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CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS.

ONTARIO.

There has been a rush of lumber shipments during the past week, owing to the desire of shippers to take advantage of water rates. Some dissatisfaction is expressed at the action of the Grand Trunk Railway in preventing the shipment of lumber from Georgian Bay points to New York via Albany and the Hudson river.

Although no actual changes in lumber prices can be reported since last issue, there are indications that slight advances will be made in certain grades before the winter basis is reached. From every direction comes the report of enquiries for lath and shingles, and at the close of the sawing season the stock of these at the mills is well nigh exhausted. Competition in buying has been extremely keen, resulting in the advanced prices now quoted. Generally trade is brisk.

QUEBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

Owing to the large number of vessels chartered by the British government to transport troops and supplies to South Africa, a sharp advance in ocean freight rates has resulted, and few, if any, vessels are likely to be chartered for carrying lumber from the St. Lawrence to Great Britain this fall. Rates from Montreal rule at 47s 6d to Liverpool, 50s to London, Bristol, Manchester, Glasgow and Leith, and 55s to Dublin and Belfast. No lumber of any account excepting that contracted for will go forward. This will permit of the stocks of pine in Great Britain becoming reduced to a normal basis, as they are now said to be excessive. In New Brunswick and Nova Scotia

there is very little lumber not already contracted for. The stocks of British deals have been largely bought up, and manufacturers look forward to higher prices and a brisk demand next season. There is a good enquiry for shingles and lath, the latter selling at the mill at \$1.20 per thousand.

MANITOBA AND BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Manufacturers and retail dealers are busy filling orders for lumber. The farmers in Manitoba and the Territories having finished harvesting operations, they are now turning their attention to needed improvements and additions to their buildings. Besides the large country demand, no small quantity of lumber is being consumed in building work, finishing material being much enquired for. Prices, as far as can be learned, are being adhered to, with a tendency towards an advance. In British Columbia, and in fact in the entire Pacific Northwest, the lumber business is in a prosperous condition. The increased demand has caused prices to stiffen slightly, but they are not as yet high enough to leave more than a limited margin of profit for the manufacturers. The manufacturers in British Columbia feel that, placed on an equal footing with their competitors south of the border, they can control the local market, but the present condition permits of the low grades of lumber being shipped from the United States and sold at a very low price, while Canadian lumber marketed in that country must pay a duty of two dollars per thousand feet. Of export trade no complaint is heard. Several large shipments have been made to Australia, and some to China and Japan.

UNITED STATES.

The high prices for lumber have at last checked consumption in the United States to some extent. Lumber for manufacturing purposes is as much asked for as ever, but such is not the case with building material. This is about the only change in the situation since last report.

The white pine manufacturers in the Upper Mississippi Valley have issued a new price list making an advance of 50 cents per thousand on several items. In that district medium grade lumber is in fair supply, but there is a shortage of factory plank and No. 3 and No. 4 boards and strips. Some markets also report a scarcity of piece stock. At eastern wholesale points receipts of late have been quite heavy, owing to the fact that a rise in freight rates from the upper lakes is probable. Prices are firmly maintained. All grades of box lumber and No. 3 barn were advanced \$1.50 per thousand at Tonawanda last week, and a further advance of 50 cents is looked for. Buffalo dealers report a great scarcity of low grade pine. Cutting up stock is being sold on the basis of \$31.50 for inch No. 1 cuts. Spruce prices at Boston are higher, and manufacturers are confident of being able to maintain the advance.

Hardwood lumber is being bought up as fast as it can be located, the price being largely a secondary consideration. Cull elm and basswood is quoted at Tonawanda at \$17 to \$18, the price at which firsts and seconds were selling less than one year ago. The sale is reported of a quantity of thick elm at \$32. The demand for maple and ash in the eastern states is increasing.

FOREIGN.

The consumption of lumber in Great Britain is of very satisfactory volume, and prices generally show a tendency to advance. Particularly is this the case with spruce deals, which are advancing very rapidly. At a recent sale at London, 9 and 11 inch sold at £8 5s to £8 10s, while about two months ago the quotations were fully 10s below this figure. Spruce prices are, however, governed to some extent by the prices of Swedish white-wood, which is now quoted as high as £9. In view of this there is no difficulty in realizing high prices for spruce deals. Prices of pine deals at some of the ports show an advance, but at Liverpool and London receipts have been so heavy that the market is depressed. There is a feeling that imports must be decreased before there can be any substantial improvement. At Glasgow 3 and 4 inch pine deals, which have been dull of sale for some time, are showing more activity. Red pine deals are in active demand and receipts are eagerly picked up. For square and waney timber the market is rather quiet.

