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On the fourth page of the WEEKLY LUMBERMAN will be found market prices in detail from leading lumber markets of Canada and United States, carefully revised to hour of going to press.

CURRENT TRADE CONDITIONS.

ONTARIO.

WITH the month of February entered into, it is believed the time is nearing when lumber will become an active factor in commerce. This, at least, is the hope of the trade. How far that hope is to be realized is a question that is seriously discussed by lumbermen. "Lumber is all right," was the clear-cut statement of one of the largest mill men of the province a day or two since, though commercial conditions generally, he was prepared to admit, were slow and uncertain. More than once we have noted the strong spirit of confidence that is displayed by those who hold large interests in milling properties and timber limits. And there would seem to be substantial reasons for entertaining this view. Timber to-day is one of the resources of the country that can hardly be expected to depreciate in value. As is frequently remarked, the man who can hold on to timber limits is sure to make money. Admitting so much, however, the immediate question is this: will this spirit of confidence help materially the business of the spring and summer of 1895? There are those in the trade, who are able from a wide and intimate knowledge of the field to form an intelligent opinion, who fear that there will not be as great a revival of trade the coming season as is expected on many hands, and hoped for by all. They argue that there is still prevalent a spirit of distrust in the business community, and whilst it is believed that bottom has really been struck, at the same time, the progress from rock bottom onward to a more encouraging condition of affairs will be slow. Caution is, therefore, advised, and the belief is that preparations ought not to be made for an over large trade, less serious consequences follow, and retard the progress that may have been made. What then, is asked, will be the effect of these conditions on prices? There is no disposition at the present time to break prices, but there are those who contend that after the new cut is on the market, and every one will know just what shape the business of the spring and summer has taken, that prices will become lower. The continued presence of southern pine on the Canadian market is also having its bearing on prices. Notwithstanding known efforts that lumbermen of the south are making to place their industry on a more business-like basis, it is hard to prevent cutting in prices for yellow pine. These are elements that have a close bearing on the price situation of the future, and need to be considered with care by those who are in the market to buy.

QUEBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

The extent to which United States lumbermen are interesting themselves in the timber lands of the Maritime provinces and Quebec must have an important bearing on the future of the lumber industry of these provinces. A mention of the large timber purchase in Nova Scotia made by a syndicate of United States lumbermen, and a purchase in the vicinity of Three Rivers, Que., of about 1,300 square miles of timber lands, by General R. A. Alger, and Col. A. T. Bliss, of Michigan, is sufficient to signify what is meant. In Ontario it is known that when American lumbermen come into possession of limits they do not allow them to remain idle, but are hustlers in the work of cutting the timber and realizing, with as much rapidity as possible, on their investments. It is a natural thing to expect that these changes in the ownership of timber lands in the Lower Provinces will have a like influence there. Combined with this circumstance is the activity in the woods in the Maritime provinces this year, which is more aggressive than a year ago, raising the expectation that the new season, which will shortly open, will be fruitful of larger immediate business than has been the case for a year or two past. Large lumbermen like Senator Snowball, Alex. Gibson and others hope to see more activity in the markets of the United Kingdom than in the year closed, and are shaping their business to meet these expected requirements. Added to the trade with Great Britain some increase in the business with France and certainly an increase in United States business is anticipated.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The continued shipping of British Columbia lumber to California betokens the capture of a fairly successful field by Canadian coast lumbermen. To quote from the Tacoma correspondent of a lumber cotemporary: "The fellows across the line are slowly, but surely, getting into the best market for fir and spruce lumber that we have." Not a little lumber is going abroad every week, but it must be admitted that the export fields of Australia, South Africa and even South America are not providing very lucrative business for lumbermen at present. Preparations at the same time are going on actively for the new season's trade, and it is thought that February will not close without practical evidence that the lumber business of the coast is really taking a shape that will bring actual business to lumbermen.

UNITED STATES.

