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Copper Ingot.—Unchanged and quiet at \$13.85 to \$14.05 per 100 lbs. Speculative handling put it down a trifle, but it recovered as above.

Detonator Caps.—75c. to \$1 per 100; case lots, 75c. per 100; broken quantities, \$1.

Dynamite, per pound, 21 to 25c., as to quantity.

Roofing Felt.—Unseasonably quiet, price maintained at \$1.80 per 100 lbs.

Fire Bricks.—English and Scotch, \$30 to \$35; American, \$27.50 to \$35 per 1,000. The demand is steady and stocks light.

Fuses.—Electric Blasting.—Double strength 4 feet, \$4.50; 6 feet, \$5; 8 feet, \$5.50; 10 feet, \$6. Single strength, 4 feet, \$3.50; 6 feet, \$4; 8 feet, \$4.50; 10 feet, \$5, per 100 count. Bennett's double tape fuse, \$6 per 1,000 feet.

Galvanized Sheets.—Apollo Brand.—Sheets 6 or 8 feet long, 30 or 36 inches wide; 10-gauge, \$3.05; 12-14-gauge, \$3.15; 16, 18, 20, \$3.35; 22-24, \$3.50; 26, \$3.75; 28, \$4.20; 29, \$4.50; 10½, \$4.50 per 100 lbs. Fleur de Lis—28-gauge, \$4.30; 26-gauge, \$4.05; 22-24-gauge, \$3.50. Queen's Head—28-gauge, \$4.50; 26-gauge, \$4.25, per 100 lbs. Sheets continue in active request.

Iron Chain.—¼-inch, \$5.75; 5-16-inch, \$5.15; ¾-inch, \$4.15; 7-16-inch, \$3.95; ½-inch, \$3.75; 9-16-inch, \$3.70; ¾-inch, \$3.55; ¾-inch, \$3.45; ¾-inch, \$3.40; 1-inch, \$3.40, per 100 lbs.

Iron Pipe.—Black, ¼-inch, \$2.03; ¾-inch, \$2.26; ¾-inch, \$2.63; ¾-inch, \$3.16; 1-inch, \$4.54; 1½-inch, \$6.19; 1½-inch, \$7.43; 2-inch, \$9.90; 2½-inch, \$15.81; 3-inch, \$20.76; 3½-inch, \$26.13; 4-inch, \$29.70; 4½-inch, \$38; 5-inch, \$43.50; 6-inch, \$56. Galvanized, ¼-inch, \$2.86; ¾-inch, \$3.08; ¾-inch, \$3.48; ¾-inch, \$4.31; 1-inch, \$6.19; 1½-inch, \$8.44; 1½-inch, \$10.13; 2-inch, \$13.50, per 100 feet. Some talk of an advance in price.

Lead.—Prices steady outside. This market is rather weaker, at \$3.75 to \$3.85 per 100 lbs.

Lime.—Retail price in city 35c. per 100 lbs. f.o.b., car; in large lots at kilns outside city 22c. per 100 lbs. f.o.b. car. In active demand.

Lumber.—Considerable demand for both Southern and Canadian dimension pine continues; hemlock dull. Prices are rather stiff all along the line. Dressing pine quotes \$32 to \$35 per M; common stock boards, \$26 to \$30; cull stocks, \$20; cull sidings, \$17.50; Southern pine dimension timber from \$30 to \$45, according to size and grade; finished Southern pine according to thickness and width, \$30 to \$40. Hemlock in car lots, \$16.50 to \$17; spruce flooring in car lots, \$22; shingles, British Columbia, \$3.20; lath, No. 1, \$4.25; No. 2, \$3.75; for white pine, 48-inch; for 32-inch, \$1.60, and very few to be had.

Nails.—Wire, \$2.25 base; cut, \$2.70; spikes, \$3, per keg of 100 lbs.

Pitch and Tar.—Pitch, demand moderate, price so far unchanged at 70c. per 100 lbs. Coal tar quotes \$3.50 per barrel.

