

Raisins are firmer, and buyers apparently more inclined to fall in with the views of holders. Laid-down cost in car lots is calculated at about 6c. for two-crown, 6½c. for three-crown, and 7½c. for four-crown. Dried apricots rule lower than last year, but have advanced a cent since opening, and are considered good property to hold. Peaches are reported scarce and comparatively high. Imported candied peels range about the same as last year, wholesale cost being figured, at say, 10c. for orange and lemon, and 16c. for citron. Canned goods show great stiffness; packers are now asking 80c. for peas, 60c. for corn, and are still withholding quotations for tomatoes. Sugar values have undergone no revision since last week. The demand is still a very fair one, and outside markets for raws are reported still strong. Since further moderate orders are reported as being placed for Austrian refined beet sugars, which are said to show better quality than the German samples that have been shown, and which will cost about \$3.85 to 3.90 laid down per cental. The tea market continues to show all the firmness last noted, and it is said nothing desirable in medium grade Japans can be had under 15c. per pound.

HIDES AND TALLOW.—In these lines of trade there has been no apparent change for the week. Dealers are buying green hides on the basis of 8c. per lb. for No. 1, and selling cured to tanners at 9c. Receipts are moderate, and the demand about absorbs the supply. The Chicago market is reported steady at 10c. for No. 1 buff hides. Calfskins are unchanged at 8 and 6c. per lb.; lambskins, 50c. each. Tallow on spot is dull as ever, but some improvement is reported in Chicago, where sales are reported at 4c. per lb. with expectation of further advance, which may keep the market here a trifle.

HOPS.—Comparatively little has been done yet in new hops here this season, and the demand is reported very inactive. Only moderate receipts of early varieties are reported as yet, and the bulk of the crop has still to be marketed. About 15c. is quoted as the outside price for new; yearlings are hard to sell, and prices are altogether nominal at 5 to 7c., old olds are not wanted.

LEATHER.—It is claimed some further large lots of No. 2 Spanish B.A. sole have been sold at 22c., and that prices are likely to develop some further advance next month. Some tanners seem also disposed to put up black leathers, and some local dealers' stocks of pebbled, grain, etc., have been pretty well bought up at quotations. European manufacturers of kid and dongola leathers are reported large buyers of raw goat skins, which are advancing materially, and local manufacturers are asking more for goods in this line. We quote:—Spanish sole B.A. No. 1, 23c.; do. No. 2, 22c.; No. 1 ordinary Spanish, 21c.; No. 2, 19 to 20c.; No. 1 slaughter, 25 to 27c.; No. 2 do., 21 to 23c.; common, 20 to 21c.; waxed upper light and medium, 30 to 35c.; do. heavy, 27 to 30c.; grained, 30 to 35c.; Scotch grained, 30 to 35c.; western splits, 21 to 24c.; Quebec do., 16 to 17c.; juniors, 15 to 17c.; calf-splits, 30 to 35c.; calf skins (35 to 40 lbs.), 60 to 65c.; imitation French calf skins, 65 to 75c.; colored calf, American, 25 to 28c.; Canadian, 20 to 22c.; colored pebble cow, 18 to 15c.; russet sheepskin linings, 30 to 40c.; colored, 6 to 7½c.; harness, 24 to 27c.; buffed cow, 12 to 14c.; extra heavy buff, 15c.; pebbled cow, 12 to 13c.; polished buff, 11 to 13c.; glove grain, 12 to 13c.; rough, 22 to 23c.; russet and bridle, 35 to 45c.

METALS AND HARDWARE.—Prices in these lines are steadily held, especially late advances. Lead is even firmer than last noted, \$3.90 being asked for small lots. Copper is firmer if anything. The report that domestic bar iron had been sold as low as \$1.25 is distinctly denied; \$1.30 is said to be the present lowest figure, though it is understood a round lot was put through a short while ago at \$1.27½. In pig iron there has been no recent change; a considerable lot of No. 2 Siemens, that has been held here some time, is being offered now at \$15, and some moderate sales are reported at that figure. This furnace has now been out of blast a year, and the company has no No. 1 to offer. We quote:—Summerlee pig iron, \$17 to \$17.50 ex-ship; Carroa, No. 1, \$17; No. 3, \$16.25; Ayrshire, No. 1, \$16.50; No. 3, \$16; Shotts, \$17.25 to 17.50; Carnbroe, \$16.00,

ex-store; Siemens pig No. 1, none; No. 2 Siemens, \$15; Ferrona, No. 1, \$30.00; Hamilton No. 1, \$16.00; No. 2, ditto, \$15.25; machinery scrap, \$15.00; common do., \$12.00 to 13.00; bar iron, Canadian, \$1.30 to 1.35; British, \$2.00 to 2.15; best refined, \$2.40; Low Moor, \$5; Canada plates—Pontypool, or equal, \$2.15; 52 sheets to box; 60 sheets, \$2.25; 75 sheets, \$2.35; all polished Canadas \$2.40; Terne roofing plate, 20x28, \$6.00; Black sheet iron, No. 28, \$2.25; No. 26, \$2.15; No. 24, \$2.05; Nos. 17, \$2; No. 16 and heavier, \$2.15; tin plates—Bradley charcoal, \$5.60 to 5.70; charcoal, I. C., Alloway, \$3.15 to 3.25; do. I. X., \$3.90 to 4.00; P. D. Crown, I. C., \$3.60 to 3.75; do. I. X., \$4.50; Coke I. C., \$2.90 to 3.00; coke, wasters, \$2.70; galvanized sheets, No. 28, ordinary brands, \$4; No. 26, \$3.75; No. 24, \$3.50 in case lots; Morewood, \$5.00 to 5.10; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, 5½c.; No. 26, 6c.; the usual extra for large sizes. Canadian bands, per 100 lbs., \$1.75; English ditto, \$2; hoops and bands, \$1.80 to 2.00. Steel boiler plate, ¼-inch and upwards, \$1.85 to 1.90 for Daltell, and equal; ditto three-sixteenths inch, \$2.50; tank iron, ¼ inch, \$1.50; three-sixteenths do., \$2.00; tank steel, \$1.75; heads, seven-sixteenths and upwards, \$2.45 to 2.50; Russian sheet iron, 9c.; lead, per 100 lbs., pig, \$3.75 to 3.90; sheet, \$4 to 4.25; shot, \$6 to 6.50; best cast-steel, 8 to 10c.; toe calk, \$2.25; spring, \$2.50; sleigh shoe, \$1.85; tire, \$1.90; round machinery steel \$2.25; ingot tin, 16 to 16½c. for L. & F.; Straits, 15½ to 15¾c.; bar tin, 16½ to 17c.; ingot copper, 12 to 12½c.; sheet zinc, \$5 to \$5.25; Silesian spelter, \$4.75; Veille Montagne spelter, \$4.75 to 5.00; American spelter, \$4.75; antimony, 8½ to 9c.

OILS, PAINTS AND GLASS.—Leads have been subjected to a further advance of 12½c. all around, and the market for dry white lead in England is very strong, the cable quotation being up to £17 10s., a high figure. Turpentine is again a little firmer, and linseed not unlikely to advance. In other lines there is nothing new. We quote:—Turpentine, one to four barrels, 45c.; five to nine barrels, 44c., net thirty days. Linseed oil, raw, one to four barrels, 43c.; five to nine barrels,

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