STOCKS AND PRICES.

Hemlock now sells at Buffalo at the base price of \$13.50, as against \$8 50 one year ago.

Munro & Ebert, of Little Current, Ont., are taking out some fine board timber at Bay Finn.

The steamer Bogstad has completed loading deals at Liscombe, N.S., for the United Kingdom.

The steamer Alderney sailed from St. John, N. B., last week for a British port, with 1,695 standards of deals.

The steamer Bentala sailed from Richibucto, N. B., on September 28th, for Liverpool, Eng., with 1160 standards of deals.

White ash is still quoted at Boston at \$45 for 1 inch, \$50 for 1 1/4 and 1 1/2 inch and \$55 for 2 inch. Elm is being received in that market in increased quantity.

Washington cedar shingles have advanced in the Boston market 5 cents, and although eastern cedar shingles cannot be quoted higher, there is a visible stiffening of prices.

Montgomery Bros. & Co., of Buffalo, N.Y., are reported to have closed a contract with Joseph Turner, of Midland, Ont., for the immediate delivery in Buffalo of 10,000,000 feet of pine lumber.

At a meeting of the eastern spruce manufacturers held at Boston, Mass., on October 4th, a general advance in prices was made averaging about one dollar per thousand. The average price on 10 and 12 inch spruce is \$19, and on 10 to 12 inch randoms \$18.50. For covering boards 5 inches wide and up the price is

\$15. Many of the spruce mills have been restricted in their operations lately by low water in the rivers, and for several weeks it has been almost impossible to place orders at the mills with any certainty of securing shipment.

It is said that F. W. Gilchrist is desirous of increasing his holdings of Ontario lumber limits, for which purpose Mr. F. S. Dunham, of Alpena, Mich., is obtaining particulars of timber properties in the market.

Up to October 1st of this year Buffalo received 156,294,000 feet of lumber and 99,127,000 shingles, against 125,962,000 feet of lumber and 69,530,000 shingles up to same date last year, but so great has been the demand that stocks now held are unusually low.

The yard dealers in Chicago are selling white pine lath at \$4 and mixed lath at \$3.75. Recent sales on the cargo market have been on the basis of \$3.50 for white pine and from \$3.25 to \$3.40 for hemlock and mixed lath. At Minneapolis No. 1 white pine lath sells at \$3.75 and mixed at \$3.50.

The Canadian-American lumber firm of Alger, Smith & Co. purpose cutting at their Duluth mill next year about 60,000,000 feet of lumber, as against 40,000,000 feet this year. They have three camps on Pigeon river on the Canadian side, and will make a larger cut than usual there.

The Elder-Dempster Co., steamship owners, are also engaged in the cultivation of fruit on the Canary islands, and recently placed an order with an Ottawa firm for a cargo of box shooks for the manufacture of crates. The stock will be shipped to the Canary island on the steamship Turret.

D. L. Mather, of Keewatin, Ont., has secured a contract from the Canadian Pacific Railway for from forty to fifty thousand jack pine ties. These ties are being taken out at Eagle Lake, and will be loaded at Vermillion Bay. The use of jack pine was decided upon as a result of the scarcity of tamarac and the difficulty of handling it in the summer season.

Robert Ward & Co., Limited, of Victoria, B. C., recently loaded the American schooner Fred J. Wood with mining props for Santa Rosalia, Mexico. She carried a cargo of 9,300 pieces, containing 180,000 lineal feet. The export of props has in the past constituted a profitable side industry of British Columbia lumbering, and the re-opening of the mines of Mexico is greatly stimulating the trade.

Following is a comparative statement of timber, &c., measured and culled at Quebec to October 10th, 1899:

	1897.	1898.	1899.
Waney white pine, cu. feet.	4,185,830	1,879,395	1,778,574
Square white pine, cu. feet.	823,772	1,060,034	591,324
Red pine, cu. feet.	210,592	239,347	159,937
Oak, cu. feet.	14,516	1,129,598	572,178
Elm, cu. feet.	667,547	474,194	451,841
Ash, cu. feet.	132,435	34,775	56,746
Basswood, cu. feet.	75		
Butternut, cu. feet.	673	955	60
Tamarac, cu. feet.	396		415
Birch and Maple, cu. feet.	271,176	112,500	244,570

Following is the result of a sale of wood goods held by Bennetts, Limited, at Manchester, Eng., on September 27th: First Quebec spruce, 13 ft. 3 x 9, £7 15s per standard; second quality, 12 ft. 3 x 9, £7 10s; third quality, 12 ft., 3 x 9, £6 15s. St. John spruce, 13 ft., 4 x 8, £7 5s; 9-15 ft., 4 x 7, £7 5s; 14 ft. 4 x 5, £6 5s; 14 ft. 4 x 6, £6 12s; 13 ft., 3 x 10, £7 2s 6d; 16 1/2 ft. 3 x 10, £7 12s 6d. First Quebec pine, 12-16 ft., 3 x 12-19 in., £24 5s; 11-16 ft., 3 x 13-19, £24 5s; second quality, 10-16 ft., 3 x 7-11, £12; third quality, 10-16 ft., 3 x 11, £9 10s.