Business of the week has been disturbed by monetary troubles. It is

only about a year since the whole commerce of the United States was paralyzed by the silver trouble, and it looks as though there would be a repetition of the difficulty through the condition of gold in the national treasury. It is not our place to discuss the monetary problem, but it is a matter of serious concern to the lumber trade, on the eve of an apparent revival, that difficulty again from this source should show itself. The effect on the week's trade has been to stay transactions that might have developed into reality, and lumbermen are commencing to draw themselves into their shells and ask the question, is there safety in branching out with any degree of vigor into spring business? It is to be said that with the opening of February the feeling was that trade would commence to bestir itself. These conditions are now changed, emphasizing the hope that the President and Congress will show themselves equal to the situation and that no prolonged paralysis shall be placed on business. Information that comes to the LUMBERMAN from those who have recently visited the lumber centers of the eastern States go to show that the probabilities all point to an improved trade this spring. Get away from Buffalo, Tonawanda and Albany, and there is not much lumber in stock anywhere, and even at these points, a lumberman who has gone over that ground within the past week is authority for the statement, that there stocks are not as large as many people had supposed, and as has been stated in the press. Prices are not declining, though it is not believed that there can be any advance until a demand in larger proportions than that which shows itself, even when taking a sanguine view of the situation, is manifest. When the new cut comes on the market it will depend on the shape trade has then taken how far present prices will continue to hold firm.

FOREIGN.

It is really believed that the old chestnut, repeated over and over again in lumber circles for a year back, that the lumber trade was improving, is materializing into fact this time. There are good reasons for supposing, taking the markets of the United Kingdom throughout, that lumber conditions are putting on increased strength and that the dragging in business that has been so plain in the past will have disappeared before many months will have passed over. In the larger cities like London, Liverpool, Manchester and Glasgow at this writing there are evidences of larger activity in those lines of business that go to swell the consumption of lumber. Across the Atlantic, as

on this side, a hand-to-mouth policy has been pursued to an extent that with any revival of business will come an increased demand for nearly all grades of lumber.

HARDWOODS.

It is when a contrast is made with hardwood conditions of a year ago that one sees more clearly that trade has improved this year. It would be nonsense to talk about transactions of any great moment within the past week or two, but a survey of the hardwood field shows that trade is recovering from the depression that was its main characteristic throughout 1894. In Ontario, hardwoods will come into use more extensively in the future than has been the case in the past, and the local demand, there is reason to suppose, will be increased. A study of the eastern markets of the United States, where Canadian hardwoods go, point plainly to improvement. No one has any large stocks on hand and the factories in the States are now commencing to start up on a larger and apparently more steady scale. Enquiries are increasing, and during the next few months, if no shadow comes over the view, the output ought to represent a considerable figure. Prices are hardly improving as much as might be expected with a difference of \$2.00 saved by the duty, but they are not on the decline and there is less cutting among dealers than formerly, which is a hopeful augury.

SHINGLES.

Speaking specially of red cedar shingles there are reasons to believe that prices are stiffening, especially in certain brands. Ordinarily this would be a trifling fact to note, but when one considers the disorganized and thoroughly demoralized condition of the red cedar shingle market for a year and more past, it means a start in a direction that ought eventually to bring back the shingle business to something like a normal condition. To shingle manufacturers in British Columbia this is cheery news. There are still all the white pine shingles on the market that are required for present needs, but if the policy which is intimated as the one likely to be pursued this year is strictly followed out, that of curtailing the manufacture of shingles, the shingle market will be helped back to better conditions.

STOCKS AND PRICES.

CANADA.

Lumber exports from Vancouver, B. C., for quarter ending Dec. 31st., were valued at \$18,182.

Robt. Mills has a contract to put in 500,000 feet of spruce lumber for J. H. Lynch & Sons, Markhamville, N. B.

B. A. Scott, of Lake St. John, is making 100,000 logs on the Peribonca river limits this winter and 60,000 railway sleepers.

Two cargoes with 500,000 feet of long lumber from St. John, N. B., cleared for United States ports during the week, and also a cargo of 500,000 for Montivideo.

The Beulah has cleared the customs house at New Westminster, B. C., for California, with a cargo consisting of 333,000 feet of fir lumber and 28,800 laths, the whole valued at \$4,063.55.

The barque Cadzow Forest is ready for sea at Vancouver, B. C. She has on board 7,191,145 feet of lumber, 170,600 laths, and 8,200 pickets valued at \$6,926. Her destination is Melbourne, Australia.

The ship Vanduardo has left St. John, N. B., for Liverpool, Eng., with a load of lumber consisting of 659,274 deals and battens, 54,839 ends, 325 tons pine timber, 500 birch do. W. M. Mackay is shipper.