Pig Iron.—There is fair activity and prices are maintained. Clarence quotes at \$20.50 for No. 1; Cleveland, \$20.50 to \$21; in Canadian pig, Hamilton quotes \$19.50 to \$20 per ton.

Plaster of Paris.—Calcedin, New Brunswick, hammer brand, wholesale, \$3; retail, \$2.15 per barrel of 300 lbs.

Putty.—In bladders, strictly pure, per 100 lbs., \$2.25; in barrel lots, \$2.05.

Ready Roofing.—In moderate request at prices per catalogue. It is impracticable to quote figures, so great is the variety of this kind of goods, but prices are steady.

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 10 x 16 may be quoted at \$7.25 per square of 100 square feet, f.o.b., cars, Toronto; seconds, 50c. less.

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

Sewer Pipe.—

	4-in.	6-in.	8-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	.00	1.35	2.70	3.40	4.50	14.65
Double junctions	1.50	2.50	5.00	....	8.50	....
Increases 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	....

Not much moving; price, 73 per cent. off list at factory for car-load lots; 65 per cent. off 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, 1½ 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. \$41.

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.—Prices steady and demand good. The price continues at 31c. to 31½c.

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

Zinc Spelter.—A very active movement continues, and the market is firm at \$5.50 to \$5.75.

CAMP SUPPLIES.

Beans.—Hand Picked, \$2.60 to \$2.70; prime, \$2.40 to \$2.50; Rangoon, hand-picked, \$1.00 to \$2.

Butter.—Dairy prints, 20 to 21c.; creamery rolls, 24 to 25c.

Canned Goods.—Peas, 7½c. to \$1.12½; tomatoes, 25, 85 to 90c.; tomatoes, 35, 95c. to \$1; pumpkins, 35, 80 to 85c.; corn, 85 to 95c.; peaches, 25, white, \$1.80 to \$1.85; yellow, \$1.00 to \$1.05; strawberries, 25, heavy syrup, \$1.00 to \$1.05; raspberries, 25, \$1.00 to \$1.05.

Cheese.—Old cheese, 15c. for large; 15½c. for twins; 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, new, 5½ to 6c.; seeded, 1-lb. packets, fancy, 7½ to 8c.; 16-oz. packets, choice, 7 to 7½c.; 12-oz. packets, choice, 7c.; Sultanias, 7½ to 8c.; fancy, 11 to 12c.; extra fancy, 14½ to 15c.; Filiatras currants, 6½ to 7c.; Vostizzas, 8½ to 9c.; uncleaned currants, ¼c. 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, 7½c.

Eggs.—New laid, 22c. per dozen, in case lots.

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Lard.—Tierces, 14½c.; tub, 14½c.; pails, 15c.

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

Potatoes.—Ontario, old, 75 to 90c. per bag in car lots on track.

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

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

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, \$4.70 per 100 lbs. in barrels; Acadia, \$4.60; yellow, \$4.30; bags, 5c. lower; bright coffee, \$4.60; bags, 5c. less.

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

Teas.—Japans, 18 to 35c. per lb.; Young Hysons, 16 to 35c.; Ceylons, medium, 16 to 45c.

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Montreal, July 29th, 1909.

The pig-iron situation in the United States continues in a satisfactory position. Demand is holding up well, and prices are practically as high as they have been at any time this season. This is a very encouraging sign, for the reason that at this time of the year the trade always expects a considerable diminution in the quantity of iron required, and consequently a disposition on the part of producers to shade prices. This season, however, prices are holding up well and holders are demanding from 25c. to 50c. per ton more for future deliveries. Railways are buying more freely, not only in track material but in rolling stock as well, and the outlook is in every way hopeful.

The English market is certainly not very bright, at the moment. The feature over there, as explained in letters just received from English and Scotch correspondents, is that the coal miners, throughout the whole country, are contemplating a strike, and it was feared that cessation of work would be general by the 26th of July. Up to that date, fortunately, no definite action had been taken, so far as heard of here. However, the correspondents considered the threat a very serious one, as they wrote their customers on this side of the Atlantic, calling their attention to the strike clauses in their contracts, and stating that they might be compelled to take advantage of them.

