

ers are still doing business for glory to spite each other. It is reported that some dealers are paying considerably over 9c. for No 1 beef hides, though general price to tanners is only 9½c. Lambskins are generally quoted at 25c.; calfskins, 12c. for No. 1, and 10c. for No. 2; sheepskins, 70c

**Leather.**—The backward season seems to have affected the boot and shoe trade somewhat, but orders are now said to be coming in better, and leather men are looking for a better demand next month. At present no great amount of cutting is being done. Prices are steady to firm. Manufacturers' sole is quoted at 23½c. to 24c.; slaughter ditto., 27c.; grained upper, 14 to 16c.; Western splits, 18 to 20c.; Quebec, ditto., 15 to 16c.; buff and pebble, 10 to 12c.; glove grain, 9 to 10c. There is some talk of an advance in harness leather owing to cost of heavy hides, but price at present remains at 28 to 30c.

**Metals and Hardware.**—Dealers in heavy metals are still quite busy, though looking for some slackening in the demand shortly. For the season business in general hardware is good. Ingot tin is cabled about a pound the ton easier, and some business is reported locally at 31c. for round lots, net terms, but 32½ to 33½c. is asked in an ordinary jobbing way. Lead is steady at \$3.15; copper, 13½ to 13¾c.; spelter, \$5.10; antimony, 8½ to 8¾c. Tinned sheets are firmer at 7½ to 7¾c. for No. 24 gauge; galvanized sheets \$4.40; zinc sheets, 5¾c. Pig iron is very firm; a representative of the Hamilton company quoted \$21.10, net terms, at the furnace, and stated that owing to strike troubles in the U.S., they were having some enquiry from Buffalo and other frontier points. Bars unchanged. Iron pipe firm at \$4.86, base price. Boiler plate, \$2.10. Black sheets, tinplates, etc., without change.

**Oils, Paints, Glass, Etc.**—The firmness in linseed oil abroad is still very pronounced, and local prices are sustained at the advance of last week, while supplies are coming forward but slowly; further advance is deemed not improbable. The advance in turpentine is also well held. Cod oil is very scarce on spot, and is held at stronger prices. No new steam refined seal oil is yet to hand; makers are quoting about 47½c. laid down cost. We quote: Single barrels raw and boiled linseed oil, respectively, 84 and 87c. per gallon, for one to four barrel lots; 5 to 9 barrels, 83 and 86c., net 30 days, or 3 per cent, for four months' terms. Turpentine, one barrel, 72c.; two to four barrels, 71c.; net 30 days. Olive oil, machinery, 90c.; Cod oil, 37½ to 42½c. per gallon; steam refined seal, 49 to 50c. per gallon; straw, ditto., 45 to 47c.; Castor oil, 9c.; in quantity; tins, 9¼ to 9½c.; machinery castor oil, 8½ to 9c.; Leads (chemically pure and first-class brands only), \$5.87½; No. 1, \$5.37½; No. 2, \$5.12½; No. 3, \$4.87½; No. 4, \$4.37½; dry white lead, 5½ to 6c.; pure; No. 1, do., 5c.; genuine red, ditto, 5c.; No. 1, red lead, 4½ to 4¾c.; Putty, in bulk, bbls., \$2; bladder putty, in bbls., \$2.35; ditto, in kegs, or boxes, \$2.50; 25-lb. tins,

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