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Glassware	24,860	37,730
Fancy Goods	416,238	610,311
Free do	978,271	1,651,458

And the total importations were \$9,077,572, against \$9,844,369 during the first four months of 1872.

OIL MATTERS IN PETROLIA.

(From our own Correspondent.)

PETROLIA, May 19, 1873.

Business generally better. The demand for crude is still in excess of the supply. The production is very small, not exceeding last week's report. The export firms are shipping as usual. Enghart & Co. are sending off about 3,000 brls per week. The Carbon Oil Co. have some splendid stills running in Petrolia on the new Cochrane principle of flues through the centre. There are four of them of a capacity of 250 brls each, running three times a week. No material change in prices, though an advance to 28c will take place this week. Crude, from \$1.15 to 1.20 per brl. Refined, in lots, 26c per gal.

ENGLISH HARDWARE MARKET.

IRON.—This metal is less difficult to obtain than for some few weeks past, and makers of second class qualities are not so firm either in respect of pig or finished. The Quarterly meetings of the ironmasters have been held during the month, and prices have generally advanced, some of them conspicuously so. For instance, some of them extensively in the making charcoal rods, used so extensively in the making of best nails and the like, are £5 higher in price than they were when, at the end of June, last year, prices had reached their maximum, and that an unprecedented height. As it is, the quotations nearly all round are level with those of that earlier date. The difference between

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Ottawa, April, 1873.

the prices in the spring of last year and those now prevailing indicate the advances that were made between the close of April and the close of June last year; during which time finished iron rose as much as from £2 5s. to £4 5s. per ton. Pig iron it will be seen has in the twelve months, risen from 40s to 50s. The current prices of Middlesboro' iron is No. 1, £6 5s., No. 3, £5 17s 6d., and No. 4, £5 15s net cash at the works. The quantities being sent away are very great, and considerably in excess of last year; and the prices are thus high, notwithstanding that the make is increasing even more than the export is larger. At the same time that there is an excellent business being done with foreign countries in raw iron, most of the foundries at home are large consumers; so high, however, have the prices gone up recently that there are here and there a few makers of the first quality of iron who are not selling so freely as they would wish, and are contemplating reducing their make. Prices are so high now that they have no alternative but to adopt this course. They cannot materially reduce their present quotations, which are firm on the spot at £9 for cold blast argillaceous iron. The London warehouses are taking large quantities of good finished iron, to be used up in the metropolis and to be sent abroad; but the merchants hesitate to purchase at the top prices required by the ironmasters. The latter, however, on their part are unable greatly to yield, owing to the dearth of raw iron and fuel, and to the further circumstance that they have had to consent to give their ironworkers an advance of from 7½ to 10 per cent up to the end of September next. We are unable to see that any great relief should be anticipated until that agreement has terminated. At the same time merchants who have good orders to place may get them accepted at terms favorable to themselves as compared with the makers' published rates.

STEEL.—The make is large and the demand good; but competition is keen. Hence, though prices are higher than they were a year ago to the extent as to English spring of from £1 to £2, yet this metal has not risen in proportion to iron. The railway companies are buying it

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alike in the shape of rails and as sheets; but of the former large quantities are being now turned out by the North-Western Company especially. The waggon companies are good customers for springs; and a large trade was being done up to a few months ago with America, but the inquiries on account of that market have now very much fallen off for spring steel.

COPPER.—This metal has been in fair demand. At the beginning of the month prices were very strong, and there was an expectation that there would be a rise at an early day; but as the month wore on supplies came forward, and that expectation was not realized. The month closes with prices less strong than at the beginning of April. The change is, however, very slight, and it is not anticipated that it will early become much more marked. Our table shows that copper is not worth so much by from £2 to £5 per ton as it was a year ago.

TIN.—Tin is affected by the character of the recent arrivals, and by the desire of holders in Holland to realize. Buyers are experiencing the benefit of this, and the Cornish smelters are suffering. In Cornwall there has been two or three reductions lately, and within a week standards were reduced £6. Consumers are not, however, coming forward. They are looking for further reductions; and this, notwithstanding that the prices at present are so much under those of twelve months ago, as is shown by the comparison furnished in our "Prices Current."

LEAD.—Lead maintains the position which it had taken last month. Between the prices today and those of a month ago there is hardly a fractional difference. The metal is, however, £3 to £4 dearer than a twelvemonth since; whilst red lead is dearer by £4 10s. A good trade has been done in the month with the Continent generally, and with Russia particularly.

SPELTER.—Spelter is firm, and there is hardly any difference between the quotations now and those of a month ago. A few samples may perhaps be got at five shillings in favour of buyers as compared with the previous period. The demand is not active.

ZINC.—Sheet zinc is unaltered upon the month, with a quiet business doing.

QUICKSILVER.—Quicksilver maintains the improved condition it has recently taken up.—*Morgan's Trade Journal.*