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CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS.

ONTARIO.

From the standpoint of volume of business, the first week of May has not more than held its own. Enquiries for lumber have not been lacking, but the shortage of the supply of dry stock makes it almost impossible to fill large orders. The millmen are as firm as ever, and if one can judge by their attitude when approached by a buyer, prices are not likely to be marked down in the near future. It may be said that conditions favor the maintenance of present prices. American buyers are still in the market for pine lumber. A Georgian Bay manufacturer is reported as saying that within one month he has sold \$350,000 worth of lumber for shipment to the United States. Notwithstanding the benefit of late rains, a considerable quantity of logs are yet in danger of being hung up. Even if a full stock of logs is secured, the quantity of lumber that can be offered by manufacturers will, on account of the heavy sales already made, be comparatively small, while if there should be an appreciable shortage in the log supply, conditions favoring still higher prices would be encountered. While these remarks apply to pine, they are equally applicable to hardwoods, the difference being that the shortage in the production of hardwood logs is a certainty, very light stocks having been taken out last winter. Holders of hardwood lumber are demanding full prices and find little difficulty in effecting a sale whenever the lumber is wanted. A strong market for hardwood lumber this season is confidently looked for. The retail demand in Toronto has been quiet on account of labor troubles. A great deal of building has been held back awaiting a settlement with the different trades, and as soon as this is assured there is likely to be more than usual activity for two or three months.

QUEBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

The first cargoes of lumber for the season left the St. Lawrence within the past week. The charters effected would indicate that the season will not be particularly active, but it is likely that the total shipments will not be materially less than last year. No doubt more lumber will be marketed in the United States, and this increase is likely to be made at the expense of British trade. Millmen in Quebec report numerous enquiries from the Eastern States for clapboards and other spruce lumber for immediate shipment, but it frequently happens that dry stock is not

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available to fill the orders. The price of clapboards is exceptionally firm. This also applies to cedar shingles, for which \$3.40 is obtained for extras, Boston delivery.

Vessels are being chartered to carry deals from St. John to the United Kingdom at 35 shillings. Shippers have apparently taken advantage of this low rate, as within the past fortnight a number of fixtures have been made. These are mostly for June and July loading. Prices of British deals are exhibiting firmness, partly due to the probability of a shortage in the log supply. While recent rains have improved the driving situation, the danger point is not yet passed. The cut of logs on the St. John river last winter was about 140,000,000 feet, but only one-half of this quantity was Canadian logs, the balance being cut in Maine to be manufactured by the American firms with mills at St. John. All the lumber from this stock will be marketed in the United States.

UNITED STATES.

Rains in many sections of the United States have improved the outlook in business circles generally, and particularly in the lumber trade. Most of the mills in the Lake Superior district are in operation, but a full stock of logs for the season's sawing is by no means yet assured and will depend to a large extent upon the weather conditions of the next two weeks. Wholesale stocks of lumber in the Mississippi valley district are the lowest ever known in the history of the trade. The demand for lumber is increasing, but orders are largely filled by second or third hands, as practically no dry stock is held by manufacturers. Prices show no change. Last week 23,000,000 feet of lumber was sold by Alger, Smith & Company, of Marquette, Mich., for shipment eastward. The stock was mainly No. 3 and better, and the price is believed to have been \$26 per thousand. It will be seen that the eastern dealer will be obliged to turn over the stock at a very high figure in order to secure a margin of profit. The high prices do not appear to have restricted the consumption to any extent. Opinions differ, however, as to the future of prices. Some Buffalo dealers are predicting a decline later in the season and are consequently deferring purchases except for immediate requirements. At Buffalo and Tonawanda there is a scarcity of 4 and 6 inch No. 1, 2 and 3 barnboards, which are selling from \$18 to \$26. The demand for those items and 4-inch strips is brisk. In the Saginaw valley mill culls are selling readily at \$13 and box lumber at \$16.