A syndicate consisting of Henry Monroe, J. A. Dodge, M. H. Welton and others, of Kingston, N. S., has been organized, and they are getting out between 300,000 and 400,000 logs from a belt of pine near that village.

The barque C. C. Funk has sailed from the Brunette mills, New Westminster, B. C., having on board 581,647 feet of fir lumber and 150,000 laths, valued at \$4,259.02. The vessel is bound for San Pedro, California. The Brunette mills have also shipped four car loads east.

C. N. Pitt, manager of Collin's Inlet Lumber Co., Collin's Inlet, Ont., says they have shipped most of their last year's cut, less than a million feet remaining. They have a full cut for their mill next season. There is one large camp at Beaverton, taking out pulp wood. There is barely enough snow for sleighing, but they are hauling at all the camps.

UNITED STATES.

The better grades of pine lumber at Saginaw, Mich., are in limited supply.

Avery & Richardson, of Saginaw, Mich., are putting in 3,000,000 feet of logs near Duluth.

Spruce is not active at the Boston market, quotations for frames ranging at from \$13.25 to \$13.75.

In the Minneapolis market the bulk of hardwood lumber selling is red oak, with a considerable demand for basswood.

A. P. Brewer & Sons, of Saginaw, Mich., are putting in about 20,000,000 feet of logs on the south shore of Lake Superior.

An order for telegraph poles from Buenos Ayres, S. A., is being filled by W. C. Sterling & Sons, cedar dealers at Monroe, Mich.

Maxfield & Payor, shingle manufacturers at Tumwater, Wash., have received an order for 250,000 shingles to be shipped to Honolulu.

C. H. Bradley, of Duluth, Minn., has sold 1,700,000 feet of lumber to be sent to Dollarville, Mich., there to be planed and graded and sent to his Boston yards.

Coarse lumber at Saginaw, Mich., is selling at \$13. to \$15.; log run, \$14. to \$18.; box, \$10. to \$10.50. Shingles: clear butts, \$1.35 to \$1.40, and No. 1 shingles, \$2.50 to \$2.75.

In the New York market a recent opinion says that prices for white pine this year will be no worse than last year, with an expected improvement, if the demand is anyways liberal.

Spruce in New York is not looking so well the past week; narrow stuff sold as low as \$14. and considerable wide was disposed of at \$15.50 to \$15.75. The arrival of 10,000,000 lath brought down prices to \$1.90.

A Chicago firm is sending out circular letters to the mill men, and dealers of Tacoma, Wash., asking how many cars of five to two clears in shingles each they can or will ship during February at \$2.10 f. o. b. Chicago, which would net the Tacoma trade \$1.02 f. o. b. at their mill.

Farmers in the vicinity of Grand Rapids, Mich., are marketing what hardwoods are

found on their lands, and the current prices are: oak, \$12. to \$20.; maple, \$8. to \$10.; basswood, \$10. to \$10.50; cherry, \$15. to \$20.; ash, \$10.; elm, \$8.; white-wood, \$14.; sycamore, \$10.; walnut \$15. to \$20.

Hardwood under its Buffalo review of current conditions says that "basswood and plain red oak will be wanted for early spring trade, as the supply of neither is large at mill points, contributory to that market. Maple, both hard and soft, and soft elm are very slack, Canadian mills holding large quantities, which can be got cheaper than in eastern states, and even Pennsylvania. Have a good stock of birch, but want it all and are buying more as well as all the good quartered white oak that is offered." The same authority says, that furniture men of Pennsylvania are taking quartered white oak, cherry and birch in considerable amounts, while the former is in steady demand for finishing trade. Birch is also wanted somewhat for finishing, as is sycamore. Plain red oak sells fairly well, but the price is rather low. Quartered white oak and birch, both have an upward tendency, in fact the former is worth nearly, if not quite, \$2.00 more than during the summer. Cherry is firm but rather slow selling, like walnut. The price is getting too high for it to be used as commonly as it was a few years ago.

THE SITUATION.

REFLECTED THROUGH CORRESPONDENCE OF "WEEKLY LUMBERMAN."

W. R. Thompson, Teeswater, Ont: Trade is quiet, and no sales of any special account have been made within the past week or so. My impression is that stocks in this district are large. Prices are disposed to advance.

