

\$2 to 2.10 in tins; London washed whiting, 40 to 45c; Paris white, 85 to 90c; Venetian red, \$1.50 to 1.75; yellow ochre, \$1.25 to 1.50; spruce ochre, \$1.75 to 2.00; Paris green, 12½ to 13c in bulk; packages, 14c; window glass, \$1.30 per 50 feet for first break; \$1.40 for second break; third break, \$2.90.

BRITISH MARKETS.

Messrs. Gillespie & Co.'s prices current, dated Liverpool, August 5th, 1897, say: Sugar—Raw is firm, and refined is quoted at an advance of fully 6d. per cwt. generally. Rice—Cleaned is in improved demand at rather higher prices. Chemicals—Sodas, etc., show little alteration since our last. Roll and flour sulphur are firmer at 6s. 3d. and 7s. 6d. per cwt. respectively. Cream tartar is quoted at 76s. 6d. per cwt. less 2½ per cent. on spot here. Oils—Castor has advanced to 3½d. to 3 7/16d. per lb. Olive remains as last quoted. Palm generally is 20s. to 25s. per ton dearer.

Freights are about the same as last:—Montreal—Groceries, 7s. 6d. to 10s; oils, 7s. 6d. to 12s. 6d. Toronto—Groceries, 19s. to 25s.; chemicals, 21s. to 29s; oils, 21s. to 30s. Halifax, N.S.—Groceries, chemicals and oils, 12s. 6d. to 15s. St. John, N.B.—Groceries, chemicals and oils, 15s. to 20s.

LIVERPOOL WOOD MARKET.

Farnworth & Jardine's wood circular, dated Liverpool, 5th August, 1897, says:—

"The arrivals from British North America during the past month have been 58 vessels, 65,239 tons, against 57 vessels, 54,226 tons during the corresponding month last year, and the aggregate tonnage to this date from all places during the years 1895, 1896 and 1897 has been 201,334, 272,296 and 288,708 tons respectively.

"Business during the month has generally been dull; imports have been on too extensive a scale, and although the deliveries have been fair, stocks have accumulated and in many instances are much too heavy; values have been difficult to maintain, in some articles a considerable decline has to be recorded.

"CANADIAN WOODS.—Of waney and square pine the import has been large; there is a fair demand for first-class wood, and little change in value to report; second-class is difficult to move, and prices are low; the stock is now quite ample. Square pine has been imported more moderately, but the demand continues very dull, and values remain unchanged. Red pine has not been imported; there is a little more enquiry for large wood, but small wood is neglected. Oak has again been imported freely; the deliveries, chiefly of first-class wood, have been large, and prices remain firm; inferior wood can only be sold at extremely low prices. Elm is in fair request, but there is no change in value. Ash.—There is a little better enquiry, but the stock is sufficient. Pine Deals, Boards, etc.—The arrivals have been very heavy, the deliveries have been satisfactory, but the stock is much too large; there is no change in value to report.

"NEW BRUNSWICK AND NOVA SPRUCE AND PINE DEALS.—Of spruce deals the import during the past month has been one of the heaviest on record, and the stock is now excessive. Sales have been most difficult to effect and prices have had a declining tendency throughout the month. The figures showing the stock in the table below do not include a large quantity which has gone up the Manchester Canal and unsold, estimated at about 10,000 standards. Pine deals are only saleable at very low rates.

"BIRCH.—The import of logs has been large, the bulk of which being forced off at auction sales at extremely low prices; this has had the effect of increasing the deliveries, but the stock is quite ample, and shipments should be reduced. Birch planks are more enquired for, but prices continue very low.

"OREGON AND BRITISH COLUMBIAN PINE.—There have been no arrivals, though a cargo is shortly due; the deliveries have been fairly satisfactory, and the stock is now reduced to a moderate compass; there is no change in values to report.

"SEQUOIA (CALIFORNIAN REDWOOD).—Recent sales have been only of retail quantities, but two cargoes have just arrived, and this will no doubt stimulate the demand; prices, however, are rather low.

"PITCH PINE.—The arrivals during the past month have been 10 vessels, 12,224 tons, against 9 vessels, 10,295 tons, during the like

period last year. Of hewn, we have again had a large import; the consumption has been light and the stock is considerably increased. Of sawn, the import has been fairly heavy, and as the consumption has only been moderate, the stock is increased, although not excessive. Deals and Boards have again been imported freely; there has, however, been a good consumption, but the present stock is ample."

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Liverpool, Aug. 19th, 12.30 p.m.

	s.	d.
Wheat, Spring	7	6½
Red Winter	7	5
No. 1 Cal	7	9
Corn	3	0½
Peas	4	8
Lard	23	6
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