OILS, PAINTS AND GLASS.—Fair deliveries are reported for the season, and orders for spring delivery are coming in very satisfactorily. Turpentine keeps showing increased strength, and all the late advances in leads, mixed paints, varnish and linseed oil are very firmly held. Following are quotations: Single barrels, raw and boiled linseed oil, respectively, 66 and 69c. per gallon, for one to four barrel lots; 5 to 9 barrels, 65 and 68c.; net, 30 days, or 3 per cent., for four months' terms. Turpentine, one to four barrels, 83c.; five to nine barrels, 82c.; net 30 days. Olive oil, machinery, 90c.; Cod oil, 37½ to 40c. per gal.; steam refined seal, 40 to 42½c. per gallon; Castor oil, 8 to 8¼c., in quantity; tins, 9 to 9¼c.; machinery castor oil, 7½ to 8c.; Leads (chemically pure and first-class brands only), $6.75; No. 1, $6.37½; No. 2, $6; No. 3, $5.62½; No. 4, $5.25; dry white lead, 5½ to 6c. for pure; No. 1, ditto, 5c.; genuine red ditto, 5c.; No. 1, red lead, 4½ to 4¾c.; Putty, in bulk, bbls., $1.75; kegs, $1.90; bladder putty, in bbls., $1.90; smaller quantities, $2.05; 25-lb. tins, $2.15; 12½-lb. tins, $2.40. London washed whiting, 60c.; Paris white, 75 to 82c.; Venetian red, $1.50 to $1.75; yellow ochre, $1.25 to $1.50; spruce ochre, $1.75 to $2. Window glass, $2 per 50 feet for first break; $2.10 for second break.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, 15th Feb., 1900.

BROOMS.—An advance in the price of broom corn of about 300 per cent., owing, largely, to a crop shortage, added to a considerable advance in the price of wire, and broom-handles, has had its effect on brooms, and they are quoted fifty per cent. higher than formerly, prices ranging from $3.20 to $5.20 per dozen. What makes the advance appear more marked in the cheaper lines is that last season's crop of corn was a "long" crop. There was no short straw, and, as a consequence, there are no small brooms in the market. Thus, whereas brooms could formerly be bought for $1 per dozen, the cheapest now is $3.20 per dozen. There is no prospect of a decline in prices before next October, when the new crop of corn will come in, because the present crop is now all held by the dealers.

BRUSHES AND WOODENWARE.—Brushes show an advance all round of from 10 to 20 per cent., while some special lines, such as badger hair brushes, are up as much as 35 per cent. Higher prices of bristles, and the general advance in other materials used in manufacture, are responsible for the change. Pails and most other descriptions of woodenware also show an advance of from 20 to 25 per cent.

DRUGS.—After a series of advances, the drug market has steadied somewhat, and this week there are no changes in prices. However heavy chemicals will continue to rise untill the opening of navigation, while the demand on certain lines, occasioned by the war, will still give them an upward tendency. No break in prices is looked for.

FLOUR AND MEAL.—The advance in wheat has made the flour market a little firmer, but there is no change in quotations. Bran and shorts are likewise unchanged, and in steady demand. Oatmeal still resists the upward tendency caused by the increased cost of raw material, but the demand, both local and for export, is better, and higher prices are confidently looked for.

GRAIN.—Better English and American markets and a slight advance in France have had their effect on grain here, and the market is stronger all round. Wheat is up to 65 and 66c., and is firm at the advance. Manitobas show a further rise over last week, the figures now being: No. 1,