All the better grades of hardwoods are in good demand, with elm, basswood, and black ash leading. Maple is showing a good deal of life, but the supply is comparatively large and it seems difficult to advance prices to a reasonable basis. Hemlock is showing more strength at the present time than any other lumber. The base price at Buffalo is \$14.50. Dealers report a scarcity of stock and in some instances have been compelled for this reason to refuse orders.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The report of the British timber market this week is of a more encouraging character. The demand has improved, and as stocks of Canadian lumber are now comparatively light excepting at London, the tendency of prices is upwards. Quebec pine deals are at a premium and spruce deals are in much higher appreciation than they were two months ago. Importers have apparently realized at last that there will be no large quantity of Canadian pine and spruce for export to Great Britain this year. It is believed that regular sizes of deals will witness a sharp advance in the near future. There has been heavy buying at recent auction sales, which is taken as an indication that buyers do not anticipate a slump in prices. A Liverpool house is reported to have sold a large quantity of New Brunswick spruce deals at £7 10s c.i.f. Liverpool and Manchester, one cargo from St. John N. B., containing 60 per cent. 7 and 8 inch, being placed at that figure. Quebec second and third quality spruce have been sold for London delivery on the basis of £8 17s 6d for 3x9 seconds and £8 7s 6d for thirds. For deals in stock high prices are asked. Reg-

ular second quality spruce is particularly scarce. A London report states that £10 landed for 3x9 third quality will be obtained in the near future. At West Hartlepool forward buying is proceeding more briskly than heretofore, and Quebec shippers have been successful in placing several lots.

STOCKS AND PRICES.

White and Norway mixed pine laths are selling in the Chicago market at \$3.50 to \$3.75.

The schooner Abbie K. Kease cleared from the Miramichi last week for New York with a cargo of laths.

The barque Prince Louis sailed last week from the Hastings mill, Vancouver, B. C., for Cardiff, England, with a cargo of lumber.

The steamer Edgar recently arrived at Charlottetown, P.E.I., from Charleston with 1,700,000 feet of southern pine for caisson construction.

The Hines Lumber Company, of Marinette, Wis., recently sold 2,000,000 feet of white pine to the R. Laidlaw Lumber Company, of Buffalo.

Hemlock shingles are quoted in Pittsburgh at an advance of 15c a thousand, selling now at \$2.65 and \$3.05 for 16 and 18 inch respectively.

A drive of 4,000,000 feet of logs, to be cut for Mershon, Schuette, Parker & Company, of Saginaw, was last week reported to be hung up in Vermillion river.

The International Lumber Company, of Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., is reported to have closed a contract with the Government of Japan to supply 600,000 tea chests.

Dimension spruce is in short supply at Portland, Me., at \$19. Three years ago there was an excess of supply at \$11. Clapboards bring \$35, 4c, \$45 and \$50, according to grade.

The advance that has taken place in the price of pine lumber is illustrated by the position of mill culls. Five years ago this grade was selling at \$5, whereas the current quotation is \$13.

At Philadelphia dry inch uppers are bringing \$75 to \$79, and 1 1/2 and 2-inch \$80. For 2x4-inch No. 1 common \$34 to \$36 is asked, while No. 2 common brings \$28 to \$30, and No. 3 \$25.50 to \$27.

The barge Komstock, from Georgian Bay to the Saginaw river with a cargo of lumber for Mershon, Schuette, Parker & Company, lost her entire deck load of about 250,000 feet, owing to rough weather, and the schooner Ketcham, in tow of the steamer Maine, from Georgian Bay with lumber for Bradley, Miller & Company, of Bay City, lost 125,000 feet of her deck load.

VENEER DOORS FOR SALE.

Messrs. Gilmour & Company, of Trenton, Ont., announce in this issue that they have for sale a considerable quantity of red oak, birch, brown ash and maple veneer doors. These doors are held in stock and it is their desire to clear them out preparatory to the installation of a new plant. Immediate shipment can be made.

NEW BRUNSWICK LOG DRIVES.

Recent rains in New Brunswick have improved the outlook for log driving. The Restigouche drives, as a rule, are safe. In Gloucester the main Nepisiquit drive is hanging and the work is very expensive. One drive of a million feet has already cost \$5 per thousand. The Tracadie drive of Snowball & Company is only started and there is no certainty of getting it out. The large drive for Gibson & Company on the Bartholomew river is believed to be in safe waters. Mr. Gibson's cut on the Nashwaak and Bartholomew rivers last winter was about 37,000,000 feet.

On May 1st the water in the St. John river rose several inches. As there is yet some snow in the woods, according to latest reports, a further rise may be anticipated, in which case all the drives may come out safely.

