Leads (chemically pure and first-class brands only), \$4.50 to 5.00; No. 1, \$4.50; No. 2, \$4.25; No. 3, \$4.00; dry white lead, 5c.; genuine red do., 4½c.; No. 1 red lead, 4c.; putty, 2c. in bladders per brl. London washed whiting, 50c.; Paris white 90c. to \$1; Venetian red, \$1.50 to 1.75; yellow ochre, \$1.50 to 1.75; spruce ochre, \$2.25 to 2.50. Window glass, \$1.25 per 50 feet for first break, \$1.35 for second break; third break, \$2.90.

TORONTO MARKETS.

TORONTO, April 12th, 1894.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—The wholesale houses are fairly busy. The talk is now of fall samples; but styles will show no material difference over those of last year. Some shipments of fall goods are expected from the east within a couple of weeks time, which is slightly earlier than usual. In rubber goods, values of low rubbers will probably be somewhat higher, while those goods containing felt material show opposite tendencies.

DRUGS.—Things are just a little on the quiet side; at least in so far as the wholesale houses of Toronto are concerned. Most of the staples remain unchanged in value. Quotations for opium are a shade lower. Norwegian cod liver oil has advanced as a result of a good enquiry and a continued strength abroad. Collections are dragging somewhat. The N.Y. *Journal and Bulletin of Commerce*, under date of April 10th, says: "The spring trade to this time has certainly proved most unsatisfactory, and though hope is expressed of better results later on, the indications are regarded by many as not of a very promising character. Upon the present low basis of values there is a generally steady feeling, with few changes of importance to note. The position of opium and quinine is unchanged. Sanderson's oil lemon has declined. Nitrate of silver shows a slight advance. Tartaric acid is firmer.

DRY GOODS.—Wintry weather has interrupted trade, and things have been somewhat quiet this week with both retail and wholesale houses. Still merchants speak in a hopeful manner of trade conditions, and their representatives continue to send in moderately large sorting orders. In values the only marked change is a drop in the prices of grey and white cottons, which are a result of tariff changes. Collections are fairly well met.

FLOUR AND MEAL.—Since writing last, the flour market has witnessed a little flurry; it can, as yet, hardly be called more, and a somewhat better feeling exists. The improved situation is due, however, entirely to the wheat market, which, as a result of adverse reports concerning the growing crop, indicates an upward tendency, and stocks of flour held are generally considered large. Merchants have advanced prices of some grades 10c. per barrel, and quotations now stand: Manitoba patent, \$3.80; Manitoba strong bakers, \$3.55 to 3.60; patents, \$3; straight roller, \$2.75 to 2.80; extra, \$2.60 to 2.75. The advance cannot, as yet, however, be considered fully established. With an advancing season, the movement in oatmeals shows a tendency to falling off; quotations for rolled stand at \$4.15 to 4.25, and for standard, at \$4 to 4.10. Bran and shorts are scarce and in good demand.

GRAIN.—Business has been more active in wheat circles this week; the movement to local millers has increased, while some transactions

CITY OF VICTORIA

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

TENDER FOR DEBENTURES.

Sealed Tenders endorsed "Tenders for Debentures" will be received at the office of the undersigned up to 4 p.m. on the 18th day of June, 1894, for the purchase of debentures of the corporation of the City of Victoria, B. C., amounting to \$55,000, or its sterling equivalent at the rate of \$4.86⅔ to the one pound sterling, in sums of \$1,000 each, or its sterling equivalent as aforesaid, payable in fifty years from the 1st of May, 1894, and bearing interest from that date at the rate of 4½ per cent. per annum, payable half-yearly, with principal and interest payable as aforesaid at the office of the Bank of British North America either in London, England, New York, U. S.A., or Montreal, Canada.

The corporation reserves to itself the right to redeem and purchase these debentures on paying the amount thereof and the interest due thereon at the date of such purchase to the holder or holders thereof, at any time after twenty-five years from the date of issuance of such debentures.

The tenderer must state the price net at Victoria which he will pay.

In addition to the net price the purchaser will have to pay the corporation the interest at 4½ per cent. from the 1st May, 1894, to whatever date the money is received by the City Treasurer.

The above debentures are issued under authority of "The Electric Lighting By-Law, 1894," with principal and interest secured by a rate on all ratable land and improvements in the Corporation of the City of Victoria.

The Corporation does not bind itself to accept any tender.

CITY CLERK.

City Clerk's Office, Victoria, B.C.
April, 1894.