

last cable quotation being 17c. first cost, equal to about 35c. laid down. Teas continue very quiet but firm in price. Advices as to the new Japan crop are expected in a fortnight or so, and if opening prices are high, the hold which Ceylon greens have already acquired on the market will be much strengthened. In other lines nothing new is reported.

Hides.—Calfskins show liberal receipts, but there is no apparent weakening in quotations, and 11c. is being paid for No. 1, and 9c. for No. 2. Hides show poor quality, and tanners are light buyers; for No. 1 the quotation is still 8c. Lambskins are bought at 10c., and sheepskins at 75c. .

Leather.—Some of the larger shoe factories are still quite busy on spring goods, and Quebec makers are said to be well employed, but considerable attention is now being devoted to fall samples. For leather the demand is moderate, with general firmness in prices. Manufacturers' sole is quoted at 24 to 24½c. for No. 2, and best grades of slaughter at 27 to 28c. Buff is quoted at 11 to 12c.; splits, 19 to 20c. for Ontarios, and 15 to 16c. for Quebecs; grained upper, 14 to 16c.

Metals and Hardware.—The movement in heavy metals and general hardware continues active, and though the season for outdoor work has hardly opened, there is good demand for roofing materials, etc. A moderate lot of 150 tons of Gartsherrie pig iron came to hand a few days ago, and was speedily distributed at \$23.50, net terms. Domestic bars are still comparatively hard to get from the rolling mills in any satisfactory quantity, and considerable quantity of English bars are expected out by first steamers; iron pipe keeps firm at \$4.81 for inch. Canada plates are quoted at \$2.55 to \$2.60 for 52 sheets. For black sheets, the generally accepted figures are now \$2.30 for 24-gauge, \$2.35 for 26-gauge, and \$2.40 for 28-gauge; Ternes, \$7. Sheet zinc is very scarce and is again firmer at 6½ to 6¾c. Very low stocks of spelter are also reported, and 6c. is firmly quoted. Antimony is a little firmer at 8½c. Tin, lead and copper steady at last advance.

Oils, Paints and Glass.—All the warehouses in these lines display much activity in the despatch of goods, and orders still come in well. Linseed oil is steady; turpentine very firm. Leads are still being sold at cut rates, though \$5 seems the limit for chemically pure in ton lots. We quote: Single barrels, raw linseed oil, 59c.; boiled, 62c.; net thirty days, or 3 per cent. for four months' terms. Turpentine, 95c. Olive oil, machinery, 90c.; cod oil, 35 to 37½c. per gallon; steam refined seal, 50 to 53c. per gallon; straw, do., 45 to 47c.; castor oil, 8 to 8½c. for machinery; pharmaceutical ditto, 8½ to 9c.; lead (chemically pure and first-class brands) \$5.15 to \$5.25; No. 1, \$4.75 to \$4.87½; No. 2, \$4.50; No. 3, \$4.12½; No. 4, \$3.75; dry white lead, 4½ to 5c. for pure; No. 1, ditto, 5c.; genuine red ditto, 4¼ to 4½c.; No. 1 red lead, 4 to 4½c.; putty,

in bulk, barrels, \$2; bladder putty in barrels, \$1.90; ditto, in kegs, or boxes, \$2.40; 23-lb. tins, \$2.55; 12½-lb. tins, \$2.65. London washed whiting, 40 to 45c.; Paris white, 75 to 80c.; Venetian red, \$1.50 to \$1.75; yellow ochre, \$1.25 to \$1.50; spruce ochre, \$1.75 to \$2; window glass, \$1.90 to \$2 per 50 feet for first break; \$2 to \$2.10 for second break.

## TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, April 8th, 1903.

Portland Cement.—The demand for Portland cement is very active, both in the United States and Canada. Montreal advices say that the market must soon be bare, and incoming cargoes from England or the Continent will be sold

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