

to \$2.50; Soda Ash, \$1.65 to \$1.75. Bichromate of Potash, per 100 lbs., \$8.00 to \$9.00; Borax, refined, 11 to 12c.; Cream Tartar crystals, 21 to 34c.; do., ground, 36 to 38c.; Tartaric Acid crystals, 52½ to 55c.; do., powder, 55 to 58c. per lb.; Caustic Soda, white, \$2.40 to \$2.60; Sugar of Lead, 9 to 11c.; Bleaching Powder, \$2.25 to \$2.75 according to lot; Alum, \$1.85 to \$2.00; Copperas, per 100 lbs., \$1.00; Flowers Sulphur, per 130 lbs., \$2.75 to \$3.00; Roll Sulphur, \$2.40 to \$2.60; Sulphate of Copper, \$5.00 to \$5.75; Epsom Salts, \$1.15 to \$1.40; Saltpetre, \$9.00 to \$9.50; German Quinine, 90c. to \$1.00; American do., 85c. to \$1.00; Howard's Quinine, \$1.00. Opium, \$4.25 to \$4.40; Morphia, \$1.90 to \$2.00; Arabic sorts, 40 to 45c.; White, 55 to 70c.; Carbolic acid, 45 to 60c.; Iodide Potassium, \$4.25 to \$4.50 per lb.; Iodine, \$5.00 to \$5.50; Iodoform, \$7.50 to \$8.00.

FURS.—A couple of large lots of beaver, bear and other from the north have been marketed since last report, but aside from this there has been next to nothing doing. Lampson's full report of late sales just to hand says that in spite of the small quantities offered, several of the leading articles show a decline on March prices. Red fox declined 15 per cent., especially pale and common sorts; grey fox was 20 per cent. lower; raccoon declined 15 to 20 per cent.; muskrat declined 15 per cent. notwithstanding the small offering. Skunk sold at prices equal to March sales; the bulk of the latter skins was bought for the French market, which is taken as a favorable indication by the trade. Bear sold up to March prices, as did also beaver.

GROCERIES.—Business is reported as rather better, orders coming in more freely. For the last day or two there has been a considerable amount of excitement among the trade over a rumoured increase of excise duties on tobacco, and the imposition of a duty on teas imported direct, which some have gone so far as to place at 3c. a pound, and 10 per cent. ad valorem. The cheaper grades of Japan teas have advanced \$1 the picul in Japan; some small lots of new crop teas, principally finer grades, have arrived. First cargoes of new stocks were expected in London on the 6th. Locally a good many teas are selling, stocks in all lines are light, and new goods will come on a good market. Granulated sugar is a little easier, selling at refinery at 7½c., but yellows are steady at former prices; there has been a good general demand for sugars for some days past. Molasses remains pretty solid at 30c. for Barbadoes in lots, and 30 to 30c. for smaller quantities. Rice, \$3.30 to \$3.50. In fruits currants are in fair supply at 3½ to 5c.; in Valencias there is nothing but rubbish. The duty on sardines has been increased, making a difference of about half a cent a box, price now 10½ to 11c.; tomatoes, \$1.10; lobsters about \$6.00.

IRON AND METALS.—Matters remain very quiet indeed, and as far as prices are concerned there is hardly a symptom of a change. Warrants at home which were down to 40/8d. are now cabled at 40/11d. Makers' prices are unchanged and business in Glasgow is reported as being dull indeed. Tin plates are slightly stiffer in England but no change has been made in low prices ruling here. Canada plates are weaker again; there must be a sharp recovery some day, and that not very far off, as prices are qualified as "ridiculously" low considering the cost of material and labor; sales have been made recently at \$2.50 to \$2.65. Zinc scarce and firm at quotations. Copper and lead unchanged. General hardware prices are about as low as they can be. We quote:—Gartsherrie and Summerlee \$17.50 to \$18; Langloan, and Coltness, \$18.50 to \$19.00; Shott, \$17.50 to \$18.00; Eglinton, \$16.00 to \$17.00; Dalmellington, \$16 to \$17; Calder, \$17.50 to \$18; Hematite, \$18 to \$30; Siemens, No. 1, \$17.50 to \$18; Bar Iron, \$1.65; Best Refined, \$1.90; Siemens bar, \$2.10; Canada Plates, about \$2.50 to \$2.65. Tin Plates: Bradley Charcoal, \$5.50 to \$5.70; Charcoal I. C., \$4.25 to \$4.40; do I. X., \$6; Coke I. C., \$4.75 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; Sheets, Boiler Plate, per \$100 lbs. Staffordshire, \$2 to \$2.25; Steel Boiler Plate, \$2.75; heads, \$4; Russian Sheet Iron, 10c to 11c. Lead, per 100 lbs.:—Pig, \$3.50 to \$4; Sheet, \$4 to \$4.25; Shot, \$6 to \$6.50; best cast steel, 11c to 13c, firm; Spring, \$2.50 to \$2.75; Tire

\$2.30 to \$2.50, firm; Sleigh shoe, \$3; Round Machinery Steel, 3½c per lb.; Ingot tin, 24c to 25c; Bar Tin, 26c; Ingot Copper, 14c tp 15c; Sheet Zinc, \$4.50 to \$4.60; Spelter, \$4 to \$4.50; Bright Iron Wire, Nos. 0 to 6, \$2.75 per 100 lbs.

