

35c.; western splits, 22 to 25c.; Quebec do., 17 to 20c.; 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, 13 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.—The week has been without special feature; an ordinary jobbing demand is reported, but no important deals. A 50-ton sale of Summerlee pig iron is reported at \$17 50, though one holder still asks \$20 to 20 50 for small lots from store. Lead continues very strong at the advance, also iron piping. We quote:—Summerlee pig iron, \$17 50 to \$18 50; Carnron, No. 1, \$17 00; No. 3, \$16 25; Ayrson, No. 1, \$16 50; No. 3, \$16 00; Shotts, \$17 25 to 17 50; Carnbroe, \$16 50, to \$17 00, extra store; Siemens pig No. 1, none; No. 2 Siemens, \$15 00; Ferrona, No. 1, \$30 00; Hamilton No. 1, \$16 00; No. 2, ditto, \$15 25; machinery scrap, \$14 to 15 00; common do., \$12 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, 60 or equal, \$2 15; 52 sheets to box; 60 sheets, \$2 25; 75 sheets, \$2 35; all polished Canadas \$2 40; Terme roofing plate, 20x28, \$5 75 to \$5 90; 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, to; 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 Dalzell, 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; anti-mony, 9 to 10c.

OILS, PAINTS AND GLASS.—Business is reported good and payments improved. Further advance has to be noted in turpentine, which is now quoted at 47c. per gal. for single barrels.

Castor oil continues to strengthen, and 10c. is now given as the lowest figure for fair quantity. The stiffness in leads continues, and it seems pretty well understood that a further slight advance will be established next week. Other lines of goods are all steady at quotations. We quote:—Turpentine, one to four barrels, 47c.; five to nine barrels, 45c., net thirty days. Linseed oil, raw, one to four barrels, 43c.; five to nine barrels, 42c.; boiled, one to four barrels, 46c.; five to nine brls., 45c., net 30 days; olive oil, machinery, 90c.; Nfid cod, 40 to 42c. per gal.; Gaspe oil, 36 to 38c. per gal.; steam refined seal, 40c. per gallon in small lots. Castor oil, 10 to 10½c. as to quantity. Leads (chemically pure and first-class brands only), \$5 37½; No. 1, \$5 00; No. 2, \$4 67½; No. 3, \$4 25; No. 4, \$3 87½; dry white lead, 4½ to 5c.; genuine red do., 4½c.; No. 1 red lead, 4c.; putty, 1.65 to \$1.70 in bulk, \$1.75 to 1.80 in bladders, \$2 to 2.10 in tins; London washed whiting, 40 to 45c.; Paris white, 85 to 90c.; Venetian red, \$1.50 to 1.75; yellow ochre, \$1.25 to 1.50; spruce ochre, \$1.75 to 2.00; window glass, \$1.30 per 50 feet for first break; \$1 40 for second break; third break, \$2.90.

WOOL.—The London wool sales opened this week, and a cable received on Wednesday reports an advance of 5 per cent. on closing prices of last series. This was anticipated. In the local market there is little doing at the moment, but quotations are stiffly held at 15½ to 17c. for Cape; B.A. scoured, 30 to 35c.; domestic fleece, 21 to 23c.; pulled, 20 to 22c. per lb.

LIVERPOOL PRICES.

Liverpool, Sept. 30th, 12.30 p. m.

	s.	d.
Wheat, Spring	8	7
Red Winter	8	10
No. 1 Cal.	8	4
Corn	3	0½
Peas	5	1
Lard	23	9
Pork	30	0
Bacon, heavy	32	0
Bacon, light	31	0
Tallow	18	9
Cheese, new white	45	0
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Income	31,854,194	39,139,558	7,285,364
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