

thing steadier. The English market is still quiet, and Bristol advices say that a strike among the shoe hands is affecting business there. We quote:—Spanish sole, B. A., No. 1, 21 to 23c.; do., No. 2, B. A. 16 to 17c.; No. 1, ordinary Spanish, 19 to 20c.; No. 2, ditto, 15 to 16c.; No. 1, China, none to be had; No. 1 slaughter, 20 to 23c.; No. 2 do., 18 to 20c.; American oak sole, 39 to 43c.; British oak sole, 38 to 45c.; waxed upper, light and medium, 26 to 29c.; ditto, heavy, 23 to 28c.; grained, 26 to 30c.; Scotch grained, 32 to 35c.; splits, large, 16 to 21c.; do., small, 12 to 14c.; calf-splits, 32 to 33c.; calfskins (35 to 40 lbs.), 50 to 60c.; imitation French calfskins, 65 to 80c.; russet sheepskin linings, 30 to 40c.; harness, 20 to 26c.; buffed cow, 11 to 14c.; extra heavy buff, 14 to 16c.; pebbled cow, 9 to 14c.; polished buff, 10½ to 13½c.; glove grain, 11 to 13½c.; rough, 20 to 25c.; russet and bridle, 45 to 55c.

METALS AND HARDWARE.—General quietude is still the prevailing feature in these lines. There has been no further drop in warrants, which are cabled stationary at 43/-. The fall in value, supposed to be due to the fact that manipulators had wearied of their load, has had no appreciable effect on the market. Makers' prices are generally unchanged, only Gartsherrie, Summerlee and Langloan being cabled threepence lower. No local sales of any account are reported since last week. Bar iron is firm at \$2.10. Holders of all kinds of plates complain of lack of business. Copper continues rather weak; lead and tin unchanged. We quote:—Coltness pig, \$22 to \$22.50; Calder, No. 1, \$22; Calder, No. 3, \$21.00; Summerlee, \$21.50 to \$22.50; Eglinton, none here; Gartsherrie, none here; Carnbroe, \$19.50 to 20.00; Shotts, none here; Middlesboro, none here; cast scrap railway chairs, &c., none here; machinery scrap, \$15 to 18; common ditto, \$13; bar iron, \$2.10 for Canadian; British, \$2.25; best refined, \$2.50; Siemens' pig No. 1, \$21.50 to 22.00; Canada Plates—Blaina, Swansea, and Garth, \$2.65 to 2.75; Terne roofing plate, 20 x 28, \$7.50 to 8.00. Merchants' roofing, 20x28, \$13.50. Black sheet iron, No. 28, \$2.60; No. 26, \$2.50; No. 24, \$2.40; tin plates—Bradley charcoal, \$6; charcoal I. C., \$4.25; P.D. Crown, \$4.50; do. I.X., \$5.25 to 5.50; coke

I. C., \$3.60 to 3.75; coke wasters, \$3.40 to 3.50; galvanized sheets, No. 28, ordinary brands, 5 to 6c.; Morewood, 6½ to 6¾c.; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, 6½c.; No. 26, 7c.; the usual extra for large sizes. Hoops and bands, per 100 lbs., \$2.45. Staffordshire boiler plate, \$2.75 to 3.00; common sheet iron, \$2.60 to 2.80 according to gauge; steel boiler plate, \$3.00; heads, \$4.00; Russian sheet iron, 10½ to 11c.; lead per 100 lbs., pig, \$3.50 to 3.75; sheet, \$4 to 4.25; shot, \$6 to 6.50; best cast steel, 11 to 12c.; spring, \$2.50; tire, \$2.50 to 2.75; sleigh shoe, \$2.40; round machinery steel, \$3.00; ingot tin 22 to 23c.; bar tin, 25c.; ingot copper, 12 to 13c.; sheet zinc, \$6.50; spelter, \$6; American do. \$5.50. Some cheaper grades of antimony are on the market, and we quote from 15 to 18c.; 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 7½ per cent. Coil chain, ½ inch, 5c.; ¾ in., 4½c.; 7-16 in., 4½c.; 1 in., 4c.; 1½ in., 4c.; 2 in., 3½c.; 2½ in., and upwards, 3c.