The local market is principally concerned in the possibility of a general coal strike in England and Scotland. Should such take place, it would have the effect of shutting off imports of pig iron to Canada, and as Canadian furnaces had previously announced themselves as out of the market, and as they have probably been further hampered by the present coal strike going on in Canada, the effect would be to boost prices of pig-iron very considerably in this country. It has been stated here that, should the strike at the Dominion Coal Company, at Glace Bay, continue long enough to restrict the supply of coal for the Dominion Iron and Steel Company, the latter company would have no difficulty in drawing its supplies from the United States. Unfortunately, it now seems that the strikers are bringing pressure to bear upon Baltimore and Pennsylvania dock laborers' unions in order to have them refuse to load coal destined for the relief of the Glace Bay strike situation. Under the circumstances it is not to be wondered that holders of pig-iron are exceedingly firm in their views and are more disposed to advance prices at the moment than to accept even present quotations. In fact, there is little doubt that an advance will take place immediately upon advices of a strike in England.

The steadiness of the local market for finished and semi-finished iron and steel products is exceptional, having been almost uninterrupted for weeks past. This week, again, no actual change has taken place though there are predictions of a number of alterations in the near future:—

Antimony.—The market is steady at 8¾ to 9c.

Bar Iron and Steel.—Prices are steady and trade is quiet. Bar iron, \$1.85 per 100 pounds; best refined horseshoe, \$2.10; forged iron, \$2; mild steel, \$1.85; sleigh shoe steel, \$1.85 for 1 x ¾-base; tire steel, \$1.00 for 1 x ¾-base; toe calk steel, \$2.35; machine steel, iron finish, \$1.90; smooth finish, \$2.70; imported, \$2.20.

Boiler Tubes.—The market is steady, quotations being as follows:—1½ and 2-inch tubes, 8½c.; 2½-inch, 10c.; 3-inch, 11½c.; 3 1-2-inch, 14½c.; 4-inch, 19c.

Building Paper.—Tar paper, 7, 10, or 16 ounces, \$1.80 per 100 pounds; felt paper, \$2.75 per 100 pounds; tar sheathing, 40c. per roll of 400 square feet; dry sheathing, No. 1, 30 to 40c. per roll of 400 square feet; tarred fibre, 55c. per roll; dry fibre, 45c. (See Roofing; also Tar and Pitch).

Cement.—Canadian cement is quotable, as follows, in car lots, f.o.b. Montreal:—\$1.10 to \$1.40 per 350-lb. bbl., in 4 cotton bags, adding 10c. for each bag. Good bags re-purchased at 10c. each. Paper bags cost 2½ cents extra, or 10c. per bbl. weight.

Chain.—The market is steady as follows:—¼-inch, \$5.30; 5-16-inch, \$4.05; ¾-inch, \$2.65; 7-16-inch, \$3.45; ¾-inch, \$3.20; 9-16-inch, \$3.15; ¾-inch, \$3.05; ¾-inch, \$1; ¾-inch, \$2.05; 1 inch, \$2.05.

Coal and Coke.—Anthracite, egg, stove or chestnut coal, \$6.75 per ton, net; furnace coal, \$6.50, net. Bituminous or soft coal: Run of mine, Nova Scotia coal, carload lots, basis, Montreal, \$3.85 to \$4 per ton; canal coal, \$0 per ton; coke, single ton, \$5; large lots, special rates, approximately \$4 f.o.b., cars, Montreal.

Copper.—Prices are strong at 13¾ to 14c.

Explosives and Accessories.—Dynamite, 50-lb. cases, 40 per cent. profit, 11c. in single case lots, Montreal. Blasting powder, 25-lb. kegs, \$2.25 per keg. Special quotations on large lots of dynamite and powder. Detonator caps, case lots, containing 10,000, 75c. per 100; broken lots, \$1. Electric blasting apparatus:—Batteries, 1 to 10 holes, \$15; 1 to 20 holes, \$25; 1 to 30 holes, \$35; 1 to 40 holes, \$50. Wire, leading, 1c. per foot; connecting,