

to control the London market, has caused some advance in pepper and cloves, though the effect is not very pronounced in this market yet. There is no enthusiasm in canned goods, and with the advancing season the demand for canned vegetables is not likely to grow; salmon are easier, selling from \$1.50 to 1.65, according to brand.

**METALS AND HARDWARE.**—The demand for iron shows no improvement, and the movement in metals generally is quite a light one. Local quotations are without change in the absence of transactions; a small sale of Summerlee at \$25.50 is about the only thing lately reported in pig iron. Warrants were cabled Monday at 41/11d., the lowest figure yet, and nearly equal to figures of a year ago; makers' prices for best brands have not declined proportionately, and are quoted at 68 to 71 shillings, while last year's prices were about 15 shillings; lower the cheaper brands, however, such as Eglington, Carnbroe, &c., are only about 5/- higher than at this time last year. Tuesday's cable quotes warrants at 45/3d. Charcoal tins are very scarce on spot; coals more enquired for, but easier in price. Steel cheaper at home, but no change here; lead has advanced five shillings. We quote:—Coltness, none here; Calder, No. 1, \$26.00; Calder, No. 3, \$25.00; Langloan, \$26.00; Summerlee, \$26; Eglington and Dalmellington, \$22 to 23; Gartsherrie, \$25.00; Carnbroe, \$23; Shotts, none; Middlesboro, No. 1, none here; No. 3, \$22.00; cast scrap railway chairs, &c., \$23.00; machinery scrap, \$18 to 19; common ditto, \$14; bar iron, \$2.40 to \$2.50 for Canadian, British \$2.75; best refined, \$3.00. The products of the Londonderry Iron Company we quote as follows: Siemens' pig No. 1, \$25.00; Acadia

bar, \$2.40; Siemens' bar, \$2.60; these figures for round lots. Canada Plates—Blaina, \$3.00. Tern roofing plate, 20x28, \$7.75 to 8.00. Black sheet iron, No. 28, \$3.15. Tin plates—Bradley charcoal, \$6.50 to 7; charcoal I.C., \$4.50 to 5.00; do. I.X., \$5.50 to 6.00; coke I.C., \$3.90 to 4; coke wasters, \$3.75; galvanized sheets, No. 28, ordinary brands, 60.; Morewood, 70.; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, 60.; No. 26, 60.; the usual extra for large sizes. Hoops and bands, per 100 lbs. \$3.00; Staffordshire boiler plate, \$3.25 to 3.50; common sheet iron, \$3.25 to 3.50; steel boiler plate, \$3.75; heads, \$4.50; Russian sheet iron, 10 1/2; lead per 100 lbs., pig, \$3.85 to 4.00; sheet, \$4.50; shot, \$6 to 6.50; best cast steel, 11 to 12c.; spring, \$2.50; tire, \$2.50 to 2.75; sleigh shoe, \$2.50 to 3.00; round machinery steel, \$3.25; ingot tin, 22 1/2 to 24c.; bar tin, 26c.; ingot copper, 14 to 15c.; sheet zinc, \$6.50; spelter, \$6.25;

antimony, 00 to 20c.; bright iron wires Nos. 0 to 8, \$2.75 per 100 lbs.; annealed do., \$2.75. Coil chain, 1/2 inch, 5 1/2c.; 3/4 in., 4 1/2c.; 7-16 in., 4 1/2c.; 1/2 in., 4 1/2c.; 3/8 in. and upwards, 3 1/2c.

**OILS, PAINTS, AND GLASS.**—A good movement is to be noted in these lines. Linseed oil continues very firm in Britain, and local prices are steady at 65c. for raw per gal. and 68c. for boiled; turpentine, which weakened a little in the South, has recovered and is quoted at 65c.; castor oil 10 1/2c., and offered lower for June delivery. Leads are being sold at slightly lower prices than we have quoted, and we change figures in accordance. Ochres, &c., will be dearer when new stocks come to hand, owing to the increased duty. Glass shows no further change. We quote: Leads (chemically pure and first-class brands only), \$6 to 6.25; No. 1, \$5.00 to 5.50; No. 2, \$4.75, No. 3,

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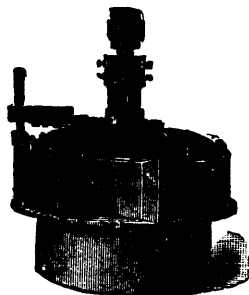
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