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GROCERIES.—The report of the trade situation, as noted a week ago, will still apply almost in its entirety. Teas, which are reported strengthening in all outside trade centres, remain on the same level here, though holders may be said to be very firm in their views. Sugars are steady at late prevailing prices, granulated being 7½c. at factory in wholesale lots, yellows ranging from 6 3-16 to 6½c. Molasses is firmer at 39 to 40c. per gallon, some large holders quoting latter figure stiff. The fruit cargo of the direct steamer "Dracona" seems to have been pretty well absorbed, and prices are steady at 6½ to 6¾c. for Valencia raisins; currants, 5½ to 7½c. as to quality for ordinary or finest cases. There is considerable uncertainty regarding the value of Malaga fruit, there still being an absence of definite information from producing point in answer to queries for quotations. Prunes, both French and Turkish, are likely to be scarce and dear; the latter are reported as very firmly held at Trieste, while French cannot be laid down except at a heavy advance on figures quoted earlier in the season. The currant crop in Greece is reported a heavy one, being calculated at 160,000 tons, or 20,000 tons larger than any previous recorded yield. In coffees, spices, rice, tobacco, etc., there is nothing new to record. Canned goods move rather slowly; salmon continues firm at \$1.75 to 1.80, while lobster and mackerel are in very light supply at high prices, about \$6.00 a case; reports as to the pack of tomatoes show much variance, some saying that the pack is very heavy, while others say that the frost in this district has destroyed much of the crop calculated upon; it is, however, stated that large wholesale lots have been offered at 90c.

HIDES.—Green hides are if anything firmer, dealers paying 6½c. right along for No. 1, while something over is said to have been paid in some cases. Sales to tanners of No. 1 inspected are made at 7½c.; a few sales of Toronto and Hamilton No. 1 are reported at 7½ to 7¾c.; calfskins, 5 to 6c.; lambskins, 65 to 70c.

METALS AND HARDWARE.—There is rather a slackening in business in iron and metals since

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last week. The break in the Cornwall canal may account for some of this. But the close of the month will likely witness a further spurt, lasting till close of navigation. Prices in all lines retain the firmness noted in last several reports, and quotations as fully revised last week stand unchanged. Copper is 18½ to 19c. in largest lots, and will probably go higher; bar iron is firm at \$2.10. Warrants are cabled at 40/7d., a gain on last week. We quote:—Coltness, \$22, with little or none here; Calder and Langlois, \$21; Summerlee, \$22; Eglinton and Dalmellington, \$19.75 to 20; Gartscherrie, \$21.00; Siemens makers are not selling or making any fresh contracts; Carnbroe, \$20.00; Shotts, \$22.00; Glengarnock, \$20.00; Middlesboro, none here; cast scrap, railway chairs, &c., none; machinery scrap, \$16.50 to 17; common ditto, \$13; bar iron, \$2.10; best refined, \$2.35; Siemens, \$2.10. Canada Plates—Blaina, \$2.40 to 2.50. Tern roofing plate, 20x28, \$7 to 7.25. Tin plates—Bradley charcoal, \$5.75; charcoal I.C., \$4.25 to 4.50; do. I.X., \$5.25; coke I.C., \$3.85 to 4.00; galvanized sheets, No. 28, 5 to 7c., according to brand; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, 6c.; No. 26, 6½c.; the usual extra for large sizes. Hoops and bands, per 100 lbs., \$2.30. Staffordshire boiler plate, \$2.75; common sheet iron, \$2.50 to 2.75; steel boiler plate, \$2.75; heads, \$4.00; Russian sheet iron, 11c.; lead per 100 lbs., —; pig, \$4.00 to 4.50; sheet, \$5.00; shot, \$6.00 to 6.50; best cast steel, 11 to 11½c.; spring, \$2.50 to 2.80; tire, \$2.50 to 2.75; sleigh shoe, \$2.40 to 2.50; round machinery steel, \$3.00; ingot tin, 25c.; bar tin, 27½ to 28c.; ingot copper, 18½ to 19c.; sheet zinc, \$5.00; spelter, \$5 to 5.50; antimony, 12 to 13c.; bright iron wire, Nos. 0 to 8, \$2.15 per 100 lbs.; annealed do., \$2.20 to 2.25.

OILS, PAINTS, AND GLASS.—Linseed oils show some advance since last week; the lowest figure for raw in largest lots would be 54½c., while in an ordinary way the figures are 56c. for raw, and 59c. for boiled. Turpentine shows an upward jump of 2c. in the South, and would cost 62c. to lay down; prices at present are 64 to 65c., with a probability of advance. Fish oils show considerable firmness, Newfoundland cod quoting at 36 to 38c., Nova Scotia 32 to 33c., steam refined seal 47½ to 48c., castor firm at 7½c. per lb. Shellacs are rather dearer, as in fact are all East Indian products, owing to higher freights and increased value of the rupee. Leads continue very firm at home. We quote:—Leads (chemically pure and first-class brands only), \$5.75 to 6.00; No. 1, \$5.25; No. 2, \$4.50; No. 3, \$4.25; dry white lead, 5½c.; red do., 4½c.; London washed whiting, 50 to 55c.; Paris white, \$1.00; Cookson's Venetian red, \$1.75; other brands Venetian red, \$1.50 to 1.60; yellow ochre,