Eastman Lumber Co., Eastman, Que: No large movement of stocks, hemlock and matched spruce in most demand for United States markets. Lumber stocks in this locality are not large. Prices hold firm. We are expecting a good demand for lumber in the spring.

Geo. Thompson, Wingham, Ont: So far as lumber of any kind is in demand in this district, hemlock has the lead. Cannot, however, report any sales of importance recently made. Very little hardwood is being taken out in this district this winter. Of the future, I think lumber will be all right.

W. A. Monroe, Iroquois, Ont: Cannot report any activity in stocks. There is really no movement of any account. Stocks in most demand with us are pine and spruce, though no particular sales are to be reported. Stocks of lumber for sale in this locality are light. The tendency of prices is to decline, rather than advance.

W. O. Vansickle, Barrie, Ont: There is no immediate activity in business. Stocks are not moving actively, nor are there any enquiries worth naming for any class of lumber. My impression is, that we will have a quiet season. Prices are barely holding their own. Building prospects in this district are small.

L. G. Muller, New York: A plain "No" is the answer to your enquiry, are stocks moving actively? Buyers are very cautious and I cannot say that any particular class of lumber is in special demand just now. Stocks in this district

are very low. Prices in some lines are firm and in others very unstable. From the number of plans filed in the building department of this city business ought to improve in the spring.

Robert Christie, Chesley, Ont: Elm and maple are sluggish. On the other hand basswood, ash and birch are in demand, but stocks are exhausted. The Hanover Furniture Company have purchased a large stock of soft elm, which is the only sale of importance recently made in this district. Fair stocks of soft elm and rock elm are held here. Will be light cut this season. Prices are weak.

Shortreed Bros., Hillsdale, Ont: Trade is very slow at present. Basswood and hemlock are in most demand with us at present time. We have very little pine here. Some sales made recently of hemlock in car lots at \$6.50. Sold 500,000 ft. hemlock in October last at \$6.50, which we are shipping. We are running our mill at Hillsdale all winter on hemlock, elm, basswood and birch.

J. E. Murphy, Hepworth, Ont: My business is mainly in hardwoods, and in these lines stocks are slow. So far as there is any call, the greater demand at the present time is for thick maple, birch, basswood, ash and hemlock. I cannot say that any sales of importance have been made lately. My impression is that stocks in this locality are large, and speaking generally that hemlock preponderates, and hardwoods of medium quality. Hemlock is firm at last year's prices. Hardwoods are weak.

W. J. Sheppard, manager of Georgian Bay Lumber Co., Waubaushene, Ont: Stocks are moving only moderately and the chief demand at the present time is for the better grades of lumber. No sales of particular moment can be reported for the week, but there are more men out looking for lumber than usual this season. In this immediate locality stocks are not up to the average. Common and culls are quite scarce. Prices remain firm and will likely advance when trade opens in the spring.

SHIPPING MATTERS.

Freights at Boston are quoted at \$5.75 and from the Gulf at \$4.75.

The new schooner Queen City, is at the Hastings Mills, Vancouver, B. C., loading lumber for Japan.

The British barque Carmony, 1256 tons, which is now discharging general cargo at Victoria, B. C., has been chartered to load lumber at the Hastings Mills, Vancouver, B. C., for England.

Freights at St. John, N. B., are ruling low for the season, there being little demand for vessels to carry to American ports at present. A schooner has just been fixed to load piling for New York at 2 1/2c.

BUSINESS DIFFICULTIES AND CHANGES.

The planing mill firm of Walkam, Duha & Fischer, of Buffalo, N. Y., has dissolved; John Walkam retiring.

Cowper & Gregory, lumber forwarders of Tonawanda, N. Y., have dissolved, W. R. Gregory retiring and his place is taken by Mr. Cowper.

Plumsteel & Jordon is a new lumber firm, located at Tonawanda, N. Y. They will handle pine and hardwood, making a speciality of hardwood flooring.

Harvey Morris, of Wallaceburg, Ont., a large manufacturer of cooperage stocks, has assigned. His liabilities are \$40,000 and the chief creditor is the Bank of Montreal, to whom he owes about \$30,000.

BOARD OF TRADE ON THE LUMBER SITUATION.

