

from the country, showing that the larger than usual stocks laid in before the rise are getting low, and more activity is likely soon to become apparent. Factory prices are firm at 4½c. for granulated, and for yellows, 3½ to 3¾c.; but an odd lot of granulated is still to be picked up at 4½c. outside. Molasses rules very firm, Barbadoes at 37c. per gal. in a jobbing way, and Porto Rico at 36c. the single package, round lots 33 to 34c. A large steamer cargo of Barbadoes molasses, the first for some years, reached port last week, and also a couple of sailing cargoes, bringing the receipts to nearly 4,000 puncheons, but most of this had been sold to arrive. Of teas, a certain amount is selling in a small way, but June and July are not tea months, and no special activity can be noted. New Japans on spot are selling at about 22 to 26c. The cheapest sample yet shown is about 15c., and stocks of this grade will not be here yet for five or six weeks. Coffees are quiet; we quote: Maracaibo, 20½ to 22c.; Rio, 18½ to 20c.; Java, 24 to 30c.; Mocha, 25 to 29c. Dried fruits are very dull; sales of Valencia raisins were reported last week at 2½ to 2¾c., and since then it is said sales have taken place at 50c. a box, a figure which must mean a serious loss for some one. A purchase by a local house of 3,500 cases of salmon is reported at \$4.50 on the coast.

**HIDES.**—The demand is very fair, but supplies coming in are limited. A meeting of the dealers in the city was held on Monday afternoon, but no changes were made in prices. No. 1 hides, green, are being generally bought by dealers at 8½c., though it is said a shade more is being paid in some cases; the quotation to tanners for cured is 9½ to 9¾c. Calfskins are quoted at 8c.; lambskins, 25 to 30c.; sheepskins, 75 to 90c. each.

**LEATHER.**—The American leatherman reported in town last week did not do much business, though a few shoemen are said to have ordered some sample lots. It is said, in some cases, his quotations were lower than the local market. The Boston market is reported a shade easier, and there is a feeling with some that prices have gone as high as they are likely to go, for the present at least. Some tanners who have been withholding quotations are now offering stock here. A good deal of common sole is being shipped to Britain, but no local transactions of any consequence are reported, beyond a few sales of Ontario splits at 25 to 28c., though some dealers hold at 30c. We quote:—Spanish sole B.A., No. 1, 26 to 27c.; do. No. 2 to B.A., 25c.; No. 1, ordinary Spanish, 24 to 25c.; No. 2, 22 to 23c.; No. 1 slaughter, 28 to 30c.; No. 2 do., 26 to 27c.; common, 22c.; waxed upper, light and medium, 35 to 40c.; do. heavy, 33 to 36c.; grained, 38 to 40c.; Scotch grained, 38 to 40c.; western splits, 26 to 28c.; Quebec do., 20 to 22c.; juniors, 16 to 19c.; calf-splits, 30 to 35c.; calfskins (85 to 40 lbs.), 60 to 65c.; imitation French calfskins, 65 to 75c.; colored calf, American, 25 to 30c.; Canadian, 20 to 22c.; colored pebble cow, 15 to 16c.; russet sheepskin linings, 80 to 40c.; harness, 25 to 32c.; buffed cow, 13 to 16c.; extra heavy buff, 17c.; pebbled cow, 12½ to 15c.; polished buff, 12 to 14c.; glove grain, 12½ to 14c.; rough, 22 to 25c.; russet and bridle, 40 to 50c.

**OILS, PAINTS AND GLASS.**—Business is assuming a quieter phase in these lines with the approach of midsummer. Linseed oil is still scarce, supplies coming to hand being only of a limited character, and quotations are firmly held. Fish oils are little enquired for; 35c. is talked as a price for new seal oil in lots. Leads are firmer; the trade are discussing an advance, and we hear that one or two firms have withdrawn quotations. Paris green remains firm at the advanced prices. Glass stocks are only moderate. The "Hispania," some weeks overdue, having had to put into Queens-town, on account of her cargo shifting, is now in port with some fair lots. We quote:—Turpentine 47c. per gal. for single brls.; two to four barrels, 46c.; 5 brls. and over 45c. Linseed oil, raw, 57c. per gallon.; boiled, 60c.; 5-barrel lots, 1c. less; olive oil, machinery, 90c.; castor, in lots, 6½c.; single cases, 6¼c.; tins, 7c.; Nfd. cod, 88 to 40c. per gal.; Gaspe oil, 88c. per gal.; steam refined seal, 38 to 40c. per gal., in small lots. Leads (chemically pure and first-class brands only), \$4.50 to 4.75; No. 1, \$4.25 to 4.50; No. 2, \$4 to 4.25; No. 3, \$3.75 to \$4; dry white lead, 4½ to 4¾c.; genuine red do., 4½c.; No. 1 red lead, 4c.; putty, \$1.75 in bulk, \$1.90 in bladders, \$2 in tins; London washed whiting, 40 to 45c.; Paris

