

7d lower, at 42s 4d. Private advices from Glasgow state that the decline in the price of American pig iron is having a material effect upon the home market. Nor is this to be wondered at, considering that the prospective prices of American iron for next year's delivery are about \$3 to \$4 per ton below what Scotch can be had down at in the American market. Within the past two or three weeks some brands of Scotch pig iron have declined 2s. According to advices received from England, the Glasgow market has been a little troubled with five small failures of brokers who have over-sold their accounts. Three of them are members of the Association of Iron Merchants. In one case the bankrupt had an oversold account to the extent of 56,000 tons open. A few weeks ago it reached 92,000 tons. Another bankrupt had an oversold account of 26,000 tons. In one case the assets showed 7s 6d in the £; in another 7s 3d; and in a third, where the liabilities are between £3,000 and £4,000, is 4d in the £. In themselves the failures are, because of their amount, of only passing interest financially, though they influence for a time the prices of the market. The metal market is quiet; tin being quoted here at 20c to 21c, and copper at 15c. In London, ingot tin is quoted 2s 6d higher, at £75 10s, and ingot copper 10s lower, at £56 10s. Tin plates are quiet at \$4.40 to \$4.50 for I.C. charcoal, and \$4 for I.C. coke. Canada plates are nominally quoted at \$2.90 to \$3, the season being over. Bars are unchanged, at \$1.70 to \$1.75, sheets at \$2.40 to \$2.60, and plates \$2.50 to \$2.75. The general hardware trade is dull, and will in all probability remain so until after the holidays. Remittances rather slow.

LEATHER.—The market rules quiet, the only sale of any note reported during the week being a lot of about 300 sides of ordinary No. 1 B A sole leather on p.t., but said to be at

about 24½c. In black leather there have been several lots of harness disposed of at 27½c to 29c for heavy medium, and prices range from 26c to 32c. Very little has transpired in waxed upper, bull and splits. A little more looking around is reported on the part of manufacturers, which, however, has not as yet resulted in anything further. The New York leather market is weak and unsettled and fully 1c lower on sole leather. No improvement is looked for until after the holidays.

NAVAL STORES.—The firm tone of the market for spirits of turpentine is maintained, and prices are quoted at 50c to 52c for jobbing lots. Rosins are steady at about former quotations, and other stores are unchanged, with prices more or less nominal.

OILS.—Fish oils are extremely dull business being restricted to small jobbing parcels. Cod oil is offered at 55c for Halifax, 57½c to 58c for Gaspe and at 60c for Newfoundland. Steam refined seal is quiet but holders do not appear to give way on prices which are quoted at 58c to 60c. Pale seal is quoted at 56c to 57c and straw seal at 52½c to 54c. Linseed oil is quiet but steady at 58c to 59c for new and 61c to 62c for boiled. Cod liver oil \$1.20 to \$1.30. Olive oil 95c to \$1.00.

PETROLEUM.—At the advance quoted last week a fair business has transpired, with a sale reported of a carload in store at 17 5-8. Broken lots are quoted at 18c and single barrels at 18½ to 19c. The Refiners in the West are very firm.

PHOSPHATE.—The first contracts for next season's delivery have been made, sales of 2000 tons having been made for Continental ship-

ment on p.t. but believed to be in the vicinity of 1s 3d per unit for 80 per cent analysis. Prices here are nominally quoted at \$10.50 to \$14.50 per ton.

PROVISIONS.—The pork market is quiet and prices are easy in sympathy with the recent drop of \$1.12½c per bbl. in Chicago. Chicago short cut clear is quoted at \$15.50 to \$16.25, and Chicago mess at \$15 to \$15.50 per bbl. Lard is quiet and steady at 10½c to 10¾c for Western in pails and at 10¾ for Canada. Dressed hogs have sold in car lots at 50 per 100 lbs. Tallow is quoted at 7c to 7½c for rendered.

RAW FURS.—The receipts of skins continue liberal, and now that the local demand has been pretty well satisfied, and the export trade will have to be depended upon for an outlet, country buyers are advised to exercise great caution in their purchases, as, from recent advices from London, the outlook favors lower prices on the majority of furs. Quotations are:—Beaver, fall, per lb., \$2.75 to \$3.25; beaver, winter, per lb., \$3 to \$3.50; bear, large, per skin, \$8 to \$12; bear cub, \$4 to \$7; fisher, \$4 to \$7; red fox, \$1 to \$1.25; cross fox, \$2.50 to \$5; mink, large dark, \$1 to \$1.25; mink, small, 50c to 75c; muskrat, 8c to 10c; otter, large dark, \$10 to \$12; otter, small, \$7 to \$9; marten, \$1 to \$1.25; raccoon, 40c to 60c, and skunk, 25c to 60c. Skins not prime may be valued at fully 25c per cent less than these quotations.

SALT.—The market is very quiet, and prices are unchanged, coarse being quoted at 57½c to 60c for clevers and at 52½c to 55c for twelves. Factory-filled unchanged.

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