

Pig Iron.—There is fair activity and prices are maintained. Clarence quotes at \$20.50 for No. 3; Cleveland, \$20.50 to \$21; in Canadian pig, Hamilton quotes \$19.50 to \$20 per ton. Producing plants are everywhere busy, and there is considerable business in prospect for 1910.

Plaster of Paris.—Calcined, New Brunswick, hammer brand, car lots, \$2; retail, \$2.15 per barrel of 300 lbs.

Putty.—In bladders, strictly pure, per 100 lbs., \$2.25; in barrel lots, \$2.05. Plasterer's, \$2.15 per barrel of three bushels.

Ready Roofing.—An improved request is noted lately, at catalogue prices before quoted.

Roofing Slate.—Most of the slate used in Canada comes now from Pennsylvania or Maine, the Canadian supply being slender and mostly from the Rockland quarries of the Eastern Townships in Quebec. There is a great variety of sizes and qualities, so that it is difficult to indicate prices. But No. 1 Pennsylvania slate 10x16 may be quoted at \$7.25 per square of 100 square feet, f.o.b., cars, Toronto; seconds, 50c. less. The demand continues active; competent roofers are scarce.

Rope.—Sisal, 9½c. per lb.; pure Manila, 12½c. per lb., Base.

Sewer Pipe.

	4-in.	6-in.	9-in.	10-in.	12-in.	24-in.
Straight pipe per foot	\$0.20	\$0.30	\$0.65	\$0.75	\$1.00	\$3.25
Single junction, 1 or 2 ft. long	.90	1.35	2.70	3.40	4.50	14.65
Double junctions	1.50	2.50	5.00	....	8.50	....
Increasers and reducers	....	1.50	2.50	....	4.00	....
P. traps	2.00	3.50	7.50	....	15.00	....
H. H. traps	2.50	4.00	8.00	....	15.00	....

Business steady; price, 73 per cent. off list at factory for car-load lots; 65 per cent. of list retail. Small lots subject to advance.

Steel Beams and Channels.—Quiet. We quote:—\$2.50 to \$2.75 per 100 lbs., according to size and quantity; if cut, \$2.75 to \$3 per 100 lbs.; angles, 1¼ by 3-16 and larger, \$2.50; tees, \$2.80 to \$3 per 100 pounds. Extra for smaller sizes of angles and tees.

Steel Rails.—80-lb., \$35 to \$38 per ton. The following are prices per gross ton, for 500 tons or over; Montreal, 12-lb. \$45, 16-lb. \$44, 25 and 30-lb. \$43.

Sheet Steel.—Market steady at the former prices; 10-gauge, \$2.50; 12-gauge, \$2.55; American Bessemer, 14-gauge, \$2.35; 17, 18, and 20-gauge, \$2.45; 22 and 24-gauge, \$2.50; 26-gauge, \$2.65; 28-gauge, \$2.85. Quite a quantity of light sheets moving.

Tank Plate.—3-16-inch, \$2.40 per 100 lbs.

Tool Steel.—Jowett's special pink label, 10½c. Cammel-Laird, 16c. "H.R.D." high speed tool steel, 65c.

Tin.—The feeling in tin is firm, and the price 32 to 33c. per lb.

Wheelbarrows.—Navy, steel wheel, Jewel pattern, knocked down, \$21.60 per dozen; set up, \$22.60. Pan Canadian, navy, steel tray, steel wheel, \$3.30 each; Pan American, steel tray, steel wheel, \$4.25 each.

Zinc Spelter.—A very active movement continues, and a large business is being done. Price very firm at \$5.75 to \$6 per 100 lbs.

CAMP SUPPLIES.

Beans.—Hand picked, \$2.50 to \$2.60; prime, \$2.30 to \$2.40; Rangoon, hand-picked, \$1.80 to \$1.90.

Butter.—Dairy prints, 21 to 22c.; creamery rolls, 25 to 26c.

Canned Goods.—Peas, 7½ to \$1.12½; tomatoes, 28, 85 to 90c.; tomatoes, 35, 95c. to \$1; pumpkins, 35, 80 to 85c.; corn, 85 to 95c.; peaches, 25, white, \$1.50 to \$1.60; yellow, \$1.90 to \$1.95; strawberries, 25, heavy syrup, \$1.90 to \$1.95; raspberries, 25, \$1.90 to \$1.95.

Cheese.—No old cheese on hand; new cheese, large, 12½c.; twins, 13c.

Coffee.—Rio, green, 10 to 12½c.; Mocha, 21 to 23c.; Java, 20 to 31c.; Santos, 11 to 15c.

Dried Fruits.—Raisins, Valencia, 6 to 6½c.; seeded, 1-lb. packets, fancy, 7½ to 8c.; 16-oz. packets, choice, 7 to 7½c.; 12-oz. packets, choice, 7c.; Sultanias, good, 5 to 6c.; fine, 6 to 7c.; choice, 7 to 8c.; fancy, 8 to 9c.; Filiatras currants, 6½ to 7c.; Vostizzas, 8½ to 9c.; uncleaned currants, ¾c. lower than cleaned. California Dried Fruits.—Evaporated apricots, 12 to 15c. per lb.; prunes, 60s to 70s, 7 to 7½c.; 90s to 100s, 6½c.; evaporated apples, 8c.

