

warrants 39/3d. Finished iron as before. The Belgian labor riots may have some effect on business here, as some large orders for Belgian iron have been placed for spring delivery. Ingot tin and copper continue firm at home. Local stocks of tin plates are in small compass, and principal dealers are obliged to borrow to fill orders. Canada plates quiet, except small lots selling for roofing purposes. It is expected that the tariff as revised will provide for an increased duty on sheet lead and piping. We quote:—Summerlee and Gartsherrie, \$18.50; Langlois and Coltness, \$18.50 to \$19.00; Shott, \$18.00 to \$18.50; Elginton and Dalmellington, \$16.50 to \$17; Calder, \$18.00; Carnbroe, \$17.50 to \$18; Hematite, \$18 to \$20; Siemens, No. 1, \$17.50 to \$18.50; Bar Iron, \$1.60 to \$1.65; Best Refined, \$1.90; Siemens bar, \$2.10; Canada Plates, Blaine, \$2.30 to \$2.40; Penn & Co. \$2.40 to \$2.45. Tin Plates, Bradley Charcoal, \$5.75 to \$6.00; Charcoal I. C., \$4.25 to \$4.75; do I.X., \$5.50 to \$6.00; Coke I.C., \$3.75 to \$4; Galvanized sheets, No. 28, 5½ to 7c., according to brand; Tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, 6½c.; No. 26, 7c., the usual extra for large sizes. Hoops and Bands, per 100 lbs., \$1.90 to \$2; Boiler Plate, per 100 lbs., — Staffordshire, \$2.25 to \$2.50; Common Sheet iron, \$2.00 to \$2.10; Steel Boiler Plate, \$2.50 to \$2.75; heads, \$4; Russian Sheet Iron, 10 to 11c. Lead, per 100 lbs.:—Pig, \$3.75 to \$4; Sheet, \$4.25 to \$4.50; Shot, \$6 to \$6.50; best cast steel, 11 to 13c. firm; Spring, \$2.75 to \$3.00; Tire, \$2.50 to \$2.75; Sleigh shoe, \$2 to \$2.25; Round Machinery Steel, 3 to 3½c. per lb.; Ingot tin, 23 to 25c.; Bar Tin, 27c.; Ingot Copper, 12½ to 13½c.; Sheet Zinc, \$4.50 to \$5.00; Spelter, \$4 to \$4.50; Bright Iron Wire, Nos. 0 to 6. \$2.40, per 100 lbs.

OILS AND PAINTS.—Linseed oil quotes at 59 and 62c. respectively for raw and boiled in 5 brls. lots, larger lots shaded in proportion; turpentine easier at 70 to 71c.; steam refined seal easier in view of new catch, and quoted at 51 to 52½c.; Newfoundland cod 55c.; Gaspe 52½c.; castor in light supply and firm at 8½ to 9c.; olive unchanged. Leads are very firm, and may have to be quoted higher under strong market at home and possibility of an increased duty. We quote:—Leads (chemically pure and first-class brands only) \$6.00; No. 1, \$5; No. 2, \$4.50; No. 3, \$4.00. Dry white lead, 5½c.; red, do. 4½ to 4¾c. These prices for sound lots. London washed whiting, 50 to 60c.; Paris white, \$1.25; Cookson's Venetian red, \$1.75; other brands Venetian red, \$1.50 to \$1.60; Yellow ochre, \$1.50; Spruce ochre, \$2 to \$3. Glass \$1.70 per 50 feet for first break.

SALT.—The usual quiet jobbing business being done at unchanged prices as follows:—Factory filled, per bag, \$1.15 to \$1.20; elevens, 52½ to 55c.; twelves, 50 to 52½c.; Higgins' Eureka, per sack, \$2.40; half sack, \$1.20; quarters, 60c.; Ashton's sacks, \$2.40; half sacks, \$1.20; quarters, 50c.; Turk's Island, 30c. per bushel. Rock salt 50c. per cwt., special rates for ton lots.

Wool.—Nothing new in the situation. A steady demand continues from mill men, which it is not easy to meet where domestic are required. Prices are unchanged. We quote: Cape, 14 to 16½c.; Natal, 17 to 20c.; Australian, 22 to 30. Domestic, A super, 27 to 38c.; B super, 22 to 24c.; unassorted, 21 to 22c.; fleece, 19 to 21c.; black 21 to 22c.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, April 1st, 1886.

Bankshares have been quiet and firm with closing quotations higher than last week, except in the case of Toronto, which is ½ lower in bids. After selling as low as 211, Dominion rose to 213; buyers now offering 212½, with 214 asked. Hamilton sold at 135½; Ontario Imperial, and Standard are each ½ better. British America Assurance was dealt in at 102 and 103, and Western was firm at 120 to 120½. The feature amongst miscellaneous stocks is the rise in Montreal Telegraph of 6½, to 119½ bid. Canada North-west Land sold down from 76 to 74½.

Loan Societies' shares are steady, Canada Permanent selling at 206, Building and Loan at 108½ and 108, Western Canada 188, Union 135, and London and Canadian 155 to 155½.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—General trade in this line is reported good. The recent changes in the tariff have added from 5 to 10 per cent. to perfumery and in the case of attar of roses the increase is 20 per cent. These are the only articles affected. Quinine is steady, turpentine easier and quotes at 75 to 80c. Linseed oil is firm at our figures.

FLOUR AND MEAL.—Last week's prices for flour still rule and the general situation shows an improvement. Indeed the inactivity is even more pronounced with no visible prospect of a change for the better. The trade in oatmeal and cornmeal is also dull being only of a jobbing nature. Bran is not so dear and has offered lately at 12.25 to 12.50.

GRAIN.—Although values of wheat seem to be somewhat enhanced since last week the market has been quiet and few transactions have been recorded. We quote No. 1 fall at 84 to 85c.; No. 2 at 82 to 83c. and No. 3 the same as a week ago, viz. 79 to 80c. No. 1 spring quotes at 84 to 85c. and No. 2 at 82 to 83c. Barley has been dull and our figures as last reported still rule. Oats are not so strong but 35 to 36c. will still represent the value. Peas at 61 to 62c. are firm. Corn and rye still nominal.

GROCERIES.—Wholesale dealers are not all of one mind with respect to the government's action regarding the duty on sugar. It will have the effect of shutting out the Scotch sugars which grocers say were of the poorest quality. It has also given a brisker movement to the market, something which it was sadly in need of for some time past. On the other hand there are one or two instances in which the duty seems to be decidedly obnoxious. Mainly in the case of those firms, and they are few, who imported raw sugars for domestic use. We alter our quotations for Canadian refined to 5½ to 6½c.; Jamaica, 5½ to 5¾c.; Redpath's Paris lump, 8 to 8½c. The figure for prunes is now 4½ to 5c., other lines in fruits can doubtless be bought at previous quotations.

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tations. In nuts Sicily filberts are listed at 10 to 11c.; Bordeaux walnuts at 8 to 9c. and Grenoble 12½ to 13½c.

HARDWARE.—The recent changes in the tariff will increase the price of more than one article in our list, such as iron wire, bolts, shot, lead pipe and cordage. It is, however, likely that purchases can, for a day or so, be made at

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