

generally to the effect that there is little doing in the way of trade in the interior villages just now, as farmers are all busy making a finish of harvesting operations while the fine weather lasts. Teas are comparatively neglected at the moment, as buyers are awaiting the results of John Duncan & Co.'s trade sale, which takes place on the 23rd instant, when between 3,000 and 4,000 packages of Japan teas will be offered. Values rule steady both in Japan and New York. Sugars are as they were, and refiners report a good demand. Granulated still 4½c. per pound at factory, and some few lots of low grade yellows have been turned out recently at 3½c. Molasses dull and nominally 38 to 39c. per gallon for Barbadoes, but more or less cutting in price is being done; the same is true of rice, the mill price for which is \$3.70 in thousand-bag lots, but a single bag can be bought at 20 cents under this figure, several French Canadian houses being notorious "cutting" sinners in this respect. A few odd boxes of new Valencia raisins, have been received *via* Liverpool, but

can hear of no sales. The first direct Mediterranean steamer leaves Patras in a few days, but as she will probably stop at several different ports for cargo, the date of her arrival here is somewhat uncertain. Tobacco and spices are without change. Canned lobsters firm at \$7.50 to 9.50, according to brand; standard pack salmon \$1.40 to 1.45. The late cool weather has made canners rather backward in making contracts.

**LEATHER.**—There is a little more doing in a small way, but leather men say there is no briskness in the movement, although shoe men generally report good orders, and are disposed to think that the shoe manufacturers must be buying, to some extent, direct from the tanners. Prices have not undergone any recent revision. Last English mail advices report a steady demand for hemlock sole, with prices firm at late figures, also more movement in buff, and an improved enquiry for splits. We quote Spanish sole, B.A., No. 1, 21 to 23c.; do., No. 2, B.A., 16 to 17c.; No. 1, ordinary Spanish, 19 to 20c.; No. 2, ditto, 15 to 16c.; No. 1, China, none to be had; No. 1 slaughter, 20 to 23c.; No. 2 do., 18 to 20c.; American oak sole, 39 to 43c.; British oak sole, 38 to 45c.; waxed upper, light and medium, 26 to 30c.; ditto, heavy, 23 to 28c.; grained, 26 to 30c.; Scotch grained, 22 to 37c.; splits, large, 16 to 21c.; do., small, 12 to 15c.; calf splits, 32 to 33c.; calfskins (35 to 40 lbs.), 50 to 60c.; imitation French calfskins, 65 to 80c.; russet sheepskin linings, 30 to 40c.; harness, 20 to 26c.; buffed cow, 11 to 14c.; extra heavy buff, 14 to 16c.; pebbled cow, 11 to 14c.; polished buff, 10½ to 13½c.; glove grain, 11 to 13½c.; rough, 20 to 25c.; russet and bridle, 45 to 55c.

**METALS AND HARDWARE.**—The movement in iron and metals has not received any impetus since this day week, and consumers are only buying for present wants. The market shows little variation; a coterie of London operators are manipulating the Glasgow warrant market, and buy up everything offering at about 47/-; makers' prices for Scotch iron are as they were. Middlesboro iron is firmer, owing to the difficulty of getting freights mainly, and we advance No. 1 to \$19. Scrap railway chairs would cost \$18.50 to 19.00, and are not being handled, being dear as compared with pig iron. Bar is being generally sold at \$2. Tin andterne plates steady at quotations; \$2.75 is being shaded for Canada plates in round lots. Copper, lead and tin are unchanged. We quote:—Coltness, \$22; Calder, No. 1, \$21 to 21.50; Calder, No. 3, \$20; Summerlee, \$21.25 to 21.50; Eglinton, \$19.00 to 19.50; Gartsherrie, \$21 to 21.50; Carnbroe, \$19 to 19.50; Shotts, \$21.50; Middlesboro, No. 3, \$18.00; No. 1, \$19; cast scrap railway chairs, &c., \$18.50 to 19; machinery scrap, \$15 to 18; common ditto, \$13; bar iron, \$2 for Canadian; British, \$2.25; best refined, \$2.50. The products of the Londonderry Iron Company we quote as follows: Siemens' pig No. 1, \$21 for round lots. Canada Plates

—Blaina, Swansea, and Garth, \$2.75. Terne roofing plate, 20 x 28, \$8.00 to 8.25. Black sheet iron, No. 28, \$2.60; No. 26, \$2.50; No. 24, \$2.40; tin plates—Bradley charcoal, \$6; charcoal I. C., \$4.25; P.D. Crown, \$4.50; do. I.X., \$5.25 to 5.50; coke I. C., \$3.75; coke wasters, \$3.35; galvanized sheets, No. 28, ordinary brands, 5 to 6c.; Morewood, 6½ to 6¾c.; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, 6¾c.; No. 26, 7c.; the usual extra for large sizes. Hoops and bands, per 100 lbs., \$2.40. Staffordshire boiler plate, \$2.75 to 3.00; common sheet iron \$2.40 to 2.60 according to gauge; steel boiler plate, \$3.00; heads, \$4.00; Russian sheet iron, 10 to 10½c.; lead per 100 lbs., pig, \$3.50 to 3.75; sheet, \$4 to 4.25; shot, \$6 to 6.50; best cast steel, 11 to 12c.; spring, \$2.50; tire, \$2.50 to 2.75; sleigh shoe, \$2.40; round machinery steel, \$3.00; ingot tin 22 to 23c.; bar tin, 25c.; ingot copper, 13½ to 15c.; sheet zinc, \$6.50; spelter, \$6; American do. \$5.50; antimony, 14c.; bright iron wires Nos. 0 to 8, \$2.65 per 100 lbs.; annealed do., \$2.70; galvanized, \$3.35; the trade discount on wire is 7½ per cent. Coil chain, ½ inch, 5c.; ¾ in., 4½c.; 7-16 in., 4½c.; ½ in., 4c.; ¾ in., 3½c.; 1 in., 3½c.; and upwards, 3c.