OILS, PAINTS, &c.—Orders for spring shipment are being received pretty freely. Prices show little or no variation; glass has been selling at \$1.35 to 1.40, but as some sizes have had to be imported at winter freight rates, costing \$1.30 laid down, it is easily seen that there is not much profit in that sort of business. Linseed oil shows no gain in strength, and fish oils are very little asked for. We quote linseed oil, raw, 57 to 58c. per gal.; boiled, 60 to 61c.; turpentine, 55c.; olive oil, \$1.10 to 1.20; castor 8½ to 9½c. per lb., according to lot; Newfoundland cod, 43 to 45c. per gal.; steam refined seal, 48 to 50c. Leads (chemically pure and first-class brands only), \$5.50 to 5.75; No. 1, \$5 to 5.25; No. 2, \$4.75; No. 3, \$4 to 4.50; dry white lead, 5 to 5½c.; genuine red do., 4½ to 4¾c.; No. 1 red lead, 4c.; London washed whitening, 50c.; Paris white, 90c. to \$1; Venetian red, \$1.50 to 1.75; yellow ochre, \$1.50 to 1.75; spruce ochre, \$2.25 to 2.50. Window glass, \$1.40 per 50 feet for first break, \$1.50 or second break; third break, \$3.25.

Provisions.—There is a moderate demand for hog products at steady prices. We quote Canada short cut, \$16.25 to 16.75; American mess, \$14.50 to 15.00; hams, 10½ to 11c.; bacon, 9½ to 10½c.; Canadian lard, 8½ to 9½c.

TORONTO MARKETS.

TORONTO, 4th February, 1892.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—The spring orders coming daily to hand are very good, and travellers' reports continue encouraging. The demand for foot-wear for immediate use is not so good. Price lists are now showing an upward tendency, and an advance is very probable. Payments are only moderate.

DRUGS.—Business is reported fair, and payments moderate as a rule. Quinine is firming up again; antipyrine and phenacetine have been scarce; they are out of stock entirely just now and very much wanted, but none is to be had. Oil of eucalyptus is very much in demand at present for influenza treatment; it has advanced materially here, and in Europe the price has increased by four times. Heavy chemicals are firm at slightly advanced figures.

DRY GOODS.—January trade has been fairly good; in fact some say they have found it better than that of January, 1891. There is a very fair enquiry for cotton staples and dress goods, such as spring fabrics, are receiving attention—Cote chevils, challies, and printed satens being in demand; also Henriettas and serges. Parasols for the coming season are being asked after. There is a large demand for chiffon, and ladies' blouses are largely taking the place of the Jersey. These are made in beautiful materials, such as Bengaline, Pongee, and Surah silks, as well as flannelette. The demand for low-priced flannelettes still keeps up, and is beyond the capacity of the mills to supply at present. Payments are moderate.

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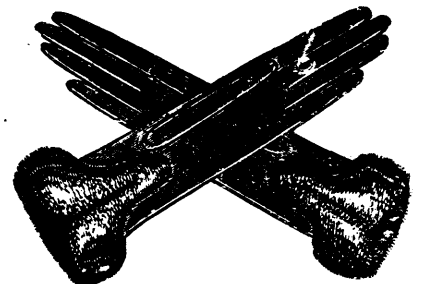
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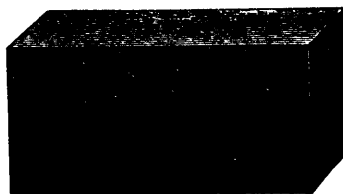
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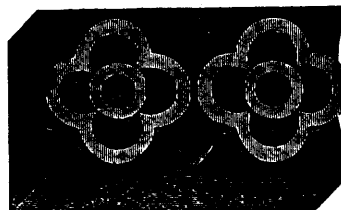
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