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The turn of the year has brought some changes in camp supplies. Owing to the high price of hogs there is an advance of ¼c. per pound all round on lard, and a larger advance in backs and breakfast bacon. Beans show an advance of 10c. In dried fruits, Valencia raisins are held higher. The canned good list shows that peas are dearer. In both these classes of merchandise the wholesale grocer is very firm in his notions, and the general feeling is upward.

The following are wholesale prices for Toronto, where not otherwise explained, although for broken quantities higher prices are quoted:—

Antimony.—Demand quiet at 9c. per 100 lbs.
Axes.—Standard makes, double bitted, \$8 to \$10; single bitted, per dozen, \$7 to \$9
Bar Iron.—\$2.00 to \$2.10, base, per 100 lbs., from stock to wholesale dealer. Market supply limited.
Bar Mild Steel.—Per 100 lbs., \$2.10 to \$2.20.

Boiler Plates.—¼-inch and heavier, \$2.20. Boiler heads 25c. per 100 pounds advance on plate. Tank plate, 3-16-inch, \$2.40 per 100 lbs.

Boiler Tubes.—Orders continue active. Lap-welded, steel, 1¼-inch, 10c.; 1½-inch, 9c. per foot; 2-inch, \$8.50; 2¼-inch, \$10; 2½-inch, \$10.60; 3-inch, \$11 to \$11.50; 3½-inch, \$15; 4-inch, \$18 to \$18.50 per 100 feet.

Building Paper.—Plain, 30c. per roll; tarred, 40c. per roll. Demand is only moderate.

Bricks.—Business is very active, price at some yards \$9 to \$9.50, at others, \$9.50 to \$10 for common. Don Valley pressed brick move also freely. Red and buff pressed are worth \$18 delivered and \$17 at works per 1,000.

Broken Stone.—Lime stone, good hard, for roadways or concrete, f.o.b., Schaw station, C.P.R., 60c. per ton of 2,000 lbs., 1-inch, 2-inch, or larger, price all the same. The demand has been active for some weeks, and supply not equal to it; feeling is upward. Broken granite is selling at \$3 per ton for good Oshawa.

Cement.—Manufacturers' prices for Portland cement are somewhat irregular at the moment, in fact few care to quote. Smaller dealers get \$1.35 to \$1.40 per barrel without bags, in load lots, delivered in town. Correct quotations are hard to secure.

Coal.—Retail price for Pennsylvania hard, \$7.25 net, steady. This price applies to grate, egg, stove, and chestnut; only pea coal is cheaper, namely, \$6.00. These are all cash, and the quantity purchased does not affect the price. Soft coal is in good supply, American brokers have been covering the ground very fully. In the United States there is an open market for bituminous coal and a great number of qualities exist. We quote. Youghiogheny lump coal on cars here, \$3.70 to \$3.80; mine run, \$3.60 to \$3.75; slack, \$2.65 to \$2.85; lump coal from other districts, \$3.40 to \$3.70; mine run 10c. less; slack, \$2.50 to \$2.70; cannel coal plentiful at \$7.50 per ton; coke, Solvey foundry, which is largely used here, quotes at \$5.75 to \$6.00; Reynoldsville, \$4.90 to \$5.00; Connellsville, 72-hour coke, \$5.50.

Copper Ingot.—The speculative movement has been very great and it is not easy to forecast the future. Active demand here at 14¼c.

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.—An improvement in demand of late, no change in price, which is \$1.80 per 100 lbs.

Fire Bricks.—English and Scotch, \$30 to \$35; American, \$25 to \$35 per 1,000. The demand is steady.

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.

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.—A steady request at former prices:—Black, ¾-inch, \$2.03; ¾-inch, \$2.25; ¾-inch, \$2.63; ¾-inch, \$3.28; 1-inch, \$4.70; 1¼-inch, \$6.41; 1½-inch, \$7.70; 2-inch, \$10.26; 2¼-inch, \$16.39; 3-inch, \$21.52; 3½-inch, \$27.08; 4-inch, \$30.76; 4½-inch, \$35.75; 5-inch, \$39.85; 6-inch, \$51.70. Galvanized, ¾-inch, \$2.86; ¾-inch, \$3.08; ¾-inch, \$3.48; ¾-inch, \$4.43; 1-inch, \$6.35; 1½-inch, \$8.66; 1¾-inch, \$10.40; 2-inch, \$13.86, per 100 feet.

Lead.—An active demand at firm prices, say \$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 without freight. Demand is moderate.

Lumber.—Prices continue steady, and city demand quieter. We quote dressing pine \$32.00 to \$35.00 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 to \$24; shingles, British Columbia, are hardening somewhat, \$3 to \$3.10; lath, No. 1, \$4.40, white pine, 48-inch; No. 2, \$3.75; for 32-inch, \$1.60.

Nails.—Wire, \$2.35 base; cut, \$2.60; spikes, \$2.85 per keg of 100 lbs.
Pitch and Tar.—Pitch, demand moderate, price so far unchanged at 70c. per 100 lbs. Coal tar fairly active at \$3.50 per barrel.

Pig Iron.—There is great activity and prices are maintained. Clarence quotes at \$21 for No. 3; Cleveland, \$20.50 to \$21, Summerlee, for winter delivery, \$22.50 in Canadian pig, Hamilton quotes \$19.50 to \$20 per ton. Producing plants are everywhere busy, and there is considerable business in prospect for 1910.

Plaster of Paris.—Calced, New Brunswick, hammer brand, car lots, \$2; retail, \$2.15 per barrel of 300 lbs.

