

Bricks.—Common structural, \$9 per thousand, wholesale, and the demand moderately active. Red and buff pressed are worth, delivered, \$18; at works, \$17.

Cement.—Price in 1,000-barrel lots \$1.70 per barrel, including bags, or \$1.30 without bags. Smaller quantities, \$1.55 to \$1.60 per barrel, in load lots delivered in town, and bags extra. No marked activity.

Coal Tar.—Nothing doing, price maintained at \$3.50 per barrel.

Copper Ingot.—Movement rather active; price lower. We quote 14 to 14½c.

Detonator Caps.—75c. to \$1 per 100; case lots, 75c. per 100; broken quantities, \$1.

Dynamite, per pound, 21 to 25c., as to quantity.

Roofing Felt.—Still quiet on account of coarse climatic conditions. Price maintained at \$1.80 per 100 lbs.

Fire Bricks.—English and Scotch, \$30 to \$35; American, \$27.50 to \$35 per 1,000. The demand has become quite active.

Fuses.—Electric Blasting.—Double strength, per 200, 4 feet, \$4.50; 6 feet, \$5; 8 feet, \$5.50; 10 feet, \$6. Single strength, 4 feet, \$3.50; 6 feet, \$4; 8 feet, \$4.50; 10 feet, \$5. Bennett's double tape fuse, \$6 per 1,000 feet.

Galvanized Sheets.—Apollo Brand.—Sheets 6 or 8 feet long, 30 or 36 inches wide; 10-gauge, \$3.05; 12-14-gauge, \$3.15; 16, 18, 20, \$3.35; 22-24, \$3.50; 26, \$3.75; 28, \$4.20; 29, \$4.50; 30½, \$4.50 per 100 pounds. Fleur de Lis—28-gauge, \$4.30; 26-gauge, \$4.05; 22-24-gauge, \$3.50. Queen's Head—28-gauge, \$4.50; 26-gauge, \$4.25. Sheets are in very active request.

Iron Chain.—¼-inch, \$5.75; 5-16-inch, \$5.15; ¾-inch, \$4.15; 7-16-inch, \$3.95; 1-inch, \$3.75; 9-16-inch, \$3.70; ¾-inch, \$3.55; ¾-inch, \$3.45; ¾-inch, \$3.40; 1-inch, \$3.40.

Bar Iron.—\$1.95 to \$2, base, from stock to wholesale dealer.

Iron Pipe.—Black, ¾-inch, \$2.03; ¾-inch, \$2.26; ¾-inch, \$2.63; ¾-inch, \$3.16; 1-inch, \$4.54; 1¼-inch, \$6.19; 1½-inch, \$7.43; 2-inch, \$9.90; 2½-inch, \$13.81; 3-inch, \$20.76; 3½-inch, \$26.13; 4-inch, \$29.70; 4½-inch, \$38; 5-inch, \$43.50; 6-inch, \$56. Galvanized, ¾-inch, \$2.86; ¾-inch, \$3.08; ¾-inch, \$3.48; ¾-inch, \$4.31; 1-inch, \$6.19; 1¼-inch, \$8.44; 1½-inch, \$10.13; 2-inch, \$13.50. Makers are holding prices stiff, and talk of an advance.

Lead.—Prices steady outside. Price here lower at \$3.80 to \$3.90.

Lime.—In adequate supply and slow movement. Price for large lots at kilns outside city 22c. per 100 lbs. f.o.b., cars; Toronto retail price 35c. per 100 lbs. f.o.b. car.

Lumber.—We quote dressing pine \$32 to \$35 per thousand; common stock boards higher at \$26 to \$30.00; cull stocks, \$20; sidings, \$17.50. Norway pine is neglected in favor of Southern, which is much stronger in fibre and the price well maintained. Hemlock continues to sell pretty freely, and in car lots brings \$16.50 to \$17.00. Spruce flooring is worth \$22.00 in car lots with stiffer feeling. Shingles firmer, price for British Columbia, \$3.20. Lath higher at \$4.25 for No. 1 and \$3.75 for No. 2 white pine 48-inch; the 32-inch are now in market and bring \$1.30 per thousand. Spruce laths are scarcer in this market and prices keep up. More spruce and hemlock have moved than pine. Prices are maintained all over the list.

Nails.—Wire, \$2.25 base; cut, \$2.70; spikes, \$3. The usual demand.

