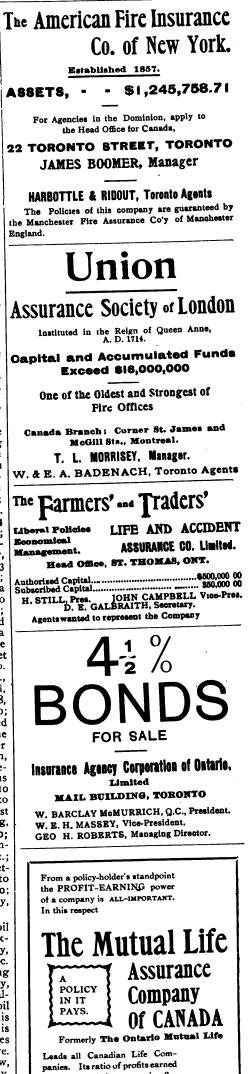


excellent, and on spot some scarcity is reported of plump jobbing leather. It is claimed by some that there are indications of increasing firmness, which the local advance in hides this week would confirm. Spanish sole, B.A., No. 1, 24½ to 25½c.; No. 2, B.A., 23 to 24c.; No. 3, B.A., 22 to 23.; No. 1, ordinary, Spanish, 24c.; No. 2, 22½ to 23c.; No. I slaughter, 27c.; No. 2, ditto, 25c.; common, 22 to 24c.; Union crop, 29 to 30c.; waxed upper, light and medium, 30 to 35c.; ditto, heavy, 27 to 30c.; grained, 32 to 35c.; Scotch grained, 30 to 35c.; Western splits, 18 to 21c.; Quebec, ditto. 15 to 17c.; juniors, 15 to 17c.; calf-splits, 30 to 35c.; colored calf, American, 25 to 26c.; Canadian, 20 to 22c.; colored pebble cow, 13 to 15c.; russet sheepskins, 6½ to 7½c.; black, ditto, 6 to 6½c.; black Indias, 7 to 8c.; harness, 31 to 33c.; buffed cow, 11 to 14c.; extra heavy buff. 15c.; pebble cow, 11 to 13c.; glove-grain, 11½ to 13c.; russet and bridle 35 to 45c. METALS AND HARDWARE.—In the heavier lines of goods there is an increased movement to be noted, more especially to lower ports, and river points cacurd by hoate which will have ccased

especially to lower ports, and river points served by boats, which will have ceased running in the course of a few weeks. In prices, no special changes are reported. Prices of manufactured iron are steadier all round; rolling mill men say that bars cannot go lower, as dealers in scrap are quoting stiffer prices, and the leading manufacturer of American high-grade boiler plates advised a rise of \$2 a ton on the 20th, a step which other manufacturers are likely to follow; steel billets are also up. Copper is a shade stronger; lead and tin are said to be steady. We quote: Summerice pig iron, \$24 to \$25; Hamilton No. I, \$19.50 to \$20; Ferrona, No. I, \$19 to \$20; Midland, \$19.50 to \$20.00; machinery, scrap, \$18.00; common ditto, \$13 to \$14.00; bar iron, Canadian, \$1.60; Hoops, \$1.90; bands, \$3.10; Canada plates—Pontypool, or equal, fifty-two sheets to the box, \$2.80 to \$2.90; 60 sheets, \$2.95; 75 sheets, \$3; all polished Canadas, \$3.60 to \$3.75; Galvanized Canada plates, \$4.60 per box of 52 sheets; Terne roofing plate, 20 x 28, \$8.35; Black sheet iron, No. 28, \$2.90; No. 20, \$2.85; No. 24, \$2.80; I.C., cokes, \$4.25; charcoal do., \$4.60; I.X., cokes, \$5; ditto, charcoal, \$5.35; galvanized sheets, No. 28, Queen's Head, \$4.60; No. 26, \$4.40; No. 24, \$4.25. in case lots; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, 6½ to 7c.; the usual extra for large sizes. Steel boiler plate, 35-inch and upwards, \$2.60; 14-inch, threesixteenths, \$2.20; heads, seven-sixteenths and upwards, \$2.50; Russian sheet iron, 10 to 10½c.; lead, per 100 pounds, \$4.60 to \$4.75; sheet, \$4.75 to \$5.00; best cast-steel, 8c.; toe calk, \$2.25; spring got tin, 34c. for L. & F.; Straits, 33c.; bar tin, 36c.; ingot copper, 173/4c.; sheetzinc, 6c.; Silesian spelter, \$4.75 to \$5.00; Veille Montagne spelter, \$5.50; American spelter, \$4.75 to \$5; antimony, 10½ to 11c.

OILS, PAINTS AND GLASS.—Linseed oil and turpentine are both higher. Flaxseed is reported as advancing rapidly, and in the American market oil is IOC. higher than a fortnight ago. A meeting of the local trade was held yesterday, at which an advance of two cents a gallon was established in both linseed oil and turpentine. As a sequence to this a revision of prices for mixed paints is deemed not improbable. Other lines are said to remain the same as before. The quotations are: Single barrels, raw, and boiled linseed oil, respectively, 82 and 85c. per gallon, for one to four barrel lots; 5 to 9 barrels, 81 and 84c. :



per \$1,000 of insurance in 1899

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