

and Newcastle. The shipments for the season are now ahead of same date last year by about 130,000 boxes. The market is a shade stiffer than a week ago, choice Western being now quoted up to 8½c., and Quebec 7½ to 7¾c. per lb. Exports of butter continue to show a gain on last year, the shipments for last week having been 6,977 pkgs., against 1,247 pkgs. same week last year. The market is exactly on the same level as last week. Eggs are steady at 10½ to 11c. per dozen for choice.

**DRY GOODS.**—The heated spell favored the continuance of a pretty steady sorting demand for light fabrics, and the bulk of the wholesale business doing is still of this character, with a fair quantity of fall orders being booked, though there is no very general disposition among retailers to buy far ahead. Several leading houses consulted state, however, that business with them is ahead of this time last year in volume. Remittances are reported to be of a somewhat dragging character.

**GROCERIES.**—A decided improvement is at last reported in the demand for sugars, particularly for yellows, and both refineries are now reported well occupied. Quotations remain as last revised, namely, 4c. per lb. at factory for standard granulated, and 3½ to 3¾c. for yellows. Further moderate lots of foreign refined beet sugar are reported coming forward, and we have heard a jobbing quotation made at \$3.80 per cental. It is altogether probable that the local refineries will put a second grade granulated on the market to compete with these imported goods, and thus try and shut them out. A fair number of new Japan teas are offering at from 16c. up, but the market for teas at present is somewhat dull. California advices indicate good prospects for the fruit crop, though there have been some cold nights, and the indications are hardly so promising as earlier in the season. The following figures are given as approximate laid down quotations for October delivery of raisins in wholesale lots: 5½c. for two-crown, 6½c. for three-crown, and 7½c. for four-crown. Apricots will be probably 2c. lower than opening figures last season; prunes are expected to rule about the same as last year. Canned vegetables are good value, tomatoes being held at 80 to 85c. in a jobbing way, peas 80c., corn 60 to 65c.

**HIDES.**—The local combination of leading hide dealers maintains the quotations for beef hides as reduced last week, claiming that, with the proposed American duty in view, 7c. per lb. is as much as can be paid for No. 1. There is still some opposition buying, however, at 7½ and 8c., it is said, and advices from American points indicate a firm market. The company shipped some 18 to 20 car loads of hides and calfskins to the United States during the past fortnight or so, and state that all receipts since have been absorbed locally. Calfskins continue to be bought at 8 and 6c. per lb. respectively, and lambskins and clips at 25c. each.

**LEATHER.**—The recent reduction in hide quotations by local dealers has not helped trade in this line, as it has tended to unsettle the ideas of shoe manufacturers, who are disposed to hang off still longer from buying in hopes of lower prices, but tanners claim they cannot get the supplies of hides they want at the reduced figures, and that present leather prices are, as it is, lower than they should be relatively. The American market is reported firmer, notably for Spanish sole and light crop, with good English demand, and some good sales of domestic sole are reported here to England. We quote:—Spanish sole B.A. No. 1, 22 to 23c.; do. No. 2, 21c. to 22c.; No. 1 ordinary Spanish, 21c.; No. 2, 19 to 20c.; No. 1 slaughter, 23 to 25c.; No. 2 do., 19 to 22c.; common, 19 to 20c.; waxed upper light and medium, 30 to 35c.; do. heavy, 27 to 30c.; grained, 30 to 35c.; Scotch grained, 30 to 35c.; western splits, 20 to 22c.; Quebec do., 15 to 17c.; juniors, 14 to 17c.; calf-splits, 30 to 35c.; calf skins (35 to 40 lbs.), 60 to 65c.; imitation French calf skins, 65 to 75c.; colored calf, American, 25 to 28c.; Canadian, 20 to 22c.; colored pebble cow, 13 to 15c.; russet sheepskin linings, 30 to 40c.; colored, 6 to 7½c.; harness, 24 to 27c.; buffed cow, 12 to 14c.; extra heavy buff, 15c.; pebbled cow, 12 to 13c.; polished buff, 11 to 13c.; glove grain, 12 to 13c.; rough, 22 to 23c.; russet and bridle, 35 to 45c.

