

drug firm, but it is not expected that creditors will suffer any great loss. Money continues plenty at 4 per cent, for call loans, and from 6½ to 7 is the discount rate; counter rates for 60-day bills of exchange, 9½ to 9½. On the Stock Market, Montreal sold at 190½, Molsons 109, Merchants 108, Commerce 121.

ASHES.—Receipts for the month of June were 2,526 brls. pots, 303 brls. pearls; total 2,829 brls., against 3,424 brls. for same period last year; decrease 595 brls. Deliveries from Jan. to June 1st were 2,587 brls.; in store June 1st 1,540 brls. The market is more active, and there has been quite a spurt in prices; first some small lots of Pots sold at \$4.30, and it is reported that a 100 brl. lot of fine tares changed hands at \$4.50. A sale of 30 brls. of Pearls is reported at \$5.25. There is rather more shipping being done.

DRY GOODS.—It would be hard to say anything new regarding matters in this line. Business continues very quiet indeed, and the few travellers out on sorting trips report but limited orders; those out selling Canadian woollens find business rather better. The continued cold weather of last week hurt city retail trade seriously, and though warm, and indeed sultry weather has been the rule the last few days, trade is not what it should be. Cotton men say that business in their line is gradually working into better shape, and that surplus stocks are being worked off in a fairly satisfactory way. Remittances from the country are not expected to be very free at this season, as farmers are generally busy at home up to about the middle of the month.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—There is little to report that is fresh in these lines, except some excitement over the reported embarrassment of a wholesale house in the trade. Prices rule about the same, one or two lines are a little easier, viz.: Borax and Bichromate of Potash; Quinine is very flat. Trade inclines to the quiet side. Our quotations are *Sal Soda*, 95c. to \$1.05 per 100 lbs.; *Bi. Carb. Soda*, \$2.35 to 2.50; *Soda Ash* \$1.50 to \$1.75; *Bichromate of Potash*, per 100 lbs., \$8.00 to 9.00; *Borax refined*, 11 to 12½c.; *Cream Tartar crystals*, 30 to 31c.; do ground 35c. to 37c.; *Tartaric Acid*, 54 to 58c. per lb.; *Caustic Soda*, white, \$2.40 to 2.60; *Sugar of Lead*, 10 to 12c.; *Bleaching Powder*, \$2.00 to \$2.50; *Alum* \$1.75 to \$1.90; *Copperas*, per 100 lbs., 90c. to \$1.00; *Flowers Sulphur*, per 100 lbs., \$2.60 to \$2.75; *Roll Sulphur*, \$2.20 to \$2.40; *Sulphate of Copper*, \$5.50 to \$6.00; *Epsom Salts*, \$1.15 to \$1.25; *Saltpetre*, \$9.00 to 9.50; *German Quinine*, \$1.50 *English and American do.*, \$1.60 to \$1.75, as to makers, per oz. bottles; *Opium*, \$4.00 to \$4.25; *Morphia*, \$2.15 to \$2.30. *Gum Arabic*, sorts, 28 to 33c. *White*, 40 to 55c.

FLOUR.—No transactions of any consequence during the last day or two, and matters are very dull indeed. We quote *Superior Extra*, \$5.50; *Extra Superfine*, \$5.15 to 5.25; *Fancy*, nominal; *Spring Extra*, \$4.55 to 4.66; *Superfine*, \$3.75 to 4.00; *Strong Bakers' (Canadian)*, \$5.10 to 5.40; *Strong Bakers' (American)*, \$5.40 to 5.80; *Fine*, \$3.45 to 3.55; *Middlings*, \$3.25 to 3.40; *Pollards'* \$3.00 to 3.20.

FURS.—Advices by last European mail report the result of the Leipzig sales as follows: *Muskrat* sold very poorly, and *Mink* was not much sought after; *Fox* sold fairly well; *Beaver* ruled high in price, which had a depressing effect on sales; *Otter* and *Skunk* sold well; *Beaver* was not in demand. The date of the London summer sales has been fixed for June 23rd. No raw furs are coming in, and this market is very quiet. We quote: *Beaver*, \$3.00 to \$3.50 per lb.; *Otter* \$9.00 to \$12.00; *Bear*, large, \$9.00 to \$12.00; small, \$4.00 to \$7.00; *Cub do.* \$3.00 to \$5.00; *Fisher*, \$4.00 to \$6.00; *Lynx*, \$3 to \$3.50 *Red Fox*, \$1.20 to 1.35; *Cross do.*, \$3.00 to \$7.00; *Mink*, 50c. to \$1.00; *Marten*, \$1.00 to \$1.20; *Muskrat*, (winter) 12½c.; (spring) 8c. 17c.; *Skunk*, 40 to 60c.; *Raccoon*, 50 to 80c.

GROCERIES.—Only a moderate volume of trade is passing but travellers out expect better results when farmers are through their spring work. City trade is only of an ordinary character, but payments are fair as a rule. In *Sugars*, whites are about ½c. easier, and there is no scarcity; yellows show no change. *Molasses* remains very low, we hear quotations of fair quality old crop at about 32 cents; some new crop is at hand and is offered at 38 cents, which is understood to be a shade under cost laid down here. The local market for *Teas* remains unchanged, with a fair general demand, and no overplus of stocks. In London common blacks are reported

easier, while greens it is expected may react and go higher. *Rice* still continues a very scarce article, the mill not being able to keep pace with the demand, \$3.50 is about the price. *Valencia Raisins* are pretty scarce, but still rule at 5½ to 5½c. for fair quality fruit; *Currants* unchanged, as also are *spices*.