Putty.—In bladders, strictly pure, per 100 lbs., \$2.25; in barrel lots, \$2.10. Plasterer's, \$2.15 per barrel of three bushels.

Ready Roofing.—Dealers report a large demand, the prices being as before, per catalogue

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 Bangor slate 10x16 may be quoted at \$7 per square of 100 square feet, f.o.b., cars, Toronto; seconds, 50c. less. Mottled, \$7.25; green, \$7. There is still a scarcity of good slaters.

Rope.—Sisal, 9½c. per lb.; pure Manila, 10½c. per lb., Base.

Sewer Pipe.—

	4-in.	6-in.	9-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	.90	1.35	2.70	3.40	4.50	14.65
Double junctions	1.50	2.50	5.00	....	8.50	....
Increasers 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	....

Business quieter; 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, 1¼ 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 \$36 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. \$43.

Sheet Steel.—We do not alter prices as yet; 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 good demand exists, and there is prospect of higher prices.

Sheets Galvanized.—Apollo Brand.—Sheets 6 or 8 feet long, 30 or 36 inches wide; 10-gauge, \$2.90; 12-14-gauge, \$3.00; 16, 18, 20, \$3.10; 22-24, \$3.25; 26, \$3.40; 28, 3.85; 29, \$4.15; 10¼, \$4.15 per 100 lbs. Fleur de Lis—28-gauge, \$4; 26, \$3.80 per 100 lbs. A very large tonnage of all sorts has been booked.

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.—The feeling in tin is firm, and the price advanced to 35c. to 36c. per pound. Some think, however, that the active demand of 1910 has been too freely discounted.

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

Zinc Spelter.—A very active movement continues, and a large business is being done. Price very firm at \$5.75 to \$6 per 100 lbs.

CAMP SUPPLIES.

Beans.—Hand picked, \$2.10; prime, \$2

Beets.—85c. a bag.

Butter.—Dairy prints, 23 to 24c.; creamery rolls, 27 to 28c.

Canned Goods.—Peas, \$1.10 to \$1.50; tomatoes, 35, 85c. to 95c.; pumpkins, 35, 80 to 85c.; corn, 75 to 85c.; peaches, 25, white, \$1.50 to \$1.60; yellow, \$1.90 to \$1.95; strawberries, 25, heavy syrup, \$1.90 to \$1.95; raspberries, 25, \$1.90 to \$1.95.

Carrots.—60c. and 65c. a bag.

Cheese.—Large, 12¼c.; twins, 13c.

Coffee.—Rio, green, 10 to 12½c.; Mocha, 21 to 23c.; Java, 20 to 31c.; Santos, 11 to 15c.

Dried Fruits.—Raisins, Valencia, 6 to 6¼c.; seeded, 1-lb. packets, fancy, 7½ to 8c.; 16-oz. packets, choice, 7 to 7½c.; 12-oz. packets, choice, 7c.; Sultanas, good, 5 to 6c.; fine, 6 to 7c.; choice, 7 to 8c.; fancy, 8 to 9c.; Filiatras currants, 6½ to 7c.; Vostizzas, 8½ to 9c.; uncleaned currants, ¼c. lower than cleaned. California Dried Fruits.—Evaporated apricots, 14 to 15c. per lb.; prunes, 60s to 70s, 7 to 7½c.; gos to roos, 6½c.; evaporated apples, 9½c.

Eggs.—Cold storage, 25 to 28c.; new laid, 36 to 37c. per dozen, in case lots.

Flour.—Manitoba Flour.—Quotations at Toronto are:—First patents, \$5.60; second patents, \$5.10; strong bakers', \$4.90; 90 per cents., Glasgow freights, 28s. 6d. Ontario Flour.—Winter wheat patents, for export, \$4.20 to \$4.25, in buyers' sacks outside.

Lard.—Terces, 16¼c.; tub, 16¼ to 16½c.; pails, 16½ to 16¾c. per lb., market firm.

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

Onions.—\$1.25 a bag.

Potatoes.—Best, 65 and 70c. a bag.

Pork.—Market uncertain. Short cut, \$28 per barrel; mess, \$26.50.

Rice.—B grade, 3¼c. per lb.; Patna, 5½ to 5¾c.; Japan, 5½ to 6c.

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

Smoked and Dry Salt Meats.—Long clear bacon, 14c. to 14½c., tons and cases; hams, large, 14 to 14½c.; small, 15½ to 16c.; rolls, 14½ to 14¾c.; breakfast bacon, 18c.; backs (plain), 18½ to 19c.; backs (peameal), 18c. to 19c.; shoulder hams, 13c.; green meats out of pickle, 1c. less than smoked. Market steady.

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, \$4.85 per 100 lbs. in barrels; Acadia, \$4.75; yellow, \$4.45; bags, 5c. lower; bright coffee, \$4.65; bags, 5c. less.

Syrup.—Corn syrup, special bright, 3¼c. per lb.

Teas.—Japans, 20 to 35c. per lb.; Young Hysons, 16 to 35c.; Ceylons, medium, 16 to 45c.

Turnips.—45c. a bag.

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Anvils.—Per pound, 10 to 12½c.; Buckworth anvils, 80 lbs., and up, 10¼c.; anvil and vice combined, each, \$5.50.

Axes.—Chopping axes, per dozen, \$6 to \$9; double bits, \$12.10 per dozen.

Barbed Wire.—4 point and 2 point, common, \$3.15 per cwt.; Baker, \$3.20; Wankegan, \$3.30.

Bar Iron.—\$2.50 to \$2.60.

Bars.—Crow, \$4 per 100 pounds.

Beams and Channels.—\$3 to \$3.10 per 100 up to 15-inch.

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