

**Steel Shaffing.**—Prices are steady at the list, less 25 per cent. Demand is on the dull side.

**Telegraph Poles.**—See lumber, etc.

**Tar and Pitch.**—Coal tar, \$3.50 per barrel of 40 gallons, weighing about 500 pounds; roofing pitch, No. 1, 70c. per 100 pounds; and No. 2, 55c. per 100 pounds; pine tar, \$8.50 per barrel of 40 gallons, and \$4.75 per half-barrel; refined coal tar, \$4.50 per barrel; pine pitch, \$4 per barrel of 180 to 200 pounds. (See building paper; also roofing).

**Tin.**—Prices are firm, at \$34.50 to \$35.

**Zinc.**—The tone is easy, at 5 3/4 to 6c.

**CAMP SUPPLIES.**

**Beans.**—Prime pea beans, \$1.85 per bushel. (38).

**Butter.**—September and October creamery, 28 to 30c.; dairy, 22 to 23c.

**Canned Goods.**—Per Dozen.—Corn, 80 to 85; peas, \$1.05 to \$1.15; beans, 75 to 80c.; tomatoes, 82 1/2 to 90c.; peaches, 25, \$1.65, and 35, \$2.05; pears, 25, \$1.60, and 35, \$2.30; salmon, best brands, 1-lb. tins, \$1.87 1/2, and flats, \$2.02 1/2; cheaper grades, 95c. to \$1.65.

**Cheese.**—Finest, colored, 12 3/4c.; white, 13 to 13 1/4c.

**Coffee.**—Mocha, 20 to 25c.; Santos, 15 to 18c.; Rio, 10 to 12c. (38).

**Dried Fruits.**—Currants, Filiatras, 5 3/4 to 6 1/2c.; choice, 8 to 9c.; dates, 4 to 5c.; raisins, Valentias, 5 to 6c.; California, seeded, 7 1/2 to 9c.; Sultana, 8 to 10c. Evaporated apples, prime, 9 1/4 to 9 3/4c.

**Eggs.**—New laid, 20 to 21c.

**Flour.**—Manitoba, 1st patents, \$5.80 per barrel; 2nd patents, \$5.30; strong bakers, \$5.10.

**Molasses and Syrup.**—Molasses, New Orleans, 27 to 28c.; Barbadoes, 40 to 50c.; Porto Rico, 40 to 45c.; syrup, barrels, 3 1/2c.; 2-lb. tins, 2 dozen to case, \$2.50 per case.

**Potatoes.**—Per 90 lbs., good quality, 40 to 50c.

**Rice and Tapioca.**—Rice, grade B, in 100-lb. bags, \$2.95 to \$3; C.C. \$2.90. Tapioca, medium pearl, 4 1/2 to 4 3/4c.

**Rolled Oats.**—Oatmeal, \$2.45 per bag; rolled oats, \$2.20, bags.

**Tea.**—Japans, 20 to 38c.; Ceylons, 20 to 40c.; Ceylon, greens, 19 to 25c.; China, greens, 25 to 50c.; low-grades, down to 15c.

**Fish.**—Salted.—Medium cod, \$7 per bbl.; herring, \$5.25 per bbl.; salmon, \$15.50 per bbl., for red, and \$14 for pink. Smoked fish.—Bloaters, \$1.10 per large box; haddies, 7 1/2c. per lb.; kippered herring, per box, \$1.20 to \$1.25.

**Provisions.**—Salt Pork.—\$30 to \$34 per bbl.; beef, \$16 per bbl.; smoked hams, 16 to 19c. per lb.; lard, 17 to 18c. for pure, and 11 1/2 to 13 1/4c. per lb. (38).

**MONTREAL HORSE MARKET.**

Dealers reported a slight improvement in trade. It would seem that Manitoba and the Northwest is taking quite a few cheap horses just now, prices ranging from \$75 to about \$125 each. Heavy draft, 1,500 to 1,700 lbs., \$225 to \$300 each; light draft, 1,400 to 1,500 lbs., \$180 to \$240 each; light animals, 1,000 to 1,100 lbs., \$100 to \$150 each; inferior, broken-down horses, \$50 to \$100 each, and choice saddle or carriage animals, \$350 to \$500 each.