R. A. Estey's Rockway drive of 2,000,000 feet, William Lynch's drive of 1,000,000 feet on Green river, and Ran-

polph & Baker's drive of 2,000,000 feet on Grand river, are into the main stream. James Burgess & Son, 2,000,000 feet, J. A. Patterson, 5,000,000 feet on Salmon river, and the Tobique Manufacturing Company, 5,500,000 feet, expect to be in corporation limits this week. Robert Aiken is bringing about 4,500,000 feet out of Rocky Brook, a branch of the Machias river, and at time of writing his logs are in safe water. Darius Nixon is bringing 3,000,000 feet out of the Restigouche river for the William Richards Company and is making fair progress. Jacob Hazleton has 2,000,000 feet in safe waters.

The cut on the St. John river last winter is estimated at 138,750,000 feet. Of this 71,750,000 are American logs and 67,000,000 feet Canadian logs, for the following parties:

A. Cushing & Company, St. John,	20,000,000 ft. American logs,	7,000,000 ft. Canadian;	total, 27,000,000.
Stetson, Cutler & Co., St. John,	17,000,000 American.		
W. H. Murray,	23,250,000 American,	12,000,000 Canadian;	total, 35,250,000.
Mr. Murray has sold 3,250,000 feet of his cut on Fish River to Cushing & Burleigh.			
Miller Bros.,	3,000,000 American,	3,000,000 Canadian;	total, 6,000,000.
R. A. Estey,	6,000,000 Canadian.		
Randolph & Baker,	11,500,000 Canadian.		
Donald Fraser & Sons,	9,000,000 Canadian.		
John Morrison, for J. G. Murchie,	3,500,000 American.		
F. H. Hale,	12,000,000 Canadian,	of which 6,500,000 have been sold to W. H. Moore and the remaining 5,500,000 are to be sawn by the Tobique Manufacturing Company at Plaster Rock.	
Hilyard Bros.,	4,000,000 Canadian.		
Purvis,	3,000,000 American,	2,500,000 Canadian;	total, 5,500,000.
Dunn Bros.,	2,000,000 American.		
The logs of the cut of the season of 1901, held in the ice over winter, and now in the river, total 25,600,000 feet, as follows:			
Murray.....	10,000,000 feet		
Stetson.....	1,800,000 "		
Miller Bros.....	1,800,000 "		
Dunn Bros.....	12,500,000 "		
Murchie.....	3,000,000 "		
Cushing.....	3,500,000 "		
Other operators.....	3,000,000 "		
Total.....	25,600,000		

CANADIAN LUMBER SHIPMENTS.

The following shipments of lumber, etc., from Canadian ports are reported since last issue:

From Montreal: April 30th, str. Roman, for Liverpool, 11,691 piece deals and ends by Watson & Todd; April 19th, str. Mignonette for St. Pierre, 100,000 feet lumber, by Lemoine, Martineau & Fils.

From Chatham, N.B.: April 28th, str. Falco, for Dublin, 1,788,535 ft. deals, etc., by F. E. Neale; May 1, str. Rangleh, for Barrow, 2,134,298 ft. deals, etc., by F. E. Neale.

From Vancouver, B. C.: Str. Queen Mary, for Taku, China, 106,894 ft. dressed fir, 14,717 ft. rough fir, value \$1,275, by British Columbia Mills, Timber and Trading Co.; tug Dauntless, for United States, 319,000 ft. cedar logs, value \$1,433, by F. McCrae; 250,000 ft. cedar logs, value \$1,125, by Malloy & Larkins.

From Halifax, N.S.: April 22, str. Brairdene, for Manchester, Eng., 1,838,184 ft. deals, value \$20,020. April 23, str. Chielade, for Avonmouth, 1,988,793 ft. deals, value \$23,384. April 25, str. Urenia, for Broadhead, Eng., 2,065,721 ft. deals, value \$166,855; April 28, str. Peruvian, for Liverpool, 1,272,509 ft. lumber, etc., value \$15,415. Str. Ionian, for Liverpool, 173,458 ft. deals, value \$1,700. April 30, str. Magda, for Preston, Eng., 1,885,115 ft. deals, value \$21,363. Str. Danara, for Liverpool, 398,691 ft. deals, value \$3,882.

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May 2, str. Helene, for Swansea, 983,045 ft. deals, value \$12,995.

