

to 90.00; oak, plank \$35.00 to 60.00; walnut; first and seconds, \$90 to 100, rejects \$55 to 60; cherry, \$65 to 80; butternut, \$25.00 to 40.00; birch, \$18.00 to 25.00; maple, hard, \$18.00 to 25.00; laths, \$1.45 to 1.60; shingles, \$1.50 to 3.00; ditto, cedar, \$2.00 to 3 00.

**METALS AND HARDWARE.**—The state of business is unchanged, goods generally moving only in dribbles; holders of tinplates could effect some fair sales if willing to make concession, but they are not. Lead, tin and copper are all easier, and probably could be bought in lots to better advantage than our quotations, but there is nothing doing in them. Scotch pig iron warrants easy at 46/2d.; Eglinton and Dalmellington are cabled a shilling lower, which is rather hard to understand in face of the now very limited production of iron; the better brands all hold their price. Local quotations in all lines are as they were. We quote:—Coltness, no stock to import, \$24.00; Calder, No. 1, \$23.00; Calder, No. 3, \$21.50; Summerlee, \$23 to 24.00; Eglinton \$20.00 to 21.50; Gartsherrie, \$23.00; Carnbroe, \$21.50 to \$22.00; Shotts, \$22.50 to 23.00; Middlesboro, none here; east scrap railway chairs, &c., \$20.00; machinery scrap, \$19.00 to 20.00; common ditto, \$13; bar iron, \$2.25 to 2.30 for Canadian, British \$2.50; best refined, \$2.75. The products of the Londonderry Iron Company we quote as follows: Siemens' pig No. 1, \$23.00; Acadia bar, \$2.20; Siemens' bar, \$2.35; these figures for round lots. Canada Plates—Blaina, \$3.10; Swansea, \$3.10; Penn, \$3.25. Terne roofing plate, 20x28, \$8.00 to 8.25. Black sheet iron, No. 28, \$2.80. Tin plates—Bradley charcoal, \$6.50 to 7; charcoal I.C., \$4.75 to 5.00; do. I.X., \$5.25 to 6.00; coke I.C., \$4.50; coke wasters, \$4.25; galvanized sheets, No. 28, ordinary brands, 5½ to 5¾c.; Morewood, 7c.; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, 6¾c.; No. 26, 7c.; the usual extra for large sizes. Hoops and bands, per 100 lbs., \$2.70 to 2.75; Staffordshire boiler plate, \$2.80 to 3.00; common sheet iron \$2.75 to 2.90 according to gauge; steel boiler plate, \$3.00; heads, \$4.00; Russian sheet iron, 10½ to 11c.; lead per 100 lbs., pig, \$4.00; sheet, \$4.75; shot, \$6 to 6.50; best cast steel, 11 to 12c.; spring, \$2.50; tire, \$2.50 to 2.75; sleigh shoe, \$2.50 to 3.00; round machinery steel, \$3.25; ingot tin 23 to 24c.; bar tin, 26c.; ingot copper, 16 to 16¾c.; sheet zinc, \$6.50 to 7.00; spelter, \$6.25; antimony, 00 to 20c.; bright iron wires Nos. 0 to 8, \$2.75 per 100 bls.; annealed do., \$2.75. Coil chain, ½ inch, 5¾c.; ¾ in., 4¾c.; 7-16 in., 4¼c.; ½ in., 4¼c.; ¾ in., 3¾c.; 1 in., 3¼c.; and upwards, 3¼c.

**OILS, PAINTS AND GLASS.**—Matters are very quiet in these lines, and quotations for oils more or less nominal in view of the little business doing. We quote linseed oil 65 to 66c. for raw, boiled 68 to 69c. Turpentine easier South, and selling at 60 to 61c.; steam refined seal also easier at 52½ to 53c. Leads and glass about as before; dry white lead easier, and we make quotations 5½ to 5¾c.

We quote:—Leads (chemically pure and first-class brands only) \$6; No. 1, \$5 to 5.50; No. 2, \$4.75; No. 3, \$4 to 4.50; dry white lead, 5½ to 5¾c.; red do., 4¾c.; London washed whiting, 50c.; Paris white, 90c. to \$1; Cookson's Venetian red, \$1.60 to 1.75; other brands of Venetian red, \$1.40 to 1.60; yellow ochre, \$1.50 to 1.75; spruce ochre, \$2.25 to 2.50. Window glass, \$1.50 per 50 feet for first break, \$1.60 for second break; 5c. off for 100 box lots.