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Toronto, April 7th, 1910.

No change in prices of iron and steel goods can be announced as yet; but the dumping clause has been in operation in sheet steel since 4th April, and an advance may, therefore, be looked for in all black and galvanized sheets. A steady but not particularly brisk business is doing in metals; navigation being opened ten days hence, will likely cause greater activity. There is great movement in the States, for structural steel especially, the United States Steel Company being, it is said, behind in some of its contracts. There may, however, be a strategical reason for this.

The following are wholesale prices for Toronto, where not otherwise explained, although for broken quantities higher prices are quoted:

**Antimony.**—Demand quiet at 9c. per 100 lbs. (111).

**Axes.**—Standard makes, double bitted, \$8 to \$10; single bitted, per dozen, \$7 to \$9.

**Bar Iron.**—\$2.00 to \$2.10, base, per 100 lbs., from stock to wholesale dealer. Market supply limited. (111).

**Bar Mild Steel.**—Per 100 lbs., \$2.10 to \$2.20.

**Boiler Plates.**—1/2-inch and heavier, \$2.20. Boiler heads 25c. per 100 pounds advance on plate. Tank plate, 3-16-inch, \$2.40 per 100 lbs.

**Boiler Tubes.**—Orders continue active. Lap-welded, steel, 1 1/4-inch, 10c.; 1 1/2-inch, 9c. per 10 feet; 2-inch, \$8.50; 2 1/2-inch, \$10; 3-inch, \$11 to \$11.50; 3 1/2-inch, \$18 to \$18.50 per 100 feet.

**Building Paper.**—Plain, 27c. per roll; tarred, 35c. per roll. Demand is moderate.

**Bricks.**—In active movement, with very firm tone. Price at some yards \$9 to \$9.50, at others, \$9.50 to \$10 for common. Don Valley pressed brick are in request. Red and buff pressed are worth \$18 delivered and \$17 at works per 1,000.

**Broken Stone.**—Lime stone, good hard, for roadways or concrete, f.o.b., Schaw station, C.P.R., 75c. until further notice, per ton of 2,000 lbs., 1-inch, 2-inch, or larger, price all the same. Rubble stone, 55c. per ton, Schaw station, and a good deal moving. Broken granite is selling at \$3 per ton for good Oshawa. (165).

**Cement.**—Car lots, \$1.75 per barrel, without bags. In 1,000 barrel lots \$1.60. In smaller parcels \$1.90 is asked by city dealers. Bags, 40c. extra. (26, 165).

**Coal.**—Retail price for Pennsylvania hard, \$7.25 net, steady. This price applies to grate, eggs, stove, and chestnut; only pea coal is cheaper, namely, \$6.00. These are all cash, and the quantity purchased does not affect the price. In the United States there is an open market for bituminous coal and a great number of qualities exist. We quote. Youghiogheny lump coal on cars here, \$3.70 to \$3.80; mine run, \$3.60 to \$3.75; slack, 2.65 to \$2.85; lump coal from other districts, \$3.40 to \$3.70; mine run 10c. less; slack, 2.50 to \$2.70; cannel coal plentiful at \$7.50 per ton; coak, Solvey foundry, which is largely used here, quotes at from \$5.75 to \$6.00; Reynoldsville, \$4.90 to \$5.00; Connellsville, 72-hour coke, \$5.50. Soft coal and slack are slowly growing less scarce.

**Copper Ingot.**—No change in quotations, business quiet. Price here, 14 1/4c. per lb., and the demand fair.

**Detonator Caps.**—75c. to \$1 per 100; case lots, 75c. per 100; broken quantities, \$1.

**Dynamite,** per pound, 21 to 25c., as to quantity. (83.)

**Felt Roofing.**—The spring trade has opened very well at an unchanged price, which is \$1.80 per 100 lbs.

**Fire Bricks.**—English and Scotch, \$30 to \$35; American, \$25 to \$35 per 1,000. Fire clay, \$8 to \$12 per ton.

**Fuses.**—Electric Blasting.—Double strength 4 feet, \$4.50; 6 feet, \$5; 8 feet, \$5.50; 10 feet, \$6. Single strength, 4 feet, \$3.50; 6 feet, \$4; 8 feet, \$4.50; 10 feet, \$5, per 100 count. Bennett's double tape fuse, \$6 per 1,000 feet.