From St. John, N. B.: Str. Ionian, for Liverpool, 704,069 ft. deals, 16,342 ft. scantling, 25,063 ft. ends, 32,583 ft. birch deals, by George McKean; 443,497 ft. deals, 376,607 ft. scantling, 13,153 ft. ends, 12,053 ft. boards, 67,627 ft. birch plank, by W. M. Mackay; 2,512 ft. birch squares, by William Thomson & Co. Str. Axminster, for Bristol Channel, 1,503,758 ft. deals and battens, 59,152 laths, 24,104 ft. scantling, 28,747 ft. ends, by Dobell, Beckett & Co. Str. Carlisle City, for London, 560 bales pulp, by St. John Pulp Co.; 1,626 bales pulp, by Cushing Pulp Company; 189,495 ft. birch plank, 5,751 ft. ends, by William Thomson & Co. Str. Manchester Trader, for Manchester, 1,245 pes. elm timber, by Keenan Bros., Owen Sound; 800 bales pulp, by Cushing Sulphite Pulp Co.; 100,211 ft. deals, 1,300 ft. scantling, 15,454 ft. ends, by George McKean; 22,916 ft. deals, 12,192 ft. scantling, 4,038 ft. ends, by W. M. Mackay, 926 bundles maple lumber, 37,582 pes. birch poles, 407 bundles squares, by William Thomson & Co. Str. Piqua, for Sharpness, Eng., 994,000 ft. deals, 60,799 ft. scantling, 34,782 ft. ends, 2,108 ft. boards, 3,608 ft. birch planks, by W. M. Mackay. Str. Satellite, for Lubec, 700,000 ft. plank, by Charles Miller; 10,004 ft. deals, by A. Cushing & Co.

B. C. SPRUCE AND CEDAR WANTED.

A British firm writes to the CANADA LUMBERMAN as follows: "We shall feel much obliged if you could put us in communication with a reliable firm or firms who are in a position to furnish us with information, with a view to doing business, with regard to what is known as Pacific Coast spruce or Washington spruce, suitable for yacht spars. These spars are being brought over by rail to some place in New York State, manufactured into spars and sent to this country. Our yacht and boat builders would like to receive the spars in the rough round and manufacture them themselves. The spars would require to be free from knots and blemishes. We should also feel obliged if you could inform us as to who the best party would be to communicate with in regard to British Columbia cedar, either in the log or planks." Persons interested may obtain the name and address of the firm by communicating with the publishers of this journal.

DOORS AND MOULDINGS.

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(Correspondence of the Canada Lumberman.)

No changes can be located in the market lists for lumber in the Ottawa district, for the reason that very little is selling. American buyers who made the trip from Ottawa to Parry Sound last week had all the one report to give at Ottawa on their return. The burden of their wail was "not a stick to be had". They are now scouting the territory east of Ottawa. There will be "something doing" inside a few weeks, however, when business is resumed in which the new cut at the mills is involved.

Recent rains have improved matters, but the fact remains that a considerable percentage of the logs will likely be "hung up" on the creeks. Taken in conjunction with the companion fact that a goodly number of logs intended for this season's cutting at the mills, never got clear of the limits, it can be readily seen that a shortage in supply, is not a wild guess. The above conditions will further supply one to the list of reasons why lumber should remain firm and probably advance in price.

Reports indicate that the export business to the United Kingdom is brisker than for the same period in previous years. The railroads are handling considerable stock to points in Western Ohio and Pennsylvania, but a lull has followed the activity noted a few weeks since in the shipments to New York points via Albany barge line. Presumably the extra demand of the early spring building and manufacturing trade has been satisfied.

The shipments to Canadian points are good, but the local trade is poor, as building operations are not being conducted on an extensive scale. On Tuesday the first shipment by barge was made from Ottawa, the objective point being Oswego, N.Y. The lumber was the property of the Standard Oil Company and will be used in the large box factory the concern operates at that town. It is early yet to state what the extent of the water shipments will be, as the land rates on freights are unsettled. As the demand is brisk, however, it is safe to predict a busy season for the "blue bottoms" of the Ottawa transportation line. While on this question of lumber movements, reference may be made to the boon gained by the mill owners of the Parry Sound district.

The completion of a spur line connecting Parry Sound with Rose Point, on the western division of the Canada Atlantic Railway, will enable the mill men to place their stock in Ontario and American points in good time. Once on the C. A. Ry., they will be enabled to transfer at Scotia Junction to the northern division of the Grand Trunk Ry., and the connection with the Southern Canadian and the American markets will be completed.

