

orders for China blacks are being placed on about the same basis as last year. Ceylons and Indians are reported firm, with a somewhat short crop, but quality is said to be specially good. Ceylon greens are selling freely. The Japan market is on about the same level as last year, good mediums being quoted at 18c., and common at 16c. per pound.

Hides.—No change is reported since a week ago. Dealers are generally paying 8½c. per lb. for No. 1 beef hides. Calfskins are still quoted at 11 and 9c. per lb. for Nos. 1 and 2 respectively. It is expected lambskins will be advanced next week to 40 or 45c. each.

Metals and Hardware.—The week has not developed any specially new features. Heavy metals are quieter, but in general hardware there is quite a good movement. Some moderate transactions are reported in Summerlee pig iron at \$21 for No. 2, selected; of Gartsherrie and Eglinton there is some stock here, \$21 being quoted for the former, and \$20.50 for the latter. For English iron, \$18.75 is quoted, but fair lots could be done at fifty cents less. Bars rule steady at \$1.95 to \$2. Scotch boiler plate from stock is quoted at \$2.10, but some fair orders for import are said to have been placed at something less than \$2; American boiler plate would cost \$2.20 to \$2.25. Sheets are not quotably lower, but holders seem more anxious to sell. Tin, lead, and copper are not specially changed.

Oils, Paints and Glass.—Business is hardly so active as it was, though a fair movement for the season is reported. As anticipated last week, there has been a decline in linseed oils, and it is reported boiled has been quoted as low as 53 cents. We quote, as follows: Single barrels, raw linseed oil, 51 to 52c.; boiled, 53 to 54c.; net 30 days, or 3 per cent. for 4 months' terms. Turpentine, 73c., single barrel. Olive oil, machinery, 90c.; cod oil, 35 to 37½c. per gallon; steam refined seal, 50 to 55c. per gallon; straw, do., 45 to 47c.; castor oil, 7½ to 8c., for machinery; pharmaceutical ditto, 8½ to 9c.; lead (chemically pure and first-class brands) \$5 to \$5.15; No. 1, \$4.75 to \$4.87½; No. 2, \$4.50; No. 3, \$4.12½; No. 4, \$3.75; dry white lead, 4½ to 4¾c. for pure; No. 1 ditto, 4 to 4¾c.; genuine red ditto, 4¼-4½c.; No. 1 red lead, 4c.; putty, in bulk, bbls., \$1.80; bladder putty in barrels, \$1.90; ditto, in kegs, or boxes, \$2.40; 23-lb. tins, \$2.55; 12½-lb. tins, \$2.65. London washed whiting, 40c.; Paris white, 75 cents; Venetian red, \$1.50 to \$1.75; yellow ochre, \$1.25 to \$1.50; spruce ochre, \$1.75 to \$2; Paris green, 14c. in bulk, and 15c. in 1-lb. packages; window glass, per 100 ft., \$3.50 for first break; \$3.70 for second break, and \$4.20 for third break; per 50 feet, \$1.95 for first break; \$2.05 for second break.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, July 30th, 1903.

Chemicals, Drugs, etc.—The comparative firmness in quinine, opium and mor-

phine continues. In these items in the local market, a fairly good business for this time of the year is passing; otherwise, trade is a little on the dull side. Prices, however, keep up well. The New York market for drugs at the present time is quiet. There was less demand from the large buyers of quinine. Some little export demand for opium is being manifested, but only a very small jobbing business is reported. Manchester advices recently to hand spoke of a dull demand for chemicals in Great Britain.

Dry Goods.—As may be expected at this time of the year, the wholesale houses are a little quiet just now, though no complaint can be made as to the amount of business being carried through. Prices in practically all lines of dry goods remain very firm.

Flour and Grain.—Practically no change has taken place in the flour and grain market since last report, and quotations remain the same. Little business is being done in wheat or other grains, while flour, millfeed, oatmeal, etc., keep in fair demand.

Fruits and Vegetables.—Wholesale fruit merchants report a heavy week, with large quantities of raspberries and other fruits being sold. Red and black currants and huckleberries are rather scarce and a little higher priced. Apples in baskets are becoming more plentiful, and sell at 20 to 25c. Cucumbers are easier, at 20 to 35c. per basket. California fruits are not particularly plentiful just now. Plums and peaches are firm, but large quantities are expected shortly. Watermelons sell freely at about 25 to

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