

sable, 10% lower; red fox, 20% lower; grey, ditto., 10% higher; silver, ditto., 20% higher; white, ditto., 10% higher; otter, 10% lower; lynx, 10% higher; black and grizzly bear, 20% higher; brown, ditto., 30% higher; wolf, 10% higher; badger, 50% higher. Muskrat sold 20% higher than last January. As compared with last October sales, Australian furs sold as follows: Opossum, 20% higher; wallaby, 50% higher; kangaroo, 50% higher; wombat, same. Beaver sold 15% lower than January.

Groceries.—After we had written last week the local sugar refiners gave notice of another advance of 5 cents a cental on all grades, making the present factory price for standard granulated \$3.80, with yellows ranging from \$3.15 upwards. Raw beet sugar has advanced two shillings during the past two months, and is now quoted at 8s. for November delivery. Montreal is now said to be about the cheapest market in the world for refined sugars, local prices being as low as present figures for foreign refined, and there have been no recent importations of American or European goods. A fair business is reported in Ceylon and Indian teas, and Ceylon greens are said to have "caught on" to the market pretty well, on account of the scarcity and high prices of Japans. Canned tomatoes are almost as scarce as anthracite coal, and a leading firm is said to have paid as high as \$1.75 for a 600 case lot, while others are said to be seeking to buy in the United States. A good brisk business is reported in dried fruits of all kinds. The first large shipment of new dates has arrived in New York, and prices are a little higher than last year. Stocks of Valencia raisins at shipping points are said to be well run down, and currants are said to have moved up a little since the last direct steamer, the "Bellona," now reported at Halifax, sailed. All nuts are dear, filberts are up again, and new Grenoble walnuts will cost the retailer at least 15c., and shelled ditto., 25c.; Comadre figs are firmer.

Hides.—There are no changes to report at the moment, but beef hide values show weakness, and it is deemed not improbable that there may be some revision of prices next week.

Metals and Hardware.—"Business brisk and goods scarce," this is the report of the trade generally. The briskness of demand is expected to continue until the end of November, and there is little apparent prospect of the shortness of supply in certain lines being remedied for some months. Pig iron rules firm at quotations given last week. No advance has yet developed in bars, though a revision of prices seems to be momentarily expected. Bar steel is firm at \$2.20 for best makes; tire steel, \$2.25; machinery, ditto., \$2.75, and toe-calk, \$2.90; cast-steel is quoted at 8c. Boiler rules firm at lately advanced figure of \$2.20. For Canada plates, \$2.65 is the general quotation; tin and galvanized sheets, etc., unchanged. Copper is rather firmer at 12¾c. in a jobbing way, and tin has also picked up a little, 29½c.

being now the jobbing quotation; lead is steadier at \$3.

Oils, Paints and Glass.—General cutting in price is still prevalent in linseed oil, and business has been reported in lots at figures even below our quotations as revised last week. Fish oils are very dull; it is said barely 50 brls. of new seal oil have been brought to the city this season, and little business is being done in cod oil. Turpentine rules very firm in the South, and is not unlikely to advance further. We quote: Single barrels, raw and boiled linseed oil, respectively, 69 to 70c. and 71 to 72c. per gallon, for one to four barrel lots, 5 to 9 barrels, 68 and 71c., net 30 days, or 3 per cent. for four months' terms. Turpentine, one barrel, 76c.; two to four barrels, 75c., net 30 days. Olive oil, machinery, 90c.; cod oil, 35 to 37½c. per gallon; steam refined seal, 50 to 53c. per gallon; straw do., 45 to 47c.; castor oil, 8¾ to 9¼c., as to quality and lot. Leads (chemically pure and first-class brands), \$5.15 to \$5.25; No. 1, \$4.75 to \$4.87½; No. 2, \$4.50; No. 3, \$4.12½; No. 4, \$3.75; dry white lead, 4½ to 5c. for pure; No. 1, do., 5c.; genuine red, do., 4¼ to 4½c.; No. 1, red lead, 4 to 4¼c.; putty in bulk, barrels, \$2.00; bladder putty, in barrels, \$1.90; ditto. in kegs or boxes, \$2.40; 25-lb. tins, \$2.55; 12½ lb. tins, \$2.65. London washed whiting, 40 to 45c.; Paris white, 75 to 80c.; Venetian red, \$1.50 to \$1.75; yellow ochre, \$1.25 to \$1.50; spruce ochre, \$1.75 to \$2; window glass, \$2.10 per 50 feet for first break; \$2.20 for second break.

Wool.—While there is not a great deal

of business doing, values are very firm. Some moderate late sales are reported of Capes at 17c., for which 17½ to 18c. is now asked. There are few Australians or Natalis here, and Northwest wool seems to be meeting with rather more favor; for this line from 12 to 15c. is quoted. B.A. scoured ranges from 25 to 35c. per lb.

## TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, October 30th, 1902.

Chemicals, Drugs, Etc.—No change has taken place in the local drug market since last report. Prices keep firm under a fair normal demand. New York advices say that a further advance has taken place in cod liver oil. Buyers are not very disposed to operate at these figures, however. A good demand is still reported for quinine. As to prices a good deal will depend on the result of the Amsterdam auction sales early next month. The opium market continues very dull.

Dry Goods.—Retailers throughout the country are feeling the results of the greater movement in farm crops, and the consequent greater circulation of cash among their customers. They anticipate a very bright trade for the season. The sorting demand for heavy woollens and other winter goods is brisk, and the recent cold spell did much to accentuate it. Both cotton and woollen staples are very firm in price, and any change made is likely to be in an up-

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