LONDON WOOD SALES.

Messrs. Churchill & Sim, London, Eng., held an extensive auction sale of wood goods on September 27th, at which Canadian goods realized the following prices:

Pine—Ex Mount Royal, from Quebec, 6-11 ft. 1x9-12 in. red pine, £8 5s; 6-11 ft. 1x8, £7; 1x7, £7 5s and £7; 1x6, £7; 1x5, £6 5s; 1x4, £5 10s and £5 15s. Ex Springfield from Quebec, 7 ft. 3x11 in. unsorted white pine, £7 5s; 2-3 ft. 3x11 in., £6 10s; 2-7 ft. 3x5-8, £6; 2-8 ft. 3x11 fourth quality, £6 15; 2-8 ft. 3x11, £6 15s. Ex Unique, from Quebec, 12 ft. 3x11 in. third quality, dry, £10

15s and £10 5s. Ex Memnon, from Quebec, 12-16 ft. 3x11 in. first quality, £20 5s; 10-11 ft. 3x11, £16 15s; 10-16 ft. 3x12-20, £17 15s; 12-16 ft. 3x10, £17 10s; 12-16 ft. 3x8, £15 5s; 12-16 ft. 3x7, £14 15s; 12-16 ft. 3x6, first quality, £13 5s; 10-11 ft. 3x9-10, £14 15s; 10-11 ft. 3x7-8, £12 10s; 9-11 ft. 3x5-6, £11 5s; 6-8 ft. 3x4-13, £10 10s.

Spruce—Ex Monmouth, from Quebec, 12 ft. 3x9 first quality, £8 15s; 13 ft. 3x9, £8 15s; 13 ft. 3x9, £8 15s and £9. Ex Springfield, from Quebec, 12-14 ft. 3x9-14 third quality, £8 10s; 12 ft. 3x9-15 fourth quality, £8 5s. Ex Souverain, from Dalhousie, N.B., 12-18 ft. 2x6 unsorted, £6 15s.

Birch planks—Ex Halifax City, from Halifax, N.S., 108 pieces 10-16 ft. 3x8 in. 8 1/2 d per cubic foot, 279 pieces 9 1/2 ft. 3x7, 8 1/2 d. 211 pieces, 7 1/2 ft. 4x7, 9d, 320 pieces, 8 1/2 ft. 3x7, 8 1/2 d.

A sale of birch and maple timber, ex Anatolia, from St. Johns, N.B., was held by Mr. A. F. & D. Mackay at Liverpool, Eng., on September 22nd, with the following result, the lots comprising from 17 to 95 logs in each: Prime fresh birch timber 20 inches deep and up, 25 6 1-2 d per cubic foot; 19 and 19 1/2 in., 21 1-2 d; 18 1-2 in. 21d; 18 in. 20 1/2 d; 17 1-2 in. 19 1-4 d; 17 in. 19d; 16 1/2 in. 18 3-4 d; 16 in. 19 d; 15 1-2 in. 18 and 18 1-4 d; 15 in. 17 1-2 d; 14 1-2 in. 17 1/4 d; 14 in., 17d; 13 1/2 in. and under, 16 1/2 d. Maple timber 15 in. and up, 16 1-4 d; 14 : 2 in. and under, 15 3-4 d. Ash, 17 and 18 1-2 in., 15 3-4 d. Elm, 15 in. 15 3-4 d.

THE CUTTING OF TIMBER.

The Ontario government was interviewed recently by a deputation of lumbermen, including Cornelius Whitney, of the St. Anthony Lumber Co.; Alex. Fraser, Ottawa; H. Robinson, Ottawa; A. McKenzie, Ottawa; C. McLachlin, Arnprior, and J. Gillies, Braxside. They asked the government to grant licenses for cutting hardwood timber on land in Algonquin Park. Other matters in connection with lumbering were discussed at some length. The government promised nothing to the deputation, saying they had no accurate information regarding the timber in the park.

