MONTREAL MARKETS.

MONTREAL, Sept. 25th, 1895.

-The market is if anything a shade easier. The quotation for first quality of pot ashes is still \$4.05 to 4.15, but it is only extra ashes is still \$4.05 to 4.15, but it is only extra good tares that will bring the outside figure; seconds, \$3.75 to 3.85. In pearl ash last purchase made was at \$4.75. During the week there have been moderate shipments to Glasgow and other British ports. Receipts, which have been liberal for the season, are slackening

CEMENTS AND FIREBRICKS .- Since last writing receipts of cements have been light, being estimated at about 2,000 brls. of English, and no Belgian. The sale of a 5,000 lot of Belgian to a local contractor was reported last week on p.t., also 1,000 brls to Ottawa. Apart from these transactions, business is moderate. Freights have advanced, but it is hard to get any better prices, and sales are being made at old figures, which in some cases, it is said, little more than cover cost. Firebricks are

unchanged in price.
DAIRY PRODUCTS. -The cheese shipments of last week show a marked falling off as compared with the corresponding week of 1894, the figures in boxes being 51,799, as compared with 70,940. The market shows some little improvement since a week ago, the demand being ment since a week ago, the demand being rather better, and quotations for September Ontario range about 8c., Quebec 7\frac{3}{4} to 7\frac{7}{4}c. Butter shows little change in either the demand or in value. We quote choice creamery 17 to 17\frac{1}{4}c., Townships' dairy 14 to 15c., Western 12\frac{1}{4} to 13\frac{1}{4}c. Eggs 11\frac{1}{4} to 12\frac{1}{4}c., as to quality. quality.

FURS.—Raw furs are again beginning to attract some attention, but until the results of the London October sales are known, dealers are not anxious to make any definite quotations. A dealer just returned from Europe tions. A dealer just returned from Europe reports that the large London dealers do not seem to anticipate that American furs will sell very well at the coming sales. Lambskins, both gray and black, are very firm, and seal skins are reported on the rise. A few new-caught rats and bear have been received here, but the quality is yet away below prime, and we would again warn country dealers against buying such pelts on which there is sure to be buying such pelts, on which there is sure to be

GROCERIES -Sugar has at last taken a turn upwards, and granulated is now quoted firm at 4c. at the refinery, with fair sales at that figure; in yellows, the lowest figure is 3c., with a range up to about 3§c. Raws are reported in much stronger shape abroad, and in New York granulated is up three-sixteenths. A good many teas continue to change hands in both Japans and blacks, and the aggregate of business for the past fortnight is considerable. There is quite a lively demand for low grade Japans, which are not in any large available supply on spot, and apparently there are few to come forward. About 13c. is the lowest value now to be had A cable received Monday, reports another firmer turn to the market in Japan. Currants are reported advanced in Greece. The few lots of fine, off stalk Valencias so far received via Liverpool, have been jobbing at 6 to 7c. The first lots of new figs in small boxes are to hand by the "Labrador," and are selling at 13 to 14c. The market for new sultanas has opened at Smyrna, at about the same level as last year; the quality seems a little better. New French prunes of good quality are from 2 to 3c. higher than at the opening of the season. Bosnians are a good way off yet. The first direct fruit steamer left Denia, her last port on the 17th inst., and the second has left Patras to touch at other Mediterranean Sardines are reported a very short ports. Sardness are reported a very short pack, and will be dearer, quotations being in some cases withdrawn. The slashing in canned goods continues, and corn and tomatoes are being offered in the country, it is said, at 75c.

HIDES.—There was a meeting of the local dealers yesterday, but though the market is easier, with sales of No. 1 to tanners reported at 9½c., and even at 9c., it is said, it was decided at 9½c., and even at 9c., it is said, it was decided to continue the buying price at 8½c., 7½c., and 6½c., for Nos. 1, 2 and 3 respectively. The regular figure for calfskins is now established at 7c., instead of 8c.; lambskins 45c. With the advancing season there is more killing being done, and offerings are rather large.

LEATHER.—General enquiry among the trade does not show that there is really any more business doing in this line. Some few moderate sales of sole and dongolas are reported, but the general run of black leathers are dull.

