstanding the tariff of \$2 per thousand on lumber imported from that country. The Canadian manufacturers, while enjoying a good export trade with England, were not slow to take advantage of the opportunity to ship lumber over the border, so soon as it could be done profitably. Already representatives of Albany concerns have been or are now looking through the Canadian markets for choice blocks of pine and spruce to supply the demand here. The run on spruce this spring has been exceptionally heavy, and the dealers say that the entire stock at the mills has been sold at least two months ahead. Some new spruce is coming in daily by the canal, but the stock is still light. Orders come in unsolicited, in fact, spruce sells itself this year without drumming.

A dealer who recently returned from a tour of the white pine markets of the upper lakes, reports that there is absolutely no dry box lumber for sale. There is very little 1½ inch box at any point, as the price of boards is so satisfactory that the manufacturers are turning all their logs into that class of lumber. At the head of the lakes, Duluth and Ashland mills will cut this season fully 100,000,000 feet more lumber than last year, but this will be more than offset by the falling off in production at Bay City, Mich., where it is estimated that the cut will not exceed 100,000,000, against nearly 300,000,000 feet in 1898. All dry lumber at Ashland and Duluth has been sold, and more than half of the present season's cut contracted for by eastern wholesalers. Two years ago Duluth carried over an immense stock of No. 3 and 4 boards, while the present situation is that nearly all of this class of stock has been purchased.

Concerning the sale of wood goods held by Churchill & Sim, London, Eng., on the 10th inst., and the result of which is given elsewhere, the Timber Trades Journal says: "Prices for almost everything was satisfactory, not omitting the balance of the pine and spruce sold for account of Richard R. Dobell & Co. The Hawkesbury third pine regulars, a poor lot, not better than good fourths, were well competed for, and sellers were able, no doubt, to congratulate themselves on the values obtained. These balance cargoes, of course, rarely represent the best of their kind, and are credited with being well picked over before being finally committed to the hammer, but there are exceptions. The first quality spruce (selected) £10 5s, were, of course, worth the money; ordinary brought £9, but there was only one lot of it. Thirds, out of the "Krim," at £7 10s to £8, showed a slight hardening. The common spruce from Grindstone Island found customers up to £6 10s. As stated, the pine was not in attractive specifications, and though very well competed for, realized proportionately cheap values."

SALE OF CANADIAN LUMBER.

Following is the result of an auction sale of wood goods held by Churchill & Sim, London, Eng., on May 10th, 1899:

PINE.—Ex Monarch, from Quebec (Hawkesbury stock)—13 ft. 3 x 9 third quality, £7 15s; 13 ft. 3 x 8, £7; 13 ft. 3 x 7, £7; 6-8 ft. 2 x 6 first quality, £11 5s; 6-16 ft. 1½ x 10, £15 5s; 6-11 ft. 1½ x 5, £10 10s. Ex Monarch, from Montreal (Edwards' 1897 cut)—3 ft. 3 x 7-9 third quality, £9 5s. Ex Greta Holme, from Quebec (Hawkesbury cut)—12 ft. 3 x 8 second quality, £11; 12 ft. 3 x 7, £11; 10 ft. 3 x 7 first quality, £15 and £14 15s. Ex Springwell, from Quebec—12 ft. 2 x 7 first quality, £14; 13-15 ft. 2 x 7, £13 10s. Ex Geronia, from Quebec—12 ft. 3 x 8 first quality, £16 15s; 13 ft. 3 x 8, £16 10s and £16 5s; 12 ft. 3 x 7, £16 15s; 13 ft. 3 x 7, £16 10s. Ex Rosarian, from Quebec—12-26 ft. 1½ x 12-21 in. first quality, £18 10s; 16 ft. 1½ x 10, £17; 12 ft. 1½ x 10, £17 5s. Ex Brazilian, from Quebec—12-16 ft. 1½ x 10-24 in. first

quality, £18 5s and £15 15s. Ex Devona, from Quebec (Hudm.'s 1897 cut)—14-16 ft. 1½ x 10-17 in. first quality, £15 10s; 14-16 ft. 1½ x 9, £16 10s