Eggs.—New laid, 25 to 26c. per dozen, in case lots.

Lard.—Scarce and higher. Tierces, 15½c.; tub, 15¾c.; pails, 16c. per lb.

Molasses.—Barbadoes, barrels, 37 to 45c.; Porto Rico, 45 to 60c.; New Orleans, 30 to 33c. for medium.

Onions.—\$1.25 a bag.

Potatoes.—Best, 75c. a bag.

Pork.—Market uncertain. Short cut, \$27.50 per barrel; mess, \$26, nominal; no stock here.

Rice.—B grade, 3½c. per lb.; Patna, 5½ to 5¾c.; Japan, 5¼ to 6c.

Salmon.—Fraser River, talls, \$2; flats, \$2; River Inlet, \$1.55 to \$1.75.

Smoked and Dry Salt Meats.—Long clear bacon, 15c.; firm, tons and cases; hams, large, 14 to 14½c.; small, 15½ to 16c.; rolls, 14½ to 14¾c.; breakfast bacon, 17c.; backs (plain), 18 to 19c.; backs (peameal), 18c. to 18½c.; shoulder hams, 12c.; green meats out of pickle, 1c. less than smoked.

Spices.—Allspice, 16 to 19c.; nutmegs, 30 to 75c.; cream tartar, 22 to 25c.; compound, 15 to 20c.; pepper, black, pure Singapore, 14 to 17c.; pepper, white, 20 to 30c.

Sugar.—Granulated, \$4.85 per 100 lbs. in barrels; Acadia, \$4.75; yellow, \$4.45; bags, 5c. lower; bright coffee, \$4.65; bags, 5c. less.

Syrup.—Corn syrup, special bright, 3½c. per lb.

Teas.—Japans, 20 to 35c. per lb.; Young Hysons, 16 to 35c.; Ceylons, medium, 16 to 45c.

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Winnipeg, October 12th, 1909.

The volume of business in all lines of trade throughout Western Canada has increased very materially within the last few weeks. The crop movement is heavy, and money is coming back to the farmers in large quantities and consequently to the different dealers in all lines of trade.

The local market in all lines of builders' supplies, is still active, as the splendid weather that has prevailed in the West this season has enabled all contracts this season to be completed in record time, and much new work undertaken, that would not otherwise have been started. The builders and contractors have had an exceptionally good year. Prices remain steady in all the lines quoted; but there seems to be an uneasiness in the cement situation, as few of the dealers know where they are at in

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regard to prices. Cement conditions in the past year or two have been very unsatisfactory, and if the big mergers that have taken place will do anything to regulate the output and the prices, it will be welcomed by contractors and dealers, and also by manufacturers.

All the local iron works have had a splendid season, and have been worked to their full capacity to keep pace with the demand.

Winnipeg quotations are as follows:

Anvils.—Per pound, 10 to 12½c.; Buckworth anvils, 80 lbs., and up, 10½c.; anvil and vice combined, each, \$5.50.

Axes.—Chopping axes, per dozen, \$6 to \$9; double bits, \$12.10 per dozen.

Barbed Wire.—4 point and 2 point, common, \$3.15 per cwt.; Baker, \$3.20; Waukegan, \$3.30.

Bar Iron.—\$2.50 to \$2.60.

Bars.—Crow, \$4 per 100 pounds.

Beams and Channels.—\$3 to \$3.10 per 100 up to 15-inch.

Boards.—No. 1 Common Pine, 8 in. to 12 in., \$38 to \$45; siding, No. 2 White Pine, 6 in., \$55; cull red or white pine or spruce, \$24; No. 1 Clear Cedar, 6 in., 8 to 16 ft., \$60; Nos. 1 and 2 British Columbia spruce, 4 to 6 in., \$55; No. 3, \$45.

Bricks.—\$10, \$11, \$12 per M, three grades.

Building Paper.—¾ to 7c. per pound. No. 1 tarred, 84c. per roll; plain, 60c.; No. 2 tarred, 62½c.; plain, 56c.

Coal and Coke.—Anthracite, egg, stove or chestnut coal, \$9.75 large lots to \$10.50 ton lots, net; Alleghany soft coal; carload lots, basis, Winnipeg, f.o.b., cars, \$6 per ton; canal coal, \$10.50 per ton; Galt coal, \$2 f.o.b., carload lots, \$9 single ton; coke, single ton, \$7 at yard; large lots, special rates. American coke, \$11 to \$11.50 a ton; Crow's Nest, \$10 a ton.

Copper Wire.—Coopered market wire, No. 7, \$4 per 100 lbs.; No. 6, \$4; No. 10, \$4.06; No. 12, \$4.20; No. 14, \$4.40; No. 16, \$4.70.

