

be practically sold out of tomatoes, and corn and peas are scarce. In gallon apples there has been a veritable boom; a packer's agent reports a sale of a 1,000 case lot lately at \$2.20, a big advance on last year, and he is instructed now to take nothing below \$2.35.

HIDES.—The only change to be noted is the usual monthly advance in lambskins, which are now quoted at 85 to 90c. each. Hides are firm at 8½c. per lb. for No. 1; being the price realized to butchers for green, the quotation to tanners for cured being 9½c. There is evident scarcity, and some Western tanners write that they think of looking for supplies in Europe.

LEATHER.—The situation is practically without recent change. Boot and shoe men continue to report good orders, and jobbers are reported to be placing a good many orders with Quebec manufacturers. Of dongolas and colored leathers there are continued very fair sales, but in ordinary grades of black leathers there is little movement. In these latter lines, however, there is great firmness, owing to low stocks and the advancing tendency in the hide market. Tanners generally are talking of higher prices; some Western tanners find a difficulty in getting a supply of hides, and talk of buying in Europe. We quote:—Spanish sole B.A. No. 1, 24 to 25c.; do. No. 2, 22 to 23c.; No. 1 ordinary Spanish, 22 to 23c.; No. 2, 19 to 20c.; No. 1 slaughter, 25 to 27c.; No. 2 do., 21 to 23c.; common, 20 to 21c.; waxed upper light and medium, 30 to 35c.; do. heavy, 27 to 30c.; grained, 32 to 35c.; Scotch grained, 30 to 35c.; western splits, 22 to 25c.; Quebec do., 17 to 20c.; juniors, 15 to 17c.; calf-splits, 30 to 35c.; calf skins (35 to 40 lbs.), 60 to 65c.; imitation French calf skins, 65 to 75c.; colored calf, American, 25 to 28c.; Canadian, 20 to 22c.; colored pebble cow, 13 to 15c.; russet sheepskin linings, 30 to 40c.; colored, 6 to 7½c.; harness, 24 to 27c.; buffed cow, 12 to 14c.; extra heavy buff, 15c.; pebbled cow, 12 to 13c.; polished buff, 11 to 13c.; glove grain, 12 to 16c.; rough, 22 to 23c.; russet and bridle, 35 to 45c.

METALS AND HARDWARE.—While there is

not much demand for pig iron, the market shows no weakening, and a shaded offer for 100 tons of No. 1 Hamilton iron was declined a few days ago. The sale is reported of 250 tons of Scotch iron, Govan brand, which had served for ballasting on several trips of an ocean steamer, at a pretty low figure, for pipe-making purposes. No further supplies of Siemens iron are available; all the No. 2 that was here has been sold, and the stock at the furnace is held for their own foundry, etc. Canada plates are very dull at the moment, also tinplates, which are rather weaker in England. The home market for lead is barely steady, and a decline from present high prices is not improbable. We quote:—Summerlee pig iron, \$18 to 18.50; Carron, No. 1, \$18.00; No. 3, \$17.25; Ayrshire, No. 1, \$17.00; No. 3, \$16.50; Shotts, \$17.25 to 17.50; Carnbroe, \$16.00 to \$17.00, ex-store; Siemens pig No. 1, none; No. 2 Siemens, none; Ferrona, No. 1, \$20.00; Hamilton No. 1, \$16.00 to 16.50; No. 2, ditto, \$15.50 to 16.00; machinery scrap, \$14.00 to 15.00; common ditto, \$12.00 to 13.00; bar iron, Canadian, \$1.40 to 1.50; British, \$2.00 to 2.15; best refined, \$2.40; Low Moor, \$5; Canada plates—Pontypool, or equal, \$2.10 to \$2.15; 52 sheets to box; 60 sheets, \$2.25; 75 sheets, \$2.35; all polished Canada \$2.40; Terne roofing plate, 20x28, \$5.90 to \$6.00; Black sheet iron, No. 28, \$2.25; No. 26, \$2.15; No. 24, \$2.05; Nos. 17, \$2; No. 16 and heavier, \$2.15; tin plates—Bradley charcoal, \$5.60 to 5.70; charcoal, I. C., Alloway, \$3.15 to 3.25; do., I.X., \$3.90 to 4.00; P. D. Crown, I. C., \$3.60 to 3.75

do., I.X., \$4.50; Coke I.C., \$2.90 to 2.95 for standard, \$2.75 to \$2.80 for 100 lbs.; coke, wasters, \$2.70; galvanized sheets, No. 28 ordinary brands, \$4; No. 26, \$3.75; No. 24, \$3.50 in case lots; Morewood, \$5.00 to 5.10, tin sheets, coke, No. 24, 5½c.; No. 26, 6c.; the usual extra for large sizes. Canadian bands, per 100 lbs., \$1.75; English ditto, \$2; hoops and bands, \$1.90 to 2.00. Steel boiler plate, ¼-inch and upwards, \$1.85 to 1.90 for Dalzell, and equal; ditto three-sixteenths inch, \$2.50; tank iron, ¼ inch, \$1.50; three-sixteenths do., \$2.00; tank steel, \$1.75; heads, seven-sixteenths and upwards, \$2.45 to 2.50; Russian sheet iron, 9c.; lead, per 100 lbs., pig, \$3.65 to 3.75; sheet, \$4 to 4.25; shot, \$6 to 6.50; best cast-steel, 8 to 10c.; toe calk, \$2.25; spring, \$2.50; sleigh shoe, \$1.85; tire, \$1.90; round machinery steel \$2.25; ingot tin, 15½ to 16c. for L. & F.; Straits, 15½ to 15¾c.; bar tin, 16½ to 17c.; ingot copper, 12 to 12½c.; sheet zinc, \$5 to \$5.25; Silesian spelter, \$4.75; Veille Montagne spelter, \$4.75 to 5.00; American spelter, \$4.75; antimony, 9 to 10c.

OILS, PAINTS AND GLASS.—Matters have now assumed a comparatively quiet phase in these lines, and, indeed, quietude will likely prevail for the next couple of months. In prices there are no changes of note. Livingston & Co., the Baden, Ont., linseed oil crushers, have put up their quotations a cent, but local quotations are as below. Turpentine is also unchanged. Glass remains very firm at quotations, and though there has been no actual advance, some firms have withdrawn the discounts sometimes

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