**Iron Chain.**—1/2-inch, \$5.75; 5-16-inch, \$5.15; 3/4-inch, \$4.15; 7-16-inch, \$3.95; 1/2-inch, \$3.75; 9-16-inch, \$3.70; 5/8-inch, \$3.55; 3/4-inch, \$3.45; 7/8-inch, \$3.40; 1-inch, \$3.40, per 100 lbs.

**Iron Pipe.**—A steady request at former prices:—Black, 1/2-inch, \$2.03; 3/4-inch, \$2.25; 1-inch, \$2.63; 1 1/4-inch, \$3.28; 1-inch, \$4.70; 1 1/2-inch, \$6.41; 1 3/4-inch, \$7.70; 2-inch, \$10.26; 2 1/2-inch, \$16.39; 3-inch, \$21.52; 3 1/2-inch, 27.08; 4-inch, \$30.78; 4 1/2-inch, \$35.75; 5-inch, \$39.85; 6-inch, \$51.70. Galvanized, 1/2-inch, \$2.86; 3/4-inch, \$3.08; 1-inch, \$3.48; 1 1/4-inch, \$4.43; 1-inch, \$6.35; 1 1/4-inch, \$8.66; 1 1/2-inch, \$10.40; 2-inch, \$13.86, per 100 feet. (74).

**Pig Iron.**—There is great activity and prices are maintained. Clarence quotes at \$21 for No. 3; Cleveland, \$20.50 to \$21, Summerlee, for winter delivery, \$22.50 in Canadian pig, Hamilton quotes \$19.50 to \$20 per ton. Producing plants are everywhere busy, and there is considerable business in prospect for 1910.

**Lead.**—An active demand at previous prices, which are \$3.80 to \$3.90 per 100 lbs.

**Lime.**—Retail price in city 35c. per 100 lbs. f.o.b., car; in large lots at kilns outside city 22c. per 100 lbs. f.o.b. car without freight. Demand is moderate.

**Lumber.**—Prices are generally firm, especially in pine. We quote dressing pine \$32.00 to \$35.00 per M; common stock boards, \$26 to \$30; cull stocks, \$20; cull sidings, \$17.50; Southern pine dimension timber from \$30 to \$45, according to size and grade; finished Southern pine according to thickness and width, \$30 to \$40. Hemlock in car lots, \$17 to \$17.50; spruce flooring, car lots, \$22 to \$24; shingles, British Columbia, are higher, we quote \$3.10, lath growing scarce and stiffening, No. 1, \$4.40, white pine, 48-inch; No. 2, \$3.75; for 32-inch, \$1.70.

**Nails.**—Wire, \$2.35 base; cut, \$2.00; spikes, \$2.85 per keg of 100 lbs.

**Pitch and Tar.**—Pitch, unchanged at 70c. per 100 lbs. Coal tar dull at \$3.50 per barrel.

**Plaster of Paris.**—Calcined, New Brunswick, hammer brand, car lots, \$1.95; retail, \$2.15 per barrel of 300 lbs.

**Putty.**—In bladders, strictly pure, per 100 lbs., \$2.25; in barrel lots, \$2.10. Plasterer's, \$2.15 per barrel of three bushels.

**Ready Roofing.**—An active demand; prices are as per catalogue.

**Roofing Slate.**—Most of the slate used in Canada comes now from Pennsylvania or Maine, the Canadian supply being slender and mostly from the Rockland quarries of the Eastern Townships in Quebec. There is a great variety of sizes and qualities, so that it is difficult to indicate prices. But No. 1 Bangor slate 10 x 16 may be quoted at \$7 per square of 100 square feet, f.o.b., cars, Toronto; seconds, 50c. less. Mottled, \$7.25; green, \$7, with a prospect of advance. Dealers are beginning to be busy.

