

Dominion Cotton Company has issued a new card making some reduction in whites, and the Merchants' Company do the same in some lines of greys and whites. The reductions range from about 5 to 7½ per cent.

FURS.—Receipts of new caught furs are as yet light. Choice mink, skunk and otter would find ready buyers at present, as these are wanted for immediate local consumption. We quote for average prime skins: Bear, \$10 to 14.00; cub, \$3 to 5.00; beaver, \$3 to 3.50; otter, \$7 to 10.00; mink, \$1 to 2.00; marten, 75c. to \$1; fisher, \$2.50 to 4.00; red fox, 60c. to \$1; skunk, 20, 50 and 75c.; fall rats, 4 to 8c.; coon, 15, 40 and 60c.

MONTREAL GRAIN STOCKS IN STORE.

| | Nov. 12, '94. | Nov. 19, '94. |
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| Wheat, bushels..... | 692,076 | 871,384 |
| Corn, | | |
| Oats, | 11,186 | 116,672 |
| Rye, | 1,337 | 1,337 |
| Peas, | 95,312 | 30,179 |
| Barley, | 1,603 | 14,360 |
| Total grain..... | 901,514 | 1,033,932 |

GROCERIES.—There is no special activity in trade, but a fair number of orders have been lately received from lumber concerns for shanty supplies to be ready to move into the woods with the first snow, and on the whole business is about a fair average for the season. In values there is little new to note. Trading in teas has assumed a quieter phase, but quotations for Japans are very firm, and holders of stock control the situation. A strong market for blacks is also reported from London. For granulated sugars the quoted price at refinery is 4½ cents, but this is known to have been shaded a sixteenth for a fair lot, and 4c. might fetch a round lot. A sale of so-called Barbadoes molasses was reported last week at 26c. per gal., but prime Barbadoes is firmly held at 28c. in quantity, and 29 to 30c. in a jobbing way. Coffees are quiet, and hardly so firm as they were. Rice steady, at old quotations. New Tarragona almonds are quoted at 13 to 14c.; new filberts, 8 to 9c.; new Grenoble walnuts are not yet to hand. The importation of nuts this fall has been very light indeed. The bulk of the importation of Valencia raisins this year is very poor stuff, and it was with difficulty that an

order for 200 boxes of good fruit was filled the other day at 4½c. per lb. Fruit, such as it is, can be had at 3½c. This state of affairs will prove a great help to the sale of California fruit, and several car lots are close at hand. Prices of these goods are rather firmer; we quote two crown 6c., three crown 6½c., four crown 7½ to 8c.

HIDES.—The American hide market is reported quite a bit firmer, and a good many country hides are finding their way across the lines. A city dealer reports a sale of a car lot for the United States at a satisfactory figure. No. 1 light are being bought green at 4 to 4½c., with moderate sales of cured to tanners at 5c.; heavy bring 5 to 5½c. from dealers, with tanners paying 6½c. Lambskins 55 to 65c., with some dealers reported paying even a little higher figures.

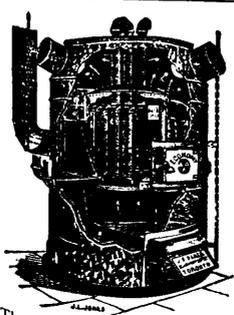
LEATHER.—Boot and shoe manufacturers continue to report some slackness in the volume of spring orders, and there is, as a consequence, very little present disposition to buy leather, and an all round quiet time is reported. Prices are nominally unchanged, but a buyer of a fair lot could command some concession. An English leather man who was in the market last week took several moderate lots of fine light splits at prices from half a cent to a cent better than local buyers seem disposed to pay. We quote:—Spanish sole B. A. No. 1, 18 to 20c.; do No. 2 to B. A., 17 to 18c.; No. 1 ordinary Spanish, 17 to 18c.; No. 2, 16 to 17c.; No. 1 slaughter, 18 to 20c.; No. 2 do., 17 to 18c.; American oak sole, 39 to 43c.; waxed upper, light and medium, 24 to 26c.; do. heavy, 20 to 24c.; grained, 24 to 26c.; Scotch grained, 25 to 27c.; splits, large, 13 to 16c.; do. small, 11 to 12½c.; calf-splits, 27 to 30c.; calf-skins (35 to 40 lbs.), 50 to 60c.; imitation French calfskins, 60 to 70c.; colored calf, American, 23 to 27c.; Canadian, 19 to 21c.; colored pebble cow, 12½ to 13½c.; russet sheepskin linings, 30 to 40c.; harness, 18 to 23c.; buffed cow, 9 to 11c.; extra heavy buff, 12½c.; pebbled cow, 8 to 12c.; polished buff, 9 to 11c.; glove grain, 9 to 10c.; rough, 16 to 17c.; russet and bridle, 4 to 50c.

METALS AND HARDWARE.—Trading in these lines is of very limited character and few transactions of any moment can be reported. There is no pig iron now on wharf, and from \$21 to 21.50 is the asking price for Summerlee, and \$19.50 for Carnbroe, ex yard, these being about the only brands of Scotch iron available. Domestic iron remains as last quoted; prices of bar iron are being cut worse than ever, and \$1.60 is apparently now the general quotation even for small lots; the demand for tin plates that British makers calculated on from the United States has not materialized, and heavy stocks and easier prices are reported in England. Canada plates are notably weaker, and though \$2.05 is the nominal price for Blaina and equal, it is reported that some houses have made offers of moderate lots as low as \$1.95; a lot of 8,000 boxes is on the "Dominion," one of the last steamers now in port. Ingot tin shows some decline in England and is now quoted at 17 to 18 cents here.

OILS, PAINTS AND GLASS.—The past week was quite a busy one in the getting away of goods, but matters are now slackening down considerably. There was a trade meeting last week to consider the cutting in linseed oil, but beyond a general discussion nothing was done, and prices remain as quoted. Stocks on spot are comparatively light, and laid down cost is now enhanced. In other lines there is really nothing new. We quote:—Turpentine, 43c. per gallon for single barrels; two to four barrels, 42c. Linseed oil, raw, 57c. per gallon; boiled, 60c.; 5-barrel lots, 1c. less; olive oil, machinery, 90c.; castor, in lots, 6½c.; single cases, 6½ to 6¾c.; tins, 7c.; Nfld. cod, 38 to 40c. per gal.; Gaspe oil, 38c. per gal.; steam refined seal, 38 to 40c., in small lots. Leads (chemically pure and first-class brands only), \$4.50 to 5.00; No. 1, \$4.50; No. 2, \$4.25; No. 3, \$4.00; dry white lead, 5c.; genuine red do., 4½c.; No. 1 red lead, 4c.; putty, 2c. in bladders per brl.; London washed whiting, 40 to 45c.; Paris white, 90c.; Venetian red, \$1.50 to 1.75; yellow ochre, \$1.50 to 1.75; spruce ochre, \$2.25 to 2.50; window glass, \$1.20 per 50 feet for first break; \$1.30 for second break; third break, \$2.80. These prices are shaded 5c. for 50-box lots.

WOOL.—There have been no transactions of any moment since last week. Samples of the

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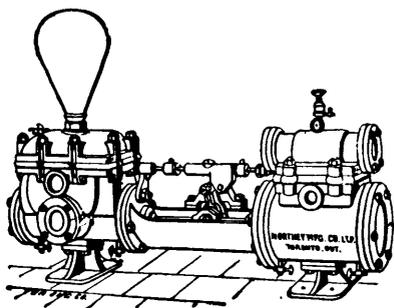
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