

\$8.50 to 9.00; boneless cod, 7 to 8c.; haddies, 7½ to 8c.

FURS.—Our hint of last week as to a possible weakening in values, seems to receive confirmation in the weekly circular of Messrs. John Martin & Co., just received, from which we quote: "The exceptional state of the money markets of the world, though not at present affecting commerce perceptibly, must very soon be felt, and the fur trade in particular may be expected to suffer, consequently a depression may be looked for in the spring." In the meantime business is quiet, and quotations are steady. We quote:—Beaver, per lb. \$4.00 to 4.50; bear, per skin, \$10 to 15; bear cub, \$5 to 8; fisher, \$3.50 to 5; fox, red, \$1 to 1.25; fox, cross, \$2.50 to 5; lynx, \$1.50 to 2.50; martens, 75 to 90c; mink, \$1.50 to 1.75; muskrat, fall, 12 and 15c; otter, \$8 to 10; raccoon, 50 to 60c; skunk, 50, 75c. and \$1.00, according to quality and stripe.

GROCERIES.—Travellers who have been home for the New Year's festivities have only got fairly on the road again, and business has not yet begun to move briskly. Sugars have not developed any recent change. Granulated is still 6½c. to the Guild, yellow range from 4½ to 5½c. Molasses, 37½c. for Barbadoes in a jobbing way. The question of the probable action of the Government with regard to the sugar duties is exciting much discussion among the trade, and if it be decided to meet the American removal of duty, equal to a reduction of \$6 a barrel on granulated, there is great speculation as to what articles will have to bear an increased duty to make up for the loss of revenue on sugar. Some hold that tea and coffee are the most likely lines, being free at the moment, unless imported from the United States, but this is a matter of guesswork only. Teas are not very active just now, but are steady, and reports from all outside markets would go to back up the belief of leading dealers that tea is a good property to hold, and that a scarcity of stock is not improbable ere the new crop be marketed. Stocks locally are in quite moderate compass, and enquiries are frequent from other jobbing centres in the Dominion. Dried fruits generally are held at last quoted figures, the tendency being, if anything, to growing strength. Rice, canned goods, etc., as before.

HIDES.—The position is a stronger one, the price for No. 1 Montreal is now fairly settled at 6½c. while some dealers are asking 7c.; dealers however continue to pay 5c. for No. 1, uninspected; calfskins, 7c.; sheepskins, 90 to 95c.

LEATHER.—It is rather early to look for a more active demand; a few boot and shoe men may be seen perambulating about the "swamp" making enquiries, but orders are few as yet. Hides are reported stiffening, and leather values are generally steadily held; we make a reduction in waxed upper, which can be bought at from 30 to 35c. for light and medium, heavy 28 to 33c. We quote:—Spanish sole, B.A., No. 1, 21 to 23c.; do., No. 2, B.A., 18 to 19c. No. 1, ordinary Spanish, 20 to 21c.; No. 2; ditto, 17 to 18c.; No. 1, China, 19 to 20c.; No. 1 slaughter, 22 to 25c.; No. 2 do., 21 to 22c.; American oak sole, 39 to 43c.; British oak sole, 38 to 45c.; waxed upper, light and medium, 30 to 35c.; ditto, heavy, 28 to 33c.; grained, 32 to 34c.; Scotch grained, 32 to 37c.; splits, large, 16 to 24c.; do., small, 15 to 16c.;

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, 23 to 29c.; buffed cow, 12 to 14c.; pebbled cow, 12 to 15c.; rough, 20 to 25c.; russet and bridle, 45 to 55c.