**Rope.**—Sisal, 9 1/2c. per lb.; pure Manila, 10 1/2c. per lb., Base.

**Sand.**—Sharp, for cement or brick work, 90c. per ton f.o.b., cars, Toronto siding.

**Sewer Pipe.**

	4-in.	6-in.	9-in.	10-in.	12-in.	24-in.
Straight pipe per foot	\$0.20	\$0.30	\$0.65	\$0.75	\$1.00	\$3.25
Single junction, 1 or 2 ft. long	.90	1.35	2.70	3.40	4.50	14.65
Double junctions	1.50	2.50	5.00	....	8.50	....
Increasers and reducers	....	1.50	2.50	....	4.00	....
P. traps	2.00	3.50	7.50	....	15.00	....
H. H. traps	2.50	4.00	8.00	....	15.00	....

Business moderate; price, 73 per cent. off list at factory for car-load lots; 65 per cent. off list retail. (52, 84, 138).

**Steel Beams and Channels.**—Quiet.—We quote:—\$2.50 to \$2.75 per 100 lbs., according to size and quantity; if cut, \$2.75 to \$3 per 100 lbs.; angles, 1 1/2 by 3-16 and larger, \$2.50; tees, \$2.80 to \$3 per 100 pounds. Extra for smaller sizes of angles and tees. (30, 42, 50, 118, 119, 127, 132, 145, 176).

**Steel Rails.**—80-lb., \$35 to \$36 per ton. The following are prices per gross ton, for 500 tons or over; Montreal, 12-lb. \$45, 16-lb. \$44, 25 and 30-lb. \$43.

**Sheet Steel.**—The market continues steady; American Bessemer, 10-gauge, \$2.50; 12-gauge, \$2.55; 14-gauge, \$2.35; 17, 18, and 20-gauge, \$2.45; 22 and 24-gauge, \$2.50; 26-gauge, \$2.65; 28-gauge \$2.85. As the dumping clause has been put in operation, an advance in price may be looked for.

**Sheets Galvanized.**—Apollo Brand.—Sheets 6 or 8 feet long, 30 or 36 inches wide; 10-gauge, \$2.90; 12-14-gauge, \$3.00; 16, 18, 20, \$3.10; 22-24, \$3.25; 26, \$3.40; 28, \$3.85; 29, \$4.15; 30 1/2, \$4.15 per 100 lbs. Fleur de Lis—28-gauge, \$4; 26, \$3.80 per 100 lbs. A very large tonnage of all sorts has been booked. The feeling is toward an advance. (111).

**Tank Plate.**—3-16-inch, \$2.40 per 100 lbs.

**Tool Steel.**—Jowett's special pink label, 10 1/2c. Cammel-Laird, 16c. "H.R.D." high speed tool steel, 65c. (4).

**Tin.**—Unsettled in price, various interests contending. At present we quote slightly higher, at 34 1/2 to 35c.

**Wheelbarrows.**—Navy, steel wheel, Jewel pattern, knocked down, \$21.60 per dozen; set up, \$22.60. Pan Canadian, navy, steel tray, steel wheel, \$3.30 each; Pan American, steel tray, steel wheel, \$4.25 each. (132).

**Zinc Spelter.**—A very active movement continues, and a large business is being done. Price as before, \$5.75 to \$6 per 100 lbs.

**CAMP SUPPLIES.**

**Butter.**—Dairy prints, 23 to 24c.; creamery prints, 30 to 32c., the supply is very limited and the demand brisk.

**Canned Goods.**—Peas, \$1.10 to \$1.50; tomatoes, 35, 85c. to 95c.; pumpkins, 35, 80 to 85c.; corn, 80 to 85c.; peaches, 25, white, \$1.50 to \$1.60; yellow, \$1.90 to \$1.95; strawberries, 25, heavy syrup, \$1.50 to \$1.85; raspberries, 25, \$1.50 to \$1.95. (38).

**Cheese.**—Moderately firm; large, 13c.; twins, 13 1/4c.

**Coffee.**—Rio, green, 11 to 12 1/2c.; Mocha, 13 to 23c.; Java, 20 to 31c.; Santos, 11 to 15c.