When the C. P. Ry. builds the link connecting the Pontiac branch with the transcontinental line, the lumber operators of Ottawa and the Valley will be enabled to reach out for new markets.

Very little British Columbia fir or Southern pine is being received in Ottawa at present, as the nature of the building operations does not call for these woods.

Charles Desmaris, contractor, of Hull, has shipped 1500 poles for a new electric line in Cape Breton. They are 30 and 35 feet in length. The price obtained was considerably in advance of last year's. Mr. Desmaris took out about 4,000 posts in the Gatinacau district during the past winter.

Talk in local lumber circles centres on the early movement of square timber. Mr. Robert Hurdman's first raft has been placed together, and forwarded from Deep River above Pembroke. It should reach Quebec inside of six weeks, breaking all records for early arrival at

that port. The Munro Company, of Pembroke, have a large raft following close on the Hurdman raft.

Dobell, Beckett & Company have secured the Hurdman timber, which will, by reason of its early arrival at Quebec, be placed on the English market at an early date.

Trennan & Company are forwarding considerable square timber over the Parry Sound division of the C.A.Ry., from their limits at Rainy Lake, near Algonquin Park. This timber will be unloaded from the cars at Clarke's Island, in the St. Lawrence, and from thence floated down to Quebec in rafts. The timber will be exported to England by McArthur Bros., of Quebec.

McLachlin Bros. large mill at Arn-

prior has been equipped with new and modern machinery, which will facilitate operations. By the addition of new boilers, the steam power has been increased 500 h.p. New band and circular saws have been added to the equipment. This concern has now two water power and two steam mills, and an increased cut will be obtained this season by operating night and day. The saws will likely take their first logs early next week. This firm escaped the smallpox on its limits last winter, and hence its operations were not interfered with. The logs have been released from the limits and streams, and a steady supply is assured for the summer months. The firm will cut again this season for the American, English and South American markets. Large quantities of

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pickets will be turned out for Michigan factories to be manufactured into curtain poles.

It is understood that the logs cut on Fraser & Company's Coulonge River limits last winter will be cut at the Rockland mill of the W. C. Edwards Company. The manufactured stock will aggregate about 14,000,000 feet.

The acquirement of the Pontiac line by the C.P.Ry. has again brought to the

front the question of the erection of the proposed mill at Descheves near Ottawa. The difficulty that stood in the way earlier in the season was the question of rates between the Pontiac and other companies. Now the C. P. Ry. furnishes a through line and it is probable the mill will be built this fall.

The local contests in the approaching Provincial election are exciting great interest in the lumber trade. Mr. Alex.

Lumsden, proprietor of the Temiscamincue mills, and Ex-Mayor Samuel Bingham, who contracts for the log drives on the Gatineau, are Liberal standard bearers. Mr. Dennis Murphy, president of the Ottawa River Transportation Company, is in the field in the Conservative interests.

E. Roberge, lumber jobber, Scotstown, Que., is reported to have assigned, with small liabilities.

BUSINESS NOTES.

The R. Laidlaw Lumber Company, of Toronto, have recently removed their central office from 700 King street west to room 67, Canada Permanent Building, 18 Toronto street.

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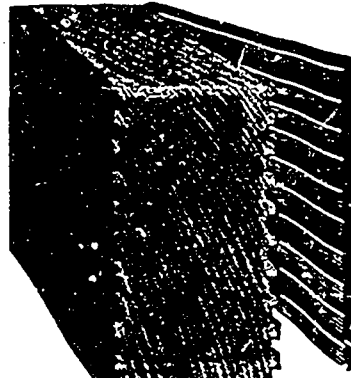
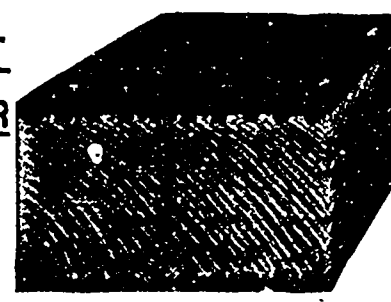
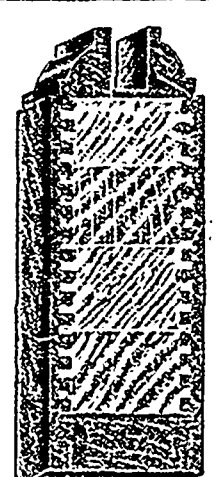
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