Copper.—Tinned, boiler, 26½c.; planished, 29½c.; boiler and T. K. pits, plain, tinned, 45 per cent. discount.

Cement.—\$2.25 to \$2.50 per barrel, in cotton bags.

Chain.—Coil, proof, ¾-inch, \$7; 5-16-inch, \$5.50; 3-inch, \$4.90; 7-16-inch, \$4.75; ¾-inch, \$4.40; ¾-inch, \$4.20; ¾-inch, \$4.05; logging chain, 5-16-inch, \$6.50; ¾-inch, 6; ¾-inch, \$8.50; jack iron, single, per dozen yards, 15c. to 75c.; double, 25c. to \$1; trace-chains, per dozen, \$5.25 to \$6.

Dynamite.—\$11 to \$13 per case.

Hair.—Plasterers', 80 to 90c. per bale.

Hinges.—Heavy T and strap, per 100 lbs., \$6 to \$7.50; light, do., 65 per cent.; screw hook and hinge, 6 to 10 inches, 5¼c. per lb.; 12 inches up, per lb., 4¼c.

Galvanized Iron.—Apollo, 10¼, \$4.90; 28, \$4.70; 26, \$4.30; 22, \$4.10; 24, \$4.10; 20, \$4; 18, \$3.95; 16, \$3.90; Queen's Head, 28, \$4.90; 26, \$4.70; 24, \$4.30; 22, \$4.30; 20, \$4.10 per cwt.

Iron.—Swedish iron, 100 lbs., \$4.75 base; sheet, black, 14 to 22 gauge, \$3.75; 24-gauge, \$3.90; 26-gauge, \$4; 28-gauge, \$4.10. Galvanized—American, 18 to 20-gauge, \$4.40; 22 to 24-gauge, \$4.65; 26-gauge, \$4.65; 28-gauge, \$4.90; 30-gauge, \$5.15 per 100 lbs. Queen's Head, 22 to 24-gauge, \$4.65; 26-gauge English, or 30-gauge American, \$4.90; 30-gauge American, \$5.15; Fleur de Lis, 22 to 24-gauge, \$4.50; 28-gauge American, \$4.75; 30-gauge American, \$5.

Lead Wool.—\$10.50 per hundred, \$200 per ton, f.o.b., Toronto.

Lumber.—No. 1 pine, spruce, tamarac, British Columbia fir and cedar—2x4, 2x6, 2x8, 8 to 16 feet, \$26.00; 2x20 up to 32 feet, \$36.50.

Nails.—\$4 to \$4.25 per 100. Wire base, \$2.85; cut base, \$2.90.

Picks.—Clay, \$5 per dozen; pick mattocks, \$6 per dozen; clevises, 7c. per lb.

Pipe.—Iron, black, per 100 feet, ¾-inch, \$2.50; ¾-inch, \$2.80; 1-inch, \$3.40; 1½-inch, \$4.60; 2-inch, \$6.60; 2½-inch, \$9; 3-inch, \$10.75; 4-inch, \$14.40; galvanized, ¾-inch, \$4.25; 1-inch, \$5.75; 1½-inch, \$8.35; 2-inch, \$11.35; 2½-inch, \$13.60; 3-inch, \$18.10. Lead, 6½c. per lb.

Pitch.—Pine, \$6.50 per barrel; in less than barrel lots, 4c. per lb.; roofing pitch, \$1 per cwt.

Plaster.—Per barrel, \$3.

Roofing Paper.—60 to 67½c. per roll.

Rope.—Cotton, ¾ to ¾-inch and larger, 23c. lb.; deep sea, 16½c.; lath yarn, 9½ to 9¾c.; pure Manila, per lb., 13¾c.; British Manila, 11¾c.; sisal, 10½c.

Spikes.—Basis as follows:—1¼ 5 and 6, \$4.75; 5-16x5 and 6, \$4.40; ¾x6, 7 and 8, \$4.25; ½x8, 9, 10, and 12, \$4.05; 25c. extra on other sizes.

Steel Plates, Rolled.—3-16-in., \$3.35 base; machinery, \$3 base; share, \$4.50 base; share crucible, \$5.50; cast share steel, \$7.50; toe calk, \$4.50 base; tire steel, \$3 abse; cast tool steel, lb., 9 to 12½c.

Staples.—Fence, \$3.40 per 100 lbs.

Timber.—Rough, 8x2 to 14x16 up to 32 feet, \$34; 6x20, 8x20, up to 32 feet, \$38; dressed, \$37.50 to \$48.25.

Tool Steel.—8½ to 15c. per pound.

Wire.—Oiled and annealed, 8 and 9 gauge, \$3 per cwt.; 10 gauge, \$3.06; 11 gauge, \$3.12; 12 and 13 agauge, \$3.20; 14 to 16 gauge, \$3.25 to \$3.70; 10c. extra for oiling.