Prices remain about the same; sole is perhaps shade easier, more particularly Spanish de. The English market is reported firm, sole. The English market is reported firm, but sales are somewhat slow on account of the high prices, and there is not much doing in the way of export. We quote:—Spanish sole B.A. No. 1, 26c.; do. No. 2, 24 to 25c.; No. 1 ordinary Spanish, 24 to 25c.; No. 2, 22 to 23c.; No. 1 slaughter, 27 to 29c.; No. 2 do., 26c.; common, 22c.; waxed upper light and medium, 35 to 40c.; do. heavy, 33 to 36c.; grained, 38 to 40c.; Scotch grained, 38 to 40c. and medium, 35 to 40c.; do. heavy, 33 to 36c.; grained, 38 to 40c.; Scotch grained, 38 to 40c.; western splits, 26 to 28c.; Quebec do., 20 to 22c.; juniors, 16 to 19c.; calf-splits, 30 to 35c.; calf, skins (35 to 40 lbs.), 60 to 65c.; imitation French calfskins, 65 to 75c.; colored calf, American, 25 to 30c.; Canadian, 20 to 22c.; colored pebble cow, 15 to 16c.; russet sheepskin linings, 30 to 40c.; harness, 25 to 32c.; buffed cow, 13 to 16c.; extra heavy buff, 17c.; pebbled cow, 12½ to 15c.; polished buff, 12 to 14c.; glove grain, 12½ to 14c.; rough, 22 to 25c.; russet and bridle, 40 to 50c 40 to 50c

METALS AND HARDWARE.-The movement METALS AND HARDWARE.—The movement in heavy metals is not appreciably increased, but in general hardware there is a fair jobbing trade. Pig iron continues to stiffen, and advices from Glasgow report a general advance in makers' prices, while American No. 2 could not probably be now laid down under \$21.00. Old car wheels, however, can be bought at the low figure of \$15.00. Bars are without change, as also are Canada and tin plates, but black sheets are very scarce on spot, and are again advanced 5c. We quote:—Coltness pig iron, none here; Calder, No. 1, none here; Calder, No. 3, none here; Summerlee, \$19.50 to 20.50; Eglinton, \$18.00 to 18.50; Gartsherrie, none No. 3, none here; Summerlee, \$19.50 to 20.50; Eglinton, \$18.00 to 18.50; Gartsherrie, none here; Carnbroe, \$19; Shotts, \$19 to arrive; Middlesboro, No. 3, \$17.00; Niagara, No. 2, \$21.00; Siemens, pig, No. 1, \$17.50; Ferrona, No. 1, 17.50; machinery scrap, \$15; common do., \$12 to 13; bar iron, Canadian, \$1.60; British, \$2.00 to 2.15; best refined, \$2.40; Low Moor, \$5.00; Canada plates—Blaina, or Garth, \$2.10, 52 sheets to box, 60 sheets \$2.15 to \$2.20, 75 sheets \$2.25; all polished Canadas, \$2.50 to 3.00; Terne roofing plate, 20x28, \$5.50 to 5.75. Black sheet iron, No. 28, \$2.25; No. 26, \$2.15; No. 24, \$2.05; tin plates—Bradley charcoal, \$5.00 to 5.50; charcoal I.C., \$3.25; P. D. Crown, \$3.75; do, I.X., \$4.75; Coke I. C., \$2.75 to 2.85; coke wasters, \$2.50; galvanized sheets, No. 28, ordinary brands, \$4 to \$4\frac{1}{2}\$c.; No. 26, \$c.; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, \$\frac{1}{2}\$c.; no 26, 6c.; the usual extra for large sizes. Canadian bands, per 100 lbs., \$1.85; English ditto, \$2; hoops, \$2.15. Steel boiler plate, \$\frac{1}{2}\$ inch and upwards, \$1.90 to 2.00 for Dalzell, and

equal; ditto, three-sixteenths inch, \$2.60 tank iron, ½ inch, \$1.50; three-sixteenths do, \$2.15; tank steel, \$1.70; heads, seven-sixteenths and upwards, \$2.00; Russian sheet iron, 9½ to 10c.; lead, per 100 lbs., pig, \$3.15; sheet, \$4 to 4.25; shot, \$6 to 6.50; best cast steel, 9 to 10c.; toe calk, \$2.25; spring, \$2.50; sleigh shoe, \$1.90; tire, \$2; round machinery steel, \$2.50; ingot tin, 16 to 16½ to 17c.; ingot copper, 12 to 12½c.; sheet zinc, \$4.50 to 4.75; Silesian spelter, \$4.25: American do, \$4.25. Antimony 9 to 9½c.; bright iron wires, Nos. 0 to 8, \$2.60 per 100 lbs.; annealed and oiled do., \$2.70; galvanized, \$3.35; the trade discount on wire is 22½ per cent. Barb and twisted wire and staples, 3½c. equal; ditto, three-sixteenths inch. \$2.60

OILS, PAINTS AND GLASS.—Glass has moved upwards as anticipated in our previous reports, and is now quoted at \$1.15 to 1.20 for first break, with a corresponding advance in second

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