**WOOL.**—There is no important movement, the trade supporting only moderate sales of Cape at 15 to 17½c. Natal and Australian very scarce.

#### TORONTO MARKETS.

TORONTO, Dec. 18th, 1890.

**BOOTS AND SHOES.**—The manufacturers of boots and shoes are well pleased with the amount of business doing. The special present demand is for rubbers, overshoes and all kinds of felt goods.

**DRUGS.**—Business in both drugs and sundries is quiet; cocaine is now one hundred per cent. dearer than it was a month ago, and still advancing. In patent medicines, all kinds of cough mixtures are in demand, the weather being such as occasions coughs and colds. Oil lemon and oil peppermint continue to advance. Mercury is firm; quinine is very dull; carbolic acid continues easy.

**DRY GOODS.**—There is fully as much business doing in this line as at this season last year. None of the sorting orders are large, however, merchants buying mainly for immediate wants. The disposition seems to be to hold off spring purchases until the holidays are over. Mantles are in great supply and have sold freely; indeed it is said this has been one of the best mantle seasons for many years. Christmas goods of all kinds are having a good run, and wholesale houses generally are busy stock-taking.

**FLOUR AND OATMEAL.**—The flour market is still featureless; business is slow and prices are unchanged. Oatmeal is steady; bran very scarce and in demand, being quoted at \$17.50 for small lots and \$17 per ton for car loads. The flour mills at present are running short time, which helps to account for scarcity of bran.

**GRAIN.**—The market for winter wheat is quiet, but firmer; quotations are unchanged; Ontario spring wheat has receded from 3 to 4c. per bushel, quotations now being at an export basis; we quote No. 1, 86 to 87c.; No. 2, 83 to 84c.; No. 3, 80 to 81c. A factor in reducing the price of spring wheat is the general use by the mills of Manitoba hard. Prices of Manitoba hard, No. 1, have gone up about 4c. per bushel; price is now \$1.05 to 1.06, and No. 2, 98 to 99c. The great scarcity of grade No. 1 has caused the increased price; so far very few cars have been passed in as No. 1 grade. Barley is about the same as last week; small lots continue to be shipped across the line, but

the main consumption just now is by local brewers; prices are, if anything, easier. Oats are firm and in demand at unaltered prices; in addition to local wants, considerable shipments are being sent to Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. Peas are a little easier; the English markets dropped a penny per bushel during the week. Rye is again quiet, although prices are unchanged. Corn purely nominal. The English and American grain markets are firmer and steadier, particularly wheat and oats.

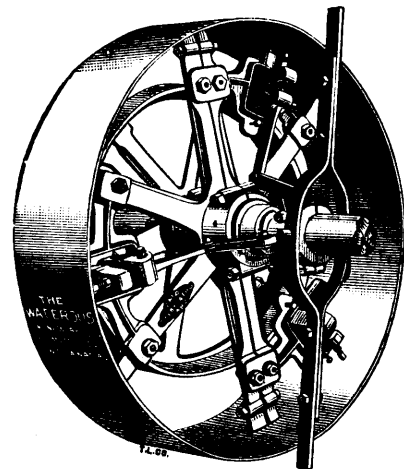
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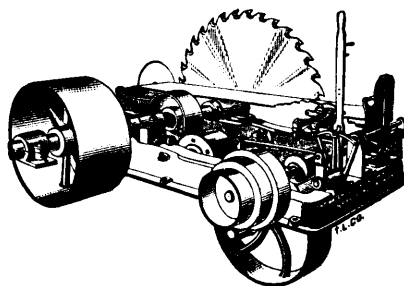
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Fall wheat, bush. . .	37,435	13,963	35,063
Spring " " . . .	67,074	107,282	56,995
Oats, bush . . . . .	400	6,742	2,800
Barley, " . . . . .	90,032	171,424	241,851
Peas, " . . . . .	745	5,054	200
Rye, " . . . . .	....	2,085	.....
Total . . . . .	195,686	306,552	337,009

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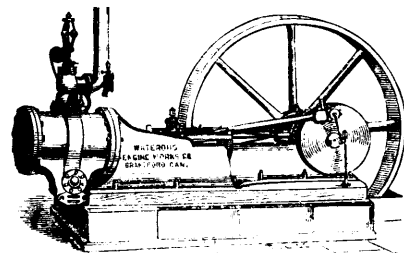
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