**METALS AND HARDWARE.**—We find little news to be picked up in these lines just now, and the only recent noteworthy transaction we hear of is the sale of a 300-ton lot of Ham-

ilton pig iron to a Sherbrooke concern. English advices report further stiffening in Canada plates, owing to strikes, and some makers are reported shut down. We quote:—Summerlee pig iron, \$17 to \$17.50 ex-ship; Carron, No. 1, \$17; No. 3, \$16.25; Ayrshire, No. 1, \$16.50; No. 3, \$16; Shotts, \$17.25 to 17.50; Carnbroe, \$17.00, ex-store; Siemens pig No. 1, \$20.00; Ferrona, No. 1, \$20.00; Hamilton No. 1, \$16.00; No. 2, ditto, \$15.25; machinery scrap, \$15.00; common do., \$12.00 to 13.00; bar iron, Canadian, \$1.30 to 1.35; British, \$2.00 to 2.15; best refined, \$2.40; Low Moor, \$5; Canada plates—Pontypool, or equal, \$2.15; 52 sheets to box; 60 sheets, \$2.25; 75 sheets, \$2.35; all polished Canadian \$2.40; Terne roofing plate, 20x28, \$6.00; Black sheet iron, No. 28, \$2.25; No. 26, \$2.15; No. 24, \$2.05; Nos. 17, \$2; No. 16 and heavier, \$2.15; tin plates—Bradley charcoal, \$5.60 to 5.70; charcoal, I. C., Alloway, \$3.15 to 3.25; do. I. X., \$3.90 to 4.00; P. D. Crown, I. C., \$3.60 to 3.75; do. I. X., \$4.50; Coke I. C., \$2.90 to 3.00; coke, wasters, \$2.70; galvanized sheets, No. 28, ordinary brands, \$4; No. 26, \$3.75; No. 24, \$3.50 in case lots; Morewood, \$5.00 to 5.10; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, 5½c.; No. 26, 6c.; the usual extra for large sizes. Canadian bands, per 100 lbs., \$1.75; English ditto, \$2; hoops and bands, \$1.80 to 2.00. Steel boiler plate, ½-inch and upwards, \$1.85 to 1.90 for Daltzell, and equal; ditto three-sixteenths inch, \$2.50; tank iron, ½ inch, \$1.50; three-sixteenths do., \$2.00; tank steel, \$1.75; heads, seven-sixteenths and upwards, \$2.45 to 2.50; Russian sheet iron, 9c.; lead, per 100 lbs., pig, \$3.35 to 3.50; sheet, \$4 to 4.25; shot, \$6 to 6.50; best cast-steel, 8 to 10c.; toe calk, \$2.25; spring, \$2.50; sleigh shoe, \$1.85; tire, \$1.90; round machinery steel \$2.25; ingot tin, 16 to 16½c. for L. & F.; Straits, 15½ to 15¾c.; bar tin, 16½ to 17c.; ingot copper, 11½ to 12½c.; sheet zinc, \$5 to \$5.25; Silesian spelter, \$4.65 to 4.75; Veille Montagne spelter, \$4.75 to 5.00; American spelter, \$4.60 to 4.75; antimony, 8½ to 9c.

**OILS, PAINTS AND GLASS.**—The recent hot weather has somewhat stimulated the demand for Paris green, and prices are firm at quotations below. Linseed oil and turpentine are both easier a cent. There are reports of failure and shutting down among German glass manufacturers, and some claim to believe in the possibility of firmer prices; but no change has developed locally as yet. We quote:—Turpentine, one to four brls., 41c.; five to nine barrels, 40c., net 30 days. Linseed oil, raw, one to four brls., 41c.; five to nine brls., 40c.; boiled, one to four barrels, 44c.; five to nine brls., 43c., net 30 days; olive oil, machinery, 90c.; Nfld. cod, 40 to 42c. per gal.; Gaspe oil, 36 to 38c. per gal.; steam refined seal, 46 to 48c. per gallon in small lots. Castor oil, 8½ to 9c. as to quantity. Leads (chemically pure and first-class brands only), \$5.00, No. 1, \$4.62½; No. 2, \$4.25; No. 3, \$3.87½; No. 4, \$3.50; dry white lead, 4½ to 4¾c.; genuine red do., 4 to 4½c.; No. 1 red lead, 3½ to 4c.; putty, 1.65 to \$1.70 in bulk, \$1.75 to 1.80 in bladders, \$2 to 2.10 in tins; London washed whiting, 40 to 45c.; Paris white, 85 to 90c.; Venetian red, \$1.50 to 1.75; yellow ochre, \$1.25 to 1.50; spruce ochre, \$1.75 to 2.00; Paris green, 13½c. in bulk; packages, 14½c.; window glass, \$1.25 per 50 feet for first break; \$1.35 for second break; third break, \$2.80.

**WOOL.**—Woolen manufacturers are seemingly feeling better, and a continuance is reported of the fair sales noted last week, and at improved figures. The London sales now in progress opened at an advance, which has now developed to the extent of 10 to 15 per cent., and local dealers are now holding desirable grades of Cape wools at 16 to 17c., while no stock is available in this line below 15c. B.A.'s are also very firm, being now quoted at 30 to 35c. Of domestic wools there seem no supplies here of any note.

## LIVERPOOL PRICES.

Liverpool, July 8th, 12.30 p.m.

	s.	d.
Wheat, Spring	6	0
Red Winter	0	0
No. 1 Cal.	6	5
Corn	2	9½
Peas	4	2½
Lard	20	0
Pork	45	0
Bacon, heavy	25	0
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