SPRUCE.—Ex Belgian King, from Quebec—13 ft. 3 x 9 1st quality, £10 5s and £9. Ex Krim, from Quebec—16 ft. 3 x 11 third quality, £7 10s; 15-16 ft. 3 x 11, £8; 14 ft. 3 x 11, £7 10s; 12 ft. 3 x 11, £7 10s; 12-16 ft. 3 x 12-17, £6 15s; 15-17 ft. 3 x 10, £8 5s; 13 ft. 3 x 10, £8; 12 ft. 3 x 10, £7 15s and £7 10s; 9-11 ft. 3 x 9-16, £7. Ex Latona, from Grindstone Island, Quebec—12-14 ft. 3 x 8 in. unassorted, £6 10s and £6 5s; 15-21 ft. 3 x 8, £6 15s; 9-11 ft. 3 x 8, £6 5s; 12-14 ft. 3 x 7, £6 5s and £6 10s; 15-19 ft. 3 x 7, £6 5s and £6 10s; 9-11 ft. 3 x 7, £6 5s. Ex Yola, from Quebec—12 ft. 2½ x 7 in. assorted, £7; 10-15 ft. 2½ x 6, £6 10s. Ex Progressist, from Quebec—10-13 ft. 2½ x 6 in. unassorted, £6 5s; 10-14 ft. 2½ x 6, £6.

THE BOSTON MARKET.

The Boston correspondent of the New York Lumber Trades Journal, referring to lumber prices, says:

Owing to the great demand for pulp wood, the cutting of lumber has been neglected the past winter, and at the best the crop of spruce lumber will be a small one. Here the demand is quick for orders, or at least there is difficulty in placing orders for lumber wanted immediately. This makes the market very firm with prices higher: Frames, nine inch and under, \$15.50 to \$16; ten and twelve inch, \$16.50; ten inch random lengths, \$15; 2 x 3, 2 x 4 and 3 x 4 random lengths, \$14; 2 x 5, 2 x 6 and 2 x 7 random lengths, \$14.50; all other random lengths, nine inches and under, \$15; six inch and up merchantable boards, ten feet and up, \$12.50 to \$13; five inch and up out-boards, \$10 to \$10.50; bundled furring, \$12.50.

Hemlock lumber is very firm, following in the wake of spruce. The supply is also limited. Dimensions, \$12.50 to \$13.50; boards, \$11 to \$12.50; No. 1, \$10 to \$10.50; planed one side and matched, \$12 to \$13; Pennsylvania, \$11.50 to \$13.50.

Western pine is in good shape with the market firm, by reason of a good demand in the west. Uppers, one inch, \$52 to \$54; one and one-quarter to two inch, \$53 to \$56; three to four inch, \$58 to \$62. Selects, one to four inch, \$40 to \$60; fine common, one to three inch, \$40 to \$52. Sheathings, \$36 to \$42; barn boards, \$18 to \$28; coffin boards, \$19 to \$23.

Chapboards are doing a little better. Extra spruce, \$28 to \$29; clear, \$26 to \$27; second clear, \$23 to \$25; pine extra, \$38 to \$40; clear, \$34 to \$36; second clear, \$30 to \$35.

Shingles are firmer, with a better demand. Extra cedar, best brands, \$2 90 to \$3 10; clear, \$2 70 to \$2 90; second clear, \$2 25 to \$2 50; Oregon shingles, strictly clear, extra, sixteen inch, \$2.80 to \$3; extra star A star, \$2.50; standard A, \$2.37 to \$2.40; choice A, \$2.70.

Laths are in quiet request. Five-eighths inch, \$2 to \$2.15; one-half inch, \$1.90 to \$2. The retail lumber dealers have established the following prices on shingles: Extra, \$3.50; clear, \$3; second clear, \$2.50. The retail dealers have also made the following prices on hemlock boards: No. 1 Pennsylvania, eight, ten and twelve inch wide, twelve, fourteen and sixteen feet long, \$17; No. 2 stock widths, \$15; No. 2 random widths, \$14; other hemlock, planed one side, stock lengths, \$16; random lengths, \$15.

SHIPPING MATTERS.

The steamer Thos. Haymen has been chartered to load deals at Montreal for London, at 42s. 6d.

