Bright Iron Wire, Nos. 0 to 6, \$2.75 per 100

OILS AND PAINTS.—Linseed oil remains at 60 to 61c. for raw, boiled 63 to 64c.; turpentine easier again at 54 to 55c.; olive \$1.05 to \$1.10 for pure; castor 8½ to 9c. per lb.; fish oils are dull and stagnant, with prices more or less nominal; steam refined seal is quoted at 49 to 51c.; cod oil 50 to 54c. as to quality and lot; cod liver 90c. to \$1.00 for new. Leads as yet remain at old figures, though there is an adremain at old figures, though there is an advance of fully 10 per cent. in the cost of the raw material. Local stocks, however, are pretty full, and there will not likely be any advance until present stocks are exhausted. We quote leads (genuine and first-class brands only) \$6.25; No. 1, \$5.50; No. 2, \$5.00; No. 3, \$4.50 to \$4.75. Dry white lead, 6c.; red, do. 5c. These prices for round lots. London washed whiting, 50 to 60c.; Paris white, \$1.25; Cookson's venetian red, \$1.75 to \$2.00; Yellow ochre, \$1.50; Spruce ochre, \$2 to \$3.

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Provisions.—There is a rather firmer tone to the butter market, creamery being in demand with as high as 20c. paid, and choice dairy is also realizing slightly better figures. We quote creamery 18 to 20c.; choice townships 14 to 17½c.; Morrisburg 13 to 16c.; western 10 to 14c. Cheese remains dull and quiet with holders pretty firm. We quote finest August 8 to 8½c.; July 7 to 7½c. Eggs firm at 13½ to 14c. for strictly fresh. Pork quiet at \$12.50 to \$12.75 for Western mess; short cut \$13 to \$13.50; hams 11½ to 12c.; bacon 10½ to 11c.; lard 9c.

Shors and Leather.—All the boot and shoe factories seem fully engaged, and will be busy shipping all this month; there are also expectations of a good sorting trade later on. Leather men report very fair sales, and prices remain steady. There is no overplus of upper leathers, but buyers find no difficulty in filling their wants. Sole leather is easier in New York, receipts last week being over 300.000 sides. There is very little shipping to England at the moment, as local wants pretty well absorb available supplies. We quote:—Spanish sole B. A. No. 1, 24 to 27c.; ditto, No. 2 B. A. 21 to 24c.; No. 1, Ordinary Spanish, 24 to 25c.; No. 2, ditto, 22 to 23c.; ditto, Buffalo Sole, No. 1, 21 to 23c.; ditto, No. 2, 19½ to 21c.; Hemlock Slaughter, No. 1, 25 to 27c.; oak sole, 45 to 50c.; Waxed Upper, light and medium, 33 to 39c.; ditto, heavy, 32 to 36c.; Grained, 34 to 37c.; Splits, large, 22 to 28c.; ditto, small, 16 to 24c.; Calf-splits, 28 to 32c.; Calfskins, (35 to 46 lbs.), 70 to 80c.; Imitation French Calfskins, 80 to 40c.; Harness, 24 to 33c.; Buffed Cow. 12½ to 16c.; Pebbled Cow, 11 to 15c.; Rough, 23 to 28c.; Russet and Bridle, 45 to 55c.

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Salt.—Owing to the advance in Liverpool freights, there has been a stiffening in prices to the extent of 5c. a bag, elevens being now quoted at 52½c. ex wharf; twelves 50c.; factory filled \$1.10 to \$1.12½.; Turk's Island 30c. the bushel of 70 lbs.; Eureka and Ashton's

Wool.—Pulled wool is in better supply, but the demand keeps up well; fleece is in ample supply but is not much sold here. Prices are supply but is not much sold here. Prices are not altered in any particular. We quote: Fleece, 19 to 21c.; A supers, 27 to 28c.; B do., 22 to 24c.; unassorted 20 to 23c.; black, 21 to 22c.; Cape, 17½ to 19c.; Australian, 22 to 26c.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, Sept. 3rd, 1885.

With the exception of Bank of Toronto, which advanced $1\frac{1}{2}\%$ closing with $187\frac{3}{4}$ bid and 188 asked, bank shares have scarcely altered in rates during the week. The only one declining was Montreal, which fell off a 1/2.

Western Assurance gaining and Dominion Telegraph while Canada North-West have declined 1/-. British America Assurance sold at 73, the first transaction for a long time back. Canada Landed Credit was dealt in at 124 and 1244, Building and Loan at 105, and Farmers Loan at 1134, but the feature of the class of stocks was the strength of London and Canadian which sold up to 1434, ex-dividend of 5%, against 1444 annual dividend last week. The miscellaneous list has been irregular.

