

**Montreal Hardware Market.**

The pig iron market rules quiet, with nothing important doing neither on spot or for spring delivery. Supplies Scotch pig here are light, all the Summerlee and Colness having been worked off some time ago, but Carnbroe and Englington are off ring at \$19, with some Langloan at \$21. Orders for prompt delivery of Nova Scotia pig have been placed at \$19.25 for round lots.

Bariron has shown a little more activity, sales of round lots transpiring at \$1.95 and smaller quantities \$2 to 2.05.

Tin plates, to arrive in the spring, have sold at 12 for coke and 13 for charcoal. On spot cokes have gone out of store at \$3.20 and charcoal \$3.75 per box.

Galvanized and black sheets have been in more demand, also on builders' account; in fact, heavy hardware generally has shown considerable activity. Sales of the former for spring delivery are reported at £17 5s f.o.b. at point of shipment.

The lead market has shown a fair degree of activity on account of orders for shipment after the 3rd of April, when the decline in rail way freight rates takes place. We quote:

—Choice brands, Government standard, \$5.25; do., No. 1, \$4.87½; do., No. 2, \$4.50; do., No. 3, \$4.00; No. 4, \$3.75; dry white lead, 5½c; red lead, pure, 4½c; do., No. 1, 4½c; 2½ per cent allowed for ton lots.

Oils rule quiet, but advices from England cite a somewhat easier feeling in linseed. The fact is not likely to have any particular effect locally, however for the reason that supplies on the way here were bought at the advanced prices. For round lots 65 to 66; is the idea for boiled, and 62 to 63; for raw. Fish oils furnished no special feature, values remaining as before.

Glass is dull and unchanged at \$1.35 for first break, and putty is the same at \$1.99 in bulk.

Business in Portland cement is active both from stock and for delivery at the opening of navigation, and prices for present shipment are firm, quotations ranging from \$2.40 to 2.65 according to quality, and after opening of navigation \$2.12 to 2.25. There is a good steady demand for fire bricks in moderate sized lots, prices ranging from \$19.00 to 24.00 per 1,000 of yard.

The petroleum market does not show any change prices being about the same and the demand slow. We quote: Canadian, 12 to 12½c at shed in Montreal for round lots and 13½c for small quantities. American petroleum, 19c in car lots, 20c in 10 barrel lots, 20½c in 5 barrel lots, and 20¾c for single barrels, 2 per cent off for cash; American benzine, 23 to 25c; Canadian benzine, 10½c Petroleum; 12½c Montreal.

**Price of Silver.**

The United States Treasury has bought silver this week at \$2.75 per fine ounce. This corresponds to 64c for the value of the pure silver in the United States dollar, and to a ratio of 25 to 1 for the values of equal weights of gold and silver. It is the lowest price paid by the government since the silver purchase law went into effect, but is not quite so low as one or two quotations which were made in Europe in the latter part last of December. It is noteworthy that the Wall street quotation for last Monday, the day on which silver was sold for \$2.7c, was \$3c, that being for certificates of silver on deposit in private hands in New York. This bears out a statement made by the *Tribune* a few weeks ago in answer to a charge of unfairness in making the silver quotation. And the fact that owners of silver are willing to sell the metal at 1 per cent. of an equal weight of gold ought to be sufficient to convince the most rabid silver men that it is idle to expect silver and gold could be kept in circulation side by side under free coinage at the ratio of 16 to 1. —*Chicago Tribune*, March 23.



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1.45p	10.33a	63 4	Swan Lake	5.24p	1.4p
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11.51a	9.35a	92 2	Balder	6.21p	3.00p
11.04a	9.12a	102 0	Belmont	6.45p	3.50p
10.26a	8.55a	109 7	Hilton	7.21p	4.29p
9.49a	8.40a	117 1	Ashdown	7.35p	4.53p
9.35a	8.30a	120 0	Wawanesa	7.47p	5.16p
8.48a	8.06a	129 5	Rounthwaite	8.14p	6.00p
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7.30a	7.30a	145 1	Brandon	8.55p	7.30p

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11.38a	11.33a	11.5	St. Charles	4.45p	4.20p
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10.05a	10.54a	23 8	Gravel Pit	5.25p	5.27p
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