

carbolic acid, 35 to 50c.; iodide potassium, \$3.75 per lb.; iodine, re-sublimed, \$4.75; to 5.00; commercial do., \$4.25 to 4.75; iodoform, \$5.50 to 6.00. Prices for essential oils are:—Oil lemon, \$2.75 to 3.75; oil bergamot, \$4.70 to 4.90; orange, \$4.00 to 4.50; oil peppermint, \$4.00 to 5.00; glycerine, 18 to 20c.; senna, 12 to 25c. for ordinary. English camphor, 62 to 65c.; American do., 60 to 65c.; insect powder, 25 to 35c.

DRY GOODS.—Payments in this line falling due on the 4th inst. were fairly met as a whole, there being a noticeable improvement on the same date last year. One large house reports 74 per cent. of their customers' paper met; this is a high average, and an exceptional case, but the general report is that a very fair proportion of paper was provided for. Spring orders continue to come in very fairly; city retail business is on the quiet side.

FURS.—Mail advices re late sales are to hand and confirm our previous cable reports. Messrs. Lampson & Co. in their report of the late sales say: "The fur trade here, and on the continent, cannot be said to be in very prosperous shape. The late autumn and commencement of winter foretold a fair trade, but this did not prove to be the case. The real winter has been unpropitious, and much stock remains unsold, with very little desire to increase it at late prices. A heavy failure in Russia may account for something, and sickness in many parts conduces to a feeling of depression. The English trade in low price articles has been by no means good. The sales just ended were fairly well attended, but buyers were not as numerous as at this period last year, and those present did not appear in the best of spirits. Many articles have experienced a decline in value, others have maintained their price, and one or two show an advance." Messrs. Blatspiel, Stamp & Heacock, of London, write: "We have to report many serious declines in value. Speculation being almost dead, it is to be hoped that the present values are those perfectly natural to the state of trade, and such as may give reasonable impetus to consumption, and revive the demand generally." We quote:—Beaver, \$2.75 to 3.25 per lb.; large bear, \$12 to 15; bear, \$5 to 10; ditto cub, \$2 to 4; fisher, \$2.50 to 4; red fox, \$1; cross ditto, \$1.50 to 3; lynx, \$1.50 to

2.50; marten, 60 to 75c.; mink, 75c. to \$1.50; muskrat, 8c.; winter, 10 to 12c.; otter, \$8 to 12; raccoon, 40 to 60c.; skunk, 20, 40, and 60c.; extra large black, \$1.

GROCERIES.—It is the general opinion that goods are wanted in the country but the distribution is not at all active. There has been no growth in the movement since last writing. There is also no denying that remittances from some localities are poor, which, considering that dry goods collections are fair, and that grocers are generally more favored in the matter of payments than dry goods men, is somewhat hard to understand. In values little change has transpired. Sugars are just as they were. The St. Lawrence refinery is working partly, and the Redpath factory will resume in a few days. Granulated to the trade is 4½c.; yellows, 3½c. to 4½c., with an odd lot at 3 7/16c., but these are not frequent. Molasses, 37 to 37½c. for Barbadoes in a jobbing way. Rice, \$3.70 at mill in car lots for standard A & B. Finer grade Japans are very firm, and in New York much dearer; teas costing 21c. there two months ago are now held at from 24 to 26c. per pound. These goods are wanted in the U. S. We hear of shipments from Hamilton to Chicago, and samples are being forwarded from here to New York in answer to requests for same. There are no currants now here in first hands, and orders for further supplies have been forwarded to Greece. Valencia raisins scarce, but can be bought at from 4 to 5½c. as to quality. Evaporated apples firm at 8½c.; dried ditto 5½c. Canned goods still rather quiet. Some salmon has been sold as low as \$1.25 and under, but the quality is hardly desirable. In tomatoes nothing under \$1.05 can be had of good pack.

LEATHER.—We have to report some sales of good sized lots of splits, about twenty tons having gone into consumption within the last ten days at generally steady prices; in other lines there has been no great movement. Letter advices just to hand from England have no improvement to report in prices; not much activity in trade. 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.—Another dull week in all lines is to be recorded. Warrants are still at 43/-; in makers' quotations there has been a general tumble; Langlois is cabled at 1/6d. lower; Summerlee, 2/6d.; Gartsherrie, 3/6d.; Carnbroe, 2/-; Eglinton, 1/6d.; Glenmarnock, 4/- lower. Local prices are, however, not affected, and stocks on spot are very moderate indeed. In other metals, plates, etc., there is absolutely nothing new. 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, 6¼c.; No. 26, 7c.; the usual extra for large sizes. Hoops and

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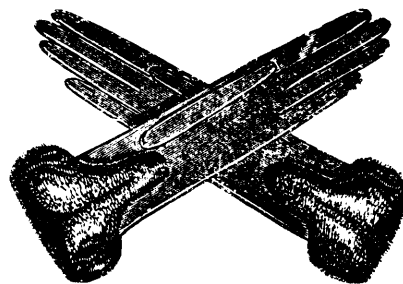
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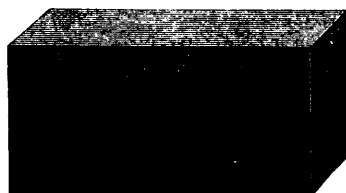
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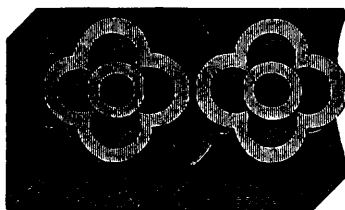
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