Pitch.—Demand is flat; price, 70c. per 100 lbs.

Pig Iron.—Business continues quiet; prices are fairly well maintained. Clarence quotes at \$20.50 for No. 3; Cleveland, \$20.50 to \$21.00; in Canadian pig, Hamilton quotes \$19.50 to \$20.

Plaster of Paris.—Calcined, wholesale, \$2; retail, \$2.15. Trade quiet.

Putty.—In bladders, strictly pure, per 100 lbs., \$2.25; in barrel lots, \$2.05.

Rope.—Sisal, 9½c. per lb.; pure Manila, 12½c., Base

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RAILROAD ORDERS.

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6346—February 22—Authorizing the Winnipeg Electric Railway Company to place its wires across the C.P.R. tracks near Molson, "cut-off" in Sec. 17, Tp. 12, Manitoba.

6347—February 22—Authorizing the city of Winnipeg to lay a sewer under the tracks of the C.P.R. at Barton Avenue, Winnipeg, Man.

6348—February 25—Authorizing the Manitoba Government Telephone System to cross with its wires the tracks of the C.N.R. at the spur to the Rat Portage Lumber Company north of Marion Street, Norwood, Manitoba.

6349 to 6352, inclusive—February 26—Granting leave to the Manitoba Government Telephones to erect, place, and maintain its wires across the tracks of the Canadian Pacific Railway at various points in the Province of Manitoba.

6353 to 6356, inclusive—February 26—Granting leave to the Canadian Northern Ontario Railway Co. to erect, place, and maintain its telegraph wires across the wires of the G.N.W. Telegraph Co. at various points in the Province of Ontario.

BETTER RAILS.

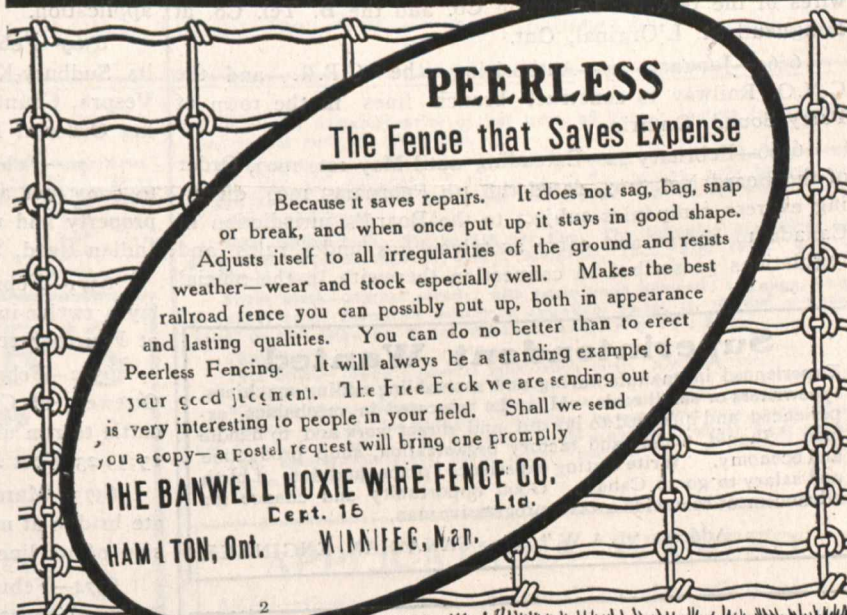
The Wall Street Summary.—When conferences were held last year between steel rail manufacturers and railroads, the latter insisted that the discard from the end of the "bloom" was not sufficient. The bloom, or dough, of metal is the term used to describe the roughly prepared mass, nearly square in section and short in proportion to its thickness, which later is hammered or rolled into bars. The discard formerly was 12 per cent., but the Pennsylvania Railroad Co. insisted that a discard of 25 per cent. was required to insure sound rails. From an announcement by that company, regarding certain specifications placed with rail manufacturers for new rails, we learn that "a sufficient discard to insure a sound rail" has been agreed to; and that inspectors from the railroad are to receive free access to the works where the rails are being manufactured in order to satisfy themselves that the specifications are being followed. From this we may infer that the carriers have won their point, and that better rails will be turned out in future.

COMING MEETING

Canadian Electrical Association.—Annual Convention at Quebec, June 16th, 17th, 18th, 1909.

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