METALS AND HARDWARE.—Everything in these lines is as "flat as a flounder," as it is very expressively put by a leading metal man; some few sanguinely disposed people are looking for improvement in a fortnight or so, but general indications would not favor such an anticipation. The market at home rules quiet; warrants are cabled at 46/5d., a gain of twopence from lowest point; makers' prices without change, and the local list unaltered in any line. We quote:—Coltness, no stock to import, \$24.00; Calder, No. 1, \$23.00; Calder, No. 3, \$21.50; Summerlee, \$23 to 24.00; Eglington \$20.00 to 21.50; Gartsherrie, \$23.00; Carnbroe, \$21.50 to \$22.00; Shotts, \$22.50 to 23.00; Middlesboro, none here; cast scrap railway chairs, &c., \$20.00; machinery scrap, \$19.00 to 20.00; common ditto, \$18; bar iron, \$2.25 to 2.30 for Canadian, British \$2.50; best refined, \$2.75. The products of the Londonderry Iron Company we quote as follows: Siemens' pig No. 1, \$23.00; Acadia bar, \$2.20; Siemens' bar, \$2.35; these figures for round lots, Canada Plates—Blaina, \$3.10; Swansea, \$3.10; Penn, \$3.25. Terne roofing plate, 20x28, \$8.00 to 8.25. Black sheet iron, No. 28, \$2.80. Tin plates—Bradley charcoal, \$6.50 to 7; charcoal I.C., \$4.75 to 5.00; do. I.X., \$5.25 to 6.00; coke I.C., \$4.50; coke wasters, \$4.25; galvanized sheets, No. 28, ordinary brands, 5½ to 5¾c.; Morewood, 7c.; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, 6½c.; No. 26, 7c.; the usual extra for large sizes. Hoops and bands, per 100 lbs., \$2.70 to 2.75; Staffordshire boiler plate, \$2.80 to 3.00; common sheet iron \$2.75 to 2.90 according to gauge; steel boiler plate, \$3.00; heads, \$4.00; Russian sheet iron, 10½ to 11c.; lead per 100 lbs., pig, \$4.00; sheet, \$4.75; shot, \$6 to 6.50; best cast steel, 11 to 12c.; spring, \$2.50; tire, \$2.50 to 2.75; sleigh shoe, \$2.50 to 3.00; round machinery steel, \$3.25; ingot tin 22½ to 23½c.; bar tin, 26c.; ingot copper, 15½ to 16½c.; sheet zinc, \$6.50 to 7.00; spelter, \$6.25; antimony, 00 to 20c.; bright iron wires Nos. 0 to 8, \$2.75 per 100 lbs.; annealed do., \$2.75. Coil chain, ½ inch, 5½c.; ¾ in., 4½c.; 7-16 in., 4½c.; 1 in., 4½c.; 1½ in., 3½c.; 2 in., 4c.; 2½ in., and upwards, 3½c.

OILS, PAINTS AND GLASS.—Business is still slow, there being as yet no increase in trade. Values are little changed: linseed is quoted at 65c. for raw, 68c. for boiled, in single brls.; for lots these figures would be shaded; turpentine, 59 to 60c.; castor oil, though easier in London, is reported to be firming up in Calcutta; we quote 10½c. in case lots; steam refined seal, 55c. in small lots. Leads, glass, etc., are just as they were. We quote:—Leads (chemically pure and first-class brands only) \$6; No. 1, \$5 to

5.50; No. 2, \$4.75; No. 3, \$4 to 4.50; dry white lead, 5½ to 5¾c.; red do., 4¾c.; London washed whiting, 50c.; Paris white, 90c. to \$1; Cookson's Venetian red, \$1.60 to 1.75; other brands of Venetian red, \$1.40 to 1.60; yellow ochre, \$1.50 to 1.75; spruce ochre, \$2.25 to 2.50. Window glass, \$1.50 per 50 feet for first break, \$1.60 for second break; 5c. off for 100 box lots.

WOOL.—Business rules quiet, and we hear of few transactions outside of a moderate sale last week of Cape at 15½c. We quote Cape 15 to 17c., Natal 17½c. and very scarce. No Australian in the market.

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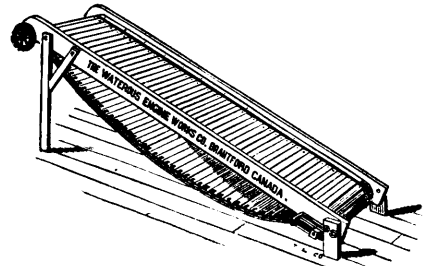
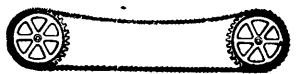
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DRUGS.—Business is reported to be very fair, and payments coming better to hand. Opium gum and morphine are both a little easier; quinine is of slow sale just now and dull in price; oil lemon and bergamot are very high in price; it is felt the state of the market does

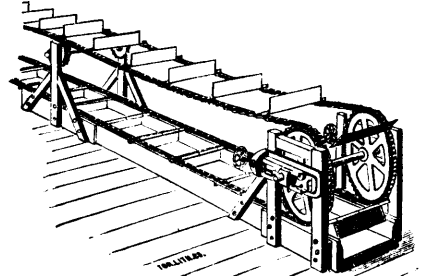
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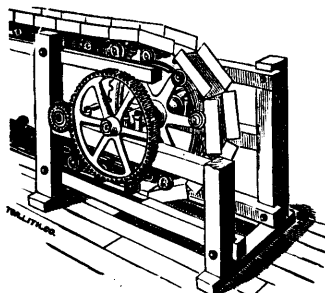
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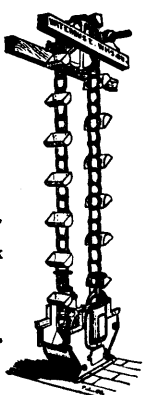


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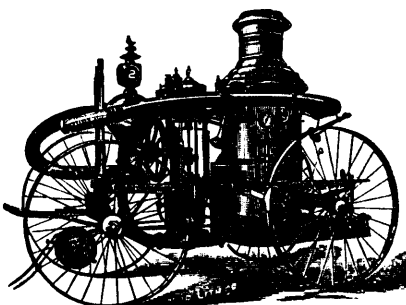
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