LEATHER AND SHOES.—Shoe men are fairly employed, the majority reporting good orders. One house made a shipment of four tons of boots and shoes to the Government on Monday. For other lines there is a good demand, particularly for upper for fall boots, and for sole there is a fair enquiry, prices being steadily maintained. Reports from England show that the market there is not brisk, but prices being realized are fair. We quote:—Spanish sole B. A. No. 1, 24 to 27c.; ditto, No. 2 B. A. 21 to 24c.; No. 1, Ordinary Spanish, 24 to 25c.; No. 2, ditto, 22 to 23c.; No. 1 China, 23 to 24c.; No. 2, 22 to 22½c.; ditto, Buffalo Sole, No. 1, 21 to 23c.; ditto, No. 2, 19½ to 21c.; Hemlock Slaughter, No. 1, 25 to 27c.; Waxed Upper, light and medium, 33 to 37c.; ditto, heavy, 32 to 35c.; Grained, 34 to 37c.; Splits, large, 22 to 28c.; ditto, small, 16 to 24c.; Calf-splits, 28 to 32c.; Calfskins, (35 to 46 lbs.), 70 to 80c.; Imitation French Calfskins, 80 to 85c.; Russet Sheepskin Linings, 30 to 40c.; Harness, 24 to 32c.; Buffed Cow, 12½ to 16c.; Pebbled Cow, 11 to 15c.; Rough, 23 to 28c.; Russet and Bridle, 45 to 55c.

OILS & PAINTS.—In linseed there have been two small advances at home last week, local prices remain at 60 to 61c. for raw, and 63 to 64c. for boiled. Turpentine still scarce on spot and quoted at 57 to 58c. Steam refined seal continues firm, and rather higher, being quoted at 51½ to 52½c. in fair quantities; cod oil firm at 60 to 62½c. for Nfld.; it is stated that a lot of "mixed" oil has been put on the market from the United States. Cod liver dull at 85 to 90c. The advance in dry leads in Europe is confirmed, but local prices continue unchanged.

SALT.—Prices are somewhat lower, owing to some parties in Liverpool, outside the combination recently formed, cutting rates. Elevens are now quoted at 46 to 47c.; twelves, 43 to 45c.; factory filled remains at old rate, \$1.10 to \$1.15. Eureka, \$2.40.

WOOL.—The demand continues very fair, and prices are well maintained. The arrival of a cargo of Cape wool has relieved the scarcity in this line. We quote:—Fleece, 20 to 22c.; A supers, 27 to 28c.; B do., 22 to 24c.; black, 21 to 22c.; unassorted, none in market; Cape, 17½ to 19c.; Australian, 22 to 26c.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, July 9th, 1885.

All the bank statements are now before the public, and their general character being favorable bank shares have, in consequence, been in good demand and prices have continued to improve. Buyers are offering 1½ more for each, Commerce, Imperial, Dominion and Standard; and 1% higher for Montreal, Merchants and Hamilton, while Federal and Ontario are ½ and Toronto ¼ above last week's rates. Except that Dominion Telegraph sold at 85 the miscellaneous list was again neglected. Canada Permanent Loan was active with sales at 200, 199½ and 199½, closing, 199½ bid and 200 asked. Freehold Loan was dealt in at 165, a gain of 2%. Canada Landed Credit improved ½, to 120, and Building and Loan ½, to 103. A few shares of Huron and Erie brought 157½. A spirit of confidence seems to pervade the whole market.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—Quinine exhibits a tendency to lower prices and large contracts are being made in this market. There is a prospect of an advance in opium as the crop is likely to fall short of the estimates. Camphor has advanced 4c. in the United States and in Canada. A brisk trade is being done in Paris Green.

EARLY CLOSING.—The following notice is to be seen in nearly all the wholesale houses of this city:—"This establishment will, during the months of July and August, close at 5 o'clock p. m., and on Saturdays at 2 p. m."

FLOUR AND MEAL.—No improvement can be noticed in this market, indeed the dullness is, if anything more intensified. Scarcely any en-

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