

Black bear, large, \$12; medium, \$8; small, \$5; badger, 50c. for No. 1 large; fisher, \$5 for No. 1 dark; brown, \$4; pale, \$3; red fox, \$2 to \$3.25; silver fox, \$75 to \$150 for No. 1 as to size; cross fox, \$5 to \$10 for No. 1; wolverine, \$2.50 to \$5; lynx, \$2.50 to \$6, as to quality; marten, \$4 to \$7 for British Columbia; Eastern skins, \$2.50 to \$4 for No. 1; mink, \$4.50 to \$5.50 for No. 1; muskrat, 8 to 10c. for fall; 10 to 15c. for prime winter; otter, \$8 to \$12; fine Labrador pelts would bring \$25 or more; coon, \$2.50 for fine black, large pelts, with prices ranging down to 25c. for unprime, poor colored skins; skunk, No. 1, all black, \$2; short stripe, \$1.65; long stripe, 60c.; broad stripe, 25c.

Hides.—Receipts of country hides are very light at present, probably largely due to the state of the country roads, and buyers' quotations are steady at 9½c. per lb. for No. 1, though quality is generally poor. Calfskins are steady at 14 and 12c. per lb. for Nos. 1 and 2, respectively. Lambskins will probably not be advanced till the first of next month, and are still quoted at 10c.; sheepskins, \$1.20 each.

Dry Goods.—Business is rather more active. A good many letter orders are reported here, showing that country stocks are being fairly broken into, and city retailers are feeling the effects of more favorable weather, shoppers being more numerous. Remittances are fair for the season of the year. In goods of domestic manufacture, there is nothing new. British letters advise an advance in carpets of from 10 to 15 per cent. Merinos and other soft, clinging dress goods, which will be greatly in demand for fall wear, are firmer in price.

Groceries.—The molasses market has shown further strong advance, the cable now giving 24c. per gallon as first cost at the island, equal to a laid-down cost of 37 to 38c. Local stocks have rarely been so low, the total supply in first hands not being estimated to exceed 100 puncheons, and as jobbers have also very little in

hand, prices are again advanced to 40c. per gallon for single puncheons. The sugar market is stronger. New York prices for refined went up 10c. a few days ago, and the St. Lawrence Refining Co. put up quotations 5c. a cental all around, thus making standard granulated \$5.70, but the Canada Refinery people have not as yet followed suit. The demand is reported rather brisker. Further moderate transactions are reported in teas, and values, which have been so long depressed, are assuming a firmer tone.

Metals and Hardware.—The movement in these lines has received considerable of an impulse, now that spring freight rates are in effect, and shipments of both shelf and heavy goods are being actively made. In values there are few noteworthy changes. All the general metals, such as tin, lead, copper, etc., are steady at quotations of last week. There is some disposition to shade prices of Canada plates, etc., owing to a dull winter's trade, and near arrival of new stock, and \$2.40 would now bring moderate lots. Black sheets, \$2.15 to \$2.20; galvanized sheets, \$4.15 to \$4.25; ternes, \$6.50 to \$6.75. Boiler plate

remains at old figures; iron pipe, \$4.12½ per 100 ft. for inch.

Oils, Paints and Glass.—The marked feature of the week is the phenomenal jump upwards of 10c. a gallon in turpentine, due to speculative manipulation of the market by the Standard Oil Co., and the jobbing price for single barrels is now 87c. per gallon. Linseed oil is now pretty generally held at 43 and 46c. for raw and boiled respectively. There is a firmer feeling in leads, and it appears to be expected in some quarters that an advance on the \$4.50 figure for No. 1 pure may be shortly established; putty may also be advanced. Window glass stocks are low, and \$3.75, firm, is quoted for Belgian per 100 feet first break. English is dearer. Paris green in bulk is quoted at 14c., and in pound packages at 15c.

Wool.—Importers complain that the demand is very slack, and with additional mills shutting down every little while, they do not look for material improvement in the near future. A little business is being done in Capes at 18 to 20c.; pulled, Australian, 37c.; good B.A., 39 to 42c.; domestic, pulled, 28 to 30c. per pound.

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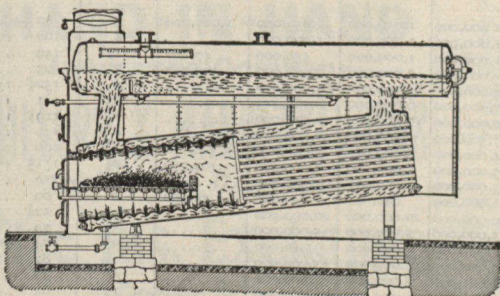
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