The Montreal members of the Quebec government were last week waited upon by a deputation of lumber merchants, including Hon. Geo. Bryson, Hon. J. K. Ward, David Gillies, M.P.P. for Pontiac, Rodolph Tourville, and E. B. Lddy. They asked for modifications in the regulations respecting the cutting of timber. Mr. Parent has undertaken to thoroughly revise the code of regulations, amending such clauses as do not now work satisfactorily, and introducing new articles

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CONDITIONS IN AUSTRALIA.

The monthly timber report of Fraser & Co., Melbourne, thus reviews the Australian market:

The state of the market has on the whole shown some little improvement within the past few weeks, many buyers having purchased supplies from stocks at the wharf and out of the yards, in the hope of not only a better demand being shown in the near future for both local and country requirements, but also with the belief that an increased range of values may shortly rule for many of the varied descriptions of timber which come upon this market. Up to the present, however, no advance in prices has been shown in flooring, lining, and weatherboards, but for Oregon better rates are now ruling, and would appear likely to continue, as supplies on hand of this lumber are no more than sufficient to meet early actual wants. Several other kinds of timber have also slightly increased in value since the issue of our last report.

Both f.o.b. and freight rates at the chief centres of supply have a decided hardening tendency, and this fact will, no doubt, to some extent help to improve, at no distant period, the condition of our local market; and ere the bulk of shipments arrive, which are now on the way and arranged for, it is probable that a

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LATHS AND PICKETS.—Imports: Laths, 105,570 pieces; pickets, 44,080 pieces. Arrival: Star of France, from Chemainus; and steamer, from Sydney. Business has been active in both these lines but supplies are below requirements. Laths have been sold at from 33s 6d to 35s, and pickets are worth £7 10s per 1000 pieces.

HINT TO CANADIAN MANUFACTURERS.

The Liverpool correspondent of the Timber Trades Journal, London, Eng., in referring to the lumber market, says:

"No one branch of our trade seems to show diminution of activity, if, as we have said before, we except the Canadian pine trade in deals and boards. This market, like other recipients of large direct importations, is depressed from the large supplies which still come forward upon the old stock. If this part of the market is to have a rebound from its

present dull condition, it can only be found in a diminution of production. But this is hardly likely to occur. The millmen must have had a rare good time for a couple of years, and they are not likely to stay their hands until they are forced by a lower price upon the spot.

"At any rate, this market and several others round the coast are over-burdened with stocks, and until these are cleared, or lessened to a material degree, we cannot hope for a better state of things here.

"What the Ottawa people may think is quite another story.

"Spruce deals keep slowly working up-

wards in price. Here we have some large cargoes landing which were bought at prices nominally 5s. per standard below the current rates. The steamer "Asphodel" is landing about 700 standards of spruce deals for Jas. Halsall & Son, from which they should do well, as the demand keeps strong. One large importing firm tells us they have only about 1,000 standards in stock, which they will keep for the satisfaction of small orders. All who have stocks of spruce deals are holding on to them, as every indication points to still further advances as the closing season goes onwards to its termination. For a large steamer cargo now on the way £7 is wanted, and will probably be obtained before arrival."

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Table listing various lumber and wood products with prices. Includes categories like CAR OR CARGO LOTS, HARDWOODS-FER M. FRET CAR LOTS, and various types of pine, spruce, and fir.

OTTAWA, ONT.

OTTAWA, October 11, 1899.

Table listing lumber prices in Ottawa, Ontario, including various grades of pine, spruce, and fir.

QUEBEC, QUE.

QUEBEC, October 11, 1899.

Table listing lumber prices in Quebec, Quebec, including white pine, red pine, oak, and birch.

NEW YORK CITY.

NEW YORK, N.Y., October 11, 1899.

Table listing lumber prices in New York City, including white pine, spruce, and hardwood.

ALBANY, N.Y.

ALBANY, N.Y., October 11, 1899.

Table listing lumber prices in Albany, New York, including pine, spruce, and shingles.

BOSTON, MASS.

BOSTON, October 11, 1899.

Table listing lumber prices in Boston, Massachusetts, including eastern pine, western pine, and shingles.

BUFFALO AND TONAWANDA, N.Y.

TONAWANDA, N.Y., October 11, 1899.

Table listing lumber prices in Buffalo and Tonawanda, New York, including white pine, black and brown ash, and various grades of lumber.

BAY CITY AND SAGINAW, MICH.

BAY CITY, Mich., October 11, 1899.

Table listing lumber prices in Bay City and Saginaw, Michigan, including upper and select lumber, pink common, and various grades of pine.

PRICES OF COOPERAGE STOCK.

Table listing prices for cooperage stock, including various types of staves and hoops.