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this market this season, only a third of the usual quantity, and other packers are in the same position, as English orders have been already placed for the bulk of the Pacific coast pack, so that dear salmon may be looked for; lobsters hardly heard of.

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Metals and Hardware.—A better trade is doing in metals, both from stock and on import order, and values show firmness as a rule. Warrants touched 45/- end of last week, but were cabled yesterday a shade lower at 44/11d; makers' prices are sixpence advanced on last week. Local stocks of tin plates are much reduced, and largest wholesale lots could not now be had under \$4.15. Copper is easier at 17c., a car-load lot has been sold to go west at 14½c., and to arrive has been sold at 13c. in round lots. Canada, Terne, and black roofing plates all very firm. We quote:—Coltness, \$23.00; Calder, \$22.00; Langloan, none; Summerlee, \$22; Eglinton and Dalmellington, \$19.75 to 20; Gartsherrie, nominally \$22; Siemens makers are only selling No. 2 at \$21.50; Carnbroe, \$20; Shotts, none; Glengarnock, none here; Middlesboro, No. 3, \$19.50; cast nock, none here; Middlesboro, No. 3,\$19.50; cast scrap, railway chairs, &c., \$19.50; machinery scrap, \$17; common ditto, \$13 to 00; bar iron, \$2.10; best refined, \$2.85; Siemens, \$2.10. Canoda Plates—Blaina, \$2.60 to 2.70. Tern roofing plate, 20x28, \$7 to 7.25. Black sheet iron, No. 28, \$2.70. Tin plates—Bradley charcoal, \$5.75; charcoal I.C., \$4.25 to 4.50; do. I.X., \$5.25; coke I.C., \$3.75 to 3.90; alumized sheets No. 28, \$1 to 72, accurate galvanized sheets, No. 28, 5½ to 7c., according to brand; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, 6c.; No. 26, 6½c.; the usual extra for large sizes. Hoops 26, 6½c.; the usual extra fer large sizes. Hoops and bands, per 100 lbs., \$2.30. Staffordshire boiler plate, \$2.75; common sheet iron, \$2.60 to 0.00; steel boiler plate, \$2.75; heads, \$4.00; Russian sheet iron, 10½c.; lead per 100 lbs., —; pig, \$4.00 to 0.00; sheet, \$5.00; shot, \$6.00 to 6.50; best cast steel, 12 to 13c.; spring, \$2.50 to 2.80; tire, \$2.50 to 2.75; sleigh shoe, \$2.40 to 2.50; round machinery steel, \$3.00; ingot tin, 24 to 25c.; bar tin, 27½ to 28c.; ingot copper, 17c.; sheet zinc, \$5.25; spelter, \$5.00; antimony, 12 to 13c.; bright iron wire, Nos. 0 to 8, \$2.20 per 100 lbs.; annealed do., \$2.20 to 2.25.

OILS, PAINTS, AND GLASS.—There has been a serious break in turpentine in the south, owing to uncalculated stocks in the interior coming forward when market reached high tide. Local dealers are at present selling at 75c. per gal., being cost, and lower prices are probable. Linseed oil is easier at 55 to 56c. for raw, 58 to 59c. for boiled. Cod oil, 41 to 43c. for Nfld.; steam refined seal about 50c.; olive and castor steam refined seal about 50c.; olive and castor unchanged. Leads, colors, and glass as before. We quote:—Leads (chemically pure and first-class brands only), \$6.25; No. 1, \$5.50; No. 2, \$4.75; No. 3, 4.50; dry white lead, 55c.; red do., 43c.; London washed whiting, 60c.; Paris white, \$1.00; Cookson's Venetian red, \$1.60 to 1.75; other brands Venetian red, \$1.40 to 1.60; yellow ochre, \$1.50; spruce ochre, \$2.00 to 2.50. Window glass, \$1.40 per 50 feet for first break; \$1.50 for second break; for lots of 50 boxes and over 5c. per box less.

TORONTO MARKETS.

TORONTO, 11th April, 1889.

Boots and Shoes.—Some wholesale houses report a very fair sorting-up trade both by letter and from travellers now out; and as a result of the present genial weather there is also frequent enquiry for fine goods which the country storekeeper could not be induced to look at a few weeks ago. Fall wheat is looking well and altogether a better feeling pervades the trade. Manufacturers here look upon the the trade. Manufacturers here look upon the failures in Quebec as not an unmixed evil, as they are the means of closing out some of those firms most notoriously guilty of demoralizing trade. On the whole there are some firms here who can report an increase of business over this time last year, and if money were only more plentiful there would not be much of which to complain.

DRY GOODS .- Travellers now out on the sorting trip are doing fairly well, and there has been quite a number of country buyers in town during the week. They all seem quite cheerful, and say that under the inspiration of the present fine weather trade has opened up nicely and an active Easter business is looked for. Such articles as white muslins, which were hitherto slow, are now being enquired for. There is quite a demand for certain colors, such as mahogany, apple green, and eld rose in ribbons, dress goods, and silks. Some of the Canadian manufacturers of woollen goods have been on the market in quest of orders and all are asking advances over prices ruling and an are asking advances over prices runing at this time last year, and appear quite firm. The increase will be equal to 7½ to 10 per cent. Blankets, for instance, that last year were selling at 40c. per pound are now quoted firmly at 45 cents. Remittances are much improved, compared with this time last year.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—Amongst the articles which maintain a firm feeling are camphor and castor oil, while cream tartar, tartaric acid, citric acid, and Rochelle salts are easy. Quinine, morphia, and opium are very sluggish. Speaking of quinine and opium the New York Commercial Bulletin says: "Quinine has retained a quiet appearance since last report. Though holders of German in large bulk have been ready to open negotiations at 25 to 27c. as to brand, yet there has been no pressure to realize. London is cabled slightly better, with realize. London is cabled slightly better, with sales at 1s. 2d., or say 28c. for best brands. Opium has been cabled stronger from Smyrna, opium has been capied stronger from Smyrna, with an advance in price of 2d. per lb., brought about by estimates of the growing crop, the probable yield being placed at 5,000 to 6000 baskets." The New York Oil, Paint, and Drug Reporter says there is at last a prospect of a steady market for quicksilver. Late advices from Europea are to the offect that it has always and the offect that the offert that the offect that the offert that t Europe are to the effect that it has displayed a firmer feeling and has recovered from the effects of the break in copper. According to enects of the break in copper. According to the same authority, caustic soda, which has been one of the most demoralized articles among heavy chemicals, gives evidence of material improvement in the near future. The Reporter also says that holders of logwood have already declined offers below previous quotations, and are apparently determined to retain supplies until the expected forthcoming weak position is supplanted by the stronger

FLOUR.—This market does not show any improvement. The business done during the week has been almost nil, and this in the provement. thought was all that was needed to give an impetus to trade. No doubt the demoralized condition of the Chicago market has deterred buyers from operating here. Quotations are nominally the same as last week. Bran is rather weaker; some hold for \$13 to 14 per ton, but we hear of a car lot at a lower figure. Oatmeal continues at \$4 per barrel for standard and \$4.50 for granulated; small lots only moving.

Grain.-Values in wheat show a decline of about two cents all round since our last report. This is due to the break in Chicago and other western markets, while advices from England point to low prices. A decline of 5 cents per bushel on the Chicago market on the 8th car-ried the price below the level of New York for the first time in several months. The price the first time in several months. The price for May delivery has dropped 18% cents since the close of March, and about 38 cents from the highest figures recorded during the period of "bull" speculation inaugurated last fall. Says the Philadelphia Record: "The prolonged blocking of the expert blocking of the export outlet and the splendid