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quote creamery 18 to 18½c. for finest; Townships dairy 16 to 17c.; western 14 to 15½c. per lb. Eggs 8 to 9½c. per dozen.

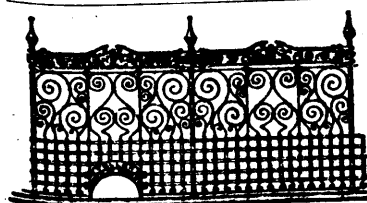
GROCERIES.—A fair degree of improvement is to be noted in this line of trade, and several houses consulted report a satisfactory distribution of goods in progress. In teas excitement may almost be said to be running high; there is active enquiry, and a good many considerable lots, notably of Japans, have been selling. Offers made to New York of an advance of from half a cent to a cent have been declined, the reply saying, "Nothing under a cent and a half advance will buy these goods. Cables quote a large advance in cost and exchange, and the market here is exceedingly active, prices taking quite a jump. Japans from 16c. downward are fully 2c. advanced." Some large lots of old Japan teas which have been held here for some time have all been closed out at good prices, some considerable shipments having been made to St. Louis and St. Paul, U.S. In London, China teas are active and very firm, and it is reported that Ping Sueys and Formosa Oolongs have been advanced there from 25 to 35%. Sugars are unchanged from last week, though further advance is reported in New York. Granulated is quoted at the refinery at 4½c.

with the lowest figure in yellows 3½c. Coffees are quiet; we quote Rio 19 to 21c., Java 24 to 30c., Mocha 23 to 28c., Maracaibo 18½ to 21c. Further lots of California loose muscatel raisins have been received, and are meeting with much favor from the retail trade. They are being jobbed at 6½c., and it is pretty certain will be more largely dealt in hereafter. Of Valentias there are no stocks in wholesale hands. Currants are in fair supply at from 3½ to 6½c. as to quality. There are predictions of a shortage of 30,000 tons in this year's crop.

HIDES AND TALLOW.—There has been active buying of hides on American account in Ontario for the last several weeks, but the better prices being paid locally are rather due to the intense competition among dealers than to any other cause. The nominal price for No. 1 green hides is 3½c. per lb., but it is said over 4c. has been paid in some cases, though 4½c. is the extreme figure that can be realized from tanners for No. 1 cured and inspected. Heavy steers are bought at 4½c. and sold to tanners at 5½ to 5¾c. per lb. The few calfskins coming in bring 5c.; lambskins, 30 to 35c. though more has been paid in some cases. Tallow is somewhat dull at 5½c. for rendered.

LEATHER.—No general improvement can be noted in the demand, though one large manufacturing shoe house seems impressed with the idea that prices have gone about as low as they can, and has been buying some pretty big blocks of slaughter sole and good quality splits, about cleaning up the market in this latter line. American advices show an improved market to some extent, and English circulars just to hand breathe a more hopeful feeling, though they state that the future depends largely on the results of the harvest. We quote:—Spanish sole, B. A. No. 1, 18 to 20c.; do No. 2 to B. A., 16 to 17c.; No. 1 ordinary Spanish, 17 to 18c.; No. 2, 15½ to 16½c.; No. 1 slaughter, 18 to 20c.; No. 2 do., 17 to 18c.; American oak sole, 39 to 43c.; waxed upper, light and medium, 24 to 26c.; do. heavy, 20 to 24c.; grained, 24 to 26c.; Scotch grained, 25 to 27c.; splits, large, 13 to 15c.; do. small, 10 to 12½c.; calf-splits, 27 to 30c.; calfskins (35 to 40 lbs.), 50 to 60c.; imitation French calfskins, 60 to 70c.; colored calf, American, 23 to 27c.; Canadian, 19 to 21c.; colored pebble cow, 12½ to 13½c.; russet sheepskin linings, 30 to 40c.; harness, 18 to 25c.; buffed cow, 9 to 11c.; extra heavy buff, 12½c.; pebbled cow, 8 to 12c.; polished buff, 9 to 11c.; glove grain, 9 to 11c.; rough, 16 to 18c.; russet and bridle, 40 to 50c.

METALS AND HARDWARE.—Rather more enquiry is reported in the heavy metal trade, but thus far there has not been much resulting business, and transactions of any importance are not numerous. Scotch warrants are cabled firmer at 43s. 5d., and makers' prices for Summerlee, Gartsherrie and Eglinton are slightly advanced, but local prices are just as they were. Cables have been received that tin plates are firmer, and a party ordering a 1,000-box lot has had to pay an advance of eight pence, but prices there are still abnormally low, and it is impossible to get any better prices here yet. Stocks at Swansea are reported to be 302,000 boxes at date, as compared with 269,000 boxes this time last year. Bar iron is dull and weak, the bulk of the sales being at \$1.70 for Canadian. Ingot tin is cabled £3 a ton advanced and local quotations are stiffer. Lead and copper are also somewhat firmer abroad. We quote:—Coltess pig iron, none here; Calder, No. 1, \$19.50; Calder No. 3, \$18.50; Summerlee, \$19.50 to 20.00; Eglinton, \$18.50; Gartsherrie, none here; Langloan, none here; Carnbroe, \$18; Shotts, none here; Middlesboro, No. 3, \$17; Siemens, pig, No. 1, \$16.25 to \$16.50; Ferrona, No. 1, \$16.50; machinery scrap, \$14.50 to 15.00; common do., \$10.00 to 12.00; bar iron, Canadian, \$1.70 to 1.75; British, \$2.25; best refined, \$2.40; Low Moor, \$5.25; Canada plates—Blaina, or Garth, \$2.10 to 2.15; all polished Canadas, \$2.75; Terne roofing plate, 20 x 28, \$6.00 to \$6.25. Black sheet iron, No. 28, \$2.40; No. 26, \$2.25; No. 24, \$2.10; tin plates—Bradley charcoal, \$5.25 to \$5.50; charcoal I.C., \$3.50; P.D. Crown, \$4.00; do. I.X., \$4.75 to 5.00; Coke I.C., \$2.85 to 3.00; coke wasters, \$2.75; galvanized sheets, No. 28, ordinary brands, 4½ to 4¾c.; No. 26, 4c.; No. 24, 3¾c., in case lots; Morewood, 5½ to 6c.; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, 6 to 6½c.; No. 26, 6½ to 6¾c.; the usual extra for large sizes. Hoops and bands, per 100 lbs., \$2.80 to 2.85. Steel boiler plate, ½ inch and upwards, \$2.10 to 2.15; ditto, three-sixteenths inch, \$2.60; common tank iron, \$1.65 to 1.85; heads, \$2.85;



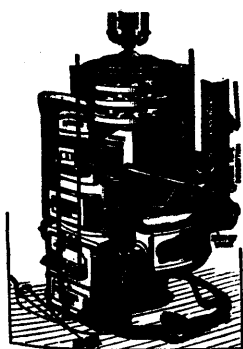
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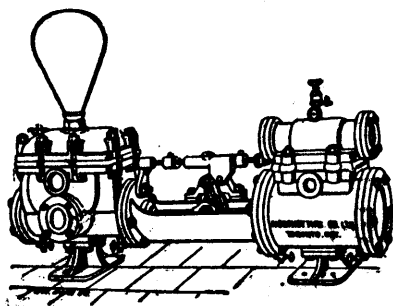
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