At the annual meeting of the Toronto Board of Trade, Alderman Jos. Oliver, chairman of the lumber section, presented his report in which he said:

"In the beginning of the year there were great expectations of a large export demand for lumber for the United States trade. These were based on the fact that there had been a six month's stoppage of trade, and that indications were now tending towards a revival of business. The stocks of lumber carried over from 1893 to 1894 were not even as large as usual, and prices were firm, but the delay on the part of the United States Congress and Senate in settling the tariff question held trade in suspense until about the first of August, and, as a result, the lumber business was at a complete standstill for nearly eight months, and buying confined to almost actual daily needs. In the city of Toronto the building trade has been almost suspended owing to the depression in real estate, and local business has been very light.

"For lumber manufacturers and dealers the year's business has been on the whole, slow and unprofitable. During the latter part of the season there was a fair demand from the Old Country for timber deals, and this branch of the business is said to have been profitable to those engaged in it. It is too early to forecast the future of the trade for 1895. It all depends upon the quantity of stock that may reach the mills, and the demand that may be created from outside points. The demand from the United States up

to the present time and the enquiries have not been as large as was confidently anticipated. However, trade is generally looked upon as being in a more healthy condition than it was a year ago, from the fact that stocks in retailer's hands are very light, and the mills in this portion of Ontario are not carrying any larger stocks than they were at the corresponding date in 1894. The general policy of those engaged in the business this winter has been to reduce the cut for the coming year. If this is done to the extent that it is anticipated, we hope by the fall to see the lumber business in a much better condition than at the present writing."

LUMBER FREIGHT RATES.

LUMBER freight rates for pine on the Grand Trunk Railway have been made a fixture, until, at least, April 30th, 895. Of any intended change after that date due notice will be given the lumbermen at a conference to be held in February.

General instructions in shipping by Grand Trunk are embodied in these words in the tariff schedule: On lumber in carloads, minimum weight, 30,000 lbs. per car, unless the marked capacity of the car be less, in which case the marked capacity (but not less than 24,000 lbs.) will be charged, and must not be exceeded. Should it be impracticable to load certain descriptions of light lumber up to 30,000 lbs. to the car, then the actual weight only will be charged for, but not less than 24,000 lbs. The rates on lumber in the tariff will not be higher from an intermediate point on the straight run than from the first named point beyond, to the same destination. For instance, the rates from Tara or Hepworth to Guelph, Brampton, Weston or Toronto, would not be higher than the specific rates named from Warton to the same points. The rates from Cargill and Southampton to points east of Listowel and south and west of Stratford will be the same as from

Kincardine, but in no case are higher rates to be charged than as per mileage table published on page 9 of tariff.

Rates from leading lumber points on pine and other softwood lumber, shingles, etc., are as follows: From Glencairn, Creemore, Aurora, Barrie and other points in group B to Toronto, 6 1/2c; Collingwood, Penetang, Coldwater, Waubaushe, Sturgeon Bay, Victoria Harbor, Midland, Fenelon Falls, Longford, Gravenhurst and other points in group C, to Toronto, 6 1/2c; Bracebridge to Toronto, 7c; Utterson, Huntsville, Navor, Emsdale, Katrine to Toronto, 7 1/2c; Burk's Falls, Berriestale and Sundridge, to Toronto, 8c; South River, Powasen and Callender to Toronto, 9c; Nipissing Junction and North Bay, 10c. Rate from Goderich, Kincardine and Warton to Toronto, 6 1/2c. The rates are per 100 lbs. Rates from Toronto east to Belleville are 7 1/2c. per 100 lbs.; to Deseronto, 9c.; to Brockville and Prescott, 10c.; to Montreal and Ottawa, 11c. The rates on hardwoods average about from 1c. to 2c. per 100 lbs. higher than on softwoods. For rates on railway ties, mahogany, rosewood, walnut, cherry, and other valuable woods, application must be made to the district freight agent.

On the Canadian Pacific the rates on pine and softwoods may be illustrated as follows: Cache Bay, North Bay, Sturgeon Falls and Warren, to Toronto, 10c; Algoma, Cook's Mills, Massey, Spanish River and Whitefish to Toronto, 13c.; Ottawa to Toronto, 10c. From Ottawa, Hull, Aylmer and Duchesne Mills to station on the Lake Erie and Detroit River, Erie and Huron, Toronto, Hamilton and Buffalo, and Michigan Central Railways, the rate is 14 1/2c. per 100 lbs. Regulations apply as to minimum size of carload of 30,000 lbs., and an advanced rate is charged for hardwoods.

