

THE WOOL MARKET.

TORONTO.—The market is very dull, and prices somewhat easier. Little of the new clip is coming in unwashed, but it is too early yet to form any estimate of the clip as a whole. There is no fleece combing in the market, all having been shipped to the United States. We quote—Fleece clothing, 23 to 24c.; tub washed, 22 to 23c., unwashed, 11 to 12½c.

MONTREAL.—The market presents little of interest. Prices are fairly well maintained. Small lots of greasy Cape are changing hands at 14 to 15½c. B.A.'s are scarce, and fine grades are selling at 32c. No greasy Cape is expected for a month or two. Quotations are: Greasy Cape, 14 to 16c., Natal, 15 to 17c.; Canadian fleece, 22 to 25c., B.A., scoured, 27 to 35c. In Canada pulled wool, 22 to 23c. is quoted.

Reports from Manitoba and the North-West show that the sheep there have come through the winter in good condition, and are very healthy. Short, fine, North-West wool is quoted at 10½c.; medium fine, 11c., combing and clothing, 11½ to 13c.

TEXTILE IMPORTS FROM GREAT BRITAIN.

The following are the values, in sterling money, of the imports of textile interest to Canada, from Great Britain during February, 1895 and 1896, and the two months ending February, 1895 and 1896:

	Month of February.		Two months to February.	
	1895.	1896.	1895.	1896.
Raw wool.....	£ 307	£ 2,232	£ 493	£ 3,298
Cotton piece-goods	55,328	62,244	136,436	138,097
Jute piece-goods	9,421	13,046	17,904	26,586
Linen piece-goods.....	12,728	16,605	34,812	45,048
Silk, lace	3,202	1,001	11,860	3,117
" articles partly of....	2,797	3,438	5,192	8,020
Woolen fabrics	25,139	31,325	44,658	53,569
Worsted fabrics.....	59,264	68,665	114,555	127,213
Carpets	31,587	35,069	55,214	55,085
Apparel and slops.....	26,949	34,865	61,307	70,327
Haberdashery	16,715	18,985	31,876	39,397

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The linen imports into Canada from Great Britain during the month ending 1st January, 1896, amounted to 1,839,100 yards, valued at £28,443 as against 1,337,200 yards, valued at £22,084 in the corresponding period of last year.

Method for Dyeing Naphtyl Blue Black N, pat.—Naphtyl Blue Black N, which is distinguished by its bright shade and similarity in appearance to logwood, both in reflected and transmitted light (overlook and underlook), has been generally adopted for the dyeing of knitting yarns and piece-goods in Europe. It showed the one defect that dyeings suffered when subjected to an extraordinarily severe potting or sponging process. Messrs. Cassella & Co. have succeeded in overcoming this defect by adding some sulphate of copper to the dyebath. The sulphate of copper can be added: 1st, when preparing the bath, in which case charge the dyebath with 1 per cent. oxalic acid and 8 per cent. acetic acid, add the dyestuff, then 2 per cent. sulphate of copper, enter the goods, bring slowly to the boil and work in the boiling bath until the latter is completely exhausted; 2nd, during the dyeing operation, in which case charge the dyebath as stated under No. 1, omitting the sulphate of copper, boil for half an hour and then add the latter; and 3rd, after dyeing, then dye as stated under No. 1, without the addition of sulphate of copper, 2 per cent. of which add as soon as the dyebath is exhausted and boil another half hour. By applying the first method the black obtained is a little lighter and bluer, whilst somewhat deeper if the third method is used. The dyebaths, no matter which of the three methods has been applied, can be used over again, subsequent lots only requiring an addition of 1½ per cent. sulphate of copper. Without the result being influenced by the addition of the sulphate of copper, the dyeing can be done simultaneously with Naphtyl Blue Black N, Formyl Violet, Cyanole extra, Acid Green, Tropæoline, and Fast Yellow S. or the dyeings of Naphtyl Blue Black N can be shaded in the dyebath with these products. If the goods are to be subjected to very severe sponging or potting, the quantity of sulphate of copper may be somewhat increased. The fastness to light of dyeings produced with Naphtyl Blue Black N by the above methods is excellent, and cannot be nearly equalled by any of the wool dyestuffs for black known in the market. About this dye W. J. Matheson & Co., Ltd., writes us:—"Since issuing our Bulletin No. 44, showing Naphtyl Blue Black N, treated with Chrome and Bluestone, we beg to state that we have been making experiments with a view of proving our Black of sufficient fastness, without this after-treatment, and are glad to be able to inform our customers that we have found our Naphtyl Blue Black N, without after-treatment, to be so fast that the addition of Chrome does not improve it in the least, but for such of our customers who desire an absolutely fast black in every respect, we still recommend the after-treatment with Bluestone. We shall be glad to send you a sample card showing 14 dyeings on several varieties of goods dyed without the after-treatment."

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