

DRY GOODS.—Last week's business was very satisfactory. Cheap trips from the Eastern Townships brought in quite a few buyers, and orders from other sources were fairly numerous. The continued wet weather of the last four days has naturally had a depressing effect and matters are rather quiet, but a return of fine open weather will improve business again. Some travellers are out on the sorting trip, but a good many will not start out till the middle of October, as fall stocks in the country are hardly broken into yet. City retail trade continues good. The advance of a quarter of a cent in all lines of white cottons, noted last week, is confirmed, and mills in this line are all reported well filled with orders. It is reported that a meeting of the cotton combination is to be held here this week, for what purpose has not transpired. Some very large orders for grey flannels were placed with mill men last week at advanced price, and the market is said to be comparatively bare of these goods.

GROCERIES.—In this line the movement is a growing one, and the demand for all classes of goods is very gratifying; payments are called good. As regards prices there have been no marked changes from a week ago. Sugars are as before quoted, though probably 6½c. would buy a round lot of granulated at refinery, yellows are in a little better supply, but are not at all plentiful. Molasses firm at 32½ to 33c. for Barbadoes; a cargo sold within last few days at 31c. For teas there is an increasing enquiry and Japans and blacks show a decided tendency to firmness; greens are rather quiet. In fruits new Valencias sell at 8½ to 9c., and are scarce on spot. New currants are expected next week and will probably open at 6½ to 6¾c.; stocks of old fruit in all lines are pretty well depleted. In spices pepper is a little easier, cloves also are lower. Canned goods

all rule high as noted a week ago. Coffees are inclined to advance, and Javas in Rotterdam are quoted equal to 2c. advance.

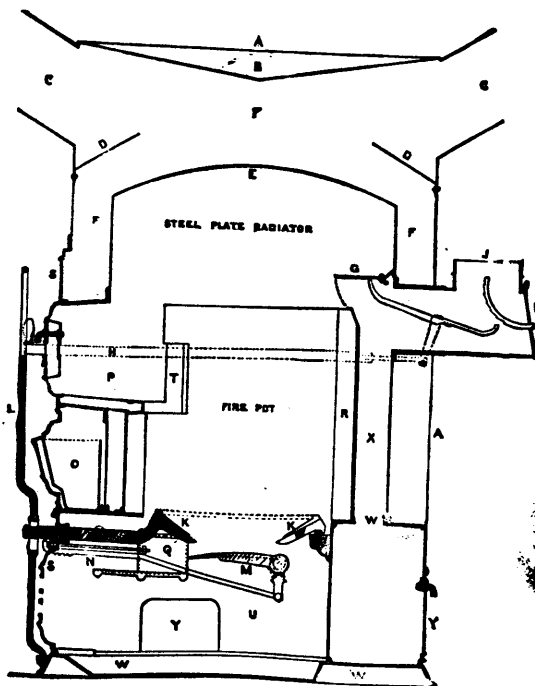
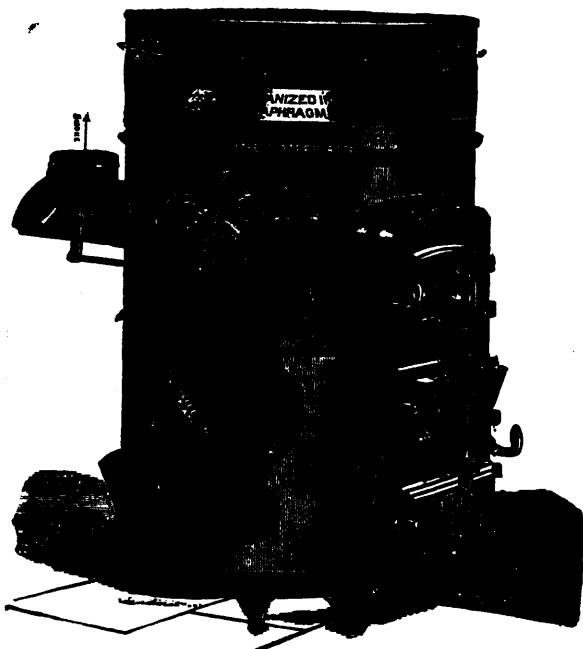
LEATHER AND SHOES.—There has been a fair movement in leather last week, some round lots of splits and pebble grained changing hands; there have also been some large shipments of splits to Britain, one house having sent over a 60-ton lot it is said. Shoe men are getting pretty well through fall business, which has been satisfactory, and will soon be getting up spring samples. Leather prices are unchanged at quotations. We quote:—Spanish sole, B.A. No. 1, 24 to 26c.; do. No. 2, B.A., 20 to 23c.; No. 1 Ordinary Spanish, 23 to 24c.; No. 2 do., 20 to 22c.; No. 1 China, 22 to 23c.; No. 2, 21 to 22c.; ditto, Buffalo Sole, No. 1, 21 to 22c.; ditto, No. 2, 19½ to 21c.; Hemlock Slaughter, No. 1, 26 to 27c.; oak sole, 45 to 50c.; Waxed Upper, light and medium, 33 to 39c.; ditto, heavy, 32 to 36c.; Grained, 34 to 37c.; Scotch grained, 36 to 42c.; Splits large, 22 to 28c.; ditto, small, 16 to 24c.; Calf-splits, 28 to 32c.; Calfskins, (35 to 45 lbs.), 70 to 80c.; Imitation French Calf, skins 80 to 85; Russet Sheepskin Linings, 30 to 40c.; Harness, 24 to 33c.; Buffed Cow, 13 to 16c.; Pebbled Cow, 12 to 15½c.; Rough 13 to 28c.; Russet and Bridle, 54 to 55c.