The new lumber tariff on the C.P. and G.T. railways, to take effect on June 1st, will be issued in a few days. The rates will be advanced on the basis of one-half cent per 100 pounds, from the Ottawa valley, St. Clair

river, Lake Erie, Georgian Bay, Muskoka and Nipissing districts.

The Timber Trades Journal reports the following charters: St. John, N.B., to Manchester, 2,090 tons, 38s., June; Shediac, N. B., to the Mersey, 500 tons, 48s.; Hopewell Cape, N. B., to Liverpool, Barrow, Cardiff or Dublin, 36s. 9d.; Cape Tormentine, N. B., to Birkenhead, 500 tons, 48s.; Fraser River to Liverpool or London, 37s. 6d., September.

The following charters are reported: Schooner Comrade, Gardiner Creek, N.B., to Boston, \$2.80; schooner Susie Prescott, Black River, N.B., to Boston, \$2.80; ship Coringa, Portland, Maine, to Buenos Ayres, \$9.12½; W. W. McLaughlin, Annapolis or Yarmouth, N.S., to Buenos Ayres, \$10.50 (if Rosario, \$11.50); Mollie Rhodes, St. John, N.B., to New York, \$3.25; steamer Anaso, St. John, N.B., to w. c. England, 42s. 6d.; bark Mary Law, Yarmouth, N.S., to Buenos Ayres, \$10.

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THE LOG DRIVES IN NEW BRUNSWICK.

The drives on the upper St. John river, in New Brunswick, are coming along well. The Fredericton Gleaner of May 17th says:

The logs have come out of the brooks and streams in good time as far as known, and very good progress has in some instances been made on the river. The corporation drive on the Tobique, however, is getting along slowly, and is having considerable difficulty. For instance, at Red Rapids, about twelve miles from the mouth of the Tobique, there are about 7,000,000 feet of logs in wings. This drive was at George Everett's on Monday, about 15 miles above Plaster Rock. It is thought that it will reach Plaster Rock to-day.

Judson Hale reached corporation limits on the main Tobique on Saturday with 6,000,000 feet.

McCollum, who operated on the right hand branch of the Tobique, and got into corporation limits last week, has 3,000,000 feet.

Mr. Nairn, who also operates on the right hand branch of the Tobique, reached the limits a week ago to-day with his first drive, 4,000,000 feet, for Hilyard Bros. He has gone back for about 300,000 feet which he left on the ice.

R. A. Estey's Two Brook operation, which reached the corporation limits last Wednesday, consists of about 3,500,000 feet.

George Upham, also on the Tobique, reached the corporation limits with 3,500,000 feet last week.

Keswick, on Grand river, who reached the limits last week, has 2,500,000 feet for Randolph & Baker.

It was reported that Kilburn, on the head waters of the St. John, had reached the corporation limits last week also, but this is not credited here, for the reason that other operators this side of the limits have not themselves been able to get in yet.

On the upper St. John the cut will be:

Kilburn for Murray	12,000,000 feet
W. J. Noble, for Cushing	6,000,000 "
R. A. Noble, for Cushing	2,000,000 "
Morrison	3,000,000 "
DeChene, for Cushing	1,500,000 "
Chinward, for Murray	2,000,000 "
Cunliff, for Murray	7,000,000 "
Neil McLean, for Miller & Woodman	50,000,000 "
Thos. Clare, for Barnhill	2,000,000 "
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Toronto, May 24, 1899.

Table of lumber prices in Toronto, Ontario, listing various types of wood (Ash, Birch, Basswood, etc.) and their prices per unit.

OTTAWA, ONT.

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Table of lumber prices in Ottawa, Ontario, listing various types of wood and their prices.

QUEBEC, QUE.

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Table of lumber prices in Quebec, Quebec, listing various types of wood and their prices.

NEW YORK CITY.

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Table of lumber prices in New York City, listing various types of wood and their prices.

ALBANY, N.Y.

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Table of lumber prices in Albany, New York, listing various types of wood and their prices.

BUFFALO AND TONAWANDA, N.Y.

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Table of lumber prices in Bay City and Saginaw, Michigan, listing various types of wood and their prices.

BOSTON, MASS.

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Table of lumber prices in Boston, Massachusetts, listing various types of wood and their prices.

PRICES OF COOPERAGE STOCK.

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