DRUGS .- For the last week or two there have been distinct signs of improvement in the trade; a general sorting up is going on in a small way. Opium and its preparations continue about the same; quinine is inclined to tinue about the same; quinine is inclined to be firm, with no present change in price. Soda is steady; chloride of lime and carbolic acid are advancing, being used as disinfec-tants. Castor oil somewhat easy. Quite a brisk business is done in vaccine points, and it is well to observe caution as to the ma'-er of these

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FLOUR AND MEAL.—A better feeling is perceptible, and prices are higher as well as firmer. Superior extra flour sold yesterday at \$3.95 and on Tuesday a car lot of a choice grade changed hands at \$4; extra was sold early in the week at \$3.70 and \$3.75; strong bakers is no longer handled by our commission dealers, and there appears to be no superfine in the market; oatmeal is nominal at \$4.00; cornmeal \$3 to \$3.25; bran steady at about \$10 per ton. \$10 per ton.

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Grain.—It is possible to report some firmness in wheat, as well as in flour, prices having got as low as they well can. It is too early for new wheat, no wholesale lots can be looked for here inside of a fortnight. Old No. 2 fall has brought 82 to 83c. in small lots to millers and a round lot of 2,500 bushels changed hands yesterday at 83c. There is not much doing in spring, which we quote 86 to 87c. nominal for No. 1, and 84 to 85c. for No. 2. The accounts from Ontario as to spring wheat are discouragfrom Ontario as to spring wheat are discouraging, rust has affected it badly in all quarters. ing, rust has affected it badly in all quarters. We do not alter quotations for barley, in which there is as yet nothing doing. Peas are steady and purely nominal. Nothing doing in corn; rye nominally unchanged. The new crop of oats is plentiful and of good quality, some have been sold on the street market but no car lots are offering. Sales of old have been made this week at 33 and 33½c. for No. 1.

GROCERIES.—The stronger tone of sugar is a GROCERIES.—The stronger tone of sugar is a marked feature; none of those at present held could be replaced at present prices, but still it seems impossible to get even a cent more than we quote. Trade generally is "picking up," a large number of orders has been filled these ton days. The general tener of prices is up. The general tenor of prices is unten days.
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Hides and Skins.—Dealers report a good demand for hides, although they are not plentiful at the moment and compared with leather their price is high. Several cars of green cows have sold at 9c. while 9½c. is easily got for small lots of steers. Prices for green remain the same. Sheepskins and lambskins, quite a few offering: the price was advanced on 1st few offering; the price was advanced on 1st inst. to 55c. Calfskins unchanged. Tallow weak at 3c. for raw and 6c. for rendered.

HARDWARE.—All the houses report a fair degree of activity, and also, for the most part, a feeling of hopefulness among their customers. Prices of metal and hardware, it is concluded, when they change must rise, since they cannot go lower. Ocean freights are advanced half a crown per ton which tends to keep the market firm. Purchases continue to be carefully made, and payments are fair. We quote market firm. Purchases continue to be carefully made, and payments are fair. We quote Nova Scotia No. 1 pig iron, \$18 to \$18.50; No. 2, none in market; hoop and band iron, \$2.15 2, none in market; hoop and band fron, \$2.15 to \$2.25; sheet zinc, $4\frac{1}{2}$ to $4\frac{2}{3}$ c.; pig lead, $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 4c; boiler rivets \$4 to \$4.50; galvanised iron, Nos. 22 and 24, $4\frac{1}{2}$ to 5c; No. 26, $4\frac{7}{6}$ to $5\frac{1}{2}c$; No. 28' $6\frac{1}{4}$ to 6c; sleigh-shoe steel, 2 to $2\frac{1}{4}c$; cut nails 10 dy to 60 dy, \$2.60, though we hear of cuts under this figure.

Provisions.-There is a good demand for choice butter which commands 15c. from city trade. Cheese is steady and unchanged at 8½ to 9c. in a jobbing way. Cable on 2nd inst. to 9c. in a jobbing way. Cable on 2nd inst. 40.. In hog products there is a fair move-40... In hog products there is a fair movement, long-clear bacon is jobbing at 6½ to 6¾c.; a little light Cumberland sells at 6c.; hams, small selected smoked bring 12½ to 13c., large ½c. less. Eggs are in full supply and sell at 11½ to 12c. Hops cannot be called active, the demand being limited. Samples of the new crop show it to be very fine and 12½c. was asked by growers. Old are worth 10 to 12c. for

BRITISH MARKETS.

Messrs. J. Lewenz & Co's., London tea circular of 21st August last says:—All this week large and hurried public auctions have been the order of the day, commencing on Monday they continued daily, and the last two sales took place this morning and afternoon respectook place this morning and alternoon respectively, when about 12,000 packages ex Ningchow (which vessel had arrived yesterday only) were sold by our two Auction firms. These continued sales, most of which were held at a few hours notice, naturally greatly interfere with heginess by private contract and this in with business by private contract and this in with dusiness by private contract and this in consequence has been very small this week.

The China auctions for the week comprise 36,799 pkgs. n/s Congou Souchong, 2,304 Con-

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