Lumber freight rates on the Canadian Atlantic Railway are as follows: Ottawa to Toronto, 10 cents per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to Oswego, \$1.90 per M ft., (3,000 lbs. and under per M ft.); Ottawa to Montreal, \$1.25 per M ft., (3,000 lbs. and under per M ft.); Armprior to Montreal, \$1.75 per M ft., (3,000 lbs. and under per M ft.); Ottawa to Quebec, 10 cents per 100 lbs.; Armprior to Quebec, 12 cents per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to Buffalo, 12

cents per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to Port Huron and Detroit, 14 cents per 100 lbs. Ottawa to New York, track delivered 15 cents; lightered 17 cents; Armprior to New York, track delivery 17 cents; lightered 19 cents.; Ottawa to Boston, Portland and common points, local 15 cents; exports 13c. per 100 lbs.; Armprior to Boston, Portland and common points, local 17 cents; export 15 cents per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to Burlington, 5 cents per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to Albany, 10 cents per 100 lbs.; Armprior to Albany, 12 cents per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to St. John, N. B. and common points, 20 cents per 100 lbs.; Ottawa to Halifax, N. S. and common points, 22 1/2 cts. per 100 lbs. Minimum carload weight for shipment of lumber, lath, shingles, etc., is 30,000 lbs., and rates quoted above are in cents per 100 lbs., except when quoted per M ft. the minimum car load charged is 10 M ft.

MODIFICATION OF HARDWOOD RATES.

THE Grand Trunk Railway and Canadian Pacific have receded in part from their arrangement of a few weeks since when they combined and made the rates on hardwood from certain points to Toronto and Hamilton 8 1/2c. per 100 lbs. John Earl, W.D.F.A., of the Grand Trunk, has written the hardwood men as follows: "After careful consideration we have come to the conclusion that, on and after Jan. 1st, 1895, a modification will be made in the present arrangement for hardwood lumber, to the effect that the rate will be 7 1/2c. per 100 lbs. from our Northern and Northwestern branches to Toronto and Hamilton. This rate, however, will not apply from main line points and the straight run between Toronto, Sarnia and Windsor; also that so far as rates on common lumber to points like Guelph, Galt, London, Woodstock, Ingersoll, etc., from all lumber shipping stations the rate will be the same on hardwood as on pine. On the old principle, we suppose, that half the loaf is better than none, hardwood men have something, possibly, to be thankful for, though there is no good reason why the rates generally on hardwood should not be as low as on pine. It is understood that the C. P. R. rate will be made uniform at 7 1/2c. from same points.

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PRICES CURRENT.

TORONTO, ONT.

TORONTO, Feb. 6, 1895.

Table of lumber prices for Toronto, Ontario, including categories like CAR OR CARGO LOTS, HARDWOODS-PINK H. WHITE CAR LOTS, and various wood types like Ash, Birch, Maple, etc.

OTTAWA, ONT.

OTTAWA, Feb. 6, 1895.

Table of lumber prices for Ottawa, Ontario, listing items like Pine, good sidings, Pine, good strips, etc.

QUEBEC, QUE.

QUEBEC, Feb. 6, 1895.

Table of lumber prices for Quebec, Quebec, listing items like White Pine, Oak, Birch, etc.

BUFFALO AND TONAWANDA, N.Y.

TONAWANDA, N. Y., Feb. 6, 1895.

Table of lumber prices for Buffalo and Tonawanda, New York, listing items like Upr, 1 1/2, 1 1/2 and 2, etc.

ALBANY, N.Y.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 6, 1895.

Table of lumber prices for Albany, New York, listing items like Uppers, 3 in. up, etc.

BOSTON, MASS.

BOSTON, Feb. 6, 1895.

Table of lumber prices for Boston, Massachusetts, listing items like Eastern Pine, Western Pine, etc.

NEW YORK CITY.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Feb. 6, 1895.

Table of lumber prices for New York City, listing items like White Pine Lumber, White Pine Timber, etc.

SAGINAW, MICH.

SAGINAW, Mich., Feb. 6, 1895.

Table of lumber prices for Saginaw, Michigan, listing items like Uppers, 1 in., 10 in. and up, etc.