white, 85 to 90c.; Venetian red, \$1.50 to 1.75; yellow ochre, \$1.50 to 1.75; spruce ochre, \$2.25 to 2.50; Paris green, in bulk, 16 to 17c.; in small packages, 18 to 19c.; window glass, \$1.10 to \$1.15 per 50 feet for first break; \$1.20 to \$1.25 for second break; third break, \$2.70.

**METALS AND HARDWARE.**—The volume of business in these lines does not vary greatly from last week. Values show no relaxation. Iron piping continues to advance, and 70 and 5 is now best discount from list, while a few weeks ago discounts were quoted of 70, 10 and 2½. Owing to the stiffer values in this line we hear of several import orders being lately placed for German pipe, which has for some time been shut out of the market. The nail-makers and rolling mill men are to have a meeting early in July, in Toronto, when an effort will probably be made to advance bars and nails. In other lines we hear of nothing new. We quote:—Coltness pig iron, none here; Calder, No. 1, none here; Calder, No. 3, none here; Summerlee, \$19.00 to 20.00; Eglington, \$18.00; Gartsherrie, none here; Carnbroe, \$18.00; Shotts, none here; Middlesboro, No. 3, \$17; Niagara, No. 2, \$18.00; Siemens, pig, No. 1, \$16.00 to 16.50; Ferrona, No. 1, \$16.00 to 16.50; machinery scrap, \$14.75 to 15.00; common do., \$12.00; bar iron, Canadian, \$1.60; British, \$2.00 to 2.15; best refined, \$2.40; Low Moor, \$5.00; Canada plates—Blaina, or Garth, \$2.00, 52 sheets to box, 60 sheets \$2.10 to \$2.15, 75 sheets \$2.20 to \$2.25; all polished Canadas, \$2.50; Terne roofing plate, 20x28, \$5.50 to 5.75. Black sheet iron, No. 28, \$2.10 to 2.15; No. 26, \$2.00 to 2.05; No. 24, \$1.90 to 1.95; tin plates—Bradley charcoal, \$5 to 5.50; charcoal I.C., \$3 to 3.25,

according to finish; P.D. Crown, \$3.75; do. I.X., \$4.50; Coke I.C., \$2.70 to 2.80; coke wasters, \$2.50; galvanized sheets, No. 28, ordinary brands, 4½ to 4¾c.; No. 26, 4c.; No. 24, 3¾c., in case lots; Morewood, 5½ to 5¾c.; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, 5¾c.; No. 26, 6c.; the usual extra for large sizes. Canadian bands, per 100 lbs., \$1.85; English ditto, \$2; hoops, \$2.15. Steel boiler plate, ½ inch and upwards, \$1.90 to 2.00 for Dalzell, and equal; American steel plates, \$1.75 to 1.80; ditto, three-sixteenths inch, \$2.60; common tank iron, 1.50; tank steel, \$1.70; heads, seven-sixteenths and upwards, \$2.00; Russian sheet iron, 9½ to 10c.; lead, per 100 lbs., pig, \$3 to \$3.25; sheet, \$4 to 4.25; shot, \$6 to 6.50; best cast steel, 9 to 10c.; toe calk, \$2.25; spring, \$2.50; tire and sleigh shoe, \$1.85 to 1.90; round machinery steel, \$2.50; ingot tin, 17c.; bar tin, 18c.; ingot copper, 10½ to 11c.; sheet zinc, \$4.50 to 4.75; Silesian spelter, \$4.25; American do., \$4 to 4.25. Antimony 9 to 10c.; 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 22½ per cent. Barb

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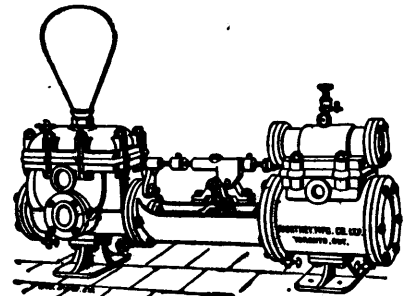
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