

raisins are slightly easier, fine grades having sold in round lots at 6½ to 6¾c.; currants firm at 6¾c.; Malaga fruit as quoted last week; new Persian dates 6 to 6¾c.; Sultana raisins 8c.; prunes 7 to 8c.; figs 9 to 12c. Spices and rice present no new features. There has been some cutting of prices among the starch men, but an understanding has evidently been come to, and matters have assumed their normal phase. Canned goods of all descriptions show firmness; salmon \$1.70 to \$1.75 a dozen and likely to be dearer, lobsters \$5 to \$5.25 per case; mackerel \$5.25 the case and very scarce; tomatoes and corn \$1.30 to \$1.35 per dozen. Tobaccos as before.

METALS AND HARDWARE.—The movement of pig iron and heavy metals has rather moderated, as is natural to the season, but in general hardware a fair business is passing. Prices of pig iron, &c., are as yet unchanged, but will shortly be subject to the usual fall rise; warrants are cabled from Glasgow at 39/8d. Tin in London has made a further advance of over £6 per ton, and is quoted at £145, locally 35c. per lb. is now the quotation, though it would cost considerably more to import at present price in England. We quote:—Summerlee and Langloan, \$20.00 to \$20.50; Gartsherrie, \$19.50 to \$20.00; Coltness, \$20.50 to \$21; Shotts, \$19 to \$19.50; Eglinton and Dalmellington, \$18.25 to 18.75; Calder, \$19.75 to \$20.25; Carnbroe, \$19.50; Hematite, \$23 to \$25.00; Siemens, No. 1, \$20 to \$21; Bar Iron, \$2.00 to \$2.10; Best refined \$2.30 to \$2.40; Siemens, \$2.00 to \$2.15; Canada Plates—Blaina, \$2.75; Tin Plates, Bradley Charcoal, \$5.60 to \$5.75; Charcoal I. C., \$4.20 to \$4.40; do. I. X., \$4.90 to \$5.40; Coke I. C., \$3.75 to \$3.85; Galvanized sheets, No. 28, 5c. to 7c., according to brand; Tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, 6¾c.; No. 26, 7c., the usual extra for large sizes. Hoops and bands, per 100 lbs., \$2.50 to \$2.75; Staffordshire boiler plate, \$2.50; Common Sheet Iron, 2.25 to \$2.50; Steel Boiler Plate, 2.50 to \$2.75; heads, \$4.00; Russian Sheet Iron, 10 to 11c. Lead, per 100 lbs.—Pig, \$3.75 to \$4; Sheet, \$4.25 to \$4.50; Shot, \$6.00 to \$6.50; best cast steel, 11 to 12c.; Spring, \$2.70 to \$3.00, Tire, \$2.50 to \$2.75; Sleigh shoe, \$2.40 to \$2.50; Round Machinery Steel, \$3.00 to 0.00; Ingot tin 35c.; Bar Tin, 36 to 37c.; Ingot Copper, 12 to 12½c.; Sheet Zinc, \$4.25 to \$5.00; Spelter, \$4.00 to \$4.25; Bright Iron Wire; Nos. 0 to 8, \$2.25 per 100 lbs., Annealed do. \$2.30.

OILS, PAINTS AND GLASS.—The types made us quote turpentine last week at 5c., a slight difference from 55c. which should have been the figure for single brl. lots, linseed 60 and 63c. for raw and boiled respectively, olive \$1 for pure, castor 8½c. per lb.; fish oils in light demand at unchanged prices. Shellacs continue to gain strength, and late advance fully maintained. The disabled steamship "Cremon" has reached Halifax, whence her 10,000 boxes of glass will be forwarded and will partially relieve the scarcity in this line. Leads and paints as before. We quote:—Leads (chemically pure and first-class brands only) \$5.50 to \$6.00; No. 1, \$5.25;

No. 2, \$4.50; No. 3, \$4.25. Dry white lead, 5½c.; red do. 4½ to 4¾c.; London washed whiting, 50 to 55c. Paris white, \$1.00 to \$1.15; Cookson's Venetian Red, \$1.75; other brands Venetian Red, \$1.50 to \$1.60; Yellow ochre, \$1.50; Spruce ochre, \$2.00 to \$3.00. Glass, \$1.50 per 50 feet for first break; \$1.60 for second break.

SALT.—We quote coarse elevens 43 to 45c.; twelves 41 to 42½c.; factory-filled \$1.25; Rice's pure dairy \$2; Eureka \$2.40; Turks' Island 30c. a bushel.

WOOLS.—Domestic wools continue to move out about as freely as received and are firm in value; the London wool sales beginning on the 22nd inst. show a decline from previous sales of from a halfpenny to a penny in Cape wools, Australian also rather easier. We quote A supers 26 to 28c.; B. ditto 23 to 24c.; unassorted 22 to 24c.; fleece 24 to 25c.; Cape 14½ to 15c.; Australian 15 to 18c.

TORONTO MARKETS.

TORONTO, December 1st, 1887

DRUGS AND MEDICINES.—Business among the wholesale druggists is on the quiet side, and there are no startling features. Remittances fair to middling only. Mercury has gone up 15c. per pound in New York, which will correspondingly affect all its preparations. Opium is easier, camphor firm, cream tartar very firm, glycerine still strong. We note that quinine has made another sharp advance of 5c. per oz. in the N.Y. market.

DRY GOODS.—The colder weather is creating a little stir in underclothing, wraps, etc., and there are also not a few letter orders or calls in person for Xmas wares. Staples are quiet. Payments are moderately good; here and there renewals are sought in unexpected quarters.

FLOUR AND MEAL.—But little is doing this week in any grade of flour or meal, the transactions in flour since our last have been small. Roller superiors are worth \$3.70 to 3.75 and old style \$3.55 to 3.60; small sales of extra at \$3.45 to 3.50; no spring extra in market. Oatmeal quiet at former prices. Bran is not plentiful, \$13 is the price.

GRAIN.—The navigable season for barley being over, activity in grain is markedly smaller. There have been steady transactions in carlots of wheat to millers: carlots of No. 2 fall have brought 82 and 83c. on Monday and Tuesday last; spring No. 2 has moved at same price. We quote barley 77c. for No. 1, 72c. for No. 2, 68c. for No. 3 extra and 62 to 65c. for No. 3. What barley is sold now does not go across the lake. Oats are in demand at 34 to 36c. according to quality. Peas—the season for which begins when barley shipment ends—are higher; of No. 1 there is none, but No. 2 brings 61c. Rye is scarce and wanted at 59 to 60c. No Indian corn in market.

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GROCERIES.—The volume of trade is good but remittances are irregular, in some instances unusually slow. Prunes will be in market next week at from 5c per lb. upwards, to as high as 11c.; Vostizza currants, the duty on which differs from last year, we quote 9 to 9½c. New Patras 8 to 8½c. Sugars are very firm, domestic higher as per list; tobaccos steady and unchanged. In teas there is a better feeling and a moderately active movement; fine drawing sorts are wanted.

HARDWARE AND METALS.—An upward feeling is reported from Britain—tin has gone up; we now quote pig 33 to 35c. and bar 35 to 40c; copper not yet quotably higher but stiff; in zinc the feeling is decidedly towards an advance. The cable reports an advance in sheet plate, prices here unaffected as yet. As we note elsewhere, there is a reason why pig iron does not advance. Window glass is higher in Belgium.

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