LEATHER.—Sales for the week have been but moderate, but prices remain firm at quotations. Prime light upper is scarce, also good splits. Shipments from Quebec to England of the latter have been small of late. The run of failures seems now about over. We quote *Hemlock Spanish Sole B.A.* 25 to 28c.; ditto, No. 2 B. A. 22 to 25c.; No. 1, *Ordinary Spanish*, 24c. to 25½c.; No. 2 ditto 22c. to 23c.; No. 1 *China* 23c.; No. 2 ditto *Buffalo Sole* No. 1, 21 to 22c. ditto No. 2, 19½ to 21c. *Hemlock Slaughter*, No. 1, 26 to 27½c.; *Waxed Upper*, light and medium, 33 to 38c.; ditto ditto heavy, 33 to 36c.; *Grained*, 34 to 38c. *Splits*, large, 22 to 29c.; ditto small, 14 to 22c. *Calfsplits* 30 to 32c. *Calfskins* (85 to 46 lbs.) 70 to 80c.; ditto (25 to 34 lbs.) 60 to 70c.; *Russet Sheepskin Linings*, 30 to 50c.; *Harness*, 24 to 33c.; *Buffed Cow*, per ft., 14 to 16c. *Enamelled Cow*, 15 to 16c. *Patent Cow*, 15 to 16c. *Pebbled Cow*, 11 to 15½c. *Rough*, 23 to 28c. *Imitation French Calfskins*, 80 to 85c.; *Russet & Bridle*, 45 to 55c.

METALS AND HARDWARE.—In *Pig Iron* business remains in pretty much the same dull condition. We hear of a few lots ranging from 100 to 300 tons being placed, but the bulk of the large consumers are still disposed to stand clear, and order but sparingly. The home market shows no special features, and warrants are cabled at 41/3d. *Bar Iron* is unchanged, as also are *Tin Plates*. A good many orders are being booked ahead for *Canada Plates* at prices ranging from \$2.85 to \$3.00, according to point of delivery. General hardwaremen report business as quiet; travellers are mostly all home, and letter orders are not at all numerous, payments however are reported fairly good. We quote *Gartsherrie and Summerlee* about \$19.00; *Calder*, very little in market, \$19.00; *Langloan*, \$19.50 to \$20.00; *Coltness*, \$20.00 to \$20.50; *Dalmellington*, \$17.00; *Eglinton*, \$17.00; *Hematite*, \$23.00 to \$25.00; *Siemens*, \$19.00 to \$20.00; *Bar Iron* still \$1.75 to \$1.85; *Canada Plates* \$2.85 to \$3.00 as to brand; *Tin Plates* Bradley Charcoal, \$6.15 to 6.25; *Charcoal I C* \$4.90 to \$5.25 as to brand; do. I X. \$6.50 to 6.75; *Ooke I C.* \$4.25 to \$4.40; *Galvanized Sheets*, No. 28, 6 to 7c. according to brand; *Tinned Sheets*, ooke, Nos. 24 to 26, 7½ to 7½c.; *Hoops and Bands* per 100 lbs., \$2.25 to \$2.30; *Boiler Plate* per 100 lbs. *Staffordshire*, \$2.40 to \$2.50; *Steel Boiler Plate* \$3.25 to \$4.00; heads \$4.50; *Russian Sheet Iron*, 10½ to 11c. *Lead* per 100 lbs.:—*Pig*, \$3.75 to \$4.00; *Sheet*; \$4.00; *Shot*, \$6 to \$6.50; best cast *Steel*, 11½ to 12½c. firm; *Spring*, \$3.50, firm; *Tire*, \$3.25 to \$3.50, firm *Sleigh Shoes*, \$2.25 to \$2.50. *Round Machinery Steel*, 3½ to 4c. per lb. *Ingot Tin*, 22 to 24c. *Bar Tin*, 25c.; *Ingot Copper*, 16½ to 17c. *Sheet Zinc*, \$4.75 to \$5.50; *Spelter*, \$4.75 to \$5; *Bright Iron Wire*, Nos. 0 to 6, \$2.75 per 100 lbs.

OILS AND PAINTS.—In oils, business continues slow with values tending lower. Steam refined seal still quotes at 67½ to 70c., but some fair lots have been received lately, which makes prices tend to weakness; of pale vat and straw there is only one lot held here. Cod oil is quoted at 60 to 62½ cents for lots of Nfld. and Gaspe. Cod liver oil is weaker again at \$1.20 to \$1.25; linseed 55 to 56c. for raw; 57 to 60c. for boiled; turpentine 52c.; Castor oil 9½ to 10c. per lb.; olive oil \$1.05 to \$1.10. In paints and colors a moderate trade for the season is doing, with remittances of a fair character. Leads are a trifle easier in tone and we amend quotations slightly changed as follows: *White Lead*, (genuine and first-class brands only) \$6.25 to \$6.75; No. 1, \$5.50 to \$6.00; No. 2, \$5.00 to 5.50; No. 3, \$4.50 to 4.75. *Dry White Lead* 6 to 6½c.; *Red do.* 5 to 5½c. These prices for round lot. *London Washed Whiting* 55 to 60c.; *Paris White* \$1.25 to 1.50; *Cookson's Venetian Red* \$2.00 to 2.50; *Yellow Ochre*, \$1.50 to 1.75.

PROVISIONS.—In *Butter*, the trade doing is to supply local consumption only. We quote creamery, 20 to 22c.; townships, 18 to 19c.; *Morrisburg*, 17 to 18c.; old, 12 to 15 cents. *Cheese* inclines to weakness, ranging from 9½ to 10½c. *Pork* continues quiet; *Canada short cut* \$21.50 to \$22; *Western mess*, \$20.50 to \$21; *hams*, 14 to 14½. *Lard* 11½ to 12c. for *Western*,

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