METALS AND HARDWARE.—The pig iron market shows some of firming up. Letter advices under date of the 18th inst, report makers' prices firmer; the Coltness people had blown out two furnaces owing to labor complications, and Bairds had threatened to do the same. Warrants which have gone up as high as 40/2d. since last report, have fluctuated more or less, last figures being 39/11d. A cable received on the 27th, announced an advance of one shilling in Summerlee. Local prices are unchanged as yet, but are liable to revision if further advices are of similar character to above. Tin keeps going up at home being now cabled at

£102 15/-; tin plates are firmer threepence a box; copper is firmer in the States and sales of eight million pounds reported within last few days. Penn brand of Canada plates hardly to be had at all. Bar iron is said to be firmer in England prices here are as before. We quote:—Summerlee, \$16.50 to \$17; Gartsherrie, \$16.50; Langloan and Coltness, \$16.50 to \$17; Shott, \$16.50; Eglinton and Dalmellington, \$15 to \$15.50; Calder, \$16.50 to \$17; Carnbroe, \$16; Hematite, \$18 to \$19; Siemens, No. 1, \$16.50 to \$17; Bar Iron, \$1.60 to \$1.65; Best Refined, \$1.85; Siemens Bar, \$2.10; Canada Plates, Blaina, \$2.25 to \$2.35; Penn, \$2.50. Tin Plates, Bradley Charcoal, \$5.75 to \$6.00; Charcoal I.C., \$4.25 to \$4.75; do. I.X., \$5.50 to \$6.00; Coke I.C., \$3.75 to \$4.00; Galvanized sheets, No. 28, 5½c to 7c, according to brand; Tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, 6½c; No. 26, 7c, the usual extra for large sizes. Hoops and bands, per 100 lbs., \$2.00; Boiler Plate, per 100 lbs., —; Staffordshire, \$2.25 to \$2.50; Common Sheet iron, \$2.00 to \$2.10; Steel Boiler Plate, \$2.50 to \$2.75; heads, \$4.00; Russian Sheet Iron, 10c to 11c. Lead, per 100 lbs.—Pig, \$3.75 to \$4.00; Sheet, \$4.25 to \$4.50; Shot, \$6.00 to \$6.50; best cast steel, 11c to 13c, firm; Spring, \$2.75 to \$3.00; Tire, \$2.54 to \$2.75; Sleigh shoe, \$2.00 to \$2.25; Round Machinery Steel, 3c to 3½c per lb. Ingot tin, 25c; Bar Tin, 27c; Ingot Copper, 12c to 13c; Sheet Zinc, \$4.25 to \$5.00; Spelter, \$4.00 to \$4.25; Bright Iron Wire, Nos. 0 to 6, \$2.40, per 100 lbs.

OILS AND PAINTS.—Linseed oil continues to be quoted at 60 and 63c. for raw and boiled respectively in lots under 5 brls.; turpentine has advanced to 58 to 60c. under an enormous demand from Europe, and stocks in the South are low. Olive and castor oils unchanged. Fish oils are very flat; cod oil may be quoted at 37½ to 40c.; straw seal 35 to 37½c.; ordinary

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