

ensilage corn, Hungarian grass, and millet is brisk.

Wool.—There is very little doing in the wool market at present, and any movement that can be reported is chiefly for small lots. Supers range in value from 24½ to 26c. per lb.; extra, 30 to 32c.

#### BRITISH MARKETS.

The monthly export iron and metal circular of Messrs. Henderson & Glass, Liverpool, whose representative in Montreal is Mr. D. C. Barker, dated 25th April, 1890, has the following: Iron market unsatisfactory. Second-hand parcels still offering below makers' prices, which tends to weaken the position of manufacturers, who find difficulty in securing specifications. Their prospects are getting worse, owing to the high prices of raw material and the advance in wages which they have yet to face during the next few months. Tin strong and advancing. Tinplates—Prices stronger, there being a good enquiry and some good buying. Zinc sheets much the same. Copper steady. Pig lead decidedly stronger, at 5/- to 7/6 advance. Linseed oil firm at higher prices. Freights—The rate from Liverpool to Montreal is 12/6, and 10% per ton; and to Toronto, Hamilton, and London, 7/6 to 10/- per ton more, and 10% primage, according to classification. Tin and Canada plates from South Wales 2/6 and 10% more. To Halifax, N.S.—On ordinary weight 15/ and 10%, tinplates 17/6 and 10% per ton. From S. Wales 2/6 and 10% more.

J. Lewenz & Hauser Bros.' Tea Letter, dated London, 25th April, says: There has been more business doing generally this week, but it has not by far come up to the expectations of those who hoped to make much by the reduction of the duty, for the demand was limited to teas for price and the advance obtainable even for these sorts very modest. Common black leaf sorts, owing to their greater suitability for mixing with Indian teas, were most in request and advanced ¼d. at the close of last week.

The public sales for the week sum up as under: China teas, 24,210 pkgs., viz., 17,643 Congou and Souchong, 2,044 green, and 4,523 scented tea and Oolong. Indian teas, 55,518 pkgs., including 17,029 Ceylon tea.

Doubts were entertained as to the reduction of the tea duty coming into force as early as 1st prox, and these have to some extent prevented more business from being done these last few days. The adherence to the said date, as made known in Parliament yesterday, would therefore account for the renewed brisk demand in the market to-day for Congous up to 5th.

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1874	\$35.87	\$36.30	\$106.98	\$19,204,787	\$8,474,000	\$71,616
1875	38.66	38.20	108.93	20,657,604	8,941,479	66,790
1876	41.14	48.20	111.94	22,092,734	9,967,672	95,941
1877	51.46	65.20	113.18	23,290,601	9,098,233	73,324
1878	54.11	72.40	115.88	24,034,178	9,211,316	50,693
1879	59.70	84.70	116.66	25,120,804	8,760,189	117,315
1880	62.53	92.50	118.10	26,656,195	9,360,325	117,246
1881	65.46	100.70	118.93	26,403,440	10,324,888	124,325
1882	68.47	109.20	119.32	27,655,896	11,370,008	103,750
1883	71.55	118.10	120.18	28,402,886	13,093,994	154,864
1884	74.71	122.50	120.30	29,080,555	14,568,409	188,968
1885	77.93	137.30	120.70	29,771,230	14,893,319	206,003
1886	81.20	147.60	120.42	30,562,261	15,851,635	292,069
1887	84.53	158.30	120.37	31,545,930	17,004,560	206,728
1888	87.92	169.60	130.74	32,620,677	17,837,244	282,687
1889	91.35	181.50	121.00	33,819,035	18,248,768	344,840
1890	94.84	193.90	120.20	34,895,819	18,251,860	364,163

### COMPARISON.

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1886	703.10	697.70	707.00	715.90	824.00	804.50
1887	684.10	692.10	688.50	718.20	737.40	804.50
1888	672.10	684.10	681.50	700.40	732.40	804.50
1889	659.80	677.10	674.20	701.20	727.80	668.90
Total, \$3,450.10		\$3,561.00	\$3,578.20	\$3,641.20	\$3,845.00	\$3,886.90
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