

at 75c. and upward; Self-Hardening, 45c.; Extra, 15c.; Superior, 12c.; and Crucible, 8c.; "Edgar Allan's Air-Hardening," 55 to 65c. per pound.

Zinc.—The market for zinc is weak, demand being on the dull side. Prices are 5½ to 5¾c. per pound, and even less.

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Toronto, January 2nd, 1908.

During holiday week there is usually but little doing in warehouses, and the present week is no exception. Nor do contractors or builders find this an active time; indeed the builders have been handicapped by the soft weather of several past days. Brickmakers, for instance, and cement dealers find a lull; metals and hardware dealers, too.

The question of future prices of iron and steel construction material is receiving attention. But the mills are for the most part settling up old contracts, and no disposition has been shown just yet to book for future date. More active commercial and industrial conditions are to be expected in the States as recovery from the financial squeeze of late months progresses. Copper, tin, and lead are all showing improvement since our last. Tin had quite a spurt during the week; prices went up in New York. Lead is no longer weak, prices abroad having stiffened. Copper is fairly sure to recover when activity in the States returns.

Dealers in machinery cannot be called busy at the moment, but a time is about at hand when they may expect activity; switches, pumps, batteries, coils, will soon be asked for in the gas engine department; other machinery will be less immediately called for. But the feeling is buoyant and indicates confidence in good business early in the New Year.

The following are wholesale prices for Toronto, where not otherwise explained, although for broken quantities higher prices are quoted:—

Antimony.—Quiet at 11½ to 13c.

Bar Iron.—\$2.30, base, from stock to the wholesale dealer. A moderate supply on hand.

Boiler Heads.—25c. per 100 pounds advance on boiler plate.

Boiler Plates.—¼-inch and heavier, \$2.50. Supply probably adequate and quotations still firm.

Boiler Tubes.—Lap-welded steel, 1¼-in., 10c.; 1½-in., 9c. per foot; 2-in., \$9.10; 2¼-in., \$10.85; 2½-in., \$12; 3-in., \$13.50; 3½-in., \$16.75; 4-in., \$21 per 100 ft. There is no reduction in price.

Bricks.—Common structural \$10 per thousand, as before, and the demand fairly brisk. Same may be said of red and buff pressed, which are worth \$18 at Don Valley Works.

Cement.—Star brand, Toronto, 1,000 barrel lots, \$2.25 per barrel, 350 pounds net, including bags, or \$1.85 ex-package, small lots cost \$2.10 warehouse, \$2.15 delivered. National and Lakefield prices are identical; English, Anchor, \$3 per barrel in wood. Demand has relaxed.

Fire Bricks.—In steady request; English, \$32 to \$35; Scotch, \$30 to \$35; American, \$25 to \$40 per 1,000.

Galvanized Sheets—Apollo Gauge.—Sheets 6 or 8 feet long, 30 or 36 inches wide; 10-gauge, \$3.25; 12-14-gauge, \$3.35; 16, 18, 20, \$3.50; 22-24, \$3.70; 26, \$3.95; 28, \$4.37½; 29 or 10¼, \$4.70 per 100 lb.

Ingot Copper.—Market shows improvement, feeling firmer. Our quotation is 15 to 16½c.

Lead.—Quite a change in the situation, prices abroad on upward grade, 4½c. now the local price.

Nails.—Wire, \$2.55 base; cut, \$2.70; spikes, \$3.15. Supply moderate.

Pig Iron.—Summerlee No. 1, always in demand, generally for small lots, quotes now, nominally, \$27; Gleggarnock, \$26.50; No. 2, \$26; Cleveland, No. 1, \$23.50, \$24; Clarence, No. 3, procurable in Montreal, price here \$23 to \$24.

Steel Rails.—80-lb., \$35 to \$38 per ton.

Sheet Steel.—In moderate supply; 10-gauge, \$2.65; 12-gauge, \$2.75.

American Bessemer.—Fourteen-gauge, \$2.65; 17, 18, and 20-gauge, \$2.75; 22 and 24-gauge, \$2.85; 26-gauge, \$2.95; 28-gauge, \$3.20.

Tank Plate.—3-16-in., \$2.65; Tees, \$2.90 to \$3 per 100 pounds; angles, 1¼ by 3-16 and larger, \$2.75 to \$3. Extras for smaller sizes.

Tin.—Price has advanced in New York. We still quote 31 to 32c. here.

Tool Steel.—Jowitt's special pink label, 10½c. per pound; Capital, 12c.; Conqueror, highspeed, 70c. base.

Wrought Steam and Water Pipe.—Trade prices per 100 feet are: Black, ¼ and ¾-in., \$2.59; ½-in., \$2.89; ¾-in., \$3.90; 1-in., \$5.60; 1¼-in., \$7.65; 1½-in., \$9.18; 2-in., \$12.24; 2½-in., \$22.15; 3-in., \$30.00. Galvanized, ¼ and ¾-in., \$3.41; ½-in., \$3.74; ¾-in., \$5.06; 1-in., \$7.26; 1¼-in., \$9.90; 1½-in., \$11.88; 2-in., \$15.84; 3½-in., black, \$39.00; 4-in., \$42.85. Prices firm but unchanged, stock light.

Zinc.—Has participated slightly, in the improved feeling in other metals. Toronto, slab, \$5.50; sheet, \$7.50.

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