**OILS, PAINTS AND GLASS.**—Business in these lines is rather brisker, but we can note few changes in values. Dry white lead is firmer, as Cookson's and some other of the larger producers are said to be sold short; but no revision of local prices has been made. Linseed oil is quoted at 60c. for raw, and 63c. for boiled in lots; another cent would be exacted in a jobbing way; turpentine, 54 to 56c. as to lot; castor still sold at 8½ to 9c. in fair lots; Nfld. cod oil, 41 to 43c.; steam refined seal, 46 to 48c. Glass and colors as before. We quote:—Leads (chemically pure and first-class brands only) \$5.50 to 5.75; No. 1, \$5 to 5.25; No. 2, \$4.75; No. 3, \$4 to 4.50; dry white lead, 5 to 5½c.; genuine red do., 4½ to 4¾c.; No. 1 red lead, 4c.; London washed whiting, 50c.; Paris white, 90c. to \$1; Cookson's Venetian red, \$1.75; other brands of Venetian red, \$1.50 to 1.75; yellow ochre \$1.50 to 1.75; spruce ochre, \$2.25 to 2.50. Window glass, \$1.40 per 50 feet for first break, \$1.50 for second break; third break, \$3.25. For 50-box lots some concession would be made on these figures in most cases.

**PROVISIONS.**—For pork a better demand has prevailed of late, and holders are stiffer in their views. We now quote Western short-cut \$17.25 to 17.50; Canadian ditto, \$17; Western mess, \$15.50 to 16.00 per barrel; hams, 10½ to 11½c.; bacon, 9½ to 10½c.; lard, 7½ to 8c. per pound.

**WOOL.**—The trade report a very quiet movement, business being confined to a few sales of low quality Cape at 14½ to 15c. The London sales now on show an even market. The local idea seems to favor firmer prices when mill men begin to buy, as there is no stock of account on spot, and a cargo now shortly due is well sold up. We quote Cape 14½ to 16½c.; no Australian or Natal; very little B. A. at 34 to 38c.; Canadian fleece very slow of movement, and we hear of no transactions.

#### TORONTO MARKETS.

TORONTO, Sept. 17th, 1891.

**BOOTS AND SHOES.**—Business has not been done in proportion to the number of merchants visiting the city, and factory-men are inclined to think customers are devoting their time chiefly to amusement. Fair sized orders are all the same being booked, and the majority of the travellers are in the city attending to their customers. Everything points to a busy season during the remainder of the year.

**DRUGS.**—In this line a good trade is reported, and payments are up to the standard. Flax seed seems to be very plentiful this year, hence linseed oil is easy in price. Castor oil remains firm; general chemicals are about the same as last week. Cream of tartar, tartaric acid, and citric acid are unchanged in values. In heavy chemicals there is no change in quotations, but values are very firm, and likely to continue so. Glycerine and opium are firm; quinine is if anything easier.

**DRY GOODS.**—There is an improvement in the volume of trade in this line during the last few days, but still the business being done is not as large as anticipated, when compared with the numbers of country merchants visiting the city this week. Buyers

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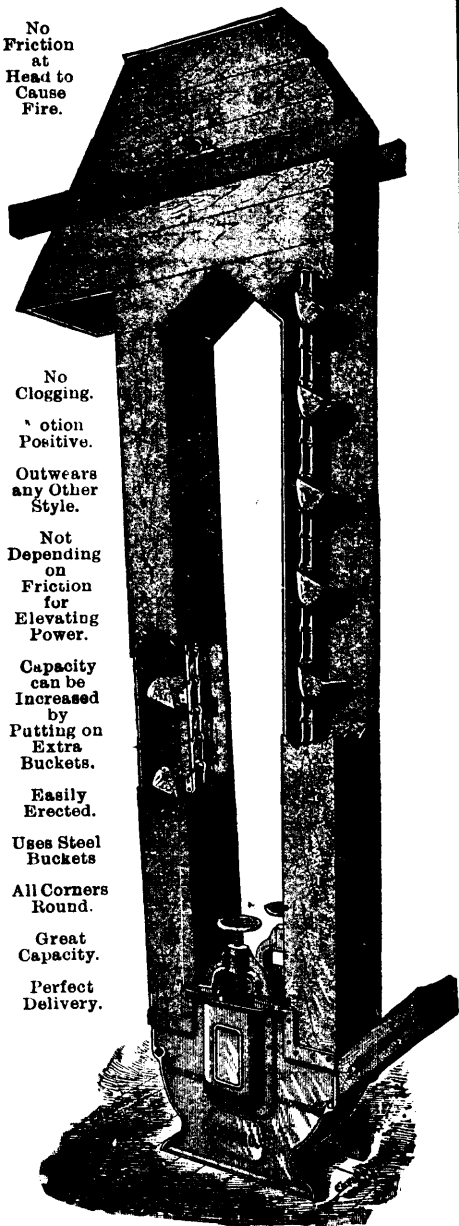
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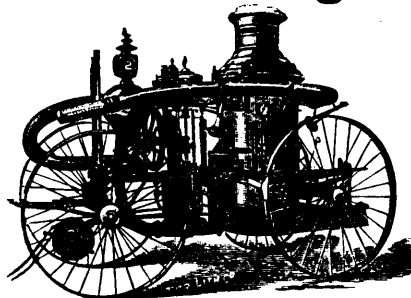
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