

buyers at the moment. Teas are doing much better, and all good stock is in demand, particularly medium and low grade Young Hysons. Canned goods orders, while not so large individually, are in the bulk quite satisfactory.

**HIDES AND SKINS.**—Supplies of hides are plentiful enough, the demand however is quiet, and prices, while steady, are not regarded as strong. Car lots of green are held at 5½ to 5¼c. per lb. Calfskins continue nominal and neglected. There is an active request for sheepskins, notwithstanding the fact that ruling prices, 80 to 90c., are considered to be higher than the skins are fully worth. Tallow remains as before.

**LEATHER.**—The volume of trade so far this month is hardly up to expectations. This may be accounted for by the fact that the movement of grain has been backward and prices low. Good jobbing sole leather, heavy weights, is still enquired for, and heavy prime harness, 20 lbs. weight, is also a saleable brand just now. The movement in grain leathers is fair, while splits are dull and neglected. Other kinds are in fair request.

**METALS AND HARDWARE.**—Trade keeps up well, the advance in metals apparently spurring up people to buy. Pig iron is very firm, indeed it could not be otherwise, and sheet cannot be laid down at our quotations. Galvanized sheets too are advanced in Britain, and there is a stronger feeling in Canada plates. Ingot tin has advanced £2 per ton and holders ask 24½ to 25c. per lb. Tin plates are hard to get in England and holders here are very firm at \$4 50 for coke and \$5 for charcoal. Copper is advanced a little day by day, and promises to be still higher. Zinc is higher abroad, sheet would now cost 6c. per lb. to import and block 5¼c. Window glass is firmly

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**CHARLES DRINKWATER,**

Secretary.

Montreal, October 16th, 1899.