

80c.; russet sheepskin linings, 30 to 40c.; harness, 23 to 29c.; buffed cow, 12 to 14c.; pebbled cow, 12 to 15c.; rough, 20 to 25c.; russet and bridle, 45 to 55c.

METALS AND HARDWARE.—The wished-for movement of the waters has not yet come, and the dulness for several weeks complained of still prevails. Cannery, &c., continue to make some nibbles at tinplates, but we hear of little or no business resulting. There are some reports of iron furnaces being blown in again in Scotland, and the statistical position is a strong one, but values here and abroad remain unchanged. Tin and copper, if anything, show further weakness. We quote:—Coltness, no stock to import, \$24.00; Calder, No. 1, \$23.00; Calder, No. 3, \$21.50; Summerlee, \$23 to 24.00; Eglinton \$20.00 to 21.50; Gartsherrie, \$23.00; Carnbroe, \$21.50 to \$22.00; Shotts, \$22.50 to 23.00; Middlesboro, none here; cast scrap railway chairs, &c., \$20.00; machinery scrap, \$19.00 to 20.00; common ditto, \$13; bar iron, \$2.25 to 2.30 for Canadian, British \$2.50; best refined, \$2.75. The products of the Londonderry Iron Company we quote as follows: Siemens' pig No. 1, \$23.00; Acadia bar, \$22.20; Siemens' bar, \$2.35; these figures for round lots. Canada Plates—Blaina, \$3.10; Swansea, \$3.10; Penn, \$3.25. Terne roofing plate, 20x28, \$8.00 to 8.25. Black sheet iron, No. 28, \$2.80. Tin plates

—Bradley charcoal, \$6.50 to 7; charcoal I.C., \$4.75 to 5.00; do. I.X., \$5.25 to 6.00; coke I.C., \$4.50; coke wasters, \$4.25; galvanized sheets, No. 28, ordinary brands, 5½ to 5¾c.; Morewood, 7c.; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, 6¾c.; No. 26, 7c.; the usual extra for large sizes. Hoops and bands, per 100 lbs., \$2.70 to 2.75; Staffordshire boiler plate, \$2.80 to 3.00; common sheet iron \$2.75 to 2.90 according to gauge; steel boiler plate, \$3.00; heads, \$4.00; Russian sheet iron, 10½ to 11c.; lead per 100 lbs., pig, \$4.00; sheet, \$4.75; 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 22½ to 23¾c.; bar tin, 26c.; ingot copper, 15½ to 16¾c.; sheet zinc, \$6.50 to 7.00; 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, ½ inch, 5¾c.; ¾ in., 4¾c.; 7-16 in., 4¾c.; ½ in., 4¾c.; ¾ in., 3¾c.; ½ in., and upwards, 3¾c.

OILS, PAINTS, AND GLASS.—There is little awakening in business yet, and values show little disturbance. Cod liver oil is about the only article that excites any interest: the low prices of late checked production, and led to the use of the article for other than medicinal purposes, it even being used for burning; Norwegian stocks are now reported as about

exhausted, and a considerable advance is probable. Nfd. cod oil quiet, and from 40 to 42c. in small jobbing lots; olive oil hardly a factor in trade now, and quotation altogether nominal at \$1.00. Other lines under this heading just as they were a week ago. We quote:—Leads (chemically pure and first-class brands only) \$6; No. 1, \$5 to 5.50; No. 2, \$4.75; No. 3, \$4 to 4.50; dry white lead, 5½ to 5¾c.; red do., 4¾c.; London washed whiting, 50c.; Paris white, 90c. to \$1; Cookson's Venetian red, \$1.60 to 1.75; other brands of Venetian red, \$1.40 to 1.60; yellow ochre, \$1.50 to 1.75; spruce ochre, \$2.25 to 2.50. Window glass, \$1.50 per 50 feet for first break, \$1.60 for second break; 5c. off for 100 box lots.

WOOL.—Trade continues small and slow manufacturers not being cheery about buying, though some report having been kept fairly busy on repeats for fall goods. Stocks are low, and no new arrivals expected before March. Quotations as last week.

TORONTO MARKETS.

TORONTO, Jan. 16th, 1891.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—The factories, after the holidays, are again working full complement of time. Salesmen on the road are sending in favorable reports, and in a short time it is expected business will considerably brighten up. All list prices are very firm, and reports from Quebec and Montreal claim an advance.

DRUGS.—The business doing is very fair and payments are said to be very good. At present there is not even a ripple of excitement in the drug market, and quotations all round are unaltered. All staples maintain their values well. Oil lemon and oil bergamot are easier in foreign markets, but still sustain the present high quotations with us, although not quite so strong as last week.

DRY GOODS.—Business in dry goods circles is quiet; it is too early in the season for much shipping to be done. The end of January is usually reached before country merchants complete stock-taking and find out their wants in the way of spring goods. The month of December last turned out a good one, most houses say, and travellers are sending in very cheerful reports as to prospective business in the near future. From many inquiries, checked dress goods and printed satens seem to be in request. Payments are said to be very fair. Deliveries of importations and Canadian goods are demanding considerable time and attention just now.

FLOUR AND OATMEAL.—The flour market is quiet and prices remain unchanged. There is very little doing, but values are steady. Bran is still quoted at \$18 per ton for car lots, and \$18.50 for small lots; the demand however is not so active.

GRAIN.—Winter wheat No. 1 is out of stock; No. 2 and No. 3 have advanced one cent per bushel, and are respectively quoted 94 to 95c., with 91 to 92c. for No. 3. There is a good local milling demand for winter wheat at quotations. Ontario spring wheat is unchanged in prices, and in demand for export purposes. If the receipts were heavier, the exports would increase proportionately, as the supply for that purpose is inadequate. Manitoba hard, No. 1, has advanced two cents per bushel owing to scarcity of this grade; this quality is principally supplied to local millers. No. 1 low grade and No. 2 chiefly for export; prices of the latter are unchanged. The American markets for wheat are somewhat unsettled, the English markets firm and improving; prices of some grades higher than they were a week ago by one penny per bushel. Barley is firm and in good demand, both for local and export purposes; quotations have advanced one cent per bushel all round; No. 1 barley is now ruling at 63 to 64c.; No. 2, 57 to 58c.; No. 3 extra, 52 to 53c.; No. 3, 49 to 50c. Oats are unaltered in price, in good demand, and rather scarce. Peas are in request for export, and prices have responded by advancing about three cents per bushel, now quoted at 61 to 62c. Corn is purely nominal; in rye there is not much doing, quotations ruling at 60c.

A despatch of Saturday last from Washington says: The estimates of the product of corn, wheat and oats of 1890, as given by the Department of Agriculture, made corn aggregate late harvest, 1,469,970,000 bushels; wheat, 399,262,000 bushels; oats, 523,621,000 bushels. The

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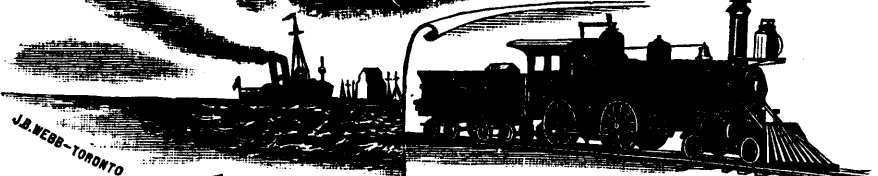
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