Groceries.—The sugar market remains without any change locally, and refiners report fair demand. Raw cane sugar is reported firmer in New York by ⅛c., and raw beet is rather firmer. We quote factory price for standard granulated, $4.30; yellows from $3.45 to $4.20. Molasses is firm at 29c. for Barbadoes; Antigua from 22c. upwards. Redpath's syrups are quoted at $1.85 to $2.37½c. The "Parisian" brought out some fair lots of currants and figs via Liverpool. New Eleme figs, in small boxes and briquettes, are quoted at from 12 to 15c., and show up well. The "Escalona," the first direct dried fruit steamer, put into Sydney on Monday for coal, and is due here Friday. Some new bright Sultana raisins are in stock, and are being jobbed at 11c. Canned goods are firm at the late stiffening, and for evaporated apples of new pack, 9½ to 10c. is being asked in quantity. Medium grade Japan teas are reported scarce, and the cabled advance of from ¾ to 1c. is confirmed. The London market for Ceylons is reported quite stiff.

Hides.—The market is without change of any kind. No. 1 beef hides are being bought at 8c. by dealers, who quote 8½ to 9c. to tanners, and the demand is reported about equal to the fair supply. Lambskins steady at 50c.

Leather.—All the shoe houses have their spring samples out, but they are not as yet doing any active buying. Export business in sole keeps up briskly, and there is continued scarcity of jobbers' plump sole, prices of which are advanced, 27c. being now quoted for No. 1, general manufacturers stock unchanged. We quote: Spanish sole, B.A., No. 1, 25 to 26c.; No. 2, B.A., 24 to 25c.; No. 3, B.A., 23 to 24c.; No. 1, ordinary, Spanish, 25c.; No. 2, 23 to 24c.; No. 1, slaughter, 28c.; No. 2, ditto, 25c.; common, 22 to 24c.; Union crop, 20 to 30c.; waxed upper, light and medium, 30 to 35c.; ditto, heavy, 27 to 30c.; grained, 32 to 35c.; Scotch grained, 30 to 35c.; Western splits 20 to 22c.; Quebec ditto, 15 to 17c.; juniors, 15 to 16c.; calf-splits, 30 to 35c.; imitation French calfskins, 60 to 70c.; colored calf, American, 25 to 26c.; Canadian, 20 to 22c.; colored pebble cow, 13 to 15c.; russet sheepskins linings, 30 to 40c.; colored sheepskins, 6½ to 7½c.; black, ditto, 6 to 6½c.; black Indias, 7 to 8c.; harness, 31 to 33c.; buffed cow, 11 to 13c.; extra heavy buff, 15c.; pebble cow, 10 to 12c.; glove-grain, 10 to 12c.; russet and bridle, 35 to 45c.

Metals and Hardware.—Since last report, there has been an advance in carriage and other bolts of about 5 per cent., and nuts of ¼c. a lb. In nails, wire, horseshoes, etc., there has been no recent change. The general quotation for bars is $1.90 to $1.95, and the rolling mills are still said to be behind on orders, but some cutting of jobbing prices is reported in certain quarters. Iron pipe is very firm. Canada plates are in a little better supply, and are a shade easier at $2.70 to $2.75. Coke tins still very stiff on spot, though English quotations for futures are a little easier. A fair-sized lot of Ternes was bought this week for something under $7.75, though it is claimed they would cost $7.62 to lay down at present English prices. Some moderate lots of Summerlee pig iron are now on the wharf, quotation for which is $19.50 to $20; domestic brands are unchanged. Lead is again easy at $3.35; spelter firmer at 4¾c.; ingot tin, 27 to 28c.; copper steady at 17½c.

Oils, Paints and Glass.—Since last writing, linseed oil has declined two cents a gallon, and on the 14th inst. turpentine was marked up two cents a gallon. These are